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Welcome

A warm welcome to you from our Lord, Jesus Christ, and the People of God at St. Joan of Arc. Newcomers and visitors are invited to make this parish family your own. Registration forms are available in the parish commons or contact the parish office with your desire to belong.

Diocesan Safe Environment Policy

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is committed to the idea that diocesan institutions and ministries provide a safe and nurturing environment for children, young people and vulnerable individuals. The mission of the diocese's *Safe Environment Program* is to create a safe environment, incorporating the standards as outlined in the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*. For more information, visit http://richmonddiocese.org/child_protection_virtus/.

In a commitment to support and facilitate healing, individuals who have been sexually abused by a cleric, religious, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Richmond are encouraged to contact the Civil Authorities and the confidential Victim's Assistance Reporting 24-Hour Number (877) 887-9603 or by writing to the Office of the Bishop.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

"A man who fails to love the Mass fails to love Christ." (J. M. Escriva, *Christ is Passing By*, no. 92) To love the Mass is a guarantee for salvation. But to love the Mass does not mean just being present and no more. It means to be present with faith and devotion. It means to take part in the Mass, realizing what it is: the Sacrifice of the Cross renewed on the altar; and realizing that when we go to Mass, we go, as it were, to Calvary. And that we should be present there, like our Blessed Lady beside the Cross, in loving contemplation of Christ who offers himself lovingly for each one of us.

(*The Mass Explained* CORMAC BURKE)

Ministry of Healing

Please let the parish office know if you or a family member is sick, in the hospital, or suffering. We have resources available for you. We would like to help arrange for Communion visits, phone calls, meals, etc. Please know your parish cares and wants to help. Please contact Deacon Jim Satterwhite or Cherry Macababbad in the parish office at (757) 898-5570. Your call is confidential; we will only put names for prayers in the bulletin if you specifically request it. Please be sure to call when it is time to remove a name from the prayer list. Thank you.

Prayers for Recovery**Prayer List**

Robert Bates, Abbey Chesley, Anne Cipriano, Tamera David, Mary Fairbanks, Christine Grosshans, Sylvia Harman, Albert Jury, Jim Matthews, Euong Pham, Sara Rudd, Julie Sandorfi, Stephen Strother

*Mass Intentions for the Week***Saturday, April 24**

5:30 p.m. Bernadette Boyd

Sunday, April 25

8:30 a.m. Jeanne Billings

11:30 a.m. † Jean-Pierre Fortin

Saturday, May 1

5:30 p.m. David Seko, Jr.

Sunday, May 2

8:30 a.m. Gerard D'Amore

11:30 a.m. † Alex Cipriano



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, April 25

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12

Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29

1 Jn 3:1-2

Jn 10:11-18

Monday, April 26

Easter Weekday

Acts 11:1-18

Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4

Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday, April 27

Easter Weekday

Acts 11:19-26

Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7

Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday, April 28

St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest

Acts 12:24—13:5a

Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8

Jn 12:44-50

Thursday, April 29

St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor

Acts 13:13-25

Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27

Jn 13:16-20

Friday, April 30

St. Pius V, Pope

Acts 13:26-33

Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab

Jn 14:1-6

Saturday, May 1

St. Joseph the Worker

Acts 13:44-52

Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4

Jn 14:7-14

Access Daily Readings from
the New American Bible, Revised Edition
(NABRE) online at <https://bible.usccb.org>

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Reflection on John 10:11-18

"May you be inspired to follow only the example of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, who came not to be served, but to serve."

So reads part of the bishop's prayer at every ordination of a priest. It is rooted in this Gospel's imagery of the Good Shepherd, and it acknowledges first that Jesus is the ultimate shepherd of His people; that all "pasturing" is done by Jesus, who knows His sheep, and provides all guidance, sustenance and protection for them. Secondly, this ordination prayer acknowledges that the priest shares in this mission of Jesus, the Good Shepherd. The priest's role is to serve, to bring people, not to himself, but to Jesus, who is our way, our truth, and our life. The priest is to form and shepherd a community of disciples, of friends, known by their self-emptying love.

Good Shepherd Sunday is also, appropriately, World Day of Prayer for Vocations. This is a great day to pray for all our priests, and to beg God to call and send young men into priestly ministry. May God send us priests who are good shepherds, in the image of Christ, priests who are strong, loving, and wise.

~ Fr. Jay



SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

Feast Day: April 29 • Patron Saint of Temptation

Catherine was born on March 25, 1347, in Siena, Italy. She was the youngest child in a large Italian family and knew that she was devoted to God from an early age. When she was six years old, she had a fantastic vision of Jesus and the Lord blessed her. Catherine never forgot this image in her mind. Her parents wanted her to marry, but she refused on account of her desire for a religious life. Catherine became a Dominican tertiary, a mystic, and also manifested the stigmata on occasion. In a later vision she was married to Christ and the infant Jesus offered her a wedding ring as a symbol of this union. She died in 1380 of a mysterious illness.

St. Catherine of Siena, I call on you for help this day.

I pray to the Lord to keep me from going astray.

Pray with me to the Lord our God, that I am responsible and true.

I ask His help, along with your prayers,

To remain steadfast, whatever the temptation may be.

St. Catherine of Siena, I ask you to give your glory

To the Father in Heaven and pray for me.

Amen.

Philip Lief Group, Inc. (2004). Sainly Advice: A Prayer for Every Problem. Capodanno, J. (Ed.). Kansas City, MO: Barnes and Noble

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Test God's Generosity!

St. Joan of Arc is a tithing Parish Family who knows that all we have is gifted from God in the first place. Tithing is the practice of trusting God's promise and giving back to God first. The Lord established this spiritual exercise and trained His people how to become sound, joyful and free by giving to God first ("The tithes of the herd and the flock, every tenth animal that passes under the herdsman's rod, shall be sacred to the LORD." Leviticus 27:32; "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, That there may be food in my house. Put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, And see if I do not open the flood-gates of heaven for you, and pour down upon you blessing without measure!" Malachi 3:10).

All the faithful are directed by God to offer 10% of our "increase" (income) to the Lord. It is a profound counter-cultural statement of our gratitude to God and acknowledges our total dependence on Him from whom we have received all that is good in the first place.

Who Will You Remember?

Your Personal Legacy Makes a Difference for Christ!

And this is legacy giving: It's who and what will be remembered and strengthened because of us when we journey home to the Lord at the end of this short earthly life. Our legacy is our potential to make a Kingdom difference for Christ, using our earthly resources which we dedicate to our beloved parish or ministry.

We know that if something is very important to us, we will do everything possible to support its increase and beauty. Our legacy refers to the portion of all we have from God which we thankfully give back once He calls us to glory. The goal of a legacy is to leave a gift that will make an impact for future generations.

If you have questions about how to create a lasting legacy for your family of St. Joan of Arc or if you have already decided to take this important step in your estate planning, we encourage you to contact the Parish Office.

May Crowning

St. Joan of Arc's annual **May Procession and May Crowning** will take place on Sunday, May 2, 2021, between the two morning Masses. We gather to honor Mary, the Patroness of our country, as we crown the Queen of Angels during a devotional service presented by our elementary faith formation students and the Legion of Mary. We invite family and friends to share in this devotion, and we ask all to bring flowers from their gardens that day to honor Our Lady of Grace.

During the month of May -- a month named for and dedicated to Mary -- Catholics around the world traditionally honor Our Blessed Mother with special devotional services like our May Crowning. The tradition in the United States and many other countries has been for school children to participate in a "May Crowning" ceremony, with a procession of students -- girls wearing pretty spring dresses and boys in their "Sunday best." During the service, a wreath of flowers is placed on a statue of Mary. Our devotional ceremony begins with a procession of the elementary students, which includes our parish's First Communicants (dressed in their First Communion dresses and suits). We will have special readings, songs and prayers to honor Our Blessed Mother. She will be crowned with a wreath of fresh flowers.

A special thank-you to all who have participated previously and now for helping to present such beautiful May Crownings!

Baptism Preparation

The next Baptism Preparation for Parents will take place next Sunday, **May 2nd**, after the **11:30 a.m.** Mass. The session will be conducted in Rooms F & H. Please contact Deacon Jim for more information at (757) 898-5570.



April 25, 2021

Parish Ministries

Finance Council, Daniel Burton
Parish Advisory Volunteer Group,
Randy Vis

Pastoral Ministry

Baptism Coordinator,
Deacon Jim Satterwhite
Bereaved,
John Bryant, III
Sick & Homebound,
Deacon Mark & Cathy Mueller

Liturgical Ministries

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EMHCs,
Denis Morhiser & Joe Badalis
Hospitality, Mary Ann Vogelbein &
James Tucker, III
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Music, Liam Lees
Readers, Michael Syptak &
Patti Komornik

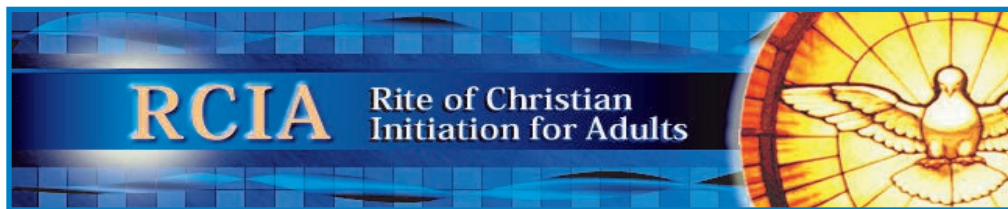
Non-Liturgical Ministries

Altar Linens, Pat Sappenfield
Liturgical Environment,
Barbara Carroll & Lynda Fairman
Building Maintenance,
Hank Rose & Dave Payton
Coffee & Donuts
Divine Mercy,
Donna Prantl & Cathy Fowler
Iron Men, Chris Emanus
& Chris Felice
Kitchen, Bill Garber & Jerry Ladnier
Landscape, Jim Orband
Lazarus, Cathy Fowler
Legion of Mary, Gina Endres
Library, Laura Quellhorst
New Evangelization, David Cienski
RCIA, Deacon Mark Mueller
Social Ministries, Chris Ladnier
Vocations Chalice,
Ferdinand & Donna Prantl
Web Master, Bobby Estey

Organizations

KoC & Ladies Auxiliary,
Tom Carroll & Rachel Vis
Women's Club, Lynda Burton
Young at Heart, Bill Garber

Adult Formation



RCIA: A process of conversion for both adults and children who seek the fullness of Christ through the Catholic Church. The RCIA process offers the opportunity for searching souls to arrive at the fullness of what Christ offers. Receive honest answers to your questions from parishioners and clergy, and gradually journey closer to God in the fullness of the Catholic Church. For more information, contact the parish office at (757) 898-5570, or speak with Deacon Mark.

Faith Formation



Thank you for loving your child totally with your prayerful encouragement of his/her formation in the Catholic faith and, for some, preparation to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. It is in your family, the domestic Church, that the seed of faith is planted, prayerfully cultivated, and blooms. Without your careful attention to cultivate and form the ground upon which the seed of God's Word falls, it cannot flourish. Watch for registration dates for fall 2021.

RETRouvaille

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Do you feel lost and alone in your marriage? Do you feel hurt or betrayed by your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Are you thinking about separation or divorce? Retrouvaille is a lifeline for troubled marriages. For more information, call Deacon Jim Satterwhite at the parish office, 757-898-5570, or visit www.retrouvaille.org.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Jesus is the good shepherd and laid down His life for us that we may have new life. Give your marriage new life by participating in a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend on July 16-18, 2021 in Beaufort, SC, and August 27-29, 2021 in Hickory, NC. Early sign-up is recommended. For more information, visit our website at <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/>.

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