



St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

March 9, 2025 - First Sunday of Lent



1st SUNDAY OF LENT

The devil said to him, "All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written: You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve." - Lk 4:6a, 7-8

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 are a few days into the Lenten Season.

Back by popular demand, here are some thoughts on “Keeping a Holy Lent” (an adaptation of Lenten Prayers and reflections by William Arthur Ward, 1921-1994, an American author, teacher and pastor). I have shared some of these reflections in the past and have had numerous requests for them to be shared with you again. So, here goes. I hope it is helpful!

Fast From ... and ... Feast On

Fast from judging others; feast on Christ in them.

Fast from wanting more; feast on being thankful.

Fast from anger; feast on patience.

Fast from worry; feast on trust.

Fast from complaining; feast on enjoyment.

Fast from negatives; feast on positives.

Fast from stress; feast on prayer.

Fast from anger; feast on forgiveness.

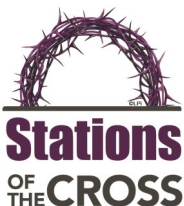
Fast from self-concern; feast on compassion for others.

Fast from fear; feast on truth.

Fast from discouragement; feast on hope.

Fast from gossip; feast on silence.

Fast from fighting; feast on peace.



In this Sacred Season, one special way to pray in Lent is to participate in the Stations of the Cross. Here at St. Joan of Arc we have the Stations during Lent on Fridays at 6:30 PM in church – followed by a “simple soup supper” (soup is in the Parish Hall), for those who wish to come.



Also of note. This week we celebrate Confirmation in our parish with our 8th graders on Wednesday evening, with Bishop Martin Amos. Please keep our Confirmation Candidates in your prayers as they receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit who will strengthen them to follow our Lord with a deep and lively faith. "Come Holy Spirit. Fill the hearts of your faithful..."



Finally, Saturday night, March 8, 2025, we "spin our clocks" forward one hour as we begin daylight savings time. (Actually we turn our clock ahead one hour on Sunday March 8 at 2:00 AM. I like to turn my clocks and watches on Saturday!) It is interesting to see those who may have forgotten to turn their clocks and when they arrive at church on Sunday! So, here's a reminder that we will "spin our clocks" ahead one hour this coming weekend, March 8-9. The old adage says, "Spring Forward!"

Be assured of my prayers for you - especially in this Holy Season of Lent.

Blessings and peace,

Fr. Gary

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

9:00am SJA

**11:00am May Ann Kovalski
(Poch/Waligura)**

Monday, March 10

**8:00am Walkiewicz Family
(Walkiewicz)**

Tuesday, March 11

9:00am Janos Szigeti (Szigeti)

Wednesday, March 12

No Mass

Thursday, March 13

8:00am Tom Malak (Kearney)

Friday, March 14

8:00am Charlie Rule (Rule)

Saturday, March 15

4:30pm SJA

Sunday, March 16

**9:00am Fran Timko
(DistauloFamily)**

11:00am Ginger Cirino (Cirino)

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

Second Sunday Vespers

THIS WEEKEND

March 9, 2025, 6:30 PM.

We look forward to seeing you as our program continues to grow. We are encouraging all to invite (or better yet, bring a friend and/or neighbor) to enjoy praying in community with the Prayer of the Church Worldwide and hearing a speaker on current topics in our lives.

Our “Ted Talk” speaker will be Mr. Greg Coogan, the new Director of the Secretariat of Catechetical Formation & Parish Life.

With many Blessings, the Second Sunday
Vespers Team.

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

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Collection: \$ 10,214.00

WEEKLY COLLECTION ONLINE : 2/24-2/28

Collection: \$ 5,226.00

Thank You for your continued support!

FOOD PANTRY THURSDAY

There will be a car in the SJA parking lot
Thursday, March 13, 2025 from 10:00-
11:00am

- Syrup-Jelly-
- Instant Oatmeal-
- Eggs- Kielbasa-



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

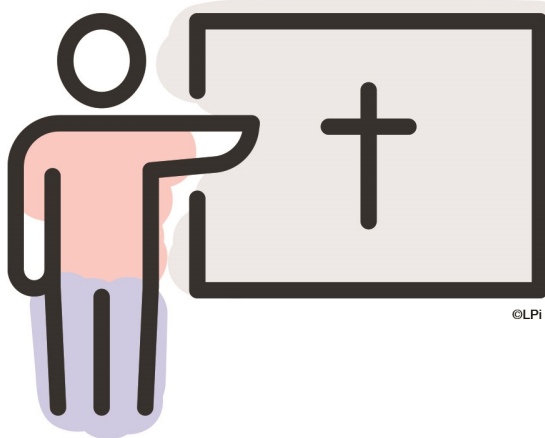
MARCH PSR CLASSES:

Grades K-6: Mondays, March 10, 17

Grade 7: Sundays, March 9, 16



VIRTUS TRAINING



Any adult anticipating volunteering in parish in 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 for children 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



CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to the Confirmation candidates who participated in a Spirit-filled retreat recently. Thank you to Adam Lesko and Allie Gall who facilitated the retreat and a special thank you to all the parent Table Leaders who helped keep the day running smoothly. Please keep the teens in your prayers for their upcoming Confirmation on Wednesday, March 12, 2025!



SAVE THE DATE !! SJA VACATION BIBLE CAMP!



JUNE 16-20, 2025

9AM-12PM

AGES 4yo-6TH GRADE

SJA Women's Guild Upcoming Events



Attention ALL registered women of the Parish; did you know you're an automatic member of the SJA Women's Guild? You are invited to attend our monthly Monday meetings in Parish the hall at 10AM. Come and share your ideas and talents. **Next meeting is March 10 at 10AM**



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.**

Lenten Soup Supper

Join us for Stations of the Cross during Lent.
Stations start at 6:30 p.m. in the Church.
A soup supper will follow stations in the Church Hall.
Soup is provided by ArcAngels-4-Life.

All are welcome.

