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# The Parish of Saint Joan of Arc

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**Office Hours:**

Monday-Thursday, 8:30-12:30 & 1:30-4:30 p.m.

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## PARISH STAFF

**Pastor:**

Rev. Michael D. Joly

**Deacons:**

Rev. Mr. Joe Badalis

Rev. Mr. Don Fox

**Coordinator of Religious Education/**

**Ministerial Assistant:** Jennifer Strash

**Music Director:** Heekyung Lee

**Music Coordinator:** Donna Prantl

**Bookkeeper:** Joe G.

**Custodian:** Dave Payton

### Mass Schedule

**Weekend**

Saturday – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday – 8:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

**Weekday**

Tuesday through Friday – 9:00 a.m.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Saturday:** 4:00 p.m.

### Praise & Worship

**Wednesday:** 7:00 p.m.

### First Friday Adoration

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

## 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.*

*Christmas 2024*



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/](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 at (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)  
(*Sacrosanctum Concilium*, nn. 7-8. 106)

*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 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**

Karen Abi-Saab, Marcella Buckley, Joe Chambers, Abbey Chesley, Carl & Mary Chesley, Paul Chesley, Blake Duggan, Eileen Gryn, Anne Holup, Elizabeth Johnson, Matthew Martin, Ron Morrison, Linda O’Dell, Euong Pham, Carol Romeo, David Seko, Jr., Stephen Strother, Jeffrey Cudjik, Walter Sandberg



*Mass Intentions for the Week*

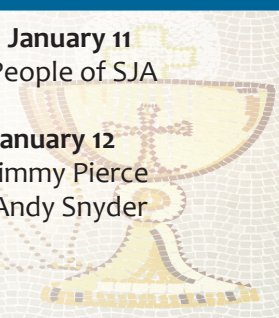
**Sunday, January 5**  
8:30 am † Jerry R. Ward  
11:00 am Chloe Gaffney

**Monday, January 6**  
9:00 am † Emil & Cecile Arsenault

**Wednesday, January 8**  
9:00 am † Hank Sullivan

**Saturday, January 11**  
5:00 pm People of SJA

**Sunday, January 12**  
8:30 am Jimmy Pierce  
11:00 am Andy Snyder



*Meetings for the Week*

**Monday, January 6**  
6:30 pm Legion of Mary

**Tuesday, January 7**  
10:00 am Women’s Book Club  
6:00 pm Youth Group  
7:00 pm OCI

**Wednesday, January 8**  
10:00 am Divine Mercy

**Thursday, January 9**  
5:00 pm Children’s Choir  
6:30 pm KOC

**Saturday, January 11**  
9:00 am Magnificat



## 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.

## Bulletin Announcements

Please e-mail any approved bulletin announcements to the parish office **two** Wednesdays prior to the weekend you would like to see your announcement published to [aa@stjoanofarcva.org](mailto:aa@stjoanofarcva.org).

## *Magnificat Women of SJA*

The Magnificat Women of SJA will be meeting on Saturday, January 11, from 9-11 am in the Commons. We encourage all women from juniors in high school to the most senior sister, regardless of where one is in their faith journey to join us. There will be a brief topic of discussion followed by social time. If you would like to participate or would like more information, please contact Kelley (757-775-6360) or Tracy (804-695-4538) for more details.

## *Retreat Opportunity*

### **SAVE THE DATE!!**

### **RESERVE YOUR SPOT FOR THE 2025 SJA MEN'S ACTS RETREAT**

ACTS is an acronym for Adoration-Community-Theology-Service. What is an ACTS Retreat? An ACTS Retreat is a parish-based event which offers parishioners an opportunity to experience the love of Jesus Christ. This, in turn, fosters a desire for intentional discipleship. ACTS Retreats are given by parishioners for parishioners, and in this way, serve to build Christian community at the parish. The ACTS Retreat experience is rooted in the Pascal Mystery in that retreatants are invited to reflect on the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are limited to 25 Retreatants and cost is \$150.00 per person. All meals, snacks, and blessings are included.

When: Men's ACTS Retreat is March 27 - 30, 2025

Where: St. Clare of Assisi Retreat Center in Hampton, VA

POC: Pete Romeo, 757-503-3533, [pnpromeo@cox.net](mailto:pnpromeo@cox.net)

## *Parish Ministries*

**Finance Council**, Jack Christie  
**Parish Advisory Volunteer Group**,  
Randy Vis

### **Pastoral Ministry**

**Baptism Coordinator**,  
Jennifer Strash  
**Bereavement**, John Bryant III  
**Sick & Homebound**, Denis Morhiser

### **Liturgical Ministries**

**Altar Servers**, Randy Vis  
**EMHCs**, Denis Morhiser & Rachel Vis  
**Hospitality**, Mary Ann Vogelbein &  
James Tucker III  
**Liturgy Committee**, Deacon Don Fox  
**MC**, Tom O'Reilly  
**Music**, Heekyung Lee  
**Music Coordinator**, Donna Prantl  
**Readers**, Michael Syptak &  
Patti Komornik

### **Non-Liturgical Ministries**

**Altar Linens**, Pat Sappenfield  
**Building Committee**, Steve Romeo  
**Building Maintenance**,  
Dave Payton & Hank Rose  
**Coffee & Cookies**, Florita Galvez  
**Divine Mercy**,  
Donna Prantl & Cathy Fowler  
**Iron Men**, John Musser  
**Kitchen**, Jerry Ladnier & Lisa Emerick  
**Liturgical Environment**, Tom &  
Rowena Fauber & Lynda Fairman  
**Landscape**, Jim Orband  
**Lazarus**, Cathy Fowler  
**Legion of Mary**, David Cienski  
**Library**, Laura Quellhorst & Federico  
Colagrande  
**Magnificat Women**, Tracy Leota &  
Kelley Rutter  
**OCI**, Deacon Don Fox  
**Social Ministries**, Chris Ladnier  
**Vocations Chalice**,  
Ferdinand & Donna Prantl  
**Web Master**

### **Organizations**

**KoC & Ladies Auxiliary**, Randy Vis  
& Julia Allaman  
**Women's Book Club**, Arlene Bradley



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### Fr. Robert J. Spitzer

Fr. Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D. He is President of the Magis Center of Reason and Faith and the Napa Institute.

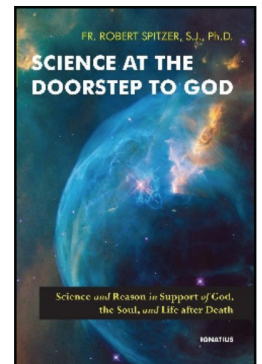
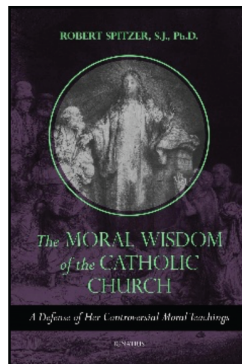
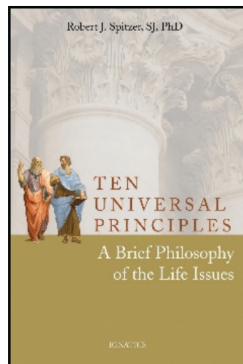
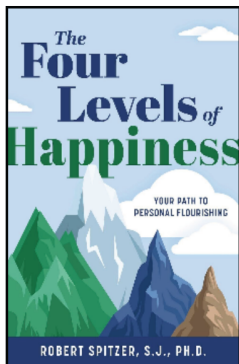
He started seven institutes dedicated to faith, reason, and happiness/purpose in life.

Here is a link to his info from the Magis Center:

<https://www.magiscenter.com/father-spitzer>



Check out the QR code for our selection of books.



### Kids/Youth, there is a prize for you to win every month!

Thanks to a generous donation, you can win your illustrated Bible! Every book that you check out gives you an entry to win. There is a new drawing each month.

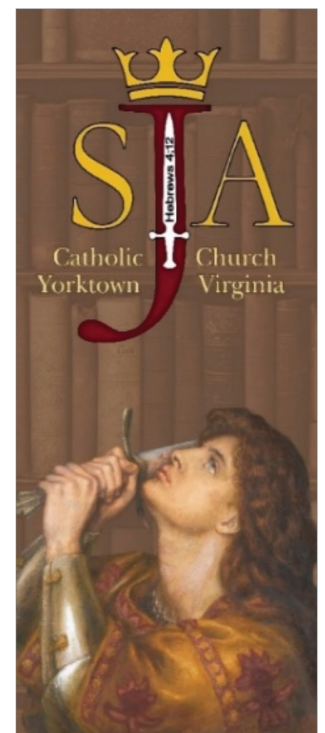
Congratulations to last month's winners!



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at <https://www.sjalibrary.com/> or by scanning the QR code.

Please email your requests to [TheSJALibrary@gmail.com](mailto:TheSJALibrary@gmail.com), and we will prepare a bag for you to pick up.





## Adult Faith Formation

Jesus gave us the greatest Bible study of all time!

The Gospel of Luke study will take us on a journey that begins with the foretelling of John the Baptist's birth and culminates in Jesus' ascension into heaven. There are parables found only in Luke, including the Prodigal Son, the Good Samaritan, and the rich man and Lazarus, which will show us the mercy and compassion that Jesus has for each one of His children. Come join us for an 8-session study that will strengthen our prayer life by encountering the biblical roots for Mary, the Rosary, and the Mass found only in Luke. We meet every Monday evening, starting January 13: 6:30pm social, 7-8:30pm study session. See the poster in the Commons for more information and to sign up; or visit the parish office or contact Deacon Don at [deacondonfox@gmail.com](mailto:deacondonfox@gmail.com). The cost is \$28 per workbook.

### SJA WOMEN ON THE SAME PAGE IS BACK!

We will start a new book on Tuesday, January 14, at 9:30 AM in Room F/H. We will discuss the book, **Life of the Beloved: Spiritual Living in a Secular World** written in 1990 by Father Henri Nouwen. Father Nouwen plumbs the depths of what is most personal and vital in his own Christian faith and shares it in a masterpiece that transcends religious barriers and speaks to the universal truth of the divine. Father Nouwen invites us to acknowledge our brokenness and awaken to the abiding love that God has for us. This classic is one of Father Nouwen's greatest legacies to seekers of all backgrounds. Call or text Arlene Bradley at 757-310-9079 if you are interested to join us this time.

### OCI

The Order of Christian Initiation (OCI) is a spiritual journey in faith to discover what it means to follow Jesus as a Catholic Christian and the joy and freedom that can result in a life with Him. Whether you are interested in becoming Catholic, need to complete the Sacraments of Initiation, or just want to learn more about Catholicism, then join us every Tuesday evening, 7pm. You will be surprised at the depth and breadth of the Church that Jesus established! Contact Deacon Don for more info at [deacondonfox@gmail.com](mailto:deacondonfox@gmail.com)

## Diocesan Information

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### Vocations Awareness

*"They opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."*  
(Matthew 2:11)

What gift can you offer Christ? If He is calling you to a vocation that serves the Church, He is asking for the gift of your life to serve His people. Talk to your priest or reach out to Father Matthew Khiel in the Vocation Office at (804) 953-5661 or via email: [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).





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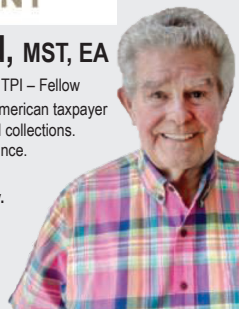
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