

### 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.

### The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

In the liturgy on earth we are given a foretaste and share in the liturgy of heaven, celebrated in the holy city of Jerusalem, the goal of our pilgrimage, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God, as minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle. With the whole company of heaven we sing a hymn of praise to the Lord; as we reverence the memory of the saints, we hope to have some part with them, and to share in their fellowship; we wait for the Savior, or Lord Jesus Christ, until he, who is our life, appears, and we appear with him in glory.

(Sacrosanctum Concilium, nn. 7-8. 106)

### <u>Diocesan Safe</u> <u>Environment Policy</u>

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.

### 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**

Robert Bates, Abbey Chesley, Alex & 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 3

8:00 p.m. For the People of SJA

5:00 p.m. For the People of 537

### Sunday, April 4

8:30 a.m. Glenn Vermeire, Jr. 11:00 a.m. David Seko, Jr.

### Tuesday, April 6

9:00 a.m. † Eustacio Diones

### Wednesday, April 7

9:00 a.m. † Lois Chesley 7:00 p.m. † Don Cristiano Friday, April 9

**9:00 a.m.** † Arleen Larscheid

### Saturday, April 10

5:30 p.m. † Catherine Reed

### Sunday, April 11

8:30 a.m. † Cora Wargo 11:30 a.m. † Victoria Manaloto



### **WEEKLY SCRIPTURE**

#### Sunday, April 4

Easter Sunday
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8
In 20:1-9

#### Monday, April 5

Monday in the Octave of Easter Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 Mt 28:8-15

### Tuesday, April 6

Tuesday in the Octave of Easter
Acts 2:36-41
Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22
In 20:11-18

#### Wednesday, April 7

Wednesday in the Octave of Easter
Acts 3:1-10
Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9
Lk 24:13-35

#### Thursday, April 8

Thursday in the Octave of Easter
Acts 3:11-26
Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9
Lk 24:35-48

#### Friday, April 9

Friday in the Octave of Easter Acts 4:1-12 Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a Jn 21:1-14

#### Saturday, April 10

Saturday in the Octave of Easter Acts 4:13-21 Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 Mk 16:9-15

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

#### **NEW LIGHT**

Reflection on John 20:1-9

God is Light! In God there is no darkness!

The Resurrection opens up a new world for us. If God is love, if the very source of existence is nothing but light, then our world so characterized by the shadows of violence, hatred, retribution, and the inability to forgive, is itself the illusion, the shadow. And we who belong to Christ are the lights to show that darkness for what it is, we are the heralds of a new way of being.

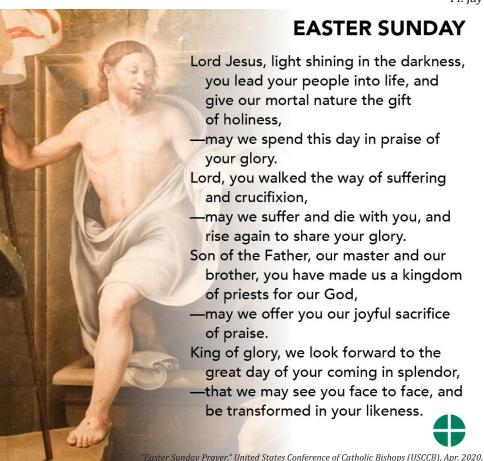
At the Easter Vigil celebration on Holy Saturday evening, we welcome those who, through Baptism and profession of faith, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation, and by joining us for the first time at the Lord's Eucharistic table, have been on a long journey to the Catholic Church. The Church now calls them neophytes, New Lights, living and breathing symbols of this new way of life made possible by Christ's Resurrection. And all of us, in renewing our baptismal vows, are asked to say NO to the shadows and darknesses of vengeance, violence and sin, and YES to the light we are called to be through the power of Christ's Resurrection.

The Exsultet, the Easter proclamation which we sang last night, is the most beautiful and sublime of all the prayers of the church; it is filled with these images of fire and light. As the light of Christ spread from the Paschal Candle to touch each of us, we prayed:

All the earth is ablaze with the glory of God,
For the light has come to burn away the darkness!
Let us fill every space with the sound of our joy,
Praising Christ who is living now among us.
As this candle shines out through the darkness of night,
May the love of Christ burn ever in our hearts.

My brothers and sisters, may we be compelled to imagine this new life, and may we work with Christ to dispel the darkness in this world with the Light of Love we have been given.

~ Fr. Jay



ttps://twitter.com/usccb/status/1249346543049719808 (Accessed 26 March, 2021)

### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

### 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 floodgates 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.

### Divine Mercy Sunday

St. Joan of Arc will host its annual celebration of DIVINE MERCY on Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. The program will open with Eucharistic Adoration and will include chanting of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, a reflection on the message of mercy delivered by Fr. Michael Joly, readings from Holy Scripture and the Diary of St. Faustina and will conclude with Benediction. All are invited. Hope to see vou there!!!



### 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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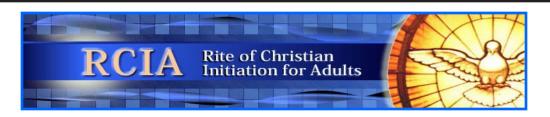
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## Adult Formation



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## Faith Formation





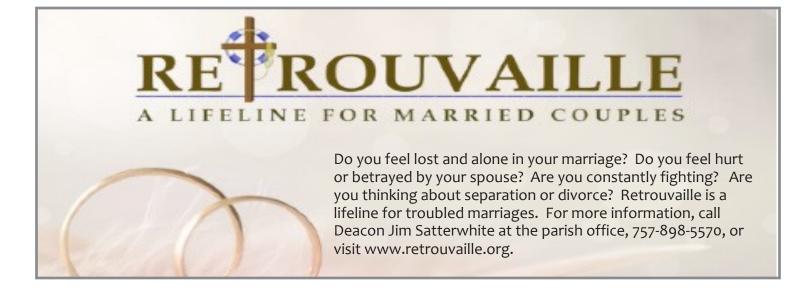






Thank you for loving your child totally with your prayerful encouragement of his/her formation in the Catholic faith and, for some, preparation to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. It is in your family, the domestic Church, that the seed of faith is planted, prayerfully 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.

Please register online at <a href="http://www.stjoanofarcva.org/religious-education-2/faith-formation/">http://www.stjoanofarcva.org/religious-education-2/faith-formation/</a>.







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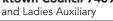
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