The Parish of Saint Joan of Arc

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Mass Schedule

Weekend

 $\begin{aligned} & Saturday - 5:00 \text{ p.m.} \\ & Sunday - 8:30 \text{ a.m.} \& 11:30 \text{ a.m.} \end{aligned}$

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.



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.

<u>Diocesan Safe</u> <u>Environment Policy</u>

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/.

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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)

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



Saturday, May 11

5:00 pm † Ronald Todhunter

Sunday, May 12

8:30 am † Carol Bogolin 11:30 am † William Emerick

Saturday, May 18

5:00 pm † Deacon Jim Satterwhite

11:30 am Katherine Jo Trowbridge

Sunday, May 19

8:30 am



† Stephanie Childrey

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.

Upcoming Change in Mass Schedule

Our summer Mass schedule will take effect on **Sunday, May 26th;** the 11:30 am Mass will return to 11:00 am.

Remembering Our Beloved Dead

In addition to the prayers lifted just after death and the prayers of the funeral Mass itself, a meaningful Catholic tradition is to have Masses celebrated for the faithful departed. These Memorial Masses have infinite value for the souls of those journeying home to Heaven, as well as for those of us who remain and mourn. Masses may be offered at any time of the year.

Remember the Faithful Departed

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

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Bereaved, John Bryant III
Sick & Homebound, Denis Morhiser

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EMHCs, Denis Morhiser & Rachel Vis
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James Tucker III
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MC, Tom O'Reilly
Music, Bud Forrest
Music - Volunteer Assistant,
Donna Prantl
Readers, Michael Syptak &

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Our Lady of Fatima and the Fall of Communism





This multimedia presentation by Steve Hemler & Craig Turner



of the Catholic Apologetics Institute of North America (CAINA) provides a fascinating look at the events that led to the fall of communism in Eastern Europe and Russia and their links to Our Lady of Fatima.



Monday, May 13, 6:30 pm St. Joan of Arc Worship Space

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 315 Harris Grove Ln, Yorktown, VA

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And the Book of The Month for May is ...

The World Is Too Small: The Life and Times of Mother Cabrini

by Theodore Maynard, 2024, Sophia Institute Press, 352 pages.

We Catholics have a deep, rich history in America that we should all know better. This biography of Mother Cabrini, America's first-named saint, is a great way to know better and be inspired by the patroness of immigrants who is also one of the founders of Catholic education in this country.



Yet, her coming to America involved the renunciation of a dream. As a child, she wanted to go as a missionary to China, and China was on her mind when she founded the Institute of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart. When Bishop Scalabrini of

Piacenza (now St. G.B. Scalabrini) first suggested that she go instead to work among the poor Italian immigrants of New York, she told him, "But New York is too small a place for me."

He had smiled at that. "Well, what about the United States, Mother Cabrini? You ought to find it large enough."

She, in turn, had smiled. "No, Monsignor. For me, the whole world is too small."

Discover Cabrini's mystical vocation, her encounters with the miraculous, and her tireless devotion to the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus. This book is not just a biography; it is a testament to the resilience, faith, and enduring power of a woman for whom the world, with all its problems and beauty, was not big enough for what she intended to do.

"Cabrini" is the title of a recent film about St. Francesca Cabrini in New York, which was released in the US in March 2024.

Ascension May 12, 2024

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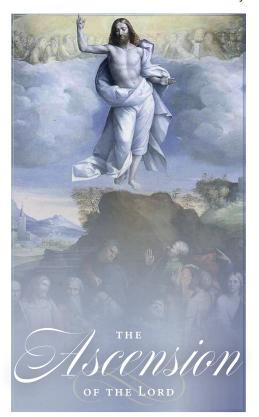
Reflection on Mark 16:15-20

This feast of the Ascension, along with next Sunday's feast of Pentecost, calls us to our mission: empowered by God's Spirit, we are to "go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." We live in this "inbetween" time – after the Ascension of Jesus and before He comes again. We have the promise of Jesus, that He is with us always, and remains in us; this makes our mission doable!

We will always encounter difficulties in this mission. Mark's mention of handling serpents, drinking deadly things, and combating demons is a sure reminder of this. These activities, and the dangers they pose, may not be part of our mission strategy when we set out, but these and all difficulties were foreseen by Jesus, and He has equipped us to face and overcome them, by the help of His grace and the promise of His faithfulness.

The feast of the Ascension brings to mind for me some lyrics from one of my favorite hymns, *O God Beyond All Praising:* "And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still."

~ Fr. Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, May 12, 2024

The Ascension of the Lord Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 1:17-23

Monday, May 13, 2024

Mk 16:15-20

Our Lady of Fatima Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Saint Matthias, Apostle Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 Jn 15:9-17

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

Easter Weekday
Acts 20:28-38
Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab
Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday, May 16, 2024

Easter Weekday
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11
Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11
Jn 17:20-26

Friday, May 17, 2024

Saint Paschal Baylon Acts 25:13b-21 Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab Jn 21:15-19

Saturday, May 18, 2024

Easter Weekday
Acts 28:16-20, 30-31
Ps 11:4, 5 and 7
Jn 21:20-25

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

SAINT PASCHAL BAYLON

Saint of the Day: May 17

Patron Saint of: Eucharistic Congresses and Societies Shepherds

In Paschal's lifetime the Spanish empire in the New World was at the height of its power, though France and England were soon to reduce its influence. The 16th century has been called the Golden Age of the Church in Spain, for it gave birth to Ignatius of Loyola, Francis Xavier, Teresa of Avila, John of the Cross, Peter of Alcantara, Francis Solano, and Salvator of Horta.

Paschal's Spanish parents were poor and pious. Between the ages of seven and 24, he worked as a shepherd and began a life of mortification. He was able to pray on the job and was especially attentive to the church bell, which rang at the Elevation during Mass. Paschal had a very honest streak in him. He once offered to pay owners of crops for any damage his animals caused!

In 1564, Paschal joined the Friars Minor and gave himself wholeheartedly to a life of penance. Though he was urged to study for the priesthood, he chose to be a brother. At various times he served as porter, cook, gardener, and official beggar.

Paschal was careful to observe the vow of poverty. He would never waste any food or anything given for the use of the friars. When he was porter and took care of the poor coming to the door, he developed a reputation for great generosity. The friars sometimes tried to moderate his liberality!

Paschal spent his spare moments praying before the Blessed Sacrament. In time, many people sought his wise counsel. People flocked to his tomb immediately after his burial; miracles were reported promptly. Paschal was canonized in 1690 and was named patron of eucharistic congresses and societies in 1897.

Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament occupied much of Saint Francis' energy. Most of his letters were to promote devotion to the Eucharist. Paschal shared that concern. An hour in prayer before our Lord in the Eucharist could teach all of us a great deal.

Read the full article: "Saint Paschal Baylon" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, franciscanmedia.org/saint-paschal-baylon/ (Accessed April 26, 2024).

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

"As You sent Me into the world, I have sent them." If you think the Lord may be inviting you to carry on His mission as a priest or religious brother or sister, 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 two upcoming experiences:

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