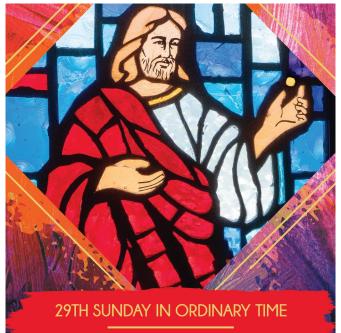


# ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 22, 2023



#### **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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#### **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, July

and 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.**



Since I am on retreat when this bulletin column is due, I am writing it a couple of weeks in advance so I can "concentrate on the spiritual" when I am away on retreat! A priest I know says, "When I go on retreat, I am 'off the grid'." I like that! Please know you are in my prayers as I am on retreat.

The Ohio Bishops and Bishop Malesic have been sharing information with us **as we approach the November 7, 2023 election.** We have been asked to include this bulletin announcement in our 10/22/2023 bulletin. The bishops tell us,

"The Catholic Church supports and defends women, children, and vulnerable Ohioans through accompaniment, social services, and material assistance. A misleading amendment on the ballot this November suggests that a "right to an abortion" is needed to protect women and children, while the amendment would actually put women at risk and endanger pre-born children.

"Catholics must Vote NO on Issue 1 to reject this misleading amendment because...

- "—Miscarriage care and ectopic pregnancy treatments are already protected by state law; generations of women's healthcare in Catholic hospitals prove that our society can protect women without enshrining a "right to abortion" in our constitution.
- "-As Catholics, we follow a Savior who is 'the Way, the Truth, and the Life.' Catholics, therefore, must reject Issue 1 because it is NOT the way to protect women and children, it does NOT represent the truth about miscarriage care and ectopic pregnancy treatment, and it does NOT respect the dignity of human life.
- -"Your vote is needed to save Ohio from this extreme amendment. Find your early voting location at **www.voteohio.gov** and protect women and children in Ohio by Voting" NO" on Issue 1."

The Catholic Conference of Ohio is the official voice of the Catholic Church in Ohio on public policy, advocating for the dignity of life at all stages, immigrants, Ohioans in need, and Catholic education.

Catholic Conference of Ohio, 100 E. Broad Street, Suite 600, Columbus, 0H 43215, **ohiocathconf.org** 

Let me offer the following reminders:

- –Please vote!
- —Secondly, we should allow our faith influence us as we form our consciences and become informed on issues and candidates...

-Also note, the Church does not support or oppose particular candidates; the church does seek to focus attention on the moral and human dimensions of issues.

I have been known to say, "The church is...and always will be...pro-Life."

Finally, in the Diocese of Cleveland's October 2023 "Diocesan Memo" we were reminded of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Charter Requirement (Protecting God's Children)... instructing us...

- -In our continued effort to comply with the requirements of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, the Office for Protection of Children & Youth is asking parishes to publish the bulletin announcement below at least twice during the Audit period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.
- -When published, parishes are asked to forward an electronic copy of the bulletin to the Diocese of Cleveland. Here at St. Joan of Arc in Chagrin Falls, OH, we will comply - and are publishing it in this bulletin of October 22, 2023.

#### **Bulletin announcement:**

#### **Protecting God's Children**

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior. Also, please contact the **Diocesan** Response Service Office at 216-334 -2999 or via email at response\_ services@dioceseofcleveland.org.

**Blessings and Peace,** 





#### IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)

If you are 70 1/2 or older, you are able to make a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA that will help St Joan of Arc Parish and reduce your taxable income. Talk to your advisors and IRA administrator for more information and to be sure that your IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift is made directly from an IRA to a qualified charity such as St Joan of Arc.



#### **Mass Intentions**

Sunday, October 22

9:00am SJA

11:00am Nan Morgan (Curran)

Monday, October 23

8:00am Patricia Hagan (Genske)

Tuesday, October 24

9:00am Blanche Julia Kyanko (Conacher)

Wednesday, October 25

No Mass

Thursday, October 26

8:00am Delores Kriz (Yoe)

Friday, October 27

8:00am Richard Yoe (Szigeti)

Saturday, October 28

4:30 Marjorie McLaughlin (Moriarty)

Sunday, October 29

9:00 Edna Fay ( John Murphy ( co-workers)

11:00 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** 

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.

"The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration..." - Pope St. John Paul II

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



#### **Angel Scholarship Fund- Back in 2023!**

The Angel Scholarship Fund (ASF) is a State of Ohio approved Scholarship Granting Organization. Donors to ASF may be eligible for a 100% tax credit on their State of Ohio income tax return for the year the contribution is made. ASF donations are awarded as tuition assistance for K-12 students in the Diocese of Cleveland, and donors may designate a school/schools to receive their donation.

#### Here's how it works\*:

The maximum credit amount is \$750 per individual; married couples that file a joint return can each claim this credit if both spouses make eligible donations (\$1,500 total). Please note this is a non-refundable credit, which means that the amount of the credit cannot exceed the amount owed in state taxes. Just follow these three steps:

STEP 1- Estimate your 2023 Ohio state tax liability

STEP 2- Make your donation to ASF

STEP 3- Claim your scholarship tax credit when you file your 2023 State of Ohio taxes

\* This does not constitute income tax advice. Always consult with a tax professional for information on the impact of any charitable donation.

Contributions can now be made that are eligible for the credit in the 2023 tax year. Please visit **www.catholiccommunity.org/angel** to make an online contribution or download a mail-in form.

For more information, call, email or scan:

216-902-1312 / asfinfo@dioceseofcleveland.org /

#### **2nd SUNDAY VESPERS**



Beginning November 12th at 6:30PM. The perfect way to end the week. Watch the Bulletin for upcoming details.



#### SJA DIRECTORY

In recent months you should have received the 2023 SJA Directory. If you have not received your Directory, please stop into the Parish Office to pick one up and update your registration if needed.

# Food Pantry Collection in the Narthex

Please bring your non-perishable food donations (canned vegetables, fruits, spaghetti sauce, soups, pasta, rice, ramen noodles, peanut butter,etc.) 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 October 26th from 10-11:00 AM for you to drop off items.

> -Sugar-Flour--Oil-Caned Cranberries--Bar Soap-

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

#### **Eucharistic Ministers- Help Needed**

Are you a Eucharistic Minister? Volunteers are needed to bring Holy Communion to Hillcrest Hospital. Our volunteers are back and safely ministering to our patients. We welcome you to join them. Training is provided. **Proof of Covid vaccination is required.** 

Contact Christine Young at 440-312-3739 for more information.

#### **Weekly Collection**

10/14-10/15

Collection: \$ 5,804.00

Online: \$ 4,097.00

Thanks you for your continued support!



#### St. Patrick's Hunger Center

St. Joan of Arc will be cooking and serving meals on Tuesday, October 24th at St. Patrick's Hunger Center.

We need homemade cookies to serve with dinner. If you would like to donate, please let us know and drop cookies off in the Parish Hall (kitchen) on the morning of the 23rd.

For more information, please call Tim & Jacquie Cogan at 440-725-4602 or email tcogan82@gmail.com



#### **Hamlet Holiday Happenings**

HOLIDAY ART, CRAFT AND GIFT BOUTIGUE HAMLET ATRIUM SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023 FROM 10:00AM-3:00PM FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



# Parish Service Day

# Saturday, November 18th Register Online by Nov 5th

www.stjoanofarcchurch.org or with QR code

We can do small acts of kindness with great love!

Sign up as individuals (16+ only) or as a family, all ages welcome! Choose a volunteer shift: morning or afternoon (exact times vary by location) You will be matched with other parishioners & given details about your service site assignment about two weeks before the service day

Receive a t-shirt to wear while you serve (or wear yours from prior years) Dinner served for volunteers in the Parish Hall following the 4:30pm mass Register online at the parish website with Google Forms by November 5th

In 2022, over 150 parishioners volunteered at these sites around Cleveland! Cleveland Food Bank, Lakeside Men's Shelter, Rescue Village, The Lantern, Chagrin Falls Park, Geauga Habitat Restore, Medwish International, Hamlet Village, Bainbridge Library, Malachi House, The Weils, Hattie Larlham, Geauga County Hunger Task Force, Kid's Book Bank, Ozanam Center at St. Philamena, Anna Maria of Aurora, The Village at Marymount, Light of Hearts Villa, St. Augustine Health Ministries, Westside Catholic Center, Zelie's Home, Boys and Girls Club Cleveland.

This year, sites may vary.

Registration Contact: Debbie Fitzmaurice 216-849-7878 debbie.fitzmaurice@gmail.com

#### From the Desk of Millie Prebel



#### \*\*\*\*\* SAVE THE DATE\*\*\*\*



## DATE NIGHT: An Evening of Adoration Fellowship and Reflection for Couples

Saturday, November 4 from 5:00pm - 9:30pm
Church of the Holy Angels 18205 Chillicothe Rd, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023
Adoration and Appetizers! Marriage Encounter of Northeast Ohio and the
Marriage and Family Ministry office are hosting an event with the help of Holy
Angels & St Joan of Arc. Couples are invited to attend an evening of adoration
with a reflection by Deacon Michael and his wife Francine Costantini.
Mass starts at 5:00 pm and the evening will end at 9:30 pm.

Registration is \$25 and includes heavy appetizers. Please note in the registration of any food allergies and the need for babysitting. Deadline is October 25. Tickets are nonrefundable.

#### **Office of Faith Formation**

#### **Confirmation**

I Thank you to all those who connected with a Confirmation candidate through prayers during our Prayer Partner weekend. They have received your name and will be praying for you!

A meeting for all Confirmation sponsors will be held Thursday, October 26 at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall. If a sponsor cannot attend, a parent needs to attend in their place. Teens are welcome to attend with their sponsor!

#### **Parish School of Religion**

October PSR Classes:

High School: Sundays, October 22, 29 Grades 7 and 8: Sundays, October 29 Grades K-6: Mondays, October 23, 30

Family Religion Program Meeting: Sunday, October 22 at 12:15pm in the

school.

#### **CLW**

The Children's Liturgy of the Word program is suspended for the time being. We hope to get it back up and running soon as we get more volunteers. You do not have to be a catechist. For more information, please call Mary Vincenti in the Office of Faith Formation at 440-247-3606.



#### **PSR K-6 Grad Rosary Prayer Service**









## BUILDING COMMON GROUND NOTES FROM DEACON DENNY

**Building Common Ground** is the concept of inviting people into a "Sacred Space" where we can convene for the purpose of building community; the Body of Christ. St. Joan of Arc, Chagrin Falls, Ohio continues to look for ways to create those Sacred Spaces through its liturgies, sacramental preparation, ministries and various programs. The current emerging "fruits of our labors" began many years ago. Through years of strategic planning activities, the Vibrant Parish Life initiative, participation in the Diocesan wide Church in the City activities, and the reconvening of many of the participants in these earlier programs in the current Synodal gatherings, have new emerging initiatives getting underway in the coming weeks. In concert in part with the Diocesan Evangelization team, the Office of Worship and Bishop Woost, and with both the Presbyteral and Diaconate formation programs at our Seminary, new ministries and opportunities continue to unfold.

Today's Note is introducing two of the current initiatives; our new Family Ministry and Second Sunday Vespers.

#### **FAMILY MINISTRY**

On November 8, 2023, we are gathering with over 30 existing SJA families to explore new ways to convene our families. Two initial key elements of building this ministry include establishing a "Buddy Family" system for new families joining our Parish, and exploration of a new "communication system" for all participants which incorporates meeting and activities calendars with contact information, opportunity for small group discussions on "family topics" of interest, connecting resources of all types in companioning families on the faith journey as well as their challenges in family life. An initial target audience for this leadership group will be over 100 families that have recently joined the Parish, as new to the area, and/or joining us in welcoming their new babies and children though Baptism.

#### SECOND SUNDAY VESPERS

Since Vatican II, the call for the whole church, as an invitation to all; clergy and laity, to pray the Liturgy of the Hours, the prayer of Jesus to His Father has grown, will begin a regular monthly convening of our Parish. Mark Your calendars for November 12th for our initial Sunday evening prayer with an additional program. More on this in the coming weeks. Questions, inputs, information and/or conversations welcome.

#### notes@deacondenny.net

Have a Blessed week. Deacon Denny