

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.

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

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

Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 24

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12;
Lk 13:1-9

8:30 a.m. Jennifer Sanders

11:30 a.m. † Michelle Cordaro

Monday, March 25

Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday, March 26

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday, March 27

Dt 4:1; 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

9:00 a.m. Andy & Stephanie Benavidez

7:00 p.m. † Sharon DeFatta

Thursday, March 28

Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23

9:00 a.m. † Jim Watson

Friday, March 29

Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34

Saturday, March 30

Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14

5:30 p.m. † Chela Holt

Sunday, March 31

Jos 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21;

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

8:30 a.m. † Frank Nowak, Sr.

11:30 a.m. † Yvonne Craw

Meetings for the Week

Sunday, March 24

10:00 a.m. Elementary Faith Formation,
Classrooms

10:00 a.m. Middle/High School

Faith Formation, JP II, SH

10:00 a.m. Parent Formation Sessions,
Room K

2:00 p.m. Full Cast *Passion Play*
Practice, JP II, WS

6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer, WS

Monday, March 25

6:30 p.m. Legion of Mary, F & H

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, SH, JP II

7:00 p.m. Monday Night Scripture
Study, WS, Commons,
Classrooms D, E, G

Tuesday, March 26

10:00 a.m. SJA Ladies Book Club, MFH

7:00 p.m. RCIA, JP II, SH, F & H

Wednesday, March 27

6:00 p.m. Youth Ministry
Emmaus Dinner, MFH

7:00 p.m. K of C Ladies Auxiliary,
F & H

7:00 p.m. K of C Council 7469
Meeting, JP II, SH, Kitchen

Thursday, March 28

10:00 a.m. Stitchers, F & H

6:30 p.m. Scripture Study, SH

Friday, March 29

6:00 p.m. Soup Supper, JP II,
SH, Kitchen

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross,
Moat/WS

Saturday, March 30

10:00 a.m. Mass for the Sick, WS

5:30 p.m. RCIA Second Scrutiny

Sunday, March 31

10:00 a.m. Elementary Faith Formation,
Classrooms

10:00 a.m. Middle/High School Faith
Formation, JP II, SH

10:00 a.m. Parent Formation Sessions,
Room K

2:00 p.m. Adult Cast *Passion Play*
Practice, WS

6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer, WS



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 Macababbad 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

Dan Burton, Alex & Anne Cipriano, Tamera David, Genevieve Graham, Christine Grosshans, Sylvia Harman, Albert Jury, Marianna Marder, Hilda Penyak, William & Sara Rudd, Julie Sandorfi

Parish Information

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.

St. Joan of Arc Nursery

St. Joan of Arc Nursery is available during the Sunday morning Masses (8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.) 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 a.m. 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.

For the safety and well-being of all in the Nursery: NO snacks and NO drinks.

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 Updates

St. Joan of Arc Passion Play

A very special Lenten opportunity is being offered at St. Joan of Arc on Passion (Palm) Sunday, April 14, 2019.

On Sunday, April 14th, the Passion Ministry of St. Joan of Arc will be presenting the *Passion Play*, which will be preceded by a Fish Fry on our grounds. Come join us starting at 5:00 p.m. in the St. John Paul II Center for a Fish Fry featuring three Gospel vignettes of the miracles and ministry of Christ preceding His Passion. Tickets are on sale in the Commons or the Parish Office.

Easter Lily Memorials

"Where, O Death, is your victory?
Where, O Death, is your sting?"
-1 Corinthians 15:55

Memorialize your loved one with Easter Lilies!



For just \$25.00, you can memorialize an Easter lily pot to pray for your deceased loved one to be received into glory. Order forms are available in the Commons and in the office.

Parish Ministries

Finance Council, Daniel Burton
Parish Advisory Volunteer Group,
Randy Vis

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
Legion of Mary, David Cienski
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

K of C & Ladies Auxiliary,
Randy Vis & Cindy Benson
Women's Club, Lynda Burton
Young at Heart, Bill Garber

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

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 a.m. Bring your coffee and donut and join in the conversation with Deacon Phil Wilkinson and Deacon Dave Reaves.

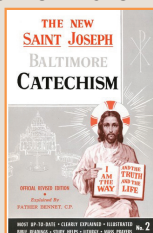
Please contact Jennifer Sanders (jsanders@stjoanofarcva.org or 757-898-5570) with any questions.

The New St. Joseph Baltimore Catechism

Question of the month for March:

Does Divine Tradition have the same force as the Bible?

Yes: Divine Tradition has the same force as the Bible, since it, too, contains God's revelation to men.



Save the Date

July 15-19, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon

Vacation Bible School

Volunteers Needed (rising 6th Grade-adult).

For all those entering Pre-K through rising 5th Grade.

Contact Jennifer Sanders at 757-898-5570 for more information.



Sacramental Preparation

Is your child registered to receive First Eucharist (Holy Communion)?

All the children in this program will be recipients of beautiful, focused preparation to receive the Sacrament of First 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 this Sacrament. **Our next session will be Saturday, April 13th, at 2:00 p.m. in the JPIL Center.** Please see Jennifer Sanders for more information.

Mission Trip

Our parish is sponsoring a Mission Trip in Wise County, VA, on July 21-26. Rising 8th grade teens and up are encouraged to register for this mission experience. You will be given the opportunity to serve others, deepen your faith, and grow in community with other teens! We will be assisting households in Wise County with projects such as minor repairs, ramps, decking, handicap bathroom remodel, painting, and so much more! Participants will also share in a retreat experience in the evenings. We are hoping to bring a great group to this powerful week of Christian service so please register early! All adults who are willing to serve as site coordinators, transportation, service crew, or mentor are encouraged to fill out an interest form after Mass or contact Andrew McCarthy.

Register with a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit by:
 March 29th: \$115.00 per person
 May 1st: \$130.00 per person
 June 15th: \$165.00 per person

Scholarships may be available upon request

Youth

Youth Group will meet Wednesday, March 27th, at 6:00 p.m. in the Mary Fisher House.

- April 14th:** Passion Play & Fish Fry
- April 20th:** New Fire
- May 17th-19th:** Amazing Grace High School Girls Retreat
- July 21st-26th:** Mission Trip
- July 29th-August 2nd:** Middle School Camp!

July 12th-14th: Steubenville Youth Conference (Main Campus)
Early Bird Registration is open for only \$185.00!



We will be attending the Youth Conference at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio, this year. The Steubenville

Conference combines awesome talks, incredible music, praise and worship, time for prayer and fellowship, entertainment and liturgies. Early Bird pricing is \$185.00. A \$50.00 nonrefundable deposit is due by **April 30th** to guarantee your spot and the Early Bird pricing. This conference is open to all high school-aged youth (rising 9th Graders through graduating 12th Graders). Please contact amccarthy@stjoanofarcva.org if you have any questions. Full and partial scholarship may be available. *This year's theme is **Belong**: "See what love the Father has bestowed on us, that we may be called children of God." 1 John 3:1*

Diocesan Information

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.**

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 at **(877) 887-9603**, or in writing to the Office of the Bishop.

Vocations Awareness

"I AM sent me to you." Could the Lord be calling you to proclaim His name as a priest? Contact your parish priest or deacon, or call Fr. Michael G. Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano at (804) 359-5661 or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

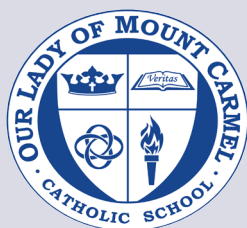


Retrouaille Marriage Repair

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? Retrouaille is a lifeline for troubled marriages. For more information, call Deacon Jim Satterwhite or Chris Ladnier in the parish office at (757) 898-5570, or visit www.retrouaille.org.

Diocesan Information

Annual Auction



Enjoy "A Night Under The Stars" at Our Lady of Mount Carmel School's annual auction evening on April 6th. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for light hors d'oeuvres, silent auction bidding and live auction preview. Dinner begins at 7:30 p.m. and the live auction kicks off at 8:00 p.m. All proceeds from the auction support the school and students. Each ticket is \$50.00. To reserve your spot, please RSVP to Pat Gorman at patron422@verizon.net or (757) 930-0311 or Jennifer Phillips at jphill757@gmail.com or (757) 635-4026.

Youth

July 29th – August 2nd: Middle School Camp: Amazing Grace

Middle School Camp is a week-long day camp experience for middle school youth across the peninsula. The goal of the camp is to bring together middle school youth from area parishes to build community, grow in knowledge of the faith, and encounter Christ through prayer and sacrament. This high-energy camp is filled with fun games, service activities, small group discussions, time for prayer, and a trip to a water park. The Middle School Day Camp is open to all rising 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade youth for the 2019-18 school year. This year, the camp will take place at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish (100 Harpersville Road). *The cost of the camp is \$125.00 if registered by May 31st (minus \$45.00 if the participant has a water country season pass).* This includes the camp fee, daily lunch, water park ticket, transportation, and camp T-shirt. Please contact ammccarthy@stjoanofarcva.org for more information!

Young Adult

Saturday, April 20th – First Fire



At the start of the Easter Vigil, an Easter (First) Fire is kindled and used to light the Paschal Candle. This First Fire is left in Vigil until Easter morning.

The parish community gathers at the fire throughout the night to celebrate the Resurrection of our Savior. We had a great group of teens and young adults last year, and hope to have even more this year! Please contact amccarthy@stjoanofarcva.org for more information or to sign up.

For information about Young Adult activities, check out our Facebook group [SJOA Young Adult Ministry: https://www.facebook.com/groups/247137992376962/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/247137992376962/).