

The Parish of Saint Joan of Arc

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Rev. Mr. Joe Badalis

Rev. Mr. Don Fox

Administrative Assistant: Cherry Macababbad

Coordinator of Religious Education / Ministerial

Assistant: Jennifer Strash

Music Director:

Bookkeeper: Joe G.

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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

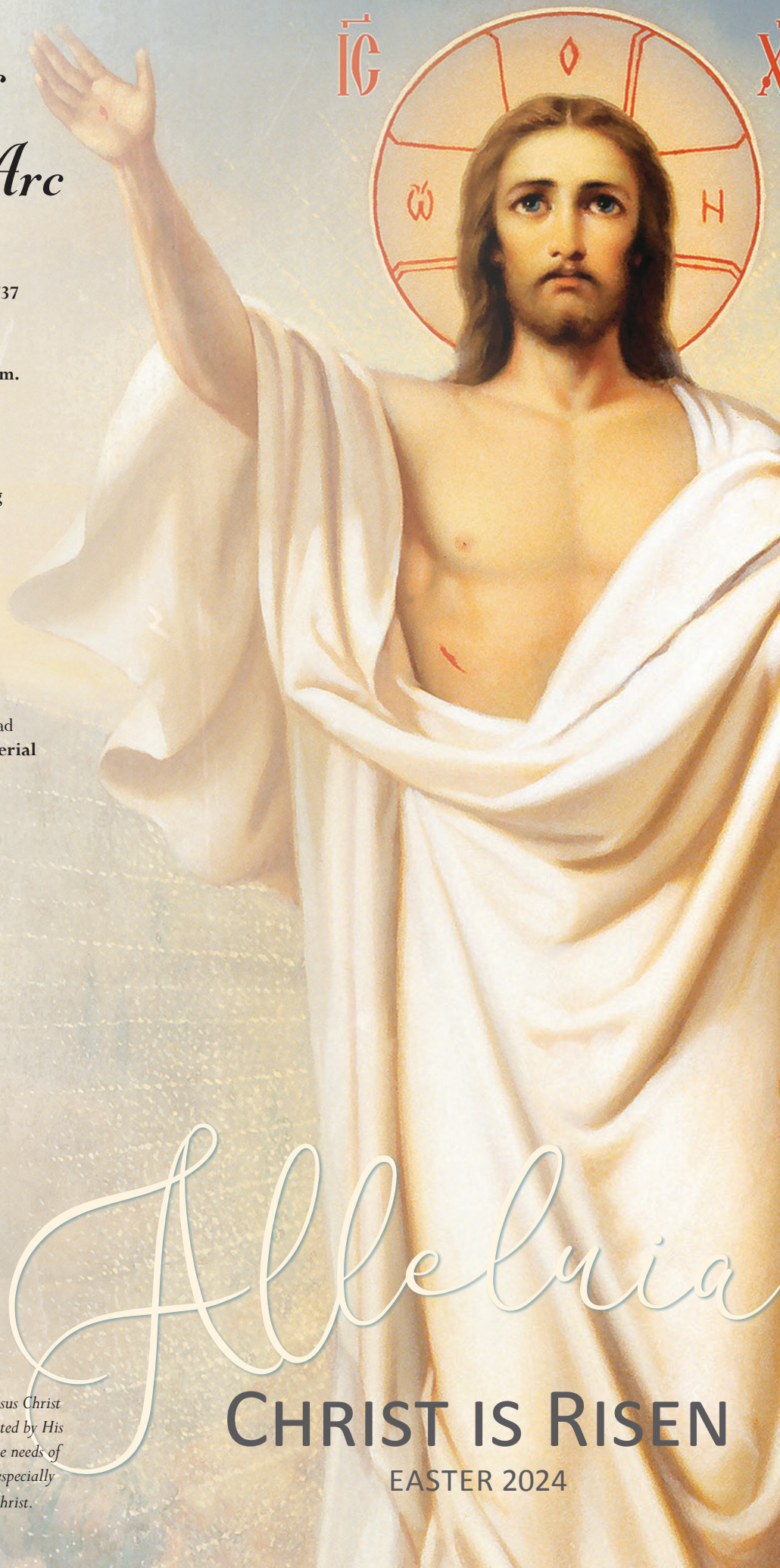
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

First Friday Adoration

Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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.



Alleluia
CHRIST IS RISEN
EASTER 2024

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

“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)

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 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, Carl & Mary Chesley,
Tamera David, Anne Holup,
Deacon Dan Johnson,
Patti Komornik, Matthew Martin,
Ron Morrison, Linda O'Dell, Euong Pham,
David Seko, Jr., Stephen Strother



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 20

5:00 pm † Deacon David Kohut

Sunday, April 21

8:30 am † Augustine and Ruth Burke

11:30 am People of SJA

Tuesday, April 23

9:00 am † Frank Collins

Friday, April 26

9:00 am † Maria Yelena

Saturday, April 27

5:00 pm † Fairlie Duncan

Sunday, April 28

8:30 am † Arthur Marino

11:30 am People of SJA



GOOD SHEPHERD

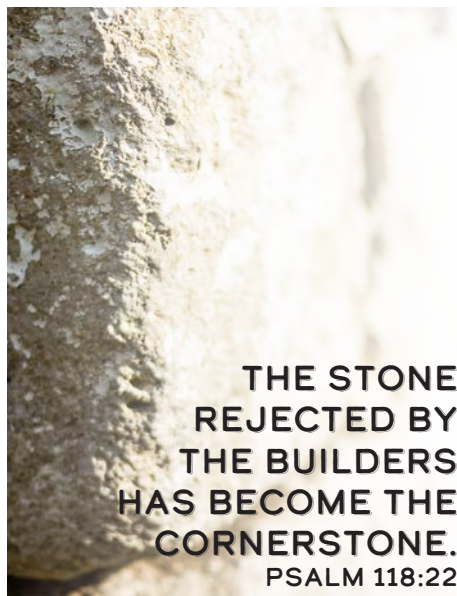
Reflection on John 10:11-18

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, Jesus says, "I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd." These words call to mind the Church's mission of ecumenical and interreligious dialogue, which St. John Paul II states "is part of the church's evangelizing mission (Redemptoris Missio, 56).

While Jesus calls for a unity, a oneness for His flock, the aims of these dialogues with other Christians and people of other faiths (or of no faith) usually fall within three objectives:

1. To help people of different religions to live together in peace and harmony, a task which is ever more urgent in a world becoming increasingly multicultural, multireligious, and secular;
2. To work together in the service of humankind, knowing that the problems which our world and communities face are so great there is need for the efforts of all, together, to reach out to those who are in need; and
3. To share spiritual values, a mutual witness to beliefs, and an exploration of the riches of our respective traditions, helping all to deepen their religious commitments, respond with greater sincerity to God's call, and walk together toward the truth.

~ Fr. Jay



**THE STONE
REJECTED BY
THE BUILDERS
HAS BECOME THE
CORNERSTONE.
PSALM 118:22**

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12

Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29

1 Jn 3:1-2

Jn 10:11-18

Monday, April 22, 2024

Easter Weekday

Acts 11:1-18

Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4

Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Easter Weekday

Acts 11:19-26

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

Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

Easter Weekday

Acts 12:24-13:5a

Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8

Jn 12:44-50

Thursday, April 25, 2024

Saint Mark, Evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b-14

Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17

Mk 16:15-20

Friday, April 26, 2024

Easter Weekday

Acts 13:26-33

Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab

Jn 14:1-6

Saturday, April 27, 2024

Easter Weekday

Acts 13:44-52

Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4

Jn 14:7-14

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

SAINT FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN

Saint of the Day: April 24

Patron Saint of: Lawyers

If a poor man needed some clothing, Fidelis would often give the man the clothes right off his back. Complete generosity to others characterized this saint's life.

Born in 1577, Mark Rey became a lawyer who constantly upheld the causes of the poor and oppressed people. Nicknamed "the poor man's lawyer," Rey soon grew disgusted with the corruption and injustice he saw among his colleagues. He left his law career to become a priest. Fidelis was his religious name.

As a follower of Saint Francis of Assisi, Fidelis continued his devotion to the weak and needy. During a severe epidemic in a city where he was guardian of a friary, Fidelis cared for and cured many sick soldiers.

He was appointed head of a group of Capuchins sent to preach against the Calvinists and Zwinglians in Switzerland. Almost certain violence threatened. Those who observed the mission felt that success was more attributable to the prayer of Fidelis during the night than to his sermons and instructions.

He was accused of opposing the peasants' national aspirations for independence from Austria. While he was preaching at Seewis a gun was fired at him, but he escaped unharmed. A Protestant offered to shelter Fidelis, but he declined, saying his life was in God's hands. On the road back, he was set upon by a group of armed men and killed.

Fidelis was canonized in 1746. Fifteen years later he was recognized as a martyr.

Fidelis' constant prayer was that he be kept completely faithful to God and not give in to any lukewarmness or apathy. He was often heard to exclaim, "Woe to me if I should prove myself but a halfhearted soldier in the service of my thorn-crowned Captain." His prayer against apathy, and his concern for the poor and weak make him a saint whose example is valuable today.

Read the full article: "Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-fidelis-of-sigmaringen/ (Accessed April 8, 2024).

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.

Baptism Preparation



The next Baptism Preparation for Parents will take place **Sunday, May 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.

May Crowning

St. Joan of Arc's Annual May Procession and May Crowning will take place Sunday, May 5th, between the two morning Masses. We gather in the Commons to honor Mary, the Patroness of our country, as we crown the Queen of Angels during a devotional service, presented by our elementary faith formation students and the Legion of Mary. Our devotional ceremony begins with special readings, songs and prayers to honor Our Blessed Mother. After she is crowned with a wreath of fresh flowers, we invite ALL family, friends and parishioners to share in our procession lead by our First Communicants and Confirmandi. Please bring flowers from your garden or favorite store to honor Our Lady of Grace.



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, Bud Forrest
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,
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Iron Men, John Musser
Kitchen, Jerry Ladnier & Lisa Emerick
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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 at (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. Use the QR code to register for the 2024-2025 school year. Also, watch for our new Catechesis of the Good Shepherd religious education program for our 3-6 year old kids coming this fall!



Diocesan Information

Vocations Awareness

"There is no salvation through anyone else." Let us pray for those who are called to follow the Lord as a priest or religious brother or sister that they may generously say YES. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Married Couples. Why not give yourselves a weekend away from it all. Time away from the pressures of work and everyday responsibilities. A chance to talk and listen to that special someone who loves you. If that sounds good to you, sign up now for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

For more information or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for "Virginia" or your desired location. Feel free to contact Mark and Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150 or mstang1987@aol.com with any questions. Here are a few upcoming experiences:

- May 3-5, 2024 - Hickory, NC
- September 27-29, 2024 - Herndon, VA
- November 15-17, 2024 - Virginia Beach, VA



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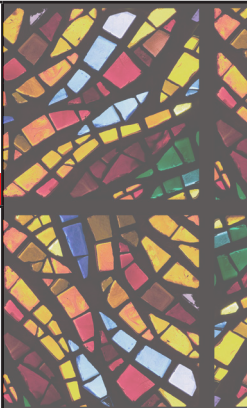
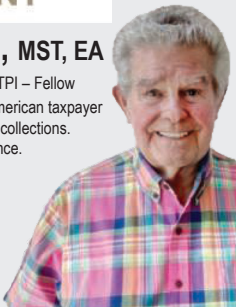
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