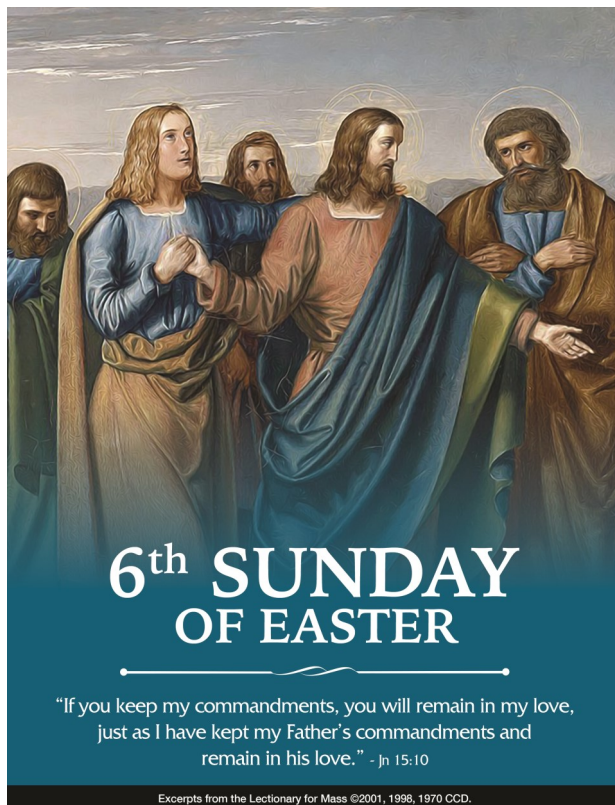




# St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

May 5, 2024— Sixth Sunday of Easter



## 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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### Parish Staff

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**Rev. Mr. Jeffrey Dunlop, Deacon**

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**Rev. John R. Olsavsky, Pastor Emeritus**

### 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.



Greetings of Easter Peace on this 6th Sunday of the Easter Season. Easter Sunday is the "First Sunday of Easter" - and so Easter was over one month ago, actually it was 5 weeks ago. Wow! And we are already nearly one week into the month of May! My, how time flies. Next weekend we will celebrate the Ascension of our Lord into heaven. (Quite a few years ago, the Ascension was moved from "Ascension Thursday" to the weekend of the 7th Sunday of Easter in most Dioceses in the USA. This has been our practice in Cleveland.)

This weekend our parish celebrates First Communion with our 2nd graders. "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. And congratulations! May we all hunger and thirst for the love and sustenance of our Lord.

Next weekend we celebrate Mother's Day on Sunday, May 12th. Mothers, at their best, convey love in so many ways, and they teach us how to love and care. Thank you, moms!! Of course we remember mom in my family - and in my family we also "celebrated" grandmothers and my baptismal Godmother! My grandmothers and godmother are now praying for us in heaven! Thank you, Moms, for your love, care, nurturing, and selfless dedication. We are very grateful.

This is also the time of year we prepare for celebrate Graduations. Congratulations those who will 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 Summer. **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. And so our Tuesday morning mass will remain at 9 AM until we enter June. Thank you for making a note of this.**

Here is an update from Catholic Charities and the 2024 Diocesan Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. Your generous support helps to transform the lives of others, to offer dignity, possibilities, and companionship to those who are most vulnerable. From the February "in pew" appeal - and Diocesan mailing - we at St. Joan of Arc have generously given about \$80,000 to the annual appeal. The Diocese set our "parish goal" around 170,000. In past years we have met this "goal." In a few weeks we will again have the opportunity to support the good work of Catholic Charities with the "May follow up." Thank you, again, for your generous support.

May the Blessings and Peace of this Season of New Life fill your hearts and lives with the love of Christ and his abundant Grace.

He is Risen. He is Risen, Indeed. Alleluia!

Blessings and Easter Peace,

*Fr. Gary*



# St. Joan of Arc Catholic School

K - 8th Grade


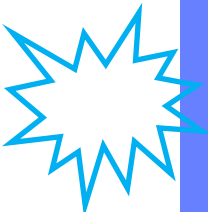


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## **MASS INTENTIONS**

**SUNDAY, MAY 5**

**9:00am SJA**

**11:00am Francis Carragher  
(SJA Parish)**

**Monday, May 6**

**8:00am Janos Szigeti  
( Szigeti)**

**Tuesday, May 7**

**9:00am Mary Boehlke (SJA  
School)**

**Wednesday, May 8**

**No Mass**

**Thursday, May 9**

**8:00am Helen & Joseph  
Justavich ( Kelley)**

**Friday, May 10**

**8:00am Richard Hummel  
( Fonash)**

**Saturday, May 11**

**4:30pm Ginger Cirino ( Cirino)**

**Sunday, May 12**

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

**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.

### **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](mailto: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 5, 2024

### **Cornus florida- Dogwood tree**

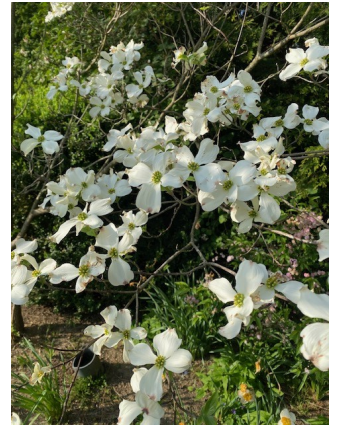
**Plant Type:** Ornamental flowering tree of about 25-30' native to Ohio

**Bloom:** Blooms in May with white, pink, red flowers depending on the cultivar type.

**Culture:** This tree likes a loamy well drained soil with plenty of compost and it likes partial shade. It's a woods edge or understory tree.

**Biblical/ Marian Connection:** See the poem below.

**Where:** In the Garden of Life on the right hand side as you begin the rosary.



### **A Legend of the Dogwood Tree**

When Christ was on earth, the dogwood grew to a towering size with a lovely hue. It's branches were strong and interwoven and for Christ's cross it's timbers were chosen. Being distressed at the use of this

wood, Christ made a promise which still holds true.

"Not ever again shall the dogwood grow

To be large enough for such a tree, and so

Slender and twisted it shall always be

With cross-shaped blossoms for all to see.

The petals shall have bloodstains marked in brown

And in the blossoms center a thorny crown.

All who see it will think of me,

Nailed to a cross from a dogwood tree.

Protected and cherished this tree shall be

A reflection to all of my agony."

by Alan Grant

### **Pulsatilla vulgaris- Pasch flower**

**Plant Type:** Herbaceous perennial with silvery, fuzzy fernlike foliage.

**Bloom:** Blooms in May on short stems with varieties of colors of passion purple, red, and white

**Culture:** Not a difficult perennial to grow, tolerant of many conditions, prefers well drained soils and grows best in full sun to partial shade.

**Biblical/ Marian Connection:** Anemos is Greek for wind. This plant would have grown on the dryer windy sites such as the Galilee area where Jesus grew up. Anemone would probably be one of the flowers referred to as the "Lilies of the field". (Matthew 6:28-29; Luke 12:27-28). Pasque refers to Passover and Easter.

**Where:** In the Garden of Life in the center quadrants.



## **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 9th from 10:00am-11:00am for you to drop off items.**

**-Sugar-Flour-**

**-Tuna-Mayonnaise-**

**-Kielbasa-Hot Dogs-**



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

## **WEEKLY COLLECTION**

**4/27-4/28**

**Collection: \$ 7,816.67**

**Online: \$ 5,487.00**

**4/20-4/21**

**Online: \$ 3,422.69**



## **AVILA NOTICE FOR SUNDAY**

**May 5, 2024**

**The St Joan of Arc Avilas are back and still looking for new members!**

We are an organization of men and women, joined together under the Patronage of St Theresa of Avila, praying for religious vocations. On the Second Friday of each month, members attend the 8:00 AM Mass, followed By the Recitation of the Rosary and praying the Avila prayers for vocations to The priesthood and Religious life.

**PLEASE JOIN US FRIDAY May 10, 2024.**

**Thank you Mother Mary!**

**Note: We also meet to pray the Rosary, weekdays, following the 8AM mass in the chapel. Please join us.**

**For Information, Contact Matthew "Mickey" O'Hearn, 440-338-55914, or mohearniii@gmail.com**

## From the Desk of Millie Prebel

### Mary-Thon May 13, 2024



We are one week away from our Back to the Garden Mary-Thon!

Beginning with mass at 8am, Muffins with Mary at 8:30 am, May crowning with the school at 9:00 am 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 6:00 pm. 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 10am 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. Make several copies and reach out to friends and families for their support. Write your name in the "Pledges for" space. Share with them that their donation will be going to the Garden of Life right here at St. Joan of Arc for revamping our current space. Once you have completed your rosaries return the form to each sponsor to let your donor know the number of rosaries that you prayed and the amount of their donation. Return the signed form with cash or Check made out to St. Joan of Arc with Garden of Life in the memo.

Return forms to the office no later than May 25, 2024. Please reach out to me at [mprebel@stjoanofarc.org](mailto:mprebel@stjoanofarc.org) with any further questions. Thanks so much for your support of our precious garden!

Link to Pledge Form Here:



Pray with us for the success of the Mary-Thon! We will begin a Novena to Our Lady of Fatima on May 4th. Join us on our Facebook page every day from May 5-13th. You can find the Novena here: <https://americaneedsfatima.org/prayers/novena-to-our-lady-of-fatima>



## ***FIRST COMMUNION CLASS OF 2024***

Isabel Rose Binko

Emma Claire Birnesser

Brooklyn James Catani

Charlotte Grace Cieslak

Penelope Paulina Cirino

Maja Marija Coffelt

Elizabeth Ann Constantine

Leo Alexander Cunningham

John Henry Daly

David Edward DeArmas

Michael Calvin DeArmas

Leonardo George DePompei

Andrew David Drexler

Katherine Grace Heyka

Adelaide Anne Hohman

Milo David Junkin

Jack Henry Kovey

Brianne Rose Krueger

Brooks Michael Latore

Milani Joanne Masseria

Beau Alexander McBride

Maizey Erzsebet Mesko

Camryn Rose Miozzi

Maycee Sue Norton

Isabel Noel Olszewski

Milania Roma Pozzuto

Parker Alice Proctor

Diem Olivia Reed

Declan Thomas Roush

Bodey Benjamin Russell

Zigmas Randall Russell

Dahlia Louise Sabetta

Brynn Elizabeth Scully

Orlie Rhiannon Sneeringer

Delilah Marie Vigh

Bridget Karen Walsh

Carson Rae Walsh

Luke Avery Wawzenek

Vera Anne Wetzel

Oliver Bradley Yert

Dash Joseph Yurovitsky



# Office of Faith Formation

**MAY THE PEACE OF THE RISEN LORD BE WITH YOU THROUGHOUT**

**THIS EASTER SEASON.**



## FIRST EUCHARIST

**Congratulations to our First Communicants who made their First Communion this weekend! We welcome them to the table of the Lord!**

**Thank you to all who helped prepare them for this sacrament and to those who helped with the Masses: Their parents, Fr. Gary, Deacon Denny, Deacon Jeff, Jon Thibo, Stacey Webster, Bobbie Trew and Anna Vincenti, Tony Colini and Anita Fratantonio, Lisa Hamsmith, Sr. Theresa, Patti Valencic and her team who decorated the church so beautifully. May Jesus, the Bread of Life, continue to bless these children and their families.**

## PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

### MAY CLASSES:

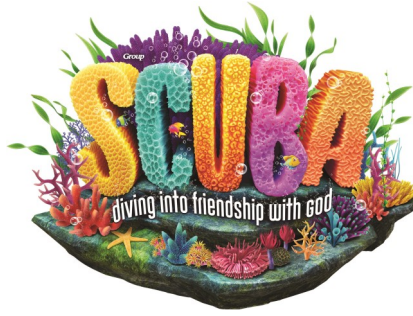
**Grade 7: Sunday May 5**

**Grades K-6: Monday May 6**



**PSR Registration forms for the school year 2024-2025 were sent out to current registered families. You may also pick them up when you bring your child to PSR. If possible, please return completed forms by the last PSR class in May. If you prefer to submit your payment closer to classes starting in the fall that is fine, but we ask that you please register now so we know how many books to order and how many catechists we will need.**

**Vacation Bible Camp will be June 17-21, 2024**



Summer is coming! See our VBC SCUBA table in the gathering area for registration forms for campers and volunteers. **All forms can also be found on our parish website under the Faith Formation tab then drop-down menu Vacation Bible Camp... [stjoanofarcchurch.org](http://stjoanofarcchurch.org)**

We are gratefully accepting donations of items to help decorate the gym and school to transform them into undersea SCUBA wonderlands for the children. We are requesting pool noodles, cans of vibrant-colored spray paint (for coral), spray foam (for coral), 2L empty plastic bottles, empty paper towel rolls, and large cardboard boxes. Please leave donations in the church gathering area near the VBC table in the bins. We would also love to borrow any scuba-themed/undersea props that you would be willing to let us use as décor for the week. Please contact us about these items, do not drop these off in the church. **Volunteers are the heart of our Camp! If you have gifts and talents that you think could be used to enhance this week and make it come alive, please contact the Office of Faith Formation 440-247-3606 to discuss how you can help or email: [sjavbc@stjoanofarc.org](mailto:sjavbc@stjoanofarc.org).**

