



St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

March 30, 2025— Fourth Sunday of Lent



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'" - Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

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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 enter our 4th week of our Lenten journey. Easter is 3 weeks away. And March is the month we really notice the days getting longer and longer. Now all we need is better weather. April begins this week!

In just over a week, we will have a Lenten Series/Parish Mission with Fr. Damian 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 the past 2 weekends and it is once again good to share it here. I will be moving from St. Joan of Arc this summer; I will be "Transferred."

I moved here in June of 2011 and in June of 2013, I was named pastor. At that time we were also told that St. Joan of Arc would be a "one man parish" as 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.

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.

It is not too early to look to Holy Week and Easter! Here is our parish schedule.

-Palm Sunday weekend, April 12-13, masses Saturday 4:30 PM and Sunday 9:00AM & 11:00AM Palms will be blessed at all masses and available in the Gathering Area

-Holy Thursday, April 17, evening mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00PM

Followed by adoration in the chapel until 9:30 PM

-Good Friday, April 18, Solemn Passion at 3:00PM

-Easter weekend, April 19-20, Holy Saturday 8:30 PM mass and Easter Sunday 9:00AM & 11:00AM

The liturgies in Holy Week and Easter are very special and sacred. Join us in prayer and worship – for “These are the Days of our Salvation.” The schedule should also be available on our parish website stjoanofarcchurch.org.

Enjoy the beginning of April and have a great week.

Blessings and peace,

Fr. Gary



Pouring Out Support One Bowl at a Time!

Hello St. Joan of Arc parishioners! Our parish is seeking to provide breakfast to families in need, both in our local community and the greater Cleveland area. We are collecting packaged cereals of any size and variety at our church from April 6th until May 1st. If you would like to support this initiative, please bring your donations to the church narthex during any mass hours. Thank you for your generosity and support!



Lenten Soup Supper

Join us for Stations of the Cross during Lent. Stations are at 6:30 pm in the Church.

After the Day School and PSR will be providing a soup supper with macaroni and cheese, bread and drinks in the Church Hall.

All are Welcome

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

**9:00am Deceased Members of
the Rogers Family (Patrick)**

11:00am SJA

Monday, March 31

**8:00am Nancy Giragosian
(McGinnis)**

Tuesday, April 1

9:00am Joe Chismar (Gleason)

Wednesday, April 2

No Mass

Thursday, April 3

**8:00am Ryan & Tanya Lawson
(Sutton)**

Friday, April 4

**8:00am Morgan Ehrenbeit
(SJA Parish)**

Saturday, April 5

4:30pm SJA

Sunday, April 6

**9:00am Gertrude Sellers (SJA
Parish)**

11:00am Greg Caspio (Gleason)

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



Eucharistic Adoration

Will be held inside the church

on the Thursday before the First Friday of the month from 8:30am to 8:30pm. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at 7pm. All are welcome to come and share in this beautiful experience of prayer and worship in the presence of Christ, be it 10 minutes, 30 minutes, or 1 hour.



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



DAY OF
***Eucharistic
Adoration***

Thursday, April 3

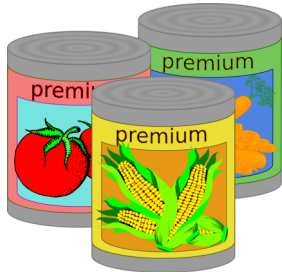
8:30am-8:30pm in Church

Benediction at 7pm

***All are welcome! Come spend
time in prayer and worship in
the presence of Christ.***

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 \$ 3/22-3/23
Collection: \$ 9,236.00

WEEKLY COLLECTION ONLINE : 3/17-3/21
Collection: \$ 3,341.00

Thank You for your continued support!

FOOD PANTRY THURSDAY

There will be a car in the SJA parking lot
Thursday, April 3, 2025 from 10:00-11:00am

- Bar Soap-Hand Soap-
- Toothpaste-
- Butter-Milk-
- Chicken-



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

Join us this Friday, April 4, at 6:30pm for Stations of The Cross. The PSR and Day School students will be hosting stations and the soup supper afterward.

FIRST EUCHARIST



On Saturday, April 12, our 2nd graders making their First Communion this May will get together for a Jesus Day Retreat in preparation for their upcoming First Eucharist. Please keep them in your prayers as they immerse themselves in Jesus' love and gifts.

APRIL PSR CLASSES:

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



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](mailto:mvincenti@stjoanofarcchurch.org)





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 [@frferrence](#).



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 Bombback at 440-409-6010 or Mary Lou Horrigan at 216-287-9921 for information.

**** Donations may be dropped off at the Parish Office****

****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.