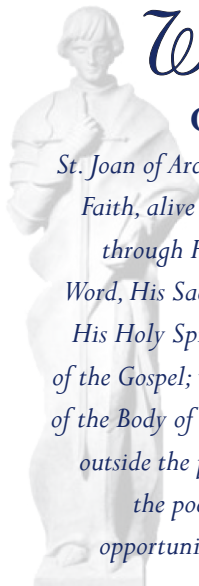




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OUR MISSION

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.

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Mass Schedule

Weekend

Saturday – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday – 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 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.

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.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

“All of the good works in the world are not equal to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, because they are all the works of men; but the Mass is the work of God . . . The Mass is the sacrifice of God for man.”

(St. John Vianney)

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.

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



Karen Abi-Saab, 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, January 28

5:00 pm † Guillermo Herrera

Sunday, January 29

8:30 am † Pat & Steve Winters
11:30 am John & Sandy Kappeler

Wednesday, February 1

9:00 am † Alejandro Herrera
7:00 pm † Virginia Orband

Thursday, February 2

1:00 pm † Geri Rose

Friday, February 3

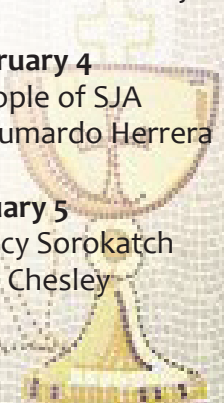
9:00 am † Leslie Trombley

Saturday, February 4

10:00 am People of SJA
5:00 pm † Rumardo Herrera

Sunday, February 5

8:30 am † Lacy Sorokatch
11:30 am Carl Chesley



POOR IN SPIRIT

Reflection on Matthew 5:1-12a

The Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's Gospel is a carefully constructed masterpiece, a brilliant snapshot of the meaning of discipleship. Jesus delivers today's Beatitudes to those who have already responded favorably to His call to follow Him. (Matthew tells us at the outset that the sermon is addressed to the disciples... "his disciples came to him, he began to teach them.") So, this is Jesus unpacking the implications of sharing fellowship with Him.

You can pour the most water into the emptiest container. So God's Kingdom belongs to the poor in spirit, not because they have purchased God's love with their poverty, but because the poor in spirit know deep down that nothing they have or are is really their own, so they can accept everything as a gift from God. Once this truth is embraced and lived, all the other actions these Beatitudes propose – like peacemaking, humbleness, being merciful, and so on – become possible.

The eight simple sentences that make up the Beatitudes have grown into a library of commentaries. Return to these words in prayer and reflection as often as you can, and discover the ways in which your life can be a commentary on them.

~ Fr. Jay



**BLESSED ARE THE POOR
IN SPIRIT; THE KINGDOM
OF HEAVEN IS THEIRS!**

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, January 29, 2023

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13
Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10
1 Cor 1:26-31
Mt 5:1-12a

Monday, January 30, 2023

Weekday

Heb 11:32-40
Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24
Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

Saint John Bosco, Priest

Heb 12:1-4
Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32
Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

Weekday

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15
Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a
Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, February 2, 2023

The Presentation of the Lord

Mal 3:1-4
Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10
Heb 2:14-18
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Friday, February 3, 2023

Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

Heb 13:1-8
Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc
Mk 6:14-29

Saturday, February 4, 2023

Weekday

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21
Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Mk 6:30-34

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

SAINT BLAISE

Feast Day: February 3

Patron Saint of: Throat Ailments

We know more about the devotion to Saint Blaise by Christians around the world than we know about the saint himself. In 1222, the Council of Oxford prohibited servile labor in England on Blaise's feast day. The Germans and Slavs hold him in special honor, and for decades many United States Catholics have sought the annual Saint Blaise blessing for their throats.

We know that Bishop Blaise was martyred in his episcopal city of Sebastea, Armenia, in 316. The legendary Acts of St. Blaise were written 400 years later. According to them, Blaise was a good bishop, working hard to encourage the spiritual and physical health of his people. Persecution raged in Armenia. Blaise was apparently forced to flee to the back country. There he lived as a hermit in solitude and prayer, but he made friends with the wild animals. One day, a group of hunters seeking wild animals for the amphitheater stumbled upon Blaise's cave. They were first surprised and then frightened. The bishop was kneeling in prayer surrounded by patiently waiting wolves, lions and bears.

The legend has it that as the hunters hauled Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command the child was able to cough up the bone.

Four centuries give ample opportunity for fiction to creep in with fact. Who can be sure how accurate Blaise's biographer was? But biographical details are not essential. Blaise is seen as one more example of the power those have who give themselves entirely to Jesus. As Jesus told His apostles at the Last Supper, "If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you" (John 15:7). With faith we can follow the lead of the Church in asking for Blaise's protection.

Read the full article: "Saint Blaise" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,
<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-blaise/>. (Accessed 16 Jan 2023).

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.

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.



Time to Update!

Do you have a new address? New phone number? Additions to your family? If you have had these or any other family changes since you first registered at St. Joan of Arc, please let us know so that we can keep an accurate roll for our parish. Please contact Cherry Macababbad in the office to update your parish registration at cmacababbad@stjoanofarcva.org.



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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 A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

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

"God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong." God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called. Could He be calling you? Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359-5661 or e-mail: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Let us begin with having peace in our marriage. Learn to have the best marriage by attending one of the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences on February 3-5, 2023 in Warrenton, VA or March 31-April 2, 2023 in Herndon, 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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