

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 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.



York Convalescent Center
Gabriella (Lita) Debeaulieu

Prayers for Recovery

Alex & Anne Cipriano
Yvonne Crow
Tamera David
Genevieve Graham
Christine Grosshans

Sylvia Harman
Albert Jury
Marianna Marder
Hilda Penyak

Daily Readings

Sunday, February 18

Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22
Mk 1:12-15

Monday, February 19

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday, February 20

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday, February 21

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday, February 22

1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

Friday, February 23

Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday, February 24

Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday, February 25

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 18

8:30 AM † Joe Buffa
11:30 AM † Eric Wanamaker

Saturday, February 24

5:30 PM † Ursula Taylor

Sunday, February 25

8:30 AM † Rosario Buffa
11:30 AM † Lucille Cordaro

Meetings

Sunday, February 18

9:45 AM Middle/High School Faith Formation, JP II, SH
10:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation, Classrooms
10:00 AM Parent Faith Formation Session, MFH
2:00 PM Youth Passion Play Practice, JP II, WS
6:00 PM Evening Prayer, WS

Monday, February 19

6:30 PM Legion of Mary, F & H
6:30 PM Monday Night Scripture Study, Commons, WS,
Rooms D, E, G

Tuesday, February 20

10:00 AM Women's Book Group, MFH
1:00 PM Women's Club Meeting, SH
6:30 PM Youth Ministry, MFH
7:00 PM RCIA, F & H, JP II, SH

Wednesday, February 21

6:30 PM K of C JP Washington Assembly, JP II, SH, Kitchen

Thursday, February 22

10:00 AM Stitches, F & H
6:30 PM Confirmation Retreat Team Mtg, Deacon's Office
7:00 PM Thursday Night Scripture Study, F & H

Friday, February 23

6:00 PM Confirmation Lock-In thru Saturday, February 24,
MFH, WS, Classrooms
6:00 PM Soup Supper, Kitchen, SH, JP II
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross, Moat, WS, JP II

Sunday, February 25

9:45 AM Middle/High School Faith Formation, JP II, SH
10:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation, Classrooms
10:00 AM Parent Faith Formation Session, MFH
2:00 PM Youth Passion Play Practice, JP II, WS
2:00 PM Paschal (Bereavement Group), MFH
6:00 PM Evening Prayer, WS
6:00 PM Confirmation Session 7, MFH, WS

**Please see cover page for
Reconciliation and Mass schedule.**

**When Holy Mass is not available,
a prayer service will take place.**

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 and the Welcomer will be glad to assist you with any questions or with filling out the forms.

Note to All Those Gathered

Receiving the Holy Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ, is at the heart of what it is to be a faithful, worshipping Catholic. Therefore, please receive Holy Communion only if you are **IN COMMUNION** with the Lord and His Church and have observed a fast preparing to receive the Eucharist. We are *in communion* with the Lord if we have not seriously violated our duty to worship the Lord at Sunday or Holy Day Mass nor seriously offended human life. The Eucharistic Fast involves abstaining from all food or drink for one hour (exceptions exist for those 60 years of age or older, or for those who are ill). Medicines and water do not break the Eucharistic Fast.

If the Sacrament of Reconciliation is needed so that we are readmitted to Holy Communion, we must receive that beautiful forgiveness first. Those who are presently not Catholic should respect the centrality of the Holy Eucharist in the life of the Catholic Church, and either remain seated and prayerfully thankful, or step forward to receive a blessing.

Parish News

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.

Vocations Chalice Ministry

Our parish began praying for vocations with the "Vocations Chalice" over six years ago. Since the beginning of this family devotion, St. Joan of Arc has received from God and "prayed into being" four seminarians studying for the priesthood in the Diocese of Richmond and four permanent deacons.

The "Vocations Chalice" is presented to a family, couple, or individual and is taken home and used during daily prayer as a focal point for an increase in religious vocations. Every two weeks, the "Vocations Chalice" is transferred from one prayerful family to another. If you would like your family to participate in the Vocations Chalice Ministry, call Deacon Phil Wilkinson at (757) 369-5568 or email either pwilkinson@stjoanofarcva.org or jsatterwhite@stjoanofarcva.org.



Finance Report

January 2018

Total Registered Families as of 1/31/18	781
Operating Account: Monthly Budget (4wks)	\$ 55,492
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 61,289
Variance	\$ 5,797
% of Sacrificial Giving/Envelopes (337 families)	42%
Operating Account: Year to Date Budget	\$ 430,065
Year to Date Sacrificial Giving	\$ 465,101
Variance	\$ 35,036
Bldg./Debt Reduction: Monthly Budget (4 wks)	\$ 6,923
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 11,558
Variance	\$ 4,635
% of Sacrificial Giving/Envelopes (97 families)	11%
Bldg./Debt Reduction: Year to Date Budget	\$ 53,654
Year to Date Sacrificial Giving	\$ 52,004
Variance	(\$ 1,650)
Social Ministry: Monthly Budget (4 wks)	\$ 4,231
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 7,632
Variance	3,401
% of Sacrificial Giving/Envelopes (123 families)	15%
Social Ministry: Year to Date Budget	\$ 32,788
Year to Date Sacrificial Giving	\$ 33,932
Variance	\$ 1,144
Monthly Diocese Contributions	
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 3,537

Adult Formation

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

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

ALL FAITH FORMATION CLASSES ARE BETWEEN THE MORNING MASSES!

Elementary classes meet from 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM.
Middle/High classes meet from 9:45 AM until 11:15 AM.

Please contact Jennifer Sanders (jsanders@stjoanofarcva.org or 757-898-5570) with any questions.

Parent Session Series:

Pope St. John Paul II delivered a profoundly beautiful vision of human sexuality that he called the Theology of the Body. It has revolutionized the way parents and educators teach morality and chastity to youth, as it provides the “whys” behind the “whats,” paving the way to true freedom and happiness. Theology of the Body will give teens (and adults) a clear understanding of the true worth of purpose of human sexuality and the tools they need to successfully and safely navigate through life.

Deacon Phil and Dave Reaves will be leading Theology of the Body for parents Sundays at 10:00 AM in the Mary Fisher House. Attending parent formation sessions is highly encouraged for ALL parents of our faith formation students. Contact Jennifer Sanders for more information.

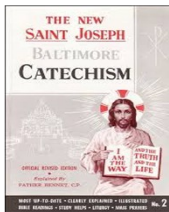
Question of the Month for February

What is grace?

Grace is a supernatural gift of God bestowed on us through the merits of Jesus Christ for our salvation.

Briefly, GRACE IS LIFE – divine life in our soul. By it, Christ lives in us and we in Him. As St. Paul says, “It is now no longer I that live, but Christ lives in me”

(Galatians 2:20). Or as Christ Himself says, “Abide in Me, and I in you” (John 15:4).



Parents of First Eucharist Preparation Children

SAVE THE DATES

The following Saturdays will be for First Eucharist Preparation instruction. Please mark your calendars. All sessions will be from 2 – 4 PM in the St. John Paul II Center and F/H.

Saturday, March 10
Saturday, March 24
Saturday, April 14
Saturday, April 21

Youth Ministry

Upcoming Events

Youth Group will meet this week on
Tuesday, February 20th at 6:30 P.M.

Follow us on Instagram @sjoayouthministry

February 24th: Middle School Ice Skating Night
March 2-4: Put Out into the Deep Confirmation Retreat
March 25th: Passion Play Performance
March 31st: First Fire

Saturday, February 24th - Middle School Ice Skating Trip:
Take a break this winter and hit the ICE. Join Middle School Youth Ministry at the Hampton Road IcePlex at 6:30 PM. The cost will be \$12. Please RSVP to amccarthy@stjoanofarcva.org by February 20th.

Young Adult Ministry

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, February 21st – Theology on Tap:

This month Steve Delaney, the Assistant Director for Evangelization at Immaculate Conception Church, will be speaking on the Five Love Languages. Join young adults from across the Peninsula at our new location, Schooners Grill! (12567 Warwick Blvd, Newport News), at 7:00 PM. Theology on Tap occurs on the third Wednesday of every month. No RSVP required, just show up and have a great time!

Saturday, March 3rd – Discovering Silence: Peninsula Frassati Young Adult Lenten Retreat:

The retreat will be held from 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church and will feature talks by Fr. John David Ramsey, Kelly Tallent, and more. The cost is \$15 per person and \$25 per married couple. Nursery will be provided upon request. Contact amccarthy@stjoanofarcva.org by February 26th to register!

For information about Young Adult Ministry Peninsula-wide, please check out the Peninsula Frassati Young Adult Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/PeninsulaFrassatiYA/>.

St. Joan of Arc Nursery

St. Joan of Arc Nursery is available during the Sunday morning Masses (8:30 AM and 11:30 AM) for those with children under the age of 3 years. The nursery opens 15 minutes prior to Holy Mass and closes 15 minutes after Mass. Our vision is to provide a Catholic environment with prayer and music for your child to help transition him/her to participating in Holy Mass.

The Nursery WILL BE CLOSED on holiday weekends (i.e. Memorial Day weekend, Fourth of July weekend, Labor Day weekend), Christmas Eve/Day, New Year's Eve/Day and Easter.
For the safety and well-being of all in the nursery:

If your child has been sick within 24 hours of coming to Mass, please keep him/her with you to limit the spread of illness. If you are interested in being a parent volunteer for the nursery, please contact Jennifer Sanders (jsanders@stjoanofarcva.org/757-898-5570).

Parish Ministries

Parish Councils

Finance Council Daniel Burton
Pastoral Council Bill McHenry

Pastoral Ministry

Baptism Coordinator Deacon Jim
Liturgy Committee Deacon Jim & Jerry Wilkins

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers Randy Vis & Tom O'Reilly
EMHCs Denis Morhiser & Joe Badalis
Hospitality Mark Mulvaney & Mary Ann Vogelbein
MCs Jerry Wilkins
Readers Carl Chesley & Patti Komornik

Organizations

KoC & Ladies Auxiliary Terry Fairman & Rachel Vis
Legion of Mary David Cienski
Women's Club Yvonne Crow
Young at Heart Bill Garber

Non-Liturgical Ministries

Altar Linens Dixie Nowak
Liturgical Environment Barbara Carroll & Lynda Fairman
Bereaved John Bryant, III & Tom Carroll
Building Maintenance Hank Rose & Dave Marin
Coffee & Donuts Bill and Mary Betts
Divine Mercy Grace Dickens & Geri Leatherbury
Emergency Needs Linda O'Dell
Kitchen Bill Garber
Landscape Jim Orband
Lazarus Cathy Fowler
Manna Cathy Fowler & Kathy Fisher
New Evangelization David Cienski
Paschal Mary Roberti
RCIA Deacon Mark Mueller
Sick & Homebound Deacon Mark & Cathy Mueller
Social Ministries Chris Ladnier
Vocations Chalice Deacon Phil
Web Master Bobby Estey



Now there are varieties of gifts,
but the same Spirit.
1 Corinthians 12:4

Diocesan News

Diocesan Safe Environment Policy

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is committed to ensuring that diocesan institutions and ministries provide a safe and nurturing environment for children, young people and vulnerable individuals. The mission of the diocese *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 in writing to the Office of the Diocesan Administrator.

2018 Men's Day of Reflection

The Office for Black Catholics Men's Day of Reflection will be held Saturday, February 24, 2018, 8:00 AM -5:00 PM at the Basilica of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Norfolk, 232 Chapel Street. This year's theme is "Real Men Practice What They Preach." Pope Francis calls all people of God to missionary discipleship, to speak and act in accord with the mission of Jesus Christ. We invite you to join other faith filled men, young and not so young, for an inspiring day of creativity, collaboration and prayer. God calls each of you not just to faithfulness but also fruitfulness, "and what you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will be able to teach others as well." (2 Tim 2:2) Register online at www.regonline.com/obcmendor2018. Lodging available at a discounted rate at the Norfolk Waterside. Reserve your room at the time of registration. Cost: \$30 General, \$25 Senior, \$20 Young Adult (18-39). No fee for clergy and religious. Lunch and materials included. The discounted rates are made possible by the Diocesan Appeal. For more information, please contact Devin Jones, djones@richmonddiocese.org or (804) 622-5262.

6th Annual Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference

On Saturday, March 17, 2018 men from across the Diocese will gather at St. Bede Catholic Church in Williamsburg for the 6th Annual Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference. This year's theme, "Truly Present," will explore Jesus' presence to us and our call to be present in all our relationships in the world as husband, father, brother, and friend.

This year will feature a dual-track conference with keynote speakers in English and Spanish, breakout opportunities, Reconciliation, Adoration, and Mass. Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers will be the keynote speaker for the English-speaking track. Let all your friends know!

All those interested may contact the Center for Marriage, Family, and Life at cmfl@richmonddiocese.org or (804) 622-5109 for more information.