

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

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

Albert Jury
Todd Kercher
Marianna Marder
Frank Nowak
Laura Ortiz
Hilda Penyak

Daily Readings

Sunday, November 25

Dn 7:13-14; Rv 1:5-8
Jn 18:33b-37

Monday, November 26

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday, November 27

Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday, November 28

Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday, November 29

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a
Lk 21:20-28

Friday, November 30

Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

Saturday, December 1

Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36

Sunday, December 2

Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2
Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Meetings

Monday, November 26

- 6:30 PM Legion of Mary, F & H
- 7:00 PM Monday Night Scripture Study, Commons, WS, Rooms D, E, G
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts, SH, JP II

Tuesday, November 27

- 10:00 AM SJA Ladies Book Club, MFH
- 7:00 PM RCIA, F & H, JP II, SH

Wednesday, November 28

- 6:00 PM Youth Ministry Emmaus Dinner, MFH
- 7:00 PM K of C Council 7469 Meeting, JP II, SH
- 7:30 PM K of C Ladies Auxiliary, F & H

Thursday, November 29

- 10:00 AM Stitches, F & H
- 7:00 PM Thursday Night Scripture Study, Room K

Friday, November 30

- 6:00 PM K of C Spaghetti Dinner, JP II, SH, Kitchen

Saturday, December 1

- 2:00 PM First Reconciliation Retreat, JP II, F & H, Confessional
- 6:30 PM Young Adult Speakeasy, MFH

Sunday, December 2

- 10:00 AM Elementary Faith Formation, Classrooms
- 10:00 AM Middle/High School Faith Formation, JP II, SH
- 10:00 AM Parent Formation Sessions, Room K
- 6:00 PM Blessing of Crèche and Evening Prayer, JP II

Please see cover page for Reconciliation and Mass schedule.

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

Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 25

8:30 AM Sophia Bauer
11:30 AM Fr. Mike Joly

Tuesday, November 27

9:00 AM All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, November 28

7:00 PM Jay Harp

Thursday, November 29

9:00 AM Joan Progar

Friday, November 30

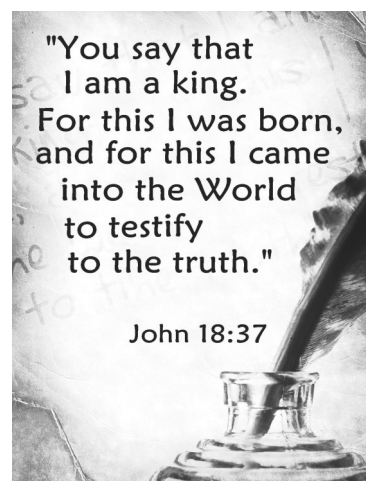
9:00 AM Eric Harp

Saturday, December 1

10:00 AM Parker Harp
5:30 PM † Raymond Bichimer

Sunday, December 2

8:30 AM Albert Jury
11:30 AM † John Campbell



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.

Your Legacy Makes a Difference for Christ! What is your legacy?

This is legacy giving: your legacy is your potential to make a difference. If something is very important to us, we will do anything to help 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.

If you have questions about how to create a lasting legacy for your family of St. Joan of Arc or if you have already decided to take this important step in your estate planning, we encourage you to contact the Parish Office.

Book of Intercessions

Located at the pillars in the Commons

Whenever you enter the church you are invited to write any prayer you wish – a prayer of need, praise or thanksgiving – perhaps you will "lift up" someone who is sick or facing surgery – a prayer for peace, or a prayer of thanks for a couple's wedding or anniversary.

Advent Penance Service

Thursday, December 6th

7:00 PM

The best way to spiritually prepare for Christ to increase in our lives is receiving first God's mercy through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please make this Advent more meaningful through the confession of sins and the joy that follows.



The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Holy Day of Obligation

Saturday, December 8th

Vigil Mass – Friday, December 7th, 7:00 PM

Mass – Saturday, December 8th, 8:00 AM

Poinsettia Memorials

So that we may beautify the church for the Christmas season, POINSETTIAS may be memorialized for your loved ones for a donation of \$20 for a small plant or \$40 for a large plant.

Envelopes will be available in the Commons and the church office for your donation.

Plants will be available to take home after the 11:30 AM Mass on the Epiphany of the Lord (January 6).



Faith Formation



It is never too late to register your children for the 2018-2019 Faith Formation year. You may register online (<http://www.stjoanofarcva.org/religious-education/faith-formation/>) or in the Commons or parish office. The Faith Formation team at St. Joan of Arc is here to assist you every step along the way.

ALL parents of St. Joan of Arc are invited to attend the Parents' Faith Formation held EACH Sunday in Room K from 10:00– 11:15 AM. Bring your coffee and donut and join in the conversation with Deacon Phil Wilkinson and Deacon Dave Reaves.

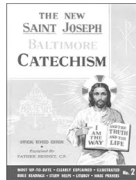
Please contact Jennifer Sanders (jsanders@stjoanofarcva.org or 757-898-5570) with any questions.

The New St. Joseph Baltimore Catechism

Question of the month for November

Are all the passages of the Bible to be understood according to our modern manner of expression?

No, some of the passages of the Bible are not to be understood according to our modern manner of expression, since they contain certain figures of speech, parables, and literary forms used by the people of ancient times, but not employed in the present.



Sacramental Preparation

First Reconciliation Students and Parents—REMINDER

Our last session will be Saturday, December 1st, from 2:00-4:00 PM in the St. John Paul II Center.

All the children in this program will be recipients of beautiful, focused preparation to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and Eucharist. As per the Diocese of Richmond, "Preparation for First Penance and First Holy Communion should be offered in the parish **in addition** to systematic religious education for children, as a separate and distinct program that combines parent-led home learning, with a limited number of catechist-led sessions for children, parents, or both" (Catholic Diocese of Richmond Instruction for Sacraments First Penance and First Holy Communion). You, the parent, are the "FIRST TEACHER" of your child in the Light of their Catholic faith. These preparatory sessions are for both your child **and** you, as the primary spiritual leader of your child, so that you, too, may be built up and nurtured in your own faith journey with the Lord and be better able to assess the readiness of your child to receive these Sacraments.

Youth

This week Youth Group will be on **Wednesday, November 28th at 6:00 PM** in the Mary Fisher House.

Follow us on Instagram @sjoayouthministry

December 16: Nativity Play & Breakfast Fundraiser
February 8-10: DYC (Diocesan Youth Conference)

Friday, December 14th – Youth & Family Christmas Caroling

Give back this holiday season with your fellow youth and families. We will be visiting several Senior Living and Nursing Homes to bring gifts, sing songs, and spread the Good News that Jesus Christ is Born! All youth and their families are encouraged to join us for this joyful evening. Please RSVP for this event by December 10th.

Tuesday, December 18th – Youth Ministry Christmas Party

Come prepare for the birth of Jesus Christ with Youth Ministry at 6:30 PM. There will be fun, games, and presents! Please come with a wrapped gift (under \$10) for a white elephant gift exchange. RSVP by December 15th.

Young Adults

December 1st: Theological Speakeasy
December 14th: Family Christmas Caroling

Sunday, December 9th – Second Sunday Brunch at IHOP

All young adults are welcome to join us after the 11:30 AM Mass at IHOP! You are welcome to meet us in the Commons directly following Mass (by the welcome banner) or meet us there. We typically meet for a Young Adult Brunch on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Hope you will join us!!

For information about Young Adult activities, check out our Facebook group SJOA Young Adult Ministry: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/247137992376962/>.

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.

Parish Ministries

Parish Councils

Finance Council Daniel Burton
Pastoral Council Bill McHenry

Pastoral Ministry

Baptism Coordinator Deacon Jim Satterwhite
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
Music Liam Lees
Readers Carl Chesley & Patti Komornik

Non-Liturgical Ministries

Altar Linens Pat Sappenfield
Liturgical Environment Barbara Carroll & Lynda Fairman
Bereaved John Bryant, III & Tom Carroll
Building Maintenance Hank Rose & Dave Marin
Coffee & Donuts Jacinta Swindell
Divine Mercy Grace Dickens & Geri Leatherbury
Iron Men Denis Morhiser & Chris Felice
Kitchen Bill Garber
Landscape Jim Orband
Lazarus Cathy Fowler
Manna Kathy Fisher
New Evangelization David Cienski
RCIA Deacon Mark Mueller
Sick & Homebound Deacon Mark & Cathy Mueller
Social Ministries Chris Ladnier
Vocations Chalice Deacon Phil Wilkinson
Web Master Bobby Estey

Organizations

KoC & Ladies Auxiliary Randy Vis & Cindy Benson
Legion of Mary David Cienski
Women's Club Lynda Burton
Young at Heart Bill Garber



*Now there are varieties of gifts,
but the same Spirit.*

Diocesan News

Bishop Knestout encourages anyone aware of sexual abuse of minors on the part of clergy or staff of our diocese to notify civil authorities, call the Attorney General's Clergy Abuse Hotline at 1-833-454-9064, and reach out to the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Jennifer Sloan at 1-877-887-9603.

Abuse Crisis Update

Over the past couple of months, His Excellency Bishop Barry Knestout held several listening sessions throughout the diocese on the current abuse crisis. Our bishop has promised to be transparent and to release a list of all credible allegations made against Diocese of Richmond clergy.

Letters addressing the crisis, from the USCCB, Bishop Knestout and a joint letter from the Bishop of Arlington and the Bishop of Richmond, are available in the main entryway for all to read.

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 Bishop.

Vocations Awareness

"My kingdom does not belong to this world."
Are you being called to proclaim the glorious reign of Christ the King as a priest? Contact your parish priest or deacon, or call Fr. Michael G. Boehling at (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.