



St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

March 23, 2025 – Third Sunday of Lent



OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Joan of Arc Parish is a growing community of Roman Catholic Christians in the Chagrin Falls area. We are a diverse, gifted, and joyful people who share a common belief in the Word of Jesus Christ. Our Mission, like that of Jesus Christ and His apostles, is to proclaim the Kingdom of God through living the gospel.

WE GATHER AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY TO:

Celebrate our faith and the presence of God in the Eucharist and in one another.

Imitate our Savior in His service to others.

Teach our beliefs at all levels.

Welcome the participation of all in our Christian fellowship.

Parish Information

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Mass Schedule

Weekend Mass:

Saturdays 4:30pm, Sundays 9:00am and 11:00am

Weekday Mass:

Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays 8:00am
Tuesdays 9:00am September–May, 8:00am June–August
Holy Day Masses and Civic Holidays subject to change—see bulletin and/or website.

Sacramental Information

Baptism: Celebrated at most weekend masses or on most Sundays at noon. Contact the Parish Office.
Reconciliation (Confession): Saturdays 3:30pm until all are heard. Advent and Lent Saturdays 3:15pm –4:00pm.

For other Sacramental Information, please see PAGE 3.

New parishioners welcome! Please contact the Parish Office to register.



From the Pastor

Greetings of Peace as we begin this 3rd week of Lent. Easter is less than a month away. We began Spring this past Thursday! Our days are lengthening and we are looking forward to better weather.

Looking ahead a couple of weeks, we will have a Lenten Series/Parish Mission with Fr. Damian Ference who will be here at St. Joan of Arc the evenings of Sunday April 6, Monday April 7, and Tuesday April 8. Fr. Damian is a vibrant speaker with a wonderful message. All are welcome. More information about our Lent Series is in this bulletin and on our parish website.

I shared some news with the parish at masses last weekend, March 15-16, and it is appropriate to share it with you here.

I will be moving from St. Joan of Arc this summer; I will be "Transferred."

In June 2011, I came here as Parochial Vicar. Two years later, when Fr. Walkowiak was sent to Grand Rapids as Bishop in June of 2013, I was told I would St. Joan of Arc would be a "one man parish" and I was appointed to a "6-year term" as pastor. That 6-year term was renewed in Spring of 2019 and this current 6-year term as pastor will conclude in a few months. Very recently the Bishop's Office indicated that it is time for a move for me... and this move will take place sometime this summer. When I know more I will share it with you.

Looking back on about 14 years serving as here at St. Joan of Arc – and as pastor for nearly the past 12 years – I rejoice that, with God’s help, we built the Kingdom. And still do. It is my privilege to do this with you and with our wonderful parish staff

This is not a “farewell,” yet; there will be a time for that. At this point I am sharing with you the news that my term of service here at SJA will end this summer. Until then, I am here – although, at various times, I will take some “time off” that I have coming.

Thank you for receiving me into your lives and at this great parish. You are good people and you are a gift.

It happens I will be away from the parish for a few days this week, leaving after morning mass on Tuesday March 25. I will return on Friday morning, March 28, for an 11:00 AM funeral. There will not be an 8:00 AM daily mass on Thursday or Friday, March 27, 28.

Have a blessed week and Holy Lent. You are in my heart and prayers.

Fr. Gary



Lenten Soup Supper

Join us for Stations of the Cross during Lent. Stations start at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. After the Elizabeth Ministry will be providing a soup supper with macaroni and cheese, bread, and drinks in the Church Hall.



All are welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 23

9:00am SJA

11:00am Jesse Lill (Callahan)

Monday, March 24

8:00am Peter Lococo (Foli)

Tuesday, March 25

**9:00am Glenn Varner (SJA
PTO)**

Wednesday, March 26

No Mass

Thursday, March 27

8:00am No Mass

Friday, March 28

8:00am No Mass

Saturday, March 29

**4:30pm Joseph & Barbara
McIntyre (Pacak)**

Sunday, March 30

**9:00am Deceased Members of
the Roger's Family (Patrick)**

11:00am SJA

OTHER SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION



SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact a priest or deacon at least one year before the anticipated date.

Care of the Sick and Elderly: Please inform us of those who are sick, aged, unable to come to church, homebound, hospitalized, or may need the Sacrament of Anointing.

FUNERALS

Please contact the parish office before scheduling or publishing (generally through a funeral director).

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

May be obtained by registered, practicing members of our parish who have received the three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist (and, if married, were married in the Church). Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

SESSIONS IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA)

Thursdays at 6:30pm, September - May. Contact Deacon Jeff at 440-376-9177

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction at St. Joan of Arc: Will be the Thursday before the First Friday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.



Baptism Class

The Sacrament of Baptism is a very special time where we receive into the Church newly Baptized, along with welcoming their family and sponsors to share in the beginning of their child's journey of faith.

Classes are offered both in person and online Zoom. To sign up or get further information on the classes or with questions on Baptism at SJA , call Diana at 440-552-1046 or email at dianag@stjoanofarc.org



DAILY ROSARY—ST. JOAN OF ARC AVILAS

Please join us to pray the Rosary, Weekdays following the 8:00am Mass in the Chapel.

The St. Joan of Arc AVILAS, an organization of men and women, joined together under the patronage of St. Theresa of Avila, praying for religious vocations, meet on the Second Friday of each month. Member's attend the 8:00am Mass, followed by the Recitation of the Rosary and praying the Avila prayers for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

For more information , contact Matthew " Mickey" O'Hearn at 440-338-5914 or mohearniii@gmail.com



St. Joan PSR Happenings.....



Recently, Miss Elliott's 4th grade PSR class led our Lenten Prayer Service for grades K-6. The children saw the changing of the liturgical season by removing the green colors of ordinary time and replacing them with purple and adding objects and materials that remind us of and help us on our Lenten journey. Thank you, Miss Elliott and all the students!



FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION IN THE NARTHEX

Please bring your non-perishable food donations (canned vegetables, fruits, spaghetti sauce, soup, pasta, rice, ramen noodles, peanut butter, etc. when you come to Mass. Thank You for your support!



WEEKLY COLLECTION

**WEEKEND COLLECTION S 3/15-3/16
Collection: \$ 7,555.00**

**WEEKLY COLLECTION ONLINE : 3/10-3/14
Collection: \$ 2,998.00**

Thank You for your continued support!

FOOD PANTRY THURSDAY

**There will be a car in the SJA parking lot
Thursday, March 27, 2025 from 10:00-
11:00am**

- Taco Seasoning-Taco Shells-**
- Iceberg Lettuce-Onion-**
- Shredded Cheese-**
- Ground Beef (1lb. Package)**



**Thank you so much for helping
us stock the pantry shelves. Please call Jane
Zilly with any questions 216 -402-8912**



HOME VISITATION MINISTRY

**Do you know of someone in the parish
who is homebound and would like to
receive the Eucharist? The Home
Visitation Ministry teams bring the
Eucharist to the sick and the
homebound on a regular basis. These
visits afford the opportunity for prayer
and social visitation.**

**Please contact Jan Nally at 440-840-
5087 or the parish office to arrange for
our teams to visit.**

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Families, enjoy your Spring Break!

APRIL PSR CLASSES:

Grades K-6: Mondays, April 7, 14, 28
Grade 7: Sundays, April 6, 13, 27



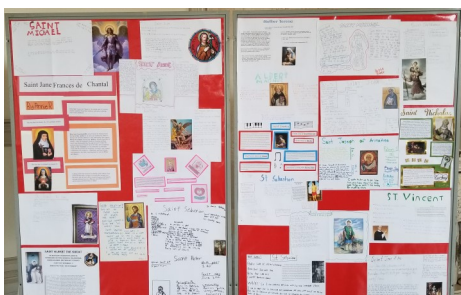
VIRTUS TRAINING

Any adult anticipating volunteering in parish activities with children is required by the Diocese of Cleveland to participate in Virtus Training. There will be a training session here at St. Joan of Arc on March 24 from 5:30pm-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. We are blessed to have these sessions close here at our parish! Register for a session at virtusonline.org

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is held during the 11:00 Mass each Sunday for those children in grades K-3. If you would like to volunteer to help with this important ministry, please contact Mary Vincenti in the Office of Faith Formation at 440-247-3606. Or email mvincenti@stjoanofarcchurch.org

SJA CONFIRMATION 2025





Sunday, April 6, 7-8PM God & Creation

Monday, April 7, 7-8PM Sin & Redemption

Tuesday, April 8, 7-8PM Sacraments & Mission (brief reception following last presentation)



Presenter is Fr. Damian Ferrence

Fr. Damian Ferrence is a priest of the Diocese of Cleveland where he serves as Vicar for Evangelization, Secretary for Parish Life and Special Ministries, and as Professor of Philosophy at Borromeo Seminary. He holds a licentiate in philosophy from The Catholic University of America and a doctorate in philosophy from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome. He writes regularly on the intersection of faith and culture for a variety of outlets and is the author of the award-winning book, [*The Strangeness of Truth*](#) (Pauline Books & Media, 2019) and [*Understanding the Hillbilly Thomist*](#) (Word on Fire, 2023). Fr. Ferrence is the founder and director of {TOLLE LEGE} Summer Institute and is a life-time member of the Flannery O'Connor Society. You can follow him on Twitter [@frference](#).



COMPLIMENTARY ROSARIES

Have you ever wanted to pray the rosary and didn't know how? Or have forgotten over the years? Or maybe you are newly exploring the Catholic faith and want to learn more. If so, please take a rosary pouch located in the Narthax.

Inside you will find a beautiful rosary and a booklet on how to pray the rosary, compliments of the SJA Women's Guild.

You are also always welcome to pray the rosary with fellow parishioners every Wednesday at 10:00 am in our remarkable Garden of Life.

"The Rosary is the most excellent form of prayer and the most efficacious means of attaining eternal life. It is the remedy for all our evils, the root of all our blessings. There is no more excellent way of praying."

Pope Leo XIII

SJA Women's Guild Upcoming Events



SAVE THE DATE: The SJA Women's Guild will hold its annual and very popular Spring Luncheon/Fashion Show on May 1st (Thursday) at the Chagrin Valley Athletic Club. Mark your calendars and invite a friend! **Questions: Contact Jackie Rohr at 440-773-5120 or Mirta Prior at 714-878-7147. More details to follow.**

Women's Guild Luncheon Auction Donations



We are asking for your help with this years Auction Tables. Some suggestions are jewelry, crystal, serving dishes, garden items, tickets to events , paintings, baskets filled with bath articles, children's books, chocolates or travel items to name a few. If you put together a basket please fill it with items you will use if it does not sell. No donation is too small.

The Guild is so grateful for the generosity we have received over the years for our Luncheons.

Please contact Dee Bomback at 440-409-6010 or Mary Lou Horrigan at 216-287-9921 for information.

****The cut off date for receiving donations : Monday, April 28,2025****



Thank you to the SJA Women's Guild for their generous donation of the music stands for our handbell choir.