



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

"All of the good works in the world are not equal to the holy sacrifice of the Mass, because they are all the works of men, but the Mass is the work of God . . . The Mass is the sacrifice of God to man."

(St. John Vianney)

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 Macababba 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, September 4

10:00 a.m. Pete & Pam Romeo
5:30 p.m. † Claudia Mueller

Friday, September 10

9:00 a.m. † Rina Kimball

Saturday, September 11

5:30 p.m. Virginia Orband

Sunday, September 5

8:30 a.m. † Elizabeth Beeman
11:00 a.m. † Kris Brooks

Sunday, September 12

8:30 a.m. David Seko, Jr.
11:00 a.m. † Chip Jones

Upcoming Change in Mass Schedule

Beginning **Sunday, September 12th**, the 11:00 a.m. Mass will be moved to **11:30 a.m.** This change will accommodate all youth K-12 receiving Faith Formation on Sunday mornings between the Masses.



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, September 5

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 35:4-7a

Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

Jas 2:1-5

Mk 7:31-37

Monday, September 6

Weekday

Col 1:24-2:3

Ps 62:6-7, 9

Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 7

Weekday

Col 2:6-15

Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11

Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday, September 8

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30

Ps 13:6ab, 6c

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Thursday, September 9

St. Peter Claver, Priest

Col 3:12-17

Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6

Lk 6:27-38

Friday, September 10

Weekday

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14

Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11

Lk 6:39-42

Saturday, September 11

Weekday

1 Tm 1:15-17

Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5 and 6-7

Lk 6:43-49

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

HEAR GOD'S WORD, PROCLAIM HIS PRAISE

Reflection on Mark 7:31-37

One of my favorite prayers in our tradition is used in our baptismal ritual and comes from this Gospel story of the healing of the deaf man who also has a speech impediment. It is called the prayer of Ephphatha. Making the sign of the cross over an infant's ears, the priest or deacon says, "May God soon touch your ears to hear his Word," and then making the sign of the cross on the mouth, he continues, "And your mouth to proclaim it, to the Glory of God." Ephphatha means, as the Gospel says, "Be opened!"

This prayer for ears open to hear, and mouths open to proclaim, is echoed in the church's liturgy of the hours, as morning prayer begins with a passage from Psalm 95, "O, that today you would hear his voice," and with a verse from Psalm 51: "O, Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall declare your praise."

The call to listen to God's voice and the call to proclaim God's praise is a good starting point for every prayer. I have noticed in my own prayer, however, that while the call to speak, to give praise and thanksgiving and intercession draws ready and easy response, most days the summons to listen requires more attention and care. I wonder if I dare, if we dare, open our lips to speak in God's name if we have not first heard his voice, first been formed and informed by listening for God's voice.

~ Fr. Jay

ST. PETER CLAVER

Feast Day: September 9 • Patron Saint of African Missions, Interracial Justice

A native of Spain, young Jesuit Peter Claver left his homeland forever in 1610 to be a missionary in the colonies of the New World. He sailed into Cartagena, a rich port city washed by the Caribbean. He was ordained there in 1615.

By this time the slave trade had been established in the Americas for nearly 100 years, and Cartagena was a chief center for it. Ten thousand slaves poured into the port each year after crossing the Atlantic from West Africa under conditions so foul and inhuman that an estimated one-third of the passengers died in transit. Although the practice of slave-trading was condemned by Pope Paul III and later labeled "supreme villainy" by Pope Pius IX, it continued to flourish.

As soon as a slave ship entered the port, Peter Claver moved into its infested hold to minister to the ill-treated and exhausted passengers. After the slaves were herded out of the ship like chained animals and shut up in nearby yards to be gazed at by the crowds, Claver plunged in among them with medicines, food, bread, brandy, lemons, and tobacco. With the help of interpreters he gave basic instructions and assured his brothers and sisters of their human dignity and God's love. During the 40 years of his ministry, Claver instructed and baptized an estimated 300,000 slaves.

Peter Claver was canonized in 1888, and Pope Leo XIII declared him the worldwide patron of missionary work among black slaves.

The Holy Spirit's might and power are manifested in the striking decisions and bold actions of Peter Claver. A decision to leave one's homeland never to return reveals a gigantic act of will difficult for us to imagine. Peter's determination to serve forever the most abused, rejected, and lowly of all people is stunningly heroic. When we measure our lives against such a man's, we become aware of our own barely used potential and of our need to open ourselves more to the jolting power of Jesus' Spirit.

Read the full article: "Saint Peter Claver." Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-peter-claver>. (Accessed 30 Aug 2021).



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

Parish Office Closed



The Parish Office will be closed
Monday, September 6th, in observance of
the Labor Day holiday.

Baptism Preparation

*** DATE CHANGE ***

Due to the Labor Day holiday, Baptism Preparation for Parents will be presented on Sunday, September 12th, following 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.



September 5, 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

Altar Servers,
Randy Vis & Tom O'Reilly
EMHCs,
Denis Morhiser & Joe Badalis
Hospitality, Mary Ann Vogelbein &
James Tucker, III
Liturgy Committee,
Deacon Jim & Jerry Wilkins
MCs, Jerry Wilkins
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,
Florita Galvez & Kathia Mock
Divine Mercy,
Donna Prantl & Cathy Fowler
Iron Men,
Chris Emanus & Chris Felice
Kitchen, Bill Garber & Jerry Ladnier
Landscape, Jim Orband
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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. Register now for Fall 2021. Forms are available in the Commons. Faith Formation starts **Sunday, September 12.**

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).

Virginia Catholic Day at Busch Gardens

Saturday, October 2, 10:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.

What is Virginia Catholic Day at Busch Gardens?

For many years, the youth of the Diocese have gathered at Busch Gardens for a day of fun and fellowship. This year, it is open to families as well in an effort to bring our whole diocesan community together. The day includes admission to the park, Sunday Vigil Mass, and dinner as a Diocese.

What are the costs?

There are three options available to all individuals this year to choose from, which include:

1. **All-inclusive (\$62.79 per individual):** Includes admission to the park (including Howl-O-Scream), Sunday Vigil Mass, and All-You-Can-Eat Dinner Buffet
2. **Single-Day Admission Ticket (\$46 per individual):** Includes admission to the park (including Howl-O-Scream) and Sunday Vigil Mass
3. **All-You-Can-Eat Dinner Buffet ONLY (\$16.79 per individual):** Includes Sunday Vigil Mass, and All-You-Can-Eat Dinner Buffet

Contact Jennifer (757-898-5570, ext. 11 [/jsanders@stjoanofarcva.org](mailto:jsanders@stjoanofarcva.org)) for more information.



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