



St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

May 12, 2024 – The Ascension of our Lord



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 Easter Peace as we continue to celebrate in the Joy of the Easter Season; this weekend we remember the Ascension of our Lord into heaven. Where he has gone, we hope to follow!

This weekend is Mother's Day! Let me say "Happy Mother's Day!" to our Moms. Mothers, at their best, convey love in so many ways, and they teach us how to love and care. Thank you!! Of course we remember Mom in my family – and we also "celebrated" our Grandmothers and celebrated with my baptismal Godmother. Thank you, Moms, for your love, care, nurturing, and selfless dedication. We are very grateful! Happy Mother's Day!

Next weekend we celebrate the power of the Holy Spirit as we rejoice at Pentecost. Feel free to **WEAR RED FOR PENTECOST!**

And again, let us offer our congratulations to our 2nd graders who received First Communion last weekend. "Welcome to the table." It is with joy we receive our Lord and his nourishment, together. Amen. We are grateful to you for your faith and openness to receive our Lord in Holy Communion. May we all hunger and thirst for the Love and sustenance of our Lord.

This is also the time of year when we celebrate Graduations. Congratulations to those who will soon graduate from 8th grade from our parish school – and to all graduates. May the Risen Lord guide you in all your endeavors and on your journey to the future. You are in our prayers!

Since it is already May, it is appropriate to look ahead to June – and to Summertime. Please note that in the "summer months" of June, July, and August, the Tuesday AM mass in our parish will be celebrated at 8 AM. Until then, though, while we are still in the month of May, the Tuesday morning mass will remain at 9 AM. Thank you for making a note of this.

Have a great week.

He is Risen. He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

Blessings and Easter Peace.

Fr. Gary

From the Women's Guild



The Women's Guild would like to thank everyone who supported our Spring Luncheon at Club at Hillbrook on April 25th. We had over 100 people attend our lunch!! It was a picture-perfect day! The fashion show was a huge success by Blush of Chagrin Falls. The ladies of our church wore some great clothes, and Jan Jones was the perfect emcee. The silent auction and 50/50 raffle were very successful, and all profits will go to our Garden of Life. Tony Colini gave an informative talk on the history and future plans for our Garden of Life..

Congratulations to Mary Vincenti !!

It was announced at the Women's Guild Luncheon that Mary Vincenti was the "Woman of the Year." Mary has been a member of St Joan's since 2008 along with her family. Her two daughters attended St. Joan of Arc School and PSR programs in our parish. Mary is past President of our school's PTO and has always been involved in volunteering for SJA. Mary served as director of our Vacation Bible Camp for 8 years. Mary is the Director of St. Joan of Arc Religious Education, and is doing a wonderful job. SJA is very blessed to have this great lady in our Parish. A brick will be placed in the Garden of Life in honor of Mary Vincenti. Thank you Mary for all you do for our church.



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MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MAY 12

**9:00am Stefan Turco
(DiStaulo**

11:00am SJA

Monday, May 13

**8:00am Morgan Erhenbeit
(SJA School)**

Tuesday, May 14

**9:00am SJA First Communion
Class 2024**

Wednesday, May 15

No Mass

Thursday, May 16

**8:00am Paul (Lou) Repasky
(Mingione)**

Friday, May 17

**8:00am Stephen Bullard
(Maruca)**

Saturday, May 18

4:30pm Ginger Cirino (Cirino)

Sunday, May 19

9:00am SJA

**11:00am Richard Yoe (SJA
Parish)**

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.

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.

Any questions please contact Paulina Rudmann, (440) 724-1468



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 the 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 St. Joan of Arc, call
Diana at 440-552-1046 or email
dinah627@windstream.net



**Please note Vespers will be Sunday, May 19th .
They have been rescheduled due to Mother's**

In The Garden of Life with Toni Colini—May 12 2024

***Mysotis scorpioides*– Eyes of Mary (biennial Forget-me-not)**

Plant Type: Biennial (blooms in second year and dies) easily reseeds itself throughout the garden, grows 8-10" in height, blooming in late April through May.

Bloom: Small pink to blue buds opening to tiny blue clusters of clear blue flowers with golden eye above the foliage.

Culture: Prefers semi-shade to shade, but does grow in full sun. This plant will grow in very wet conditions.



Marian Connection: The golden center of the Forget-me-not flower is the reflection of Jesus in paradise in Mary's blue eyes. The flower is to remind us of paradise, reflecting on Jesus as the center of life and hopes of everlasting life.

Where: In the entry walk to the Garden of Life on the right hand side and throughout the GOL.



***Brunnera macrophylla*– Eyes of Mary (perennial Forget-me-not)**

Plant Type: Herbaceous perennial reaching a height of 18" blooming in late April to May.

Bloom: Small blue flower clusters above the heart shaped leaves.

Culture: Prefers shade to semi-shade growing in moist rich soils.

Marian Connection: The beautiful blue flowers remind us of Mary's eyes and the heart shaped leaves of her love of God and servitude to him in giving birth to Jesus.

Where: In the entry walk to the Garden of Life on the right hand side.

***Convallaria majalis*– Mary's Tears (Lily of the Valley)**

Plant Type: Herbaceous perennial groundcover, blooming in mid-May around Mother's day.

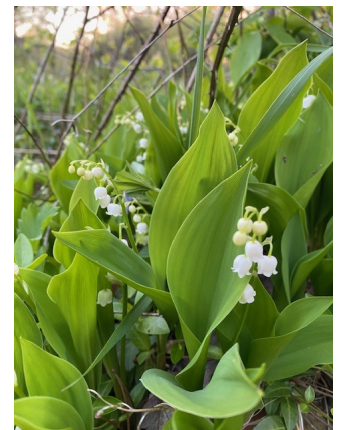
Bloom: Small, fragrant, tear drop shaped white flowers along stems about 8" tall.

Culture: Grows in dry to moist shade, forming a dense mat of rich green ground cover.

Biblical Connection: Legend says that as Mary stood at the foot of the cross her tears fell to the

ground and turned to these tiny fragrant blossoms. The lily of the valley is a symbol of the Virgin Mary's purity as white flowers, sweet fragrance, and humility. The plant symbolizes Mary's Immaculate Conception as purity of body and soul.

Where: In the entry walk to the Garden of Life on the right hand side.



FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION IN THE NARTHEX

Please bring your non-perishable food donations Toilet bowl cleaner, sponges, paper towels, Windex, scrub brush, Murphy's Oil Soap, Mr. Clean/Lysol, Pine sol, Comet ,when you come to Mass.

Thank You for your support!



FOOD PANTRY THURSDAY

There will be a car in the SJA parking lot this Thursday, May 16th from 10:00am-11:00am for you to drop off items.

-Cleaning Supplies-

-Sugar-Butter-

-Canned Fruit-

-Fresh Fruit-



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

Save the date

Parish Festival September 8, 2024 after the 11:00 am mass.



WEEKLY COLLECTION

5/4-5/5

Collection: \$ 9,912.34

Online: \$ 3,407.69

Thank You for your continued support!

GARDEN OF LIFE:

Spring has arrived and we are looking for volunteers for maintenance & annual planting in the garden. Trimming, deadheading, weeding, planting, watering - there is many ways to help with our beautiful Rosary Garden. Any amount of time given is welcome even if it's just an hour! We are especially looking for volunteers to help with planting the annual flowers. It is a fun project for families to volunteer on together - it also counts for service hours for confirmation or high school. **Annual planting dates are Friday June 7th from 9am - 11am & Saturday June 8th from 9am-11am. Please call or email Samantha Taylor (440) 715-5108 samvanilla@hotmail.com for more information.**





Happy Mother's Day!

Where would any of us be without our mothers? How blessed we all are for our Mother's "Yes" to life. We can also thank Mary for her mother's "Yes" to being the vessel of Our Lord, Jesus Christ. The Church honors her as the Mother of God, we look to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and ask for her prayers to God on our behalf. Thank you to all our mothers! As a token of our appreciation here at St. Joan of Arc please take a prayer card with the miraculous medal located in the Narthex and know of our continued prayers for you.

Mary-Thon May 13, 2024

Beginning with mass at 8:00am, Muffins with Mary at 8:30, May crowning with the school at 9:00am The bible study will have their consecration to Mary at 11:30, Brown bag lunch with Tony Colini, garden architect at 12 noon, closing presentation "Mysteries of Mary" at 6:00pm. Millie Prebel will share the devotion to Mary and highlights from her pilgrimage to Fatima last year. We are encouraging all who can to stop by and pray the rosary from 10:00am to 7:00pm. If you would like to take part in the pledge drive please note the pledge form is online, and it is also in the Narthex.

Please feel free to stop by any time of the day and pray a rosary or two in the garden.



Did you know the Diocese of Cleveland has a new podcast called our daily prayer? Each week they feature a different priest in the Diocese. Bishops Michael Woost and Ed Malesic as well as other diocesan priests join in the podcast praying our daily prayers. I'm a fan! **Check it out here <https://www.buzzsprout.com/2282374> Or click on the QR code to get started.**



Server training May 16th, right after school with Fr. Max snacks provided.

Students entering 5-8 grades Fall 2024



**Mother's Day Flowers in Honor of**

Marilyn Phifer, Charmaine Aerni, Marcia George, and
Kathleen Phifer
Blanche Storinsky
Ruth O'Keefe
Kimberly Podojil
Amy Byrne, Helen Lengel, and Amy Yeater
Ethel Sloboda
The Sindely Family
Louise Foli and Rosemarie Zuccaro
Borowski and Walkiewicz Families
Helen C. Cergol
Patty Mersol and Sara Williams
Helen Gozdanovil and Elizabeth Harmat
Rose McConnell, Jean Michalek and Natalie Mahl
Marilyn Biehler Anderson and JoAnn Ritondaro O'Malley
Beverly Bantel
Mrs. Stephen A. Sindely
Frances D'Ambrosia, Elizabeth Masterson and
Mary Giordano
Magdalen Simonitis and Jacqueline D'Arcangelo
Joanne Paulich
Angelo Salvini

Nancy Young, Jean Caplan and Maureen O'Hearn

From

Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Aerni

Mrs. Barbara Koeser
Mr. & Mrs. John O'Keefe
Mr. Roy Podajil
Mr. & Mrs. John Byrne
Mr. & Mrs. John Sloboda
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Sindely
Mrs. Rose Marie Foli
Mrs. Helen Walkiewicz
Ms. Judith Winston
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Williams
Dr. & Dr. Laszlo Harmat
Mr. & Mrs. Matt Michalek
Dr. & Mrs. Charles O'Malley
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Demille
Ms. Linda Rozman
Mrs. Maria Zeleznik

Mr. & Mrs. Ken Simonitis
Mrs. Jan Jones
Mrs. Viola Salvini
Sheila Corcoran
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Mostar
Carothers
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew
O'Hearn



Office of Faith Formation

CONGRATULATIONS

AGAIN, TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS!



MAY CROWNING

Our K-6th graders honored our Blessed Mother Mary with a May Crowning this past Monday. Thank you to all who participated and to the parents who attended.



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Our Parish School of Religion held its last class of the school year this past week and what a great year it was! Our catechists and aides are the heart of our program-THANK YOU to all of them for their dedication teaching our faith. Thank you, parents, for sending your children, and students, for continuing your faith formation by attending our classes. 124 Sacraments were bestowed on our parish children between First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation! You are the future of our church! Have a blessed summer!

