

*I will look to the Lord,
I will wait for God my savior;
my God will hear me!*

- Micah 7:7

the season of
Lent

The Parish of Saint Joan of Arc

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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.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Friday – 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:30-12:30 p.m. & 1:30-4:00 p.m.
Closed for lunch: 12:30-1:30 p.m.
Friday 8:30-12:30 p.m. & 1:30-3:00 p.m.
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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 OCI 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

"A man who fails to love the Mass fails to love Christ." (J. M. Escriva, *Christ is Passing By*, no. 92) To love the Mass is a guarantee for salvation. But to love the Mass does not mean just being present and no more. It means to be present with faith and devotion. It means to take part in the Mass, realizing what it is: the Sacrifice of the Cross renewed on the altar; and realizing that when we go to Mass, we go, as it were, to Calvary. And that we should be present there, like our Blessed Lady beside the Cross, in loving contemplation of Christ who offers Himself lovingly for each one of us.

(*The Mass Explained* by Cormac Burke)

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 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, Lois Bates, Marcella Buckley, Ann Bunch, Barbara & Tom Carroll, Abbey Chesley, Carl & Mary Chesley, Mary Cordaro, Eva Duggan, Jim & Missi Easop, Bill Endres, Tim Gardner, Eileen Gryn, James & Teodora Hall, John Harmsen, Charles Hendricks, Patricia Holston, Anne Holup, Elizabeth Johnson, Debra Martin, Lottie Matthias, Josh Meyer, Ron Morrison, John Musser, Don & Joan Progar, Gary & Kathy Sambuchi, Walter Sandberg, David Seko, Jr., Bill Smith, Bailey Sopko, Stephen Strother, and Pauline Ting



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, March 2, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Monday of the Second Week of Holy Lent

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Tuesday of the Second Week of Holy Lent (Josephine Toure)

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Wednesday of the Second Week of Holy Lent (†Joan Isaac)

Thursday, March 5, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Thursday of the Second Week of Holy Lent (†Tom Wilkins)

Friday, March 6, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, First Friday of the Second Week of Holy Lent

Saturday, March 7, 2026

10:00 am – First Saturday Mass, Saturday of the Second Week of Holy Lent (†The Poor Souls in Purgatory)

5:00 pm – Vigil Mass, Third Sunday of Holy Lent

Sunday, March 8, 2026

8:30 am – Holy Mass, Third Sunday of Holy Lent (†Chad Trombley) (Barry Lee Green)

11:30 am – Holy Mass, Third Sunday of Holy Lent



Daylight Saving Time

"Spring Forward"

Daylight Saving Time begins at 2:00 a.m. on **Sunday, March 8th.**

Lenten Penance Service

Mark your calendar for our Lenten Penance Service
Wednesday, March 4 at 7:00 pm



First Friday Adoration

Friday, March 6, 2026 – 10:00 am-3:00 pm

Come join us for Adoration following the 9:00 am Mass until 3:00 pm when we will recite the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, followed immediately by Benediction.

As a reminder, we need at least 2 people/hour to keep the Lord company throughout the day! Please sign up using the sign-up sheet in the Commons.



First Saturday Mass

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March 7, 2026, at 10 am in the Worship Space.
All are welcome!

Vocations Chalice Ministry

We began praying for vocations with the "Vocations Chalice" over eleven years ago. Since the beginning of this family devotion, St. Joan of Arc has received from God and "prayed into being" five seminarians studying for the priesthood in the Diocese of Richmond and four permanent deacons. The "Vocations Chalice" is presented to a family, couple, or individual and is taken home and used during daily prayer as a focal point for an increase in religious vocations. Every two weeks, the "Vocations Chalice" is transferred from one prayerful family to another. If you would like your family to participate in the Vocations Chalice Ministry, call Ferdinand Prantl at 757-620-1870 or email ferdinand.prantl@gmail.com.

Diocesan Information

Vocations Awareness

"This is my beloved Son... listen to him." (Matthew 17:5)

God's voice calls us to follow His Son closely. Could priesthood be your path to proclaiming Christ's message, leading others to listen to Him? Trust His guidance. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocations Office at 804-359-5661 or via email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org



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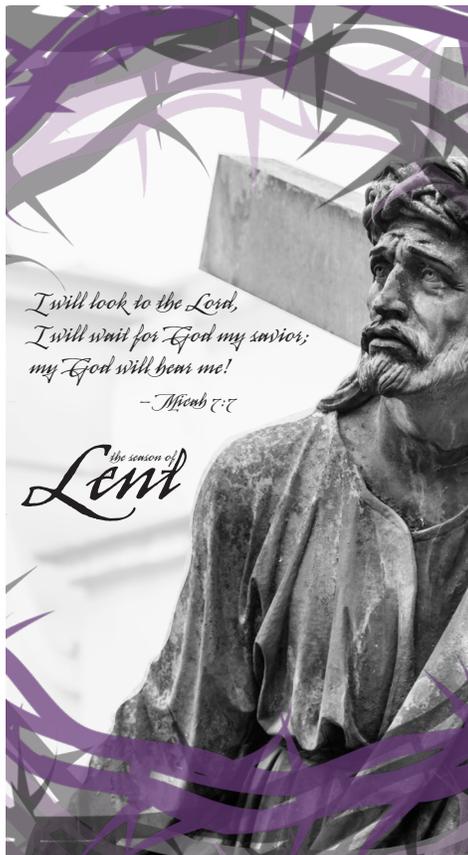
Reflection on Matthew 17:1-9

The Transfiguration scene is packed with symbolism, majesty and mystery. There is so much to fill us, like the Disciples, with awe. I invite you to focus on a single word in the story, the word, "listen." When the Father speaks to Peter, James and John from the cloud, He says, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased, **listen** to him."

How do we listen to Jesus? Vatican II says, "Christ is present in His word, since it is He Himself who speaks when the Holy Scriptures are read in the Church." This really is "The Word of the Lord" that is proclaimed at Mass. Is our listening, our hearing of Jesus, as earnestly and breathlessly open as it is to other voices that speak to us in this world? Do our hearts burn within us, as with the Disciples on the road to Emmaus, when Jesus talks to us? Can we listen to Jesus speaking to our hearts as powerfully and as truly as someone we profoundly love speaks to us?

A wonderful way to prayerfully prepare for every Mass is to say, with Samuel, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."

– Father Jay

**WEEKLY SCRIPTURE****Sunday, March 1, 2026**

2nd Sunday of Lent
Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Matthew 17:1-9

Monday, March 2, 2026

Lenten Weekday
Daniel 9:4b-10
Psalm 79:8, 9, 11 and 13
Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

Lenten Weekday
Isaiah 1:10, 16-20
Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23
Matthew 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

Lenten Weekday
Jeremiah 18:18-20
Psalm 31:5-6, 14, 15-16
Matthew 20:17-28

Thursday, March 5, 2026

Lenten Weekday
Jeremiah 17:5-10
Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6
Luke 16:19-31

Friday, March 6, 2026

Lenten Weekday
Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a
Psalm 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21
Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday, March 7, 2026

Lenten Weekday
Micah 7:14-15, 18-20
Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12
Luke 15:1-3, 11-12

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

SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL

Saint of the Day: March 3

Patron Saint of racial justice and philanthropists

Born in Philadelphia in 1858, Katharine Drexel had an excellent education and traveled widely. Saint Katharine Drexel had always been interested in the plight of the Indians. While on a European tour, she met Pope Leo XIII and asked him to send more missionaries to Wyoming for her friend Bishop James O'Connor. The pope replied, "Why don't you become a missionary?" Back home, Katharine visited the Dakotas, met the Sioux leader Red Cloud and began her systematic aid to Indian missions.

Saint Katharine Drexel could easily have married. But after much discussion with Bishop O'Connor, she wrote in 1889, "The feast of Saint Joseph brought me the grace to give the remainder of my life to the Indians and the Colored."

After three and a half years of training, Mother Drexel and her first band of nuns—Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored—opened a boarding school in Santa Fe. A string of foundations followed. By 1942, she had a system of black Catholic schools in 13 states, plus 40 mission centers and 23 rural schools. Segregationists harassed her work, even burning a school in Pennsylvania. In all, she established 50 missions for Indians in 16 states.

Two saints met when Saint Katharine Drexel was advised by Mother Cabrini about the "politics" of getting her order's Rule approved in Rome. Her crowning achievement was the founding of Xavier University in New Orleans, the first Catholic university in the United States for African Americans.

At 77, Mother Drexel suffered a heart attack and was forced to retire. Apparently her life was over. But now came almost 20 years of quiet, intense prayer from a small room overlooking the sanctuary. Small notebooks and slips of paper record her various prayers, ceaseless aspirations, and meditations. She died at 96 and was canonized in 2000.

Read the full article: "Saint Katharine Drexel" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,
<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-katharine-drexel/> (Accessed February 11, 2026).

UPCOMING EVENTS—SAVE THE DATES

Thursday, April 23, 2026—Sunday, April 26, 2026

2026 SJA Women's ACTS Retreat—**Save the Date!**



Where: St. Clare of Assisi Retreat Center, Hampton, VA

Contact: Laurie Sepanski

Phone: (757) 817-0825

Email: lsepanski@proton.me

Soup Suppers and Stations of the Cross Every Friday in Lent

Join us in the St. John Paul II Center starting at 6:00 PM every Friday during Lent for our Lenten Soup Supper. After supper we will gather to pray the Stations of the Cross in the Worship Space, which assist us in our own spiritual pilgrimage with Christ.

ST. JOAN OF ARC LENTEN MISSION WITH THE FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF THE RENEWAL

Beginning this Sunday, March 1, and for a full four nights, St. Joan of Arc will be blessed with six men, priests, brothers, and seminarians, from the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal located in the Bronx, New York, and now serving in seven countries.

They will be available at all Masses on the second weekend of Holy Lent and will instruct a powerful mission, "Bringing the Dead to Life Through Evangelization." The mission will take place Sunday, March 1, through Wednesday, March 4 at 6:30 PM. Teenagers through adults will be absolutely enriched and brought back to life - do not miss this - and welcome Father Xavier, Brother Angelo, Brother Felix, Brother Joshua, Benedict and Nick!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

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The Spring Campaign for 40 Days for Life began Wednesday, February 18th and goes through March 29th. It is a peaceful, prayerful vigil held outside abortion centers across the country, and has been the most successful Pro-life outreach in saving babies' lives.

Since 2007 over 24,000 babies have been saved and more than 145 abortion centers closed just by persons willing to fast and peacefully pray outside of abortion facilities in their neighborhoods.

For more information, contact Linda Riva at email: lindajr2@yahoo.com or call/text her at: 484-557-7089.

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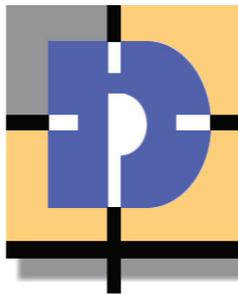
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