

The Parish of Saint Joan of Arc

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The Season of Advent



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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.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:30-12:30 p.m. & 1:30-4:30 p.m.
Closed for lunch: 12:30-1:30 p.m.
Friday 8:30-12:30 p.m. & 1:30-3:00 p.m.
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PARISH STAFF

Rev. Michael D. Joly Pastor
Rev. Mr. Joe Badalis Deacon
Rev. Mr. Jim Satterwhite .. Deacon
Cherry Macababbad Administrative Assistant
Jennifer Strash Coordinator of Religious Education/
Ministerial Assistant
Shanshan Xie Music Director
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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.

Web Page: <http://www.stjoanofarcva.org>
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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 Deacon Jim (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 11:00/11:30 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 RCIA 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 (877) 887-9603 or by writing to the Office of the Bishop.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Christ is always present to his Church, especially in the actions of the liturgy. He is present in the sacrifice of the Mass, in the person of the minister (it is the same Christ who formerly offered himself on the cross that now offers by the ministry of priests) and most of all under the Eucharistic species. He is present in the sacraments by his power, in such a way that when someone baptizes, Christ himself baptizes. He is present in his word, for it is he himself who speaks when the holy Scriptures are read in the Church. Finally, he is present when the Church prays and sings, for he himself promised: Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there in their midst. (Sacrosanctum Concilium, nn. 7-8. 106)

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



Robert Bates, Joe & Jo Chambers, Abbey Chesley, Anne Cipriano, Tamera David, Bill Garber, Christina Harter, John & Patricia Holston, Anne Holup, Deacon Dan Johnson, Albert Jury, John Kemple, Pat Loiacono, Marianne Pasake, Euong Pham, Mary Salemi, Julie Sandorfi, David Seko, Jr., Stephen Strother, Thennia Tucker



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 10
5:00 pm Marge Green

Friday, December 16
9:00 am † Annette Girouard

Sunday, December 11
8:30 am † Marcel & Monique Yergeau
11:30 am † Valentine Hanf, Jr.

Saturday, December 17
5:00 pm † Rosa Mercado

Wednesday, December 14
9:00 am † Frank Ehrhart

Sunday, December 18
8:30 am † Marion Kemple
11:30 am † John & Joan Bing



THE LORD IS COMING

Reflection on Matthew 11:2-11

A message of hope resounds through the readings for this third Sunday of Advent. Isaiah's word of hope came nearly three millennium ago to people suffering the turmoil and indignity of invasion by the Assyrians: Fear not! You will see the glory and splendor of the Lord who will come to save you! James encourages his community with yet more words of hope: Be patient! Do not lose heart! The Lord's coming will be soon!

And the message of hope comes to us in the response of Jesus to John's questions from a Galilean jail. John, who proclaimed the coming wrath of God and pointed to the One coming who is stronger than he, now sits in Herod's prison awaiting death because he spoke truth to power. Is John questioning his life's work? Perhaps, to a degree, but his question to Jesus: "Are you the one?" sets up the response of Jesus, a hope-filled message describing what His ministry will look like: the blind see, cripples walk, lepers are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, and the poor have the Good News preached to them. Echoing the dream and vision of Isaiah and all the prophets, the Kingdom of God comes to rule our hearts and the world. We who are privileged to be least in God's Kingdom continue this mission and message of hope.

~ Fr. Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, December 11, 2022

3rd Sunday of Advent
Is 35:1-6a, 10
Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10
Jas 5:7-10
Mt 11:2-11

Monday, December 12, 2022

Our Lady of Guadalupe
Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab
Jth 13:18bcde, 19
Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr
Zep 3:1-2, 9-13
Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23
Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday, December 14, 2022

Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25
Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14
Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday, December 15, 2022

Advent Weekday
Is 54:1-10
Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b
Lk 7:24-30

Friday, December 16, 2022

Advent Weekday
Is 56:1-3a, 6-8
Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8
Jn 5:33-36

Saturday, December 17, 2022

Advent Weekday
Gn 49:2, 8-10
Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17
Mt 1:1-17

Access Daily Readings from
the New American Bible,
Revised Edition (NABRE) online at
<https://bible.usccb.org>

AN ADVENT PRAYER OF JOY



*My glorious King,
You sent to us
Saint John the Baptist
to preach repentance and
to call us to Yourself.
Open my mind and heart,
dear Lord, to the message
John spoke and help me to
more fully heed his words
so as to share in the
greatness of life to which
I am called.
Jesus, I trust in You.*

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.

**Who Will You Remember? Your Personal Legacy
Makes a Difference for Christ!**

And this is legacy giving: It’s who and what will be remembered and strengthened because of us when we journey home to the Lord at the end of this short earthly life. Our legacy is our potential to make a Kingdom difference for Christ, using our earthly resources which we dedicate to our beloved parish or ministry.

We know that if something is very important to us, we will do everything possible to support 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.

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 \$25.



Envelopes will be available in the Commons and the church office for
your donation. Please leave cash or check
(St. Joan of Arc—Poinsettia) in basket.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 24
5:00 pm & Midnight

Sunday, December 25
8:30 am & 10:30 am

Sunday, January 1
8:30 am & 10:00 am

Parish Office Closed

Monday, December 26—Monday, January 2
Reopens Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at 8:30 am

Parish Ministries

Finance Council, Jack Christie
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Pastoral Ministry

Baptism Coordinator,
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Liturgical Ministries

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Randy Vis
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James Tucker III
Liturgy Committee,
Deacon Jim & Jerry Wilkins
MCs, Jerry Wilkins
Music, Shanshan Xie
Music - Volunteer Assistant,
Donna Prantl
Readers, Michael Syptak &
Patti Komornik

Non-Liturgical Ministries

Altar Linens, Pat Sappenfield
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Building Maintenance,
Hank Rose & Dave Payton
Coffee & Cookies, Florita Galvez &
Kathia Mock
Divine Mercy,
Donna Prantl & Cathy Fowler
Iron Men, Aaron Belangeri &
John Musser
Kitchen, Jerry Ladnier & Lisa Emerick
Liturgical Environment,
Barbara Carroll & Lynda Fairman
Landscape, Jim Orband
Lazarus, Cathy Fowler
Legion of Mary, Gina Endres
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Organizations

KoC & Ladies Auxiliary, Joe Voloski
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Adult Formation



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 Joe Badalis.

Faith Formation



Thank you for loving your child totally with your prayerful encouragement of his/her formation in the Catholic faith and, for some, preparation to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion or Confirmation. It is in your family, the domestic Church, that the seed of faith is planted, prayerfully cultivated, and blooms. Without your careful attention to cultivate and form the ground upon which the seed of God's Word falls, it cannot flourish. It's not too late to register for 2022 -2023 year. Use the QR code to register.



RETRouvaille

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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 at the parish office, 757-898-5570, or visit www.retrouvaille.org.

Diocesan Information

Vocations Awareness

Do you rejoice in the Lord? Is He asking you to consider a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359-5661 or e-mail: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you." This Advent make the decision to grow in your marriage by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on January 27-29, 2023 in North Myrtle Beach, SC and February 3-5, 2023 in Warrenton, VA. Early sign-up is recommended. For more information, visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org or 757-690-1369.

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