

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 – 5:00 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.

SACRAMENTS

Infant Baptism: Normally celebrated on a Saturday at 3:00 p.m. Baptisms also may be celebrated during Holy Mass (except during Holy Week). Please contact Jennifer Strash (757-898-5570) to schedule. 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 11:30 a.m. Mass. Session dates may be adjusted due to holidays. 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 OCI 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 in the Parish Office or with a personal visit to a home or care facility.

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 after 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 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)

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, Kelly Bustamonte, Joe Chambers, Abbey Chesley, Carl & Mary Chesley, Paul Chesley, David Crocker, Jeffrey Cudjik, Blake Duggan, Eileen Gryn, Anne Holup, Elizabeth Johnson, Matthew Martin, Ron Morrison, Linda O'Dell, Euong Pham, Carol Romeo, David Seko, Jr., Stephen Strother, Walter Sandberg



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, February 16

8:30 am Jimmy Pierce
11:30 am Enrique Rivera

Monday, February 17

9:00 am Thomas Langston

Tuesday, February 18

9:00 am Michael Sean Fisher

Wednesday, February 19

9:00 am Benjamin D. Taylor

Thursday, February 20

9:00 am + Anna Wisniewski

Friday, February 21

9:00 am Josephine Toure

Saturday, February 22

5:00 pm + Isidro Reyna

Sunday, February 23

8:30 am Lois Bates
11:30 am + Tony & Theresa Chavez

Meetings for the Week

Monday, February 17

6:30 pm Legion of Mary
6:30 pm Luke Bible Study

Tuesday, February 18

10:00 am Women's Book Club
6:00 pm Youth Group
7:00 pm OCI

Saturday, February 22

3:00 pm Children's Choir



Save the Date!

The Significance and Science of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Presentation by Steve Hemler of the Catholic Apologetics Institute of North America (CAINA)

Tuesday, February 18, 6:30 PM St. Joan of Arc Worship Space

Our Lady of Guadalupe is the title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary following her appearance to Juan Diego in the hills above Mexico City in 1531. But how can we be sure about something that occurred so long ago? The answer is truly astounding!

This multimedia presentation covers the history of Our Lady's apparitions at Guadalupe and presents the amazing results of modern scientific analysis that has been performed on the cloak (tilma) of St. Juan Diego, a spectacular relic which survives to this day. The cloak of St. Juan Diego, made from coarse cactus fibers, miraculously bears a detailed, full-color image of the Virgin Mary that has persisted for nearly 500 years without any signs of deterioration.

Refreshments will be served! Everyone welcome!

Retreat Opportunity



ATTENTION MEN

ACTS Retreat is Coming to St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church 27-30 March 2025



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 fostering a desire for intentional discipleship. ACTS Retreats are given by parishioners for parishioners, and in this way, serve to build a thriving Catholic community at the parish level. The ACTS Retreat experience is rooted in the Paschal Mystery and retreatants are invited to reflect on the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Cost: \$150.00 per person - Lodging, meals, and snacks included.

Scan QR Code or contact POC for retreat registration form. Provide completed form and check payable to St. Joan of Arc to POC.

For more information about ACTS visit: www.actsmissions.org

POC: Pete Romeo, 757-503-3533, pnpromeo@cox.net



Space is limited to 25 retreatants and will be granted on a first come first served basis.

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, Paul Krieschen & 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

St. Joan of Arc Landscape Ministry Update

Landscape Workday- Saturday, February 22, 9 AM- 12 noon

If you are interested in joining St. Joan of Arc's landscape team to improve and enhance the landscape features of the property, please join us on Saturday, February 22 as we haul and spread 15 yards of donated mulch, prune and shear hedges, and prepare the landscape for Lent/Easter season. Contact Jim Orband 757.898.9403, jorband@vt.edu for details and questions.

The question has been asked and we thought that we would share the answer with all because maybe others have the same question.

How much does it cost the parish for leaf removal?

\$0. The landscape team ministry is responsible for this task. The landscape team comes together to blow leaves into the woods. No leaves are taken to the compost facility. It is a long seasonal process because leaves are falling throughout autumn and into the New Year. There is no final leaf blowing effort because we are leaf blowing throughout all seasons. The landscape team takes care of all landscaping chores except for mowing the grass from March 15 to October 15.

Thank you, Thomas Montgomery (St. Joan of Arc parishioner) for your leadership to plan, organize, and execute a new paver walkway to the landscape shed as your project for Eagle Scout. Tom developed a design to lead people into the shed reusing the gray concrete pavers in the Piazza. This will eliminate people walking through the mud to get into the shed for items needed. The walkway is stable and very much appreciated by all who need to get into the shed. Thank you, Tom for your leadership and attention to all of the details.



Children's Choir

Join us on Saturdays from 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM in
Classroom F/H

Contact Information

Heekyung Lee email: sjoamusic@stjoanofarcva.org

Donna Prantl email: dprantl@cox.net

Call the SJA office: 757 898 5570 ext. 10 for more information



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COLLECTION OF PALMS

In keeping with the centuries-old tradition of burning of palm fronds (from the previous year's Palm Sunday), to create ashes for the imposition of ashes on Ash Wednesday, please bring your palms from Palm Sunday 2024, by Tuesday, March 4, and place them in the baskets in the Commons.

Save the Date!

SJA COMMUNITY SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER, TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 6:00 PM: This will be a great way to start off Lent, which is the time of purification, detaching from what sin and slavery still have a grip on us, and becoming free through prayer, fasting, and self-sacrifice. After dinner, join us for the Burning of the Palms, which will be used for our **Ash Wednesday Masses at 9 AM and 7 PM** the next day. What a great way to start this powerful season for conversion!



Diocesan Information

Vocations Awareness

"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours." (Luke 6:20)

A vocation to religious life calls for a life of simplicity and dedication to God's kingdom. Could God be calling you to this blessed path? 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.





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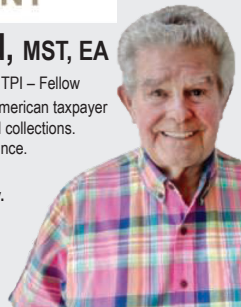
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