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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*.

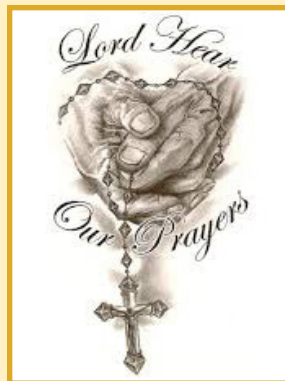
For more information, visit http://richmonddiocese.org/child_protection_virtus/.

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, Daniel Bridges, 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, April 20, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Monday of the Third Week of Easter

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Tuesday of the Third Week of Easter

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Wednesday of the Third Week of Easter
(+Dan Burton)

Thursday, April 23, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Thursday of the Third Week of Easter

Friday, April 24, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Friday of the Third Week of Easter

Saturday, April 25, 2026

5:00 pm – Vigil Mass of the Fourth Sunday of Easter
(+Poor Souls in Purgatory)

Sunday, April 26, 2026

8:30 am – Fourth Sunday of Easter
(+Josephine Almanza) (Jimmy Pierce)
11:30 am – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Book of Intercessions

Located at the pillars in the Commons

Whenever you enter the church, you are invited to write any prayer you wish – a prayer of need, praise or thanksgiving; perhaps you will “lift up” someone who is sick or facing surgery; a prayer for peace, or a prayer of thanks for a couple’s wedding or anniversary.

Bulletin Announcements

Please email any approved bulletin announcements to the SJA Office Manager **two Wednesdays prior to the weekend** you would like to have your announcement published.

Information should be sent to: sjoaofcmgr@stjoanofarcva.org

Baptism Preparation

The Baptism Preparation for Parents will take place **Sunday, May 3**, after the 11:30 am Mass. The session will be conducted in Classroom 3. Please contact Jennifer Strash for more information at (757) 898-5570.

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 fdprantl@cox.net.



Diocesan Information

Vocations Awareness

“Then their eyes were opened and they recognized Him.” (Luke 24:31)

Just as the disciples recognized Jesus in their midst, couples are called to see Christ present in their marriage. In moments of shared love, sacrifice, and daily life together, Christ reveals Himself and strengthens their bond. Pray that more couples will open their hearts to His presence and live out their vocation with faith and joy.



Parish Ministries

Finance Council, Jack Christie

Pastoral Ministry

Bereavement, Adrian Rivera

Sick & Homebound, Denis Morhiser

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers, Randy Vis

Arts & Environment, Tom & Rowena Fauber, and Lynda Fairman

EMHCs, Denis Morhiser & Rachel Vis

Hospitality, Mary Ann Vogelbein & James Tucker III

Liturgy Committee, Deacon Don Fox

MC, Tom O’Reilly

Readers, Mike Corbett & Patti Komornik

Non-Liturgical Ministries

Altar Linens, Jennifer Randleman

Building Committee, Steve Romeo

Coffee & Cookies, Cindy Brown & Kathy Isaac

Divine Mercy, Donna Prantl & Cathy Fowler

Iron Men Spirituality Group, John Musser

Landscaping, Jim Orband

Lazarus Ministry, Katie Corbett & Manuel Reyes

Legion of Mary, David Cienski

Library, Laura Quellhorst & Federico Colagrande

Magnificat Women Spirituality Group, Tracy Leota & Kelley Rutter

OCI, Deacon Don Fox

Social Ministries, Chris Ladnier

Vocations Chalice, Ferdinand & Donna Prantl

Organizations

KoC & Ladies Auxiliary, Randy Vis & Julia Allaman

Women’s Book Club, Arlene Bradley

ON THE ROAD*Reflection on Luke 24:13-35*

Several years ago, as I was preparing to teach my first college course, I remember feeling panicky about how I would be received as an instructor. I took my concern and panic to a good friend who had been a university professor for years. "What if my students are not interested in what I have to say," I asked? My wise and experienced friend remarked: "Don't teach to their interest. Instead, teach from your passion."

I remembered this lesson as I reflected on this Gospel, and how the Disciples on the road remarked to each other: "Were not our hearts burning within us?" This is passion! Discipleship is a full-body experience! Are we in touch with our passion for The Word? Are we serving, in whatever capacity and in whatever way we are called, from this passion? Here's good news: Jesus is always on the road with us, making our hearts burn, calling forth our passion!

– Father Jay

*You will show me the
path to life, abounding
joy in your presence,
the delights at your
right hand forever.*

– Psalm 16:11

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE**Sunday, April 19, 2026**

3rd Sunday of Easter
Acts 2:14, 22-33
Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11
1 Peter 1:17-21
Luke 24:13-35

Monday, April 20, 2026

Easter Weekday
Acts 6:8-15
Psalm 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30
John 6:22-29

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Easter Weekday
Acts 7:51—8:1a
Psalm 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab
John 6:30-35

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

Easter Weekday
Acts 8:1b-8
Psalm 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a
John 6:35-40

Thursday, April 23, 2026

Easter Weekday
Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 66:8-9, 16-17, 20
John 6:44-51

Friday, April 24, 2026

Easter Weekday
Acts 9:1-20
Psalm 117:1bc, 2
John 6:52-59

Saturday, April 25, 2026

Saint Mark, Evangelist
1 Peter 5:5b-14
Psalm 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17
Mark 16:15-20

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

SAINT ANSELM

Saint of the Day: April 21

Patron Saint of Theologians, Philosophers, and Benedictine Monks

Indifferent toward religion as a young man, Anselm became one of the Church's greatest theologians and leaders. He received the title "Father of Scholasticism" for his attempt to analyze and illumine the truths of faith through the aid of reason. At 15, Saint Anselm wanted to enter a monastery, but was refused acceptance because of his father's opposition. Twelve years later, after careless disinterest in religion and years of worldly living, he finally fulfilled his desire to be a monk. He entered the monastery of Bec in Normandy, was elected prior three years later, and 15 years later, was unanimously chosen abbot.

Considered an original and independent thinker, Anselm was admired for his patience, gentleness, and teaching skill. Under his leadership, the Abbey of Bec became a monastic school, influential in philosophical and theological studies.

During these years, at the community's request, Anselm began publishing his theological works, comparable to those of Saint Augustine. His best-known work is the book *Cur Deus Homo* ("Why God Became Man").

Against his will, Anselm was appointed archbishop of Canterbury in 1093, at age 60. His appointment was opposed at first by England's King William Rufus and later accepted. Rufus persistently refused to cooperate with efforts to reform the Church.

Saint Anselm finally went into voluntary exile until Rufus died in 1100. He was then recalled to England by Rufus' brother and successor, Henry I. Disagreeing fearlessly with Henry over the king's insistence on investing England's bishops, Anselm spent another three years in exile in Rome.

His care and concern extended to the very poorest people. Opposing the slave trade, Anselm obtained from the national council at Westminster the passage of a resolution prohibiting the sale of human beings.

Read the full article: "Saint Anselm" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,
<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-anseml/> (Accessed April 3, 2026).

UPCOMING EVENTS—SAVE THE DATES

MAY PROCESSION AND CROWNING OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER

St. Joan of Arc's beautiful annual May Procession and Crowning will take place on Sunday, May 3, 2026, between the two morning Masses. Please, plan to be there and to rejoice in it.

We gather to honor Mary, the Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, now our own spiritual Mother, who is also the Patroness of our country, as we crown the Queen of Angels during a devotional service. We invite family and friends to share in this devotion and to announce Mary as the loving Mother of the "New Creation" to the public around us.

We ask all to bring flowers from their gardens this day to offer to, and to honor, Our Lady of Grace.



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.

Never Fail To Keep Holy Mass As the Anchor of Every Vacation!

For nationwide Mass times and locations,
Mass Times at **(800) 627-7846**
or look online at **www.masstimes.org**.

VACATION/RETREAT FOR YOUR WHOLE FAMILY AT CATHOLIC FAMILYLAND THIS SUMMER

The Apostolate for Family Consecration hosts 7 "Holy Family Fests" each summer - a dynamic weeklong Catholic family vacation at Catholic Familyland near Steubenville, Ohio.

Each morning begins with Mass, followed by breakout sessions for all age groups. Afternoons provide plenty of recreation for all, as well as opportunities for Reconciliation and Adoration. Evening programs are faith-filled and fun for the whole family! Bring your own camper or rent a cabin for the week!

This year's theme is "Mary, Cause of Our Joy." Register at afc.org to experience a life-changing encounter with Our Lord that makes the Faith come alive! If you have any questions about this retreat, please contact Mike & Katie Corbett at mkcorbettfamily@gmail.com.

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