



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.

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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.

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 Jennifer Strash (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 11:30 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 at (877) 887-9603 or by writing to the Office of the Bishop.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

By an apostolic tradition taking its origin from the very day of Christ's resurrection, the Church celebrates the paschal mystery every eighth day, the day that is rightly called the Lord's day. On Sunday the Christian faithful ought to gather together, so that by listening to the word of God and sharing in the Eucharist they may recall the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus and give thanks to God who *has given them a new birth with a lively hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead*. The Lord's Day is therefore the first and greatest festival, one to be set before the loving devotion of the faithful and impressed upon it, so that it may be also a day of joy and of freedom from work. Other celebrations must not take precedence over it, unless they are truly of the greatest importance, since it is the foundation and the kernel of the whole liturgical year.

(*Sacrosanctum Concilium*, nn. 7-8. 106)

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 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, Marcella Buckley, Joe Chambers,
Abbey Chesley, Tamera David,
Bill Garber, Christina Harter,
Anne Holup, Deacon Dan Johnson,
Patti Komornik, John Kemple, Matthew Martin,
Linda O'Dell, Euong Pham,
David Seko, Jr., Stephen Strother



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 30

5:00 pm † Michael Fitzgerald

Saturday, October 7

5:00 pm People of SJA

Sunday, October 1

8:30 am † Joseph Marques

11:30 am † Michael Fitzgerald

Sunday, October 8

8:30 am † Zenaida Saloma

11:30 am † Mackenzie Britt

Tuesday, October 3

9:00 am † Leslie Trombley

Friday, October 6

9:00 am † Mildred Waldheim



ACT ON IT!

Reflection on Matthew 21:28-32

I can relate to both sons in the story. There are times when I say, "Okay, I'll do that," and then for whatever reason never get around to it. In day-to-day life we call that being irresponsible, and if a pattern develops, we learn not to ask such a person to do anything important. But there are also times when I say, with great gusto, "No, I am not doing that," and then think better of it for whatever reason and end up doing it anyway. We call that repentance, or change of mind, change of heart.

I suspect that most of us are a mixture of both sons. Elsewhere in the Gospel Jesus says, "It is not those who cry 'Lord, Lord' who will enter the kingdom of God, but those who do the will of my Father." The message here and in this parable is clear and direct, as well as a frightening challenge of eternal proportions: If you say you believe it, then do it! Act on it!

God is a jealous Lover. He wants nothing less than everything – all our words and all our actions. And God is a true Lover, for He does not want us out of guilt or out of duty, but in freedom.

~ Fr. Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, October 1, 2023

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28

Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Phil 2:1-11 or Phil 2:1-5

Mt 21:28-32

Monday, October 2, 2023

The Holy Guardian Angels

Zec 8:1-8

Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23

Mt 18:1-5, 10

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Weekday

Zec 8:20-23

Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7

Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday, October 4, 2023

Saint Francis of Assisi

Neh 2:1-8

Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

Lk 9:57-62

Thursday, October 5, 2023

Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12

Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11

Lk 10:1-12

Friday, October 6, 2023

Saint Bruno, Priest

Bar 1:15-22

Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9

Lk 10:13-16

Saturday, October 7, 2023

Our Lady of the Rosary

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29

Ps 69:33-35, 36-37

Lk 10:17-24

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

SAINT BRUNO

Feast Day: October 6

Patron Saint of: Calabria, Germany

This saint has the honor of having founded a religious order which, as the saying goes, has never had to be reformed because it was never deformed.

Bruno was born in Cologne, Germany, became a famous teacher at Rheims, and was appointed chancellor of the archdiocese at the age of 45. He supported Pope Gregory VII in his fight against the decadence of the clergy, and took part in the removal of his own scandalous archbishop, Manasses. Bruno suffered the plundering of his house for his pains.

He had a dream of living in solitude and prayer, and persuaded a few friends to join him in a hermitage. After a while he felt the place unsuitable and through a friend, was given some land which was to become famous for his foundation "in the Chartreuse" – from which comes the word Carthusians. The climate, desert, mountainous terrain, and inaccessibility guaranteed silence, poverty, and small numbers.

Bruno and his friends built an oratory with small, individual cells at a distance from each other. They met for Matins and Vespers each day and spent the rest of the time in solitude, eating together only on great feasts. Their chief work was copying manuscripts.

Hearing of Bruno's holiness, the pope called for his assistance in Rome. When the pope had to flee Rome, Bruno pulled up stakes again, and after refusing a bishopric, spent his last years in the wilderness of Calabria.

Bruno was never formally canonized, because the Carthusians were averse to all occasions of publicity. However, Pope Clement X extended his feast to the whole Church in 1674.

Read the full article: "Saint Jerome" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,
<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-bruno/>. (Accessed September 19, 2023).

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.

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.

First Friday Adoration

Come join us for Adoration after morning Mass on the First Friday of each month. A sign-up sheet is available in the Commons. We need at least two people/hour to keep the Lord company throughout the day! Join us at 3:00 pm when we will recite the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Benediction is at 4:00 pm.

Pine Needles for St. Joan of Arc Landscape Beds

The Landscape Team needs your help. We could use your raked up pine needles to put in the landscape beds at St. Joan of Arc. The landscape team uses a lot of different mulches throughout the St. Joan of Arc landscape. We do not pay for any mulches. The Compost Facility donates all of the reground mulch that we use in landscape beds. Pine needles are gathered from friends, and from the side of the road and brought to church for application in the landscape beds. No fees are charged.

If you have pine needles (with or without some leaves in), we would be glad to use your bagged pine needles in church landscape beds. Please call Jim at (757) 898-9403 for the details on where to bring these bagged pine needles to leave on the church grounds. We can accept them anytime that you want to donate them. We do not have the labor to rake your pine needles and we are very appreciative of you sharing your valuable resource with the parish in the landscape beds.

Saturday, October 7, beginning at 9 AM is our landscape workday. If you are interested in helping with this day, you are welcome to work with us. The Landscape Team is responsible for the care and stewardship of all 13 acres of the parish grounds. Our day will involve mulching, pruning, and cleanup of the grounds. Contact Jim Orband at jorband@vt.edu for more information or to sign up for the workday. Thank you for your interest.

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The Ladies Auxiliary Fall Bake Sale

The Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting their Fall Bake Sale on Sunday, October 8, in between the Masses. This year it will be one day only. All sales will be cash or check, there is no preordering. Make sure you stop by our table to select from a variety of baked goods available for purchase on the spot. Proceeds from the sale benefit the K of C, our parish and community charities. Thank you so much for supporting this event and we look forward to seeing you!



Oktoberfest



The Knights of Columbus (K of C) Council # 7469 will host their annual Oktoberfest Dinner in the St. Joan of Arc Saint John Paul II Center on Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. following the 5:00 Mass. Tickets are \$15.00 (13 and up), \$10.00 (ages 6-12), and free (5 years and under). Tickets will be on sale after the Masses now until October 14; first-come, first-served. See the K of C representative in the Commons after Mass.

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 Fall 2023. Forms are available in the Commons or use the QR code to register.



Diocesan Information

Vocations Awareness

"He humbled Himself and became obedient..." If the Lord invites you to follow Him in humble obedience as a priest or in the consecrated life, how will you respond? Call Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661 or e-mail: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



St. Padre Pio Relic Tour Visits St. Bede Parish

You are invited for one day only to encounter and join the St. Bede parish community for public veneration of the holy relics of St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, Friday, October 6. The day begins with 9:00 A.M. Mass and the all-day veneration concludes at 6:45 P.M. with closing prayer. In all, five relics of St. Padre Pio will be available, including a first-class relic. St. Bede is the only Virginia parish in 2023 where the relics will be displayed. Devotional items will be available for purchase. Don't miss this unique opportunity for a spiritual encounter with one of the most venerated of the modern saints in the Catholic Church. Join fellow Catholics for this unique opportunity! Contact St. Bede Catholic Church at (757) 229-3631 or comm@bedeva.org for more information. Don't miss it!



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