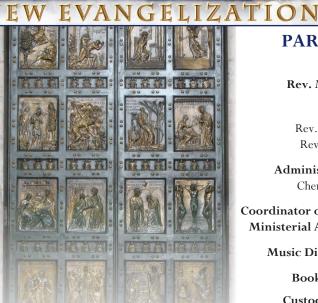


St. Joan of Arc is a Catholic Family of Faith, alive in the Lord Jesus Christ through His Mercy, His Love, His Word, His Sacraments, all granted by His Holy Spirit.We proclaim the joy of the Gospel; we minister to the needs of the Body of Christ, both within and outside the parish family, especially the poor who present a unique opportunity for us to meet Christ. The Parish of Saint Joan of Arc



#### **PARISH STAFF**

Pastor: Rev. Michael D. Joly

**Deacons:** Rev. Mr. Joe Badalis Rev. Mr. Don Fox

Administrative Assistant: Cherry Macababbad

Coordinator of Religious Education/ Ministerial Assistant: Jennifer Strash

Music Director: Shanshan Xie

Bookkeeper: Joe G. Custodian: Dave Payton

315 Harris Grove Lane • Yorktown, Virginia 23692 Parish Office: 757-898-5570 • Fax: 757-898-0737 • Social Outreach: 757-898-1220 Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30-12:30 & 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. • Closed for lunch: 12:30-1:30 p.m. Web Page: http://www.stjoanofarcva.org • E-mail: cmacababbad@stjoanofarcva.org

#### 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.

## SAINT JOAN OF ARC

## YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA

## <u>Welcome</u>

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

Each and every Mass is not something private, even if a priest celebrates it privately; instead, it is an act of Christ and of the Church. "For even if the faithful are unable to be present, it [Holy Mass] is an act of Christ and the Church" (Saint John Paul II, Presbyterorum Ordinis, n. 13). In offering this sacrifice, the Church learns to offer herself as a sacrifice for all and she applies the unique and infinite redemptive power of the sacrifice of the Cross to the salvation of the whole world. For every Mass that is celebrated is being offered not just for the salvation of certain people, but also for the salvation of the whole world.

(Saint Paul VI, Pope Mysterium Fidei 1965 n. 32)

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



5.5

# Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, October 21 5:00 pm † Isidro Reyna

Sunday, October 22

8:30 am † Deacon Jim Satterwhite 11:30 am † Deacon Jim Satterwhite

Saturday, October 28 5:00 pm † Cecilia Johnson Sunday, October 29 8:30 am People of SJA 11:30 am † Michael Fitzgerald

## EVERYTHING BELONGS TO GOD

Reflection on Matthew 22:15-21

This story of Jesus' encounter with the Pharisees and the Herodians, while not an explanation of the contemporary separation of church and state, does make a distinction between the political world we live in and the spiritual realm we abide in. We have obligations and responsibilities to both.

What belongs to God? Everything, of course. For the follower of Jesus, that "greatest commandment" guides all: "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind...and the second is like it: you shall love your neighbor as yourself." God is primary over all other powers and loyalties.

But it is also clear, especially from the teachings of Vatican II, that we are to take our faith into the marketplace, to engage the world and bring our beliefs with us into Caesar's domain. It is God's will that all people be treated justly, that the poor are cared for, and that everyone is given respect and treated with dignity as a child of God.

~ Fr. Jay

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all you lands. Psalm 96:1



## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

#### Sunday, October 22, 2023

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 45:1, 4-6 Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 1 Thes 1:1-5b Mt 22:15-21

#### Monday, October 23, 2023

Saint John of Capistrano, Priest Rom 4:20-25 Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 Lk 12:13-21

#### Tuesday, October 24, 2023

Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday, October 25, 2023** *Weekday* Rom 6:12-18 Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 Lk 12:39-48 **Thursday, October 26, 2023** *Weekday* Rom 6:19-23 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 12:49-53

#### Friday, October 27, 2023

Weekday Rom 7:18-25a Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 Lk 12:54-59

#### Saturday, October 28, 2023

Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles Eph 2:19-22 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Lk 6:12-16

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

## SAINT JOHN OF CAPISTRANO

Feast Day: October 23 Patron Saint of: Judges

John Capistrano was born in 1386. His education was thorough. His talents and success were great. When he was 26, he was made governor of Perugia. Imprisoned after a battle against the Malatestas, he resolved to change his way of life completely. At the age of 30, he entered the Franciscan novitiate and was ordained a priest four years later.

John's preaching attracted great throngs at a time of religious apathy and confusion. He and 12 Franciscan brethren were received in the countries of central Europe as angels of God. They were instrumental in reviving a dying faith and devotion. The Franciscan Order itself was in turmoil over the interpretation and observance of the Rule of St. Francis. Through John's tireless efforts and his expertise in law, the heretical Fraticelli were suppressed and the "Spirituals" were freed from interference in their stricter observance.

John of Capistrano helped bring about a brief reunion with the Greek and Armenian Churches. When the Turks captured Constantinople in 1453, John was commissioned to preach a crusade for the defense of Europe. Gaining little response in Bavaria and Austria, he decided to concentrate his efforts in Hungary. He led the army to Belgrade. Under the great General John Hunyadi, they gained an overwhelming victory, and the siege of Belgrade was lifted. Worn out by his superhuman efforts, Capistrano was an easy prey to an infection after the battle. He died on October 23, 1456.

John Hofer, a biographer of John Capistrano, recalls an organization named after the saint. Its motto was: "Initiative, Organization, Activity." These three words characterized John's life. His deep Christian optimism drove him to battle problems at all levels with the confidence engendered by a deep faith in Christ.

Read the full article: "Saint John of Capistrano" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-john-of-capistrano/. (Accessed October 10, 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.

# Requiem for the Living

The St. Joan of Arc Choir will be performing in a joint local community concert on **Sunday**, **4 pm**, **October 29**, **2023** at First Baptist Church, Newport News. Admission to this beautiful ensemble will be open to all.

Collaborating with the Virginia Symphony Orchestra, alongside with Dr. John Irving, the chorale director from Christopher Newport University and 8 other local church choirs, the concert will perform prayerfully Dan Forrest's *Requiem for the Living*. The five movements of Dan Forrest's Requiem for the Living (2013) form a narrative for the living and their own struggle with pain and sorrow.

Support our choir members and enjoy the sound of music!



# **Baptism Preparation**

The next Baptism Preparation for Parents will take place on **Sunday, November 5th,** after the 11:30 am Mass. The session will be conducted in Rooms F & H. Please contact Jennifer Strash for more information at 757-898-5570.



# October 22, 2023

# Parish Ministries

Finance Council, Jack Christie Parish Advisory Volunteer Group, Randy Vis

#### **Pastoral Ministry**

Baptism Coordinator, Jennifer Strash Bereaved, John Bryant III Sick & Homebound, Denis Morhiser

### **Liturgical Ministries**

Altar Servers, Randy Vis EMHCs, Denis Morhiser & Rachel Vis Hospitality, Mary Ann Vogelbein & James Tucker III Liturgy Committee, Deacon Don Fox MC, Tom O'Reilly Music, Shanshan Xie Music - Volunteer Assistant, Donna Prantl Readers, Michael Syptak & Patti Komornik Non-Liturgical Ministries

Altar Linens, Pat Sappenfield Building Committee, Steve Romeo **Building Maintenance**, Dave Payton & Hank Rose Coffee & Cookies, Glenda Dobbins & Florita Galvez Divine Mercy, Donna Prantl & Cathy Fowler Iron Men, John Musser Kitchen, Jerry Ladnier & Lisa Emerick Liturgical Environment, Tom & Rowena Fauber & Lynda Fairman Landscape, Jim Orband Lazarus, Cathy Fowler Legion of Mary, Gina Endres Library, Laura Quellhorst Magnificat, Tracy Leota & Kelley Rutter New Evangelization, David Cienski OCI, Deacon Don Fox Social Ministries, Chris Ladnier Vocations Chalice, Ferdinand & Donna Prantl Web Master

#### Organizations

KoC & Ladies Auxiliary, Joe Voloski & Jessica MartinezWomen's Book Club, Arlene Bradley

# Adult Formation RCIA changing to OCI

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, or RCIA, as it has been more commonly referred to, will have its name changed to the Order of Christian Initiation (OCI), including both adults and youth. Following the trend of updating all liturgical texts to reflect greater fidelity to the original Latin, the U.S. Bishops agreed to the updated name change in 2021, but documents are currently in the review process, anticipating approval by the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments in 2024.

The change also applies to the process by which one enters the Church. The new structure is meant to invite candidates and catechumens into a continuous process of spiritual formation on the path to Baptism, first Communion and Confirmation. The OCI process encourages candidates and catechumens to take charge of their faith education, ask questions of catechists and explore the answers. Most catechumens and candidates will still be received into the Church during the Easter Vigil, but OCI encourages them to get involved in the parish community even before they receive the Sacraments, sowing seeds of discipleship that will grow well beyond Confirmation. For more information, please contact Deacon Don Fox at 757-813-6428, deacondonfox@gmail.com, or the Parish Office 757-898-5570.

# 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**

"Give to God what is God's." You belong to Christ and Christ is God's! How will you respond to so great a love? Is He asking you to follow Him? Are you being called to teach the word of God as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Call Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661 or email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



# RE ROUVAILLE

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 visit www.retrouvaille.org.

