



Welcome

OUR MISSION

St. Joan of Arc is a Catholic Family of Faith, alive in the Lord Jesus Christ through His Mercy, His Love, His Word, His Sacraments, all granted by His Holy Spirit. We proclaim the joy of the Gospel; we minister to the needs of the Body of Christ, both within and outside the parish family, especially the poor who present a unique opportunity for us to meet Christ.



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Mass Schedule

Weekend

Saturday – 5:30 p.m.

Sunday – 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday

Tuesday through Friday – 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Praise & Worship

Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

First Friday Adoration

Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SACRAMENTS

Infant Baptism: Celebrated on the second and fourth weekend of each month; Saturday at 3:00 p.m. or Sunday following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Baptisms also may be celebrated during Mass (except during Holy Week). Please contact Deacon Jim (757-898-5570). Parents are required to complete a Baptismal Preparation session prior to a Baptism; these are presented on the first weekend of January, March, May, July, September and November following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Session dates and location will be posted in the bulletin.

Confirmation: This Sacrament fortifies us in the power of the Holy Spirit for a full experience of human living. Confirmation is conferred normatively upon teens in their sophomore year or through the RCIA process for all those, children or adults, who are converting into the fullness of the Catholic faith. Sincere preparation must precede the reception of this beautiful Sacrament.

Anointing of the Sick: The Sacrament of the sick may be received after weekday or weekend Masses with prior notice. The Sacrament may also be celebrated with a personal visit to a home or care facility so that family and friends may be present.

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples called to the Sacrament of Marriage should contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date. Please make no firm arrangements until meeting with the Deacon/Priest.

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, Christine Grosshans, Albert Jury, Jim Matthews, Sandra Mugler, Marianne Pasake, Euong Pham, Sara Rudd, Mary Salemi, Julie Sandorfi, David Seko, Jr.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 14
5:30 p.m. Barry & Marge Green

Saturday, August 21
5:30 p.m. David Seko, Jr.

Sunday, August 15
8:30 a.m. Jacqueline Bauer
† Shirleyanne Ratajczak-Leaman
11:00 a.m. † Pauline Bryant

Sunday, August 22
8:30 a.m. † Ron Todhunter
11:00 a.m. † Phil & Bill Satterwhite

Monday, August 16
9:00 a.m. Bill Garber

Wednesday, August 18
9:00 a.m. Lori Brayer





WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, August 15

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab

Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16

1 Cor 15:20-27

Lk 1:39-56

Monday, August 16

Weekday

Jgs 2:11-19

Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40,

43ab and 44

Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday, August 17

Weekday

Jgs 6:11-24a

Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14

Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday, August 18

Weekday

Jgs 9:6-15

Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

Mt 20:1-16

Thursday, August 19

Weekday

Jgs 11:29-39a

Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10

Mt 22:1-14

Friday, August 20

St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22

Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10

Mt 22:34-40

Saturday, August 21

St. Pius X, Pope

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17

Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5

Mt 23:1-12

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

AN EXAMPLE OF FAITH

Reflection on Luke 1:39-56

A woman from the crowd proclaims to Jesus: "Blessed is the womb that carried you and the breasts at which you nursed." And Jesus says: "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it." The Greek word that is used for "blessing" in this gospel reading is *makarios*. It connotes a mark of righteousness for those who are blessed, in which they know the gift and joy of sharing divine life.

Not only is Jesus referring here to those who are and will become His disciples, but He is also raising up His Blessed Mother. Mary has an "eyes wide open" faith. She was not afraid to question Gabriel, the angel messenger – "How can this be...?" And that faith flowed into her fiat – "let it be done to me..."

This example of Mary's faith is a powerful pattern for us to follow. Accepting the divine strategy for our lives is an ongoing fiat; it is okay, like Mary, to have questions. But in the end, like Mary, God asks of us our quiet consent to His will and purpose for our lives. We are blessed, indeed, when with patience, courage, and joy we carry on the work of God's kingdom in every age and place. Mary, our Mother, knows how perplexing our ministry can be for us at times. She, who was assumed body and soul into heaven, prays for us to be strong!

~ Fr. Jay



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Feast Day: August 15

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The pope proclaimed this dogma only after a broad consultation of bishops, theologians and laity. There were few dissenting voices. What the pope solemnly declared was already a common belief in the Catholic Church.

Scripture does not give an account of Mary's assumption into heaven. Nevertheless, Revelation 12 speaks of a woman who is caught up in the battle between good and evil. Many see this woman as God's people. Since Mary best embodies the people of both Old and New Testaments, her assumption can be seen as an exemplification of the woman's victory.

Since Mary is closely associated with all the mysteries of Jesus' life, it is not surprising that the Holy Spirit has led the Church to believe in Mary's share in His glorification. So close was she to Jesus on earth, she must be with Him body and soul in heaven.

In the light of the Assumption of Mary, it is easy to pray her Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55) with new meaning. In her glory she proclaims the greatness of the Lord and finds joy in God her savior. God has done marvels to her and she leads others to recognize God's holiness. She is the lowly handmaid who deeply revered her God and has been raised to the heights. From her position of strength she will help the lowly and the poor find justice on earth, and she will challenge the rich and powerful to distrust wealth and power as a source of happiness.

Read the full article: "Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary." Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/assumption-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary>. (Accessed 6 Aug. 2021)

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.

Book of Intercessions

Located at the pillars in the Commons

Whenever you enter the church, you are invited to write any prayer you wish—a prayer of need, praise or thanksgiving—perhaps you will "lift up" someone who is sick or facing surgery—a prayer for peace, or a prayer of thanks for a couple's wedding or anniversary.



Time to Update!

Do you have a new address? New phone number?
Additions to your family?

If you have had these or any other family changes since you first registered at St. Joan of Arc, please let us know so that we can keep an accurate roll for our parish.

Please contact Cherry Macababba in the office to update your parish registration at cmacababba@stjoanofarcva.org.



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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. Register now for Fall 2021 online at www.stjoanofarcva.org or scan the QR code.



Why Should YOU be a Catechist?

A catechist is a Christian who puts this remembrance at the service of proclamation, not to seem important, not to talk about himself or herself, but to talk about God, about his love and his fidelity. To talk about and to pass down all that God has revealed, his teaching in its totality, neither trimming it down nor adding on to it.

– Pope Francis, homily to catechists, September 29, 2013

Please join our ministry! Training and all materials for a successful and holy year are provided! For more information or to sign up, please contact Jennifer (757-898-5570 or jsanders@stjoanofarcva.org).



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.



Do you hunger for a deeper love in your marriage? Let Jesus fill your hunger by participating in the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on August 27-29, 2021 in Hickory, NC and September 24-26, 2021 in Warrenton, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information, visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/>.

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