

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, April 15

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5a
Lk 24:35-48

Monday, April 16

Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday, April 17

Acts 7:51—8:1a; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday, April 18

Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday, April 19

Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

Friday, April 20

Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday, April 21

Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday, April 22

Acts 4:8-12; 1 Jn 3:1-2
Jn 10:11-18

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 15

8:30 AM St. Joan of Arc
11:30 AM † Vincent Elia

Monday, April 16

9:00 AM † Ron Perkins

Saturday, April 21

5:30 PM † Franceschini and
Orband Family

Sunday, April 22

8:30 AM † Stamps Howard
11:30 AM † John Johnson

Meetings

Sunday, April 15

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
6:30 PM Confirmation Session 9, MFH, WS

Monday, April 16

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

Tuesday, April 17

10:00 AM Women's Book Group, MFH
6:30 PM Youth Ministry, MFH
7:00 PM Cursillo Leadership
7:00 PM RCIA, F & H, JP II, SH
7:00 PM Welcome Home, Room K
7:00 PM Marriage, Family and Life Committee, Room D

Wednesday, April 18

7:00 PM K of C JP Washington Assembly, JP II, SH, Kitchen

Thursday, April 19

10:00 AM Stitches, F & H
6:00 PM Amazing Grace Retreat Team Meeting, MFH
7:00 PM Thursday Night Scripture Study, F & H
7:00 PM Finance Council Meeting, Parish Office
7:00 PM Boy Scouts, JP II, Room D

Saturday, April 21

2:00 PM First Eucharist Retreat, JP II, F & H, WS

Sunday, April 22

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

**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

Mulch Day

Saturday, April 21– the SJA Landscape Team along with Boy Scout Troop 306 will be hauling and spreading mulch in the church landscape. We invite you to join us and be a part of this effort. If you are interested in helping to mulch or joining the SJA Landscape Team, please contact Jim Orband at (757) 898-9403 or jorband@vt.edu.

Women’s Club

St. Joan of Arc Women’s Club Annual Spring Luncheon
Thursday, May 3, 11:30 AM, JP II Center/Social Hall

ALL women of the parish and their guests are invited to attend. Lynn Trott will entertain us with English, Irish and Scottish music. Special recognition to Yvonne Crow for her many years of dedication to the SJA Women’s Club and the parish. Please bring a salad to share. RSVP: Maureen Abrahamson (757) 865-8939 by Monday, April 30th.

Save The Date

St. Joan of Arc’s annual **May Procession and May Crowning** will take place on Sunday, May 6, 2018, between the two morning Masses. We gather to honor Mary, the Patroness of our country, as we crown the Queen of Angels during a devotional service presented by our elementary faith formation students and the Legion of Mary. We invite family and friends to share in this devotion, and we ask all to bring flowers from their gardens that day to honor Our Lady of Grace.

Parish Library

Our Parish Spiritual Library, located in the room directly across from the JP II Hall by the Route 17 side entrance, is open before and after all weekend Masses. To borrow, just pick out a book, CD or DVD, make sure to fill out a Borrower Card, and leave it in the box on the table. That’s all it takes. Return the borrowed item in 2-3 weeks by dropping it in the white box outside the library.

Volunteers are needed for a few minutes before and after weekend Masses. Contact lauraj222@yahoo.com, or text/call (617) 331-9035 for more details.

Finance Report

March 2018

Total Registered Families as of 3/31/18	786
Operating Account: Monthly Budget (4wks)	\$ 55,492
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 59,613
Variance	\$ 4,121
% of Sacrificial Giving/Envelopes (353 families)	44%
Operating Account: Year to Date Budget	\$ 541,050
Year to Date Sacrificial Giving	\$ 584,141
Variance	\$ 43,091
Bldg./Debt Reduction: Monthly Budget (4 wks)	\$ 6,923
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 10,128
Variance	\$ 3,205
% of Sacrificial Giving/Envelopes (113 families)	13%
Bldg./Debt Reduction: Year to Date Budget	\$ 67,500
Year to Date Sacrificial Giving	\$ 68,139
Variance	\$ 639
Social Ministry: Monthly Budget (4 wks)	\$ 4,231
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 3,984
Variance	(\$ 247)
% of Sacrificial Giving/Envelopes (132 families)	16%
Social Ministry: Year to Date Budget	\$ 41,250
Year to Date Sacrificial Giving	\$ 41,994
Variance	\$ 744
Monthly Diocese Contributions	
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 2,102

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 11:00 AM.**

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

Parent Session Series:

Jesus is fully God and fully man. In the Incarnation, the Son of God assumed human nature and became man. Jesus enjoyed meals, experienced loss and grief, and needed alone time. The human emotions and passions that we experience - hunger, sadness, stress, love, joy, and peace - Jesus too experienced. He knows us because He is one of us.

Not only did Jesus know us, but also infused our humanity with divine life or grace. He healed our bodies, forgave our sins, and restored our souls. When Jesus ascended into Heaven, He didn't stop working. He continues to heal, forgive, and restore today in the seven Sacraments. The Sacraments are a continuation of the Incarnation.

This series explores the seven Sacraments of the Church and how Christ continues to be present to us and dispense diving life into us through them.

If you or your teen has been far from Christ in His Sacraments or you want to delve deeper into your relationship with Christ through the Sacraments, use this series to help you and your teen find your way back to Him. Join Deacon Phil and soon-to-be Deacon Dave on Sunday mornings at the Mary Fisher House from 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM. 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 April

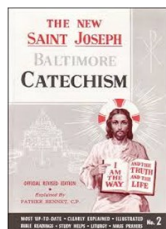
What is actual grace?

Actual grace is a supernatural help of God which enlightens our mind and strengthens our will to do good and to avoid evil.

Actual graces are special HELPS God gives us, like a lift to get a car out of the mud or a red light to warn of danger.

God gives us many actual graces each day. They last as long as we need them and then go. They are really actions of God to help us.

Actual grace is necessary for all who have attained the use of reason, because without it we cannot long resist the power of temptation or perform other actions which merit a reward in heaven.



Youth Ministry

Amazing Grace: A Retreat for High School Girls
WHO: 9th – 12th grade girls
WHEN: Friday, May 4th – Sunday, May 6th
WHERE: St. Joan of Arc

This retreat weekend is a “Peer Ministry” experience, led by a team of high school girls who have been formed into a strong and effective team to provide the main content on the weekend. The goal of this retreat is for participants to recognize how Christ’s Amazing Grace works in their everyday lives. The cost for the retreat is \$60 and some scholarships may be available. Registration forms may be obtained in the parish commons, from the team members, or by contacting Andrew McCarthy at amccarthy@stjoanofarcva.org.

NOTE: Registration forms should be returned ASAP to lock in your spot.

Congratulations to our recently Confirmed! Fourteen of our youth were sealed in the gifts of the Holy Spirit on Tuesday, April 10th. Please continue to pray for them as they continue their journey as fully initiated Catholics. Daniel (Sebastian) Costello, Madison (Maria Goretti) Dahn, Ana (Philomena) Martinez, Ryan (Patrick) Miller, Caroline (Theresa) Kondek, Gaby (Cecilia) Sandoval, Irina (Elizabeth) Smith, Mackenzie (Gianna) Sullivan, Grace (Joan) Dorsey, Colin (Thomas) Billings, Terry (Pier Giorgio) Mock, Jastin (Michael) Diemsen, Christopher (Francis) Raab, Hayden (Bruno) Yeates

Youth Group will meet this week on
Tuesday, April 17th at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall.

Youth Ministry

Friday, April 20th – Rebounderz Trip

Have some fun this month at the Rebounderz Indoor Trampoline Arena. Join us on April 20th to experience Free Jump, Trampoline Dodgeball, the Jump Xtreme Tower, a Ninja Warrior course, and much more. Middle and High School students are encouraged to attend. The cost will be \$15. Please plan to arrive between 6:00 PM and 6:15 PM to ensure we are ready to begin at 6:30 PM. RSVP to Andrew McCarthy by April 15th.

Young Adult Ministry

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, April 18th – Theology on Tap

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!

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

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 Lynda Burton
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
Iron Men Denis Morhiser
Kitchen Bill Garber
Landscape Jim Orband
Lazarus Cathy Fowler
Manna Cathy Fowler & Kathy Fisher
New Evangelization David Cienski
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.

Vocations Awareness

"Now by this we may be sure that we know Him, if we obey His commandments." Jesus makes Himself known to you through the vocation He chose for you. Do you hear a call to the priesthood? Contact your parish priest or deacon, or call Fr. Michael G. Boehling (804) 359-5661 or email mboehling@richmonddiocese.org.



Retrouvaille Marriage Repair

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 or Chris Ladnier at the parish office, (757) 898-5570, or visit www.retrouvaille.org.

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.

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is offered at the 11:30 AM Mass for children 3-6 years of age.

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.

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).