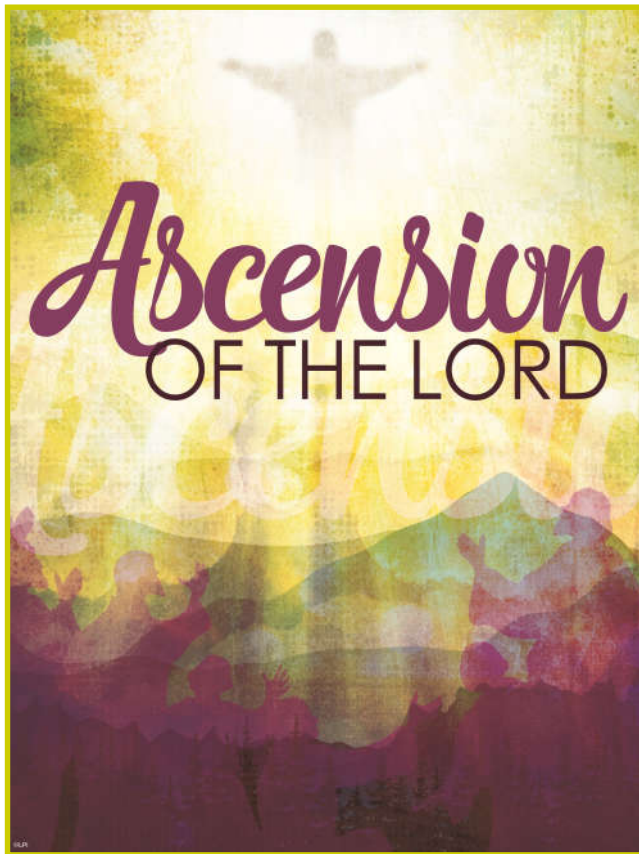


St. Joan Of Arc Church

496 East Washington Street • Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022

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www.stjoanofarcchurch.org



OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Joan of Arc Parish is a growing community of Roman Catholic Christians in the Chagrin Falls area.

We are a diverse, gifted and joyful people who share a common belief in the Word of Jesus Christ.

Our Mission, like that of Jesus Christ and His apostles, is to proclaim the Kingdom of God through living the gospel and to grow in faith, holiness and service.

WE GATHER AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY TO:

CELEBRATE our faith and the presence of God in the Eucharist and in one another.

IMITATE our Savior in His service to others.

TEACH our beliefs at all levels.

WELCOME the participation of all in our Christian fellowship.

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Rel. Education Office/Sr. Judy Bucco (440) 247-3606
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Rev. Gary J. Malin, Pastor
Sr. Judith Bucco, SND, Director of Religious Education
Mrs. Shelley DiBacco, Principal
Rev. Mr. Jeffrey Dunlop, Permanent Deacon
Rev. Mr. Dennis Guritza, Permanent Deacon
Sr. Ann Marie Kanusek, SND, Pastoral Associate
Miss Melissa Olenik, Coordinator of Youth Ministry
Mr. Patrick Wickliffe, Director of Music

Rev. Damian J. Ference, Weekend Celebrant
Rev. John R. Olsavsky, Former Pastor, Retired

Weekend Mass:

Saturday Vigil - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday - 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 noon

Weekday Mass:

Monday, Thursday & Friday - 8:00 a.m.
Tuesday - 9:00 a.m. (during the school year)/8:00 a.m. Summer
Legal Holidays - 9:00 a.m.

Baptism: At most weekend Masses or on most Sundays at 1:00 p.m. Contact Parish Office.

Reconciliation: (Confession)
Saturdays 3:30 p.m. until all are heard.
(Advent and Lent: 3:15 to 4:00 p.m.)

Sponsor Certificates: Certificates may be obtained by registered, practicing members of our parish who have received the three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist (and married in the church, if married). Please contact the Parish office.

New Parishioners: Welcome!
Call the Parish Office to register.

Sacrament of Marriage: Please contact a priest or deacon at least one year before the anticipated date.

Sessions in the Catholic Faith (RCIA):
Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., (September thru May).

Care of the Sick and Elderly:
Please inform us of persons sick or aged who are unable to come to church or who are hospitalized.

Funerals: Please contact the parish office before scheduling or publishing (generally through a funeral director).
Bereavement committee available for hospitality.

DATE & SUBJECT

May 28, 2017 — Ascension of the Lord



“Know that I am with you always, until the end of the world.”

(Matthew 28:16-20)

Jesus is not going to go away. After twenty centuries, all those who thought the Christian phenomenon was a fad have been disproved. Those who thought that crucifying Jesus would put an end to the matter are mistaken. Those who believed killing the eyewitnesses would stop the story from spreading miscalculated. Jesus is not going away.

The reason Jesus is still here is because of the church. Oh, I don't mean to say the church has always done an excellent job of presenting the Gospel to the world. We have made some huge miscalculations of our own. But Jesus commissioned those first disciples to baptize, teach, and unleash his spirit wherever they went. And that spirit has kept the church alive, though humans and their institutions have done everything possible at times to unhinge it.

Jesus is not going away, because you and I are here. We accept the Gospel as true for our lives and for the world. We embrace our baptism and learn all we can about our faith. We teach these truths to the next generation in our words and in our witness. And sometimes we let the Holy Spirit blow through our lives and into our world. Jesus said he would be with us always, and he meant it.

How do you respond to the spiritual revelations and miracles in your life? When it is your turn to ascend, what part of you will be lifted up and what part brought low? Where and how does the church keep Jesus in the world “always?”

Application: Life someone up who has fallen down. Lift the spirits of a

friend who is sad. Lift up your heart in praise and gratitude for the gifts you have been given.

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WELCOME TO ST. JOAN’S

Forty days after his resurrection, Jesus ascended—withdraw from the earth—but he has never left us. Where two or more gather in his name, he is there. He is here! Welcome to worship!

MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 28th -

8:00 a.m. Joanne Bolek (Family)
10:00 a.m. Harmat Sisters (Family)
12:00 noon Living & Deceased of SJA

Monday, May 29th - Easter Weekday

9:00 a.m. Howard Stevens (Family)
Tuesday, May 30th – Easter Weekday

Wednesday, May 31st - The

9:00 a.m. Amy Covarrubias (Matz)
Wednesday, May 31st - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m. NO MORNING MASS

Thursday, June 1st - St. Justin, Martyr

8:00 a.m. James Tolcher (Ziska)
Friday, June 2nd - Easter Weekday

8:00 a.m. Deceased Friends of the Harmat Family (Harmat)

Saturday, June 3rd - Vigil Mass

WEDDING:

2:00 pm Nicole C. Johnson & Andrew J. Shemesky

Vigil Mass:

4:30 p.m. Nora Moriarty (Moriarty)

Sunday, June 4th -

8:00 a.m. Rita & Bob Toncar (Yanulaitis)
10:00 a.m. Joseph Nally, Sr. (Family)
12:00 noon Living & Deceased of SJA



Collection for Sunday May 21, 2017

268 Envelopes Used	\$10,671
Cash	719
ACH	2,829
Total	\$14,219

Thank you for your support!

This Week's Readings

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-9/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11/Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4-5, 7/Jn 21:20-25
Next Sunday: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayers for Deceased and Ill Members of Our Parish.

In your charity please pray for all the deceased of the Parish. Remember Rosemarie Zuccaro (mother of Rose Marie Foli) and Steven Sords, both recently passed away.

Remember the sick of our parish. Especially Joseph McNeil (husband of Carol), Georgia Wagner, Dr. Patrick O'Hara, Jim Mackey, and Anne McBride. May God's healing love strengthen them.

MARRIAGE BANNES:

II-Nicole C. Johnson & Andrew J. Shemesky

WEEKEND MASS CELEBRANT

6/3 & 6/4

4:30 Fr. Damian
8:00 Fr. Damian
10:00 Fr. Gary
12:00 Fr. Gary
(subject to change)

From the Pastor

Greetings of Easter Peace.

This weekend we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord into heaven. However, even though we read in Matthew 28 and Acts 1 that the Lord is lifted up to the glory of heaven, we know he is here, among us. We also remember the last verse of the Gospel of Matthew, which says, “I am with you always” (Mt. 28/20).



Next weekend is Pentecost--June 2-3. The Lord promises to guide with us with his presence and his Holy Spirit. Feel free to **WEAR RED for Pentecost!**

Here at St. Joan of Arc, we have “remodeled” the confessional. We added another door, put a security window church-wall of the confessional and also put windows in the doors.

Since the major work of “construction” on the remodel is done, **we will begin to hear confessions again in the Confessional starting in June.** Some “detail work” still needs to be completed (such as painting, window treatments, etc.), but we have begun to use the confessional again for the sacrament.



We did this work in the confessional in an effort to make sure all people (including priests!) are safe--physically and spiritually.



Monday May 29 is Memorial Day. Mass will be at 9:00 am. On Memorial Day please take time to remember our servicemen and women--especially those that gave their lives in service to our country. Let us be thankful that they were there then, and here now. Again, mass on Memorial Day is 9:00 am.

Please note--**beginning next week the daily mass on Tuesdays will be at 8:00 am and will continue at 8:00 am for the summer months** of June, July, and August. (After Labor Day and when school is back in session Tuesday mass will be at 9:00 am. However, Tuesday mass will be at 8:00 throughout the summer.)

Blessings and Easter Peace,

Fr. Gary

SPECIAL EVENTS

ST. PAT'S HUNGER CENTER

Thank you to all who helped cook, serve and clean up at St. Pat's. A huge thank you to everyone that baked cookies. They were very much appreciated. For more information, please contact Jane Zilly at 440.338. 8561.

PARISH NEWS

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

The Ministry schedules are ready

and can be picked up after all the Masses—the schedules will NOT be mailed out. You can also access the schedule off the web at www.stjoanofarcchurch.org

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Reservations are now being accepted for couples married 50 years. The Mass will be on Sunday, July 30th at 2:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Forms are available in the parish

office and in the Gathering Area. Please bring completed it to the parish office before June 19th.

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

PSR Registration

Registration Packets for the PSR 2017-2018 school year were sent home on **the last week of April** with the youngest/only student in each family. Thank you for your **early return** of these important forms.



St. Joan of Arc Catholic School News

By Mrs. Shelley DiBacco,
School Principal

Faith. Academics. Excellence



I am very happy to report that St. Joan of Arc School did well on the IOWA assessments and we saw an increase in all of the scores from last year. In looking at our school summary, our average scores are: **Reading-90% (87% in 2015-16), ELA Total (Combination of Reading, Language and Vocabulary) 94% (93% in 2015-16), Math 93% (85% in 2015-16), Social Studies 90% (89% in 2015-16) and Science 93% (91% in 2015-16).** As always we are proud of ALL of our students and ALL of the wonderful teachers at St. Joan of Arc School. This is the last year we will be giving the IOWA tests. The Diocese of Cleveland has decided to administer MAP testing beginning in the fall of 2017. MAP stands for “Measures of Academic Progress.” These computerized tests are adaptive and offered in Reading, Language Usage, and Mathematics. MAP is an efficient way to assess achievement levels and assist teachers in adjusting and differentiating instruction. MAP identifies the individual needs of all students, from struggling to advanced learners. Reports can assist teachers in grouping students according to ability levels for optimal learning and student growth. In addition all students will have the ability to review their test scores and set goals for themselves, which will help motivate them and give them a sense of ownership of their learning.

I’m happy to share two exciting initiatives that we will be implementing next year. First of all, we will be adding a “STREAM Academy” for the 2017-18 school year. STREAM stands for Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art, and Math. By adding an enrichment period to our weekly schedule all students will be able to choose the STREAM class they want to take. In addition, we will be partnering with the Chagrin Valley Little Theater in a program called **The Penguin Project**. The mission of the Penguin Project is to perform a modified version of a well-known Broadway musical using young artists with developmental disabilities to fill the major roles. They are joined on stage by a dedicated group of “peer mentors” – children the same age without disabilities who volunteered to work with them through 4 months of rehearsals and through the final performance. Our St. Joan of Arc students will serve as the “peer mentors” for these young actors.

The end of the school year is filled with endings and beginnings. We have three teachers who will be leaving St. Joan of Arc School. Mrs. Herpy is moving to North Carolina with her husband and Mrs. Krovontka and Mr. Moore are retiring. Although we are sad to see them go, we are excited for them as they begin this next phase of their lives. Our 1st grade teacher, Miss Samantha DiIorio, will teach Kindergarten. Although, she has enjoyed teaching 1st grade, Kindergarten is “her first love”. Before coming to SJA School, Miss DiIorio taught kindergarten for two years at Parma Community School. We welcome Miss MaKaela Banks as our new 1st grade teacher. Miss Banks recently graduated from John Carroll University with a Masters of Education. She also has received her Reading Endorsement from Ohio Dominican University. We also welcome Mrs. Caitlin Bias as our new 2nd grade teacher. Mrs. Bias comes to us from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School where she has been teaching 2nd grade for the past four years. She is committed to “fostering students into lifelong learners by promoting critical thinking and problem solving across the curriculum.” Mr. Joseph Nieves will be our new 6th, 7th and 8th grade Science teacher. Mr. Nieves recently completed his student teaching here at St. Joan of Arc. I know the students will be as thrilled we are that he will be joining our faculty next year.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Sunday, May 28 – St. Joan of Arc School students will march in the Blossom Time Parade
- Monday, May 29 – Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL
- Tuesday, May 30 – Mass – 9:00AM
- Wednesday, May 31 – Field Day
- Friday, June 2 – LAST DAY: Prayer Service at 10 a.m. Family Picnic to follow

SPECIAL NOTE:

Two years of sacramental preparation is required. If you have a child entering 1st or 7th grade and desire that he/she receive the Sacrament of Eucharist and in 2nd or Confirmation in 8th grade the following year, please make sure to register them in our SJA Parish School of Religion for the 2017-2018 school year.

MARK THE DATES: SJA VBC “MAKER FUN FACTORY, CREATED BY GOD, BUILT FOR A PURPOSE”

Our SJA Vacation Bible Camp will be the week of June 19-23. We promise that it will be a week of fun, adventure, and learning as the children discover a world where curious kids become hands-on inventors who realize they’re

lovingly crafted by God! We invite children 4 years old through 4th grade and our “Adventure Crew,” the 5th and 6th component of our VBC program, to attend.

With any successful parish VBC Program, comes the need for generous volunteers as Teen Crew Leaders (Gr. 8-12) and aides (Gr. 7-8) to help our adult Station Leaders. WE NEED YOU! Please consider

Adoration and Benediction



*Join us for a Holy Hour of prayer
Thursday, June 1, 2017 - 7-8 P.M.
Followed by Adoration throughout the
night until 8:00 A.M.*

Come and spend time in prayer before Christ present in the Eucharist. It will be an opportunity to gather as a community to pray for our world and for our personal needs in the presence of Christ our Savior.

volunteering for any of our VBC needs.

**Registration Forms for both Campers and Volunteers are in the Gathering Area and on the website: stjoanofarcchurch.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY SERVANTS 4 CHRIST

June 26, 6 pm—June 29, 7:30 pm. Attention HS teens going into 9-12 grade next fall. Are you looking to volunteer in the community and earn 15 service hours while having fun? Consider S4C, a 3-day service camp & retreat. Each day you'll go out into the community to volunteer, come back for dinner, an evening program and social time. Servants for Christ is a collaborative event between 5 local parish youth groups. Our base camp is located at St. Rita's in Solon. Cost \$90. Download a Registration Packet on the parish website for full details or contact Melissa at stjoanofarcym@gmail.com or 440-247-4316. Register NOW to reserve your spot!

ELIZABETH MINISTRY MOMS POPS & TOTS

Moms, Pops & Tots will NOT on Monday, May 29th because of Memorial Day. If you are interested in the play group, please contact Debbie Fitzmaurice at 440-543-0701 or debbie.fitzmaurice@gmail.com

GARDEN OF LIFE

All the spring planting has been done. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped put the annuals in and weed the garden. A special thank you to the children who planted seeds and bulbs! The garden is an amazing asset to the church and a wonderful place to reflect and pray and to have your wedding pictures taken.

We plan to pray the Rosary in the garden every Wednesday at 10 a.m. during the months of June, July and August. Please join us!!!

In the meantime, we are still in need of volunteers for the maintenance of the garden. Trimming, deadheading, weeding – there is always something that needs to be done. Any amount of time is welcome. Volunteers make their own schedule and it is a fun project for families to volunteer on

together!!! Call Samantha Taylor (440) 715-5108 for information.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

Catholic families seek eternal life by knowing and teaching what Jesus tells us: "Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ." Remember to pray, and to talk about God, Jesus, faith and eternal life often so children learn the ways and language of faith.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, May 28th

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon
3:00 pm Rosary Cenacle (Chapel)

Monday, May 29th

9:00am Morning Mass (Church)

Wednesday, May 31st

7:30 pm Boy Scouts (Hall)

Thursday, June 1st

7:00 pm Holy Hour (Church)
8 pm-8 am Adoration (Chapel)

Friday, June 2nd

5:45 pm Wedding Rehearsal (Church)

Saturday, June 3rd

Vigil Mass: 4:30 pm

2:00 pm Wedding (Church)
3:15 pm Confessions (Church)

Sunday, June 4th

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon
3:00 pm Rosary Cenacle (Chapel)

Save the Date

RUMMAGE

Drop Off: July 22-23

Sale: July 27-28-29

Visit parish website for full details





Celebrate Our
High School Graduates
Sunday June 11, 2017
12 noon Mass

All graduating high school seniors are welcome to join us for Mass to celebrate your graduation followed by cake and refreshments in the parish hall!

Seniors are needed to help as gift bearers, ushers, cantors, lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers--if certified as an Eucharistic Minister through their Catholic High School.

Contact Melissa Olenik at 440-247-4316 or stjoanofarcym@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer by June 5.

Parent liaisons: Annie Amata 440-220-0540 annie@natliq.com
& Mary Curran 216-312-3391 curranm@ccf.org



**Faith and Hoops
Kick-Off**
Sunday, June 4, 6:30-8pm
Olsavsky Center

Boys, grades 9-12 (next fall), join us for a new group of casual basketball and prayer

We'll meet every Sunday starting June 4, 6:30-8pm during the summer

Join us when you can and invite your friends!

RSVP to Mike Wise mwise@mcdonaldhopkins.com

or Sven Wiberg slmbbjw@aol.com

or Melissa Olenik stjoanofarycm@gmail.com

Girls interested in starting a group, contact Melissa for more info