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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*.

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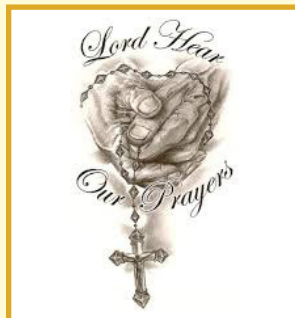
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## The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

"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 a 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, 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 27 2026**

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

### **Tuesday, April 28, 2026**

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Easter  
(+Wayne Dickerson)



Designed by Dnq100

### **Friday, May 1, 2026**

9:00 am – Funeral Mass for Nancy Robinson followed by First Friday Adoration

### **Saturday, May 2, 2026**

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

### **Sunday, May 3, 2026**

8:30 am – Fifth Sunday of Easter  
11:30 am – Fifth 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](mailto: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" more than 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](mailto:fdprantl@cox.net).



*Diocesan Information*

Vocations Awareness

**World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

*"I am the door...go in and out and find pasture." (John 10:9)*

Jesus invites each of us to enter through Him, the door to life and abundance. On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, the entire Church is called to pray for more holy vocations. Offer a Rosary, asking the Lord to guide hearts to go where He wants them to go, be who He wants them to be, and do what He calls them to do.



*Parish Ministries*

**Finance Council**, Jack Christie

**Pastoral Ministry**

**Bereavement**, Adrian Rivera

**Sick & Homebound**, Denis

Morhiser

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**Altar Servers**, Randy Vis

**Arts & Environment**, Tom &

Rowena Fauber, and Lynda

Fairman

**EMHCs**, Denis Morhiser & Rachel

Vis

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James Tucker III

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Fox

**MC**, Tom O'Reilly

**Readers**, Mike Corbett & Patti

Komornik

**Non-Liturgical Ministries**

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**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

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Donna Prantl

**Organizations**

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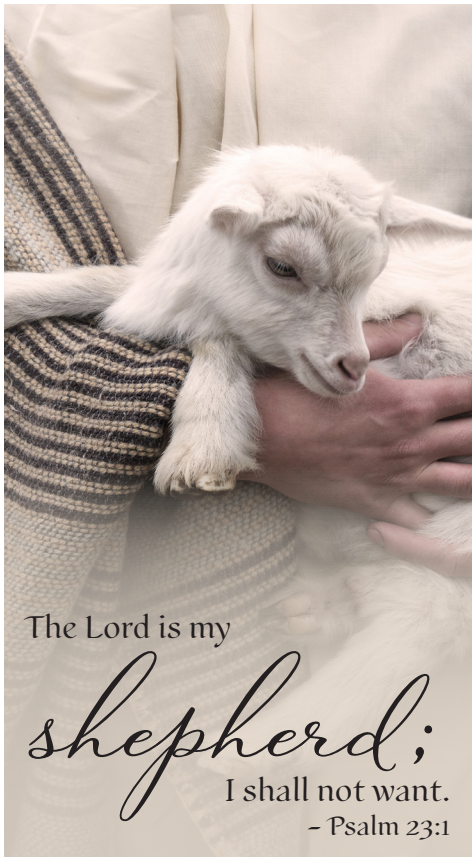
**GOOD SHEPHERD***Reflection on John 10:1-10*

We certainly think of Jesus as the Good Shepherd; He is the one who leads and guides us, whose voice we know, who nourishes us, who protects us from the thieves and robbers. We also know Jesus as the gate – the path we follow, “the way, the truth, and the life.”

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we do well to reflect on how we familiarize ourselves with the voice of Jesus so that we easily recognize it, as well as how we identify the many voices of the “strangers” referred to in this parable, so we know what to run away from.

We are told in this Gospel that Jesus “came that they might have life and have it more abundantly.” The voice of the Good Shepherd will always draw us more deeply into this new and abundant life, in a oneness of mind and heart. On the other hand, the voices that continue to plague our world will try to divide us, drawing us into who is “in” and who is “out,” whether according to amounts in bank accounts, color of skin, place of origin, and countless other human-made categories.

– Father Jay



The Lord is my

*shepherd;*  
I shall not want.

– Psalm 23:1

**WEEKLY SCRIPTURE****Sunday, April 26, 2026***4th Sunday of Easter*

Acts 2:14a, 36-41  
Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b, 4, 5, 6  
1 Peter 2:20b-25  
John 10:1-10

**Monday, April 27, 2026***Easter Weekday*

Acts 11:1-18  
Psalm 42:2-3; 43:3, 4  
John 10:11-18

**Tuesday, April 28, 2026***Easter Weekday*

Acts 11:19-26  
Psalm 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7  
John 10:22-30

**Wednesday, April 29, 2026***Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church*

Acts 12:24—13:5a  
Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8  
John 12:44-50

**Thursday, April 30, 2026***Easter Weekday*

Acts 13:13-25  
Psalm 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27  
John 13:16-20

**Friday, May 1, 2026***Easter Weekday*

Acts 13:26-33  
Psalm 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab  
John 14:1-6

**Saturday, May 2, 2026***Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

Acts 13:44-52  
Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4  
John 14:7-14

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

**SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA***Saint of the Day: April 29**Patron Saint of Europe, Fire Prevention and Italy*

Saint Catherine of Siena was the 23rd child of Jacopo and Lapa Benincasa and grew up as an intelligent, cheerful, and intensely religious person. She entered the Dominican Third Order at 18 and spent the next three years in seclusion, prayer, and austerity. Gradually, a group of followers gathered around her—men and women, priests and religious. An active public apostolate grew out of her contemplative life. Her letters, mostly for spiritual instruction and encouragement of her followers, began to take more and more note of public affairs.

Opposition and slander resulted from her mixing fearlessly with the world and speaking with the candor and authority of one completely committed to Christ. She was cleared of all charges at the Dominican General Chapter of 1374.

Her public influence reached great heights because of her evident holiness, her membership in the Dominican Third Order, and the deep impression she made on the pope. She worked tirelessly for the crusade against the Turks and for peace between Florence and the pope.

In 1378, the Great Schism began, splitting the allegiance of Christendom between two, then three, popes and putting even saints on opposing sides. Saint Catherine of Siena spent the last two years of her life in Rome, in prayer and pleading on behalf of the cause of Pope Urban VI and the unity of the Church. She offered herself as a victim for the Church in its agony. She died surrounded by her “children” and was canonized in 1461.

Saint Catherine of Siena ranks high among the mystics and spiritual writers of the Church. In 1939, she and Francis of Assisi were declared co-patrons of Italy. Pope Paul VI named her and Teresa of Avila doctors of the Church in 1970. Her spiritual testament is found in *The Dialogue*.

Read the full article: “Saint Catherine of Siena” Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, <https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-catherine-of-siena/> (Accessed April 10, 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](http://www.masstimes.org).

### **ATTENTION 2026 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES & PARENTS** **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP**

The Yorktown Knights of Columbus Council #7469 provides two \$1,000.00 Scholarships for two young dependents of Catholic families. Applicants must be high school seniors admitted to an accredited college or university, or a 2-year vocational or training school on a full-time basis. Application packages are due by Monday, May 4, 2026, so mark your calendars. Application forms and instructions can be found in the parish office or by requesting an application from Grand Knight Randy Vis at [viseod@yahoo.com](mailto:viseod@yahoo.com) or 757-634-2658. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Randy. Recipients will be announced on the weekend of May 16-17.



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