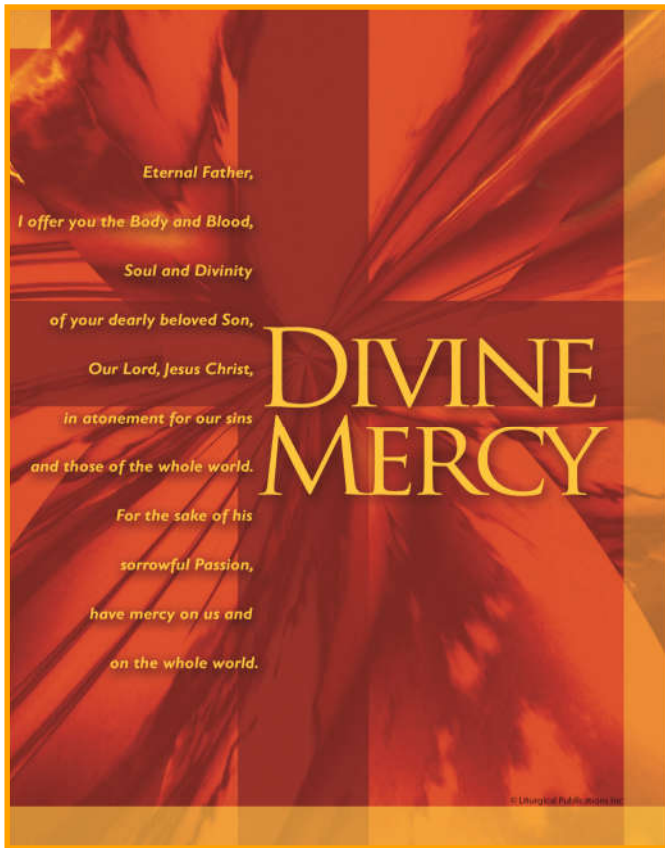


# St. Joan Of Arc Church

496 East Washington Street • Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022

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## 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.

Parish Office ..... (440) 247-7183  
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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.

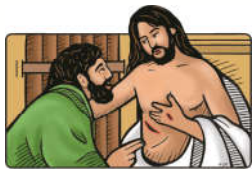
**Sessions in the Catholic Faith (RCIA):**  
Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., (September thru May).

**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 rectory before scheduling or publishing (generally through a funeral director). Bereavement committee available for hospitality.

## DATE & SUBJECT

**April 23, 2017 — Second Sunday of Easter**



*“Peace be with you, he said.”*  
(John 20:19-31)

It was Sunday night. Three of them had

already seen the vacant tomb, and Mary came back with stories of having seen the Rabboni himself. And then suddenly Jesus was there, past the locked doors and all their fear. He offered them peace and, with a breath, the Holy Spirit. He was hardly present before he was removed from their sight.

The disciples were convinced this was no corporate delusion. They had seen the Lord! Thomas, the brave one, the practical one, had gone past the locked doors and the paralyzing fear that gripped his friends. But he could not get past his skepticism at this report. Perhaps he had just been out to see for himself if the tomb really was empty, or if he could find two sets of footprints where Mary claimed to have seen Jesus.

It is so difficult for people like Thomas to act on faith. Which is why it is so important that Jesus came back, just for his sake. Some of us suggestible types can be easily dismissed as religious fanatics. We'll believe in anything: miracles, resurrections. But folks like Thomas do not profess faith unless brought to their knees by the reality of it. God is willing to accommodate us all according to our needs.

Would the description of the early church in Acts be good news or bad news for you if you had to live it? Peter says the goal of faith is salvation. What do you hope to be saved from? Is faith hard or easy for you? What would it take to get you to believe that someone you knew had “seen the Lord?”

*Application: Write your own Creed. Start with “I believe...” and then write what you really believe about God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, the church. How different is your*

*creed from the profession of faith we make at Mass?*

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### **WELCOME TO ST. JOAN’S**

On this second Sunday of Easter, we hear how doubt and belief are woven into faith for the disciples and for us. Welcome to worship.

### **MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE**

#### **Sunday, April 23rd -**

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of SJA

10:00 a.m. M/M F. Horvath (Family)

12:00 noon Timothy Vleck (Family)

#### **Monday, April 24th - Easter**

##### **Weekday**

8:00 a.m. NO MORNING MASS

#### **Tuesday, April 25th – St. Mark,**

##### **Evangelist**

9:00 a.m. NO MORNING MASS

#### **Wednesday, April 26th - Easter**

##### **Weekday**

8:00 a.m. NO MORNING MASS

#### **Thursday, April 27th - Easter**

##### **Weekday**

8:00 a.m. NO MORNING MASS

#### **Friday, April 28th - Easter Weekday**

8:00 a.m. NO MORNING MASS

#### **Saturday, April 29th - Vigil Mass**

##### **Vigil Mass:**

4:30 p.m. Dick Olivier (Family)

#### **Sunday, April 30th -**

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of SJA

10:00 a.m. Fr. Joseph Harmat (Family)

12:00 noon Martha Hummer (Husband)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Prayers for Deceased and Ill Members of Our Parish.**

In your charity please pray for all the deceased of the Parish.

Remember the sick of our parish. Especially Joseph McNeil (husband of Carol), Sr. Ann Marie Kanusek, Rose Paterek, Georgia Wagner, Dr. Patrick O’Hara, Jim Mackey, John Kandzer, Debbie Martin, Mary Sherman and Anne McBride. May God’s healing love strengthen them.

#### **MARRIAGE BANNES:**

I - Melissa Hunt & Mike Ryan

***Due to the early transmittal date of this bulletin, the Easter and March 23rd Collections will be in the March 30th bulletin.***

### ***This Week’s Readings***

**Sunday:** Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

**Monday:** Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-9/Jn 3:1-8

**Tuesday:** 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

**Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/Jn 3:16-21

**Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20/Jn 3:31-36

**Friday:** Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

**Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

**Next Sunday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

#### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**



April 23rd is Divine Mercy Sunday celebrated at St. Helen’s Church, 12060 Kinsman, Newbury from 12:30 to 1:30 pm. All are invited

to come for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Benediction. A special preparation for this feast is to pray the Divine Mercy Novena beginning Good Friday and ending nine days later on the Saturday before Divine Mercy Sunday.

#### **CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS**

The Catholic Home missions Appeal will take place this week. One way that his appeal works to strengthen home mission dioceses in

#### **WEEKEND MASS CELEBRANT**

**4/29 & 4/30**

4:30 Fr. Joselito Hitois, S.S.S.

8:00 Fr. Damian

10:00 Fr. Damian

12:00 Fr. Jerry Bednar

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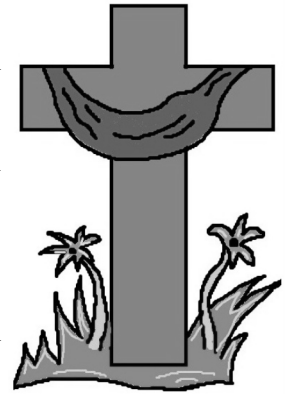
## From the Pastor

Greetings of Easter Peace.

It is with great joy we celebrate our new life in the Lord and his glorious resurrection. With St. Thomas (in this weekend's Gospel), we proclaim, "My Lord and My God."

At our Easter Vigil Mass, we baptized two adults and two children and also received an adult into the church. I know they truly believe in Christ as their Lord and God. We celebrate with them and our parish family is enriched by their faith. We thank them, too, for their witness! "Welcome! Thank you for your faith! And the best is yet to come!"

The RCIA Team who worked with them on their journey is great, too. Thanks to Sr. Ann Marie and those on the RCIA Team for their good work, guidance, and support in this process. "Thank you for your faith; and the best is yet to come!"



We also express sincere gratitude to all who helped to make our Holy Week and Easter celebrations so special and joyous! The music helps us pray well. The worship environment is festive and beautiful. All the work from our sacristan helped make the Liturgies go very smoothly. The details of our Liturgies themselves have been planned so well. Our parish staff worked so hard in anticipation of Holy Week and Easter. Perhaps most importantly, your presence and participation has been exceptional. We are indeed blessed.

"He Is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!" This is our Easter Faith! This is why we continue to believe in our faith and live it every day.



Please note, I will be away from the parish, leaving Sunday April 23 and returning Saturday May 6 - "Gone Fishin'," as they say. I will be back to celebrate First Holy Communion with the Second Graders from our parish. During the time I am away there will not be daily mass at SJA. The priests at Holy Angels and our neighboring parishes have graciously agreed to respond to any funerals or emergencies. Thank you Fr. Dan, Fr. Adam, and our priest-neighbors.

For the weeks, I am away my bulletin column will be quite brief. Instead, other news and parish information will be in our parish bulletin. Stay tuned!

You are in my heart and in my prayers. With Easter Joy we proclaim, "He is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia!"

Easter Peace,

*Fr. Gary*



the United States is by funding seminarian formation in poor dioceses. The blessing of seminarians places a financial burden on these dioceses, where educating each seminarian costs \$35-40K per year. Your support is needed for these young men, so that

they might go back and serve their parishes. Please strengthen the Church at home by making a gift to this week's appeal.

### **PARISH NEWS COFFEE AND DONUTS**

Join fellow parishioners and friend after mass today to enjoy the return of Coffee & Donuts.

### **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. Please fill out the form and bring or mail it to the parish office before June 19th.



## CONGRATULATIONS

Andrew Gudz, Trinity High School student and parishioner has received honors for the second semester.

## OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

### PSR Registration

Registration Packets for the PSR 2017-2018 school year will be sent home on **Sunday/Monday, April 23/24**, with the youngest/only students in each family. Thank you for your early return of these registrations and other important forms!

### SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST- JESUS DAY

Jesus Day is Saturday, April 29. This special retreat day for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders begins at 9:30am in the Olsavsky Center (Gym) and concludes at 1:30pm. Please have your child bring a **peanut-free lunch** from home (dessert will be provided). \*Religious articles for your child's 1<sup>st</sup> Communion will be blessed during the Prayer Service on Jesus Day.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Our SJA second graders will receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 6 at 11:00 am or 4:30 pm. Also on Sunday, May 7 at 12:00 noon or on Sunday, May 21 at 12:00 noon. Details for both Jesus Day and First Communion Masses were mailed this past week. As a Parish community, we offer our prayers for our First Communicants



## St. Joan of Arc Catholic School News

By Mrs. Shelley DiBacco,  
School Principal

*Faith. Academics. Excellence*



**Classes resume tomorrow. I hope that all of our students and their families had a Blessed Easter and a relaxing spring break.** How did we arrive at the end of April already? We are getting closer to the end of the year with many activities filling the calendar. This coming weekend our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will join with the St. Joan of Arc PSR 2<sup>nd</sup> graders to celebrate Jesus Day. This is a special day set aside to help them continue to prepare for the reception of their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. We continue to pray for them and ask that you do, also.

**There are some special activities coming up in May.** St. Joan of Arc School students will celebrate Grandpals Day on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> in the Olsavsky Center. Students are encouraged to invite their grandparents or a "grandpal" to spend the afternoon with them. The afternoon will begin at 1:00PM. Our guests will play their favorite game, BINGO, and then they will be treated to some refreshments! On Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, after the 9:00 Mass, we will honor Mary with our annual May Crowning.

**Parents... is your child entering Kindergarten next year? Do you know where he/she will attend school?** St. Joan of Arc School is still accepting registrations for any families, K-8, who are interested in attending St. Joan of Arc School for the 2017-2018 school year. You may stop at the school to complete the registration forms. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a tour, please call the principal, Mrs. Shelley DiBacco at 440-247-6530. The school hours are 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

and their families, as the second graders prepare to receive Jesus, the Bread of Life!

### 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, 2017. 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 4<sup>th</sup> grade and our "Adventure Crew," Grades 5-6 to attend. We welcome teens in Grades 7-8 to volunteer as aides, and teens in Grades 8-12 to volunteer as Crew Leaders. Registration Forms for both Campers and Volunteers are in the Gathering Area and on the website: [stjoanofarcchurch.org](http://stjoanofarcchurch.org).

### YOUTH MINISTRY HS NIGHT: "HUMAN" HUNGRY HIPPOS

**Rescheduled to Sunday, April 23, 6:30-8 pm, in the Olsavsky Center.** HS teens, join us for a life sized version of the game Hungry Hippos where you, the hippo, is attached to a scooter! Work together as a team to collect as many

2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER



balls as you can. Afterwards, we'll have a snack and discussion about greed and sin.

### **WELLNESS MINISTRY** **SHAWL MINISTRY**



The next regular meeting of the Shawl Ministry will be Tuesday, May 9th at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Anyone interested in knitting, crocheting or sewing on medals is welcome. We acknowledge and thank our sponsor, the Women's Guild, for supporting us and providing our yarn. If you know of someone needing a prayer shawl please call Myra Janda at 440-543-9359 or Karen in the parish office at 440-247-7183. Any inquiries can be made to chairman, Rebecca Rybak at 607-731-9684.

### **ELIZABETH MINISTRY** **MOMS POPS & TOTS**

Moms, Pops & Tots will meet on Monday, April 24th at 9:15 am in the Olsavsky Center. If you are interested in the play group, please contact Debbie Fitzmaurice at 440-543-0701 or [debbie.fitzmaurice@gmail.com](mailto:debbie.fitzmaurice@gmail.com)

### **WOMEN'S GUILD** **ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON**

The Annual St. Joan of Arc Women's Spring Luncheon will be on May 11th at the Hillbrook Club. This year our theme is "*The Black and White Luncheon*" honoring the Sisters of Notre Dame in Chardon. This is going to be a wonderful event. We are looking for silent auction items such as: gift certificates, white elephant items, jewelry, pottery, art items, small appliances, antiques, tickets (plays, Cavs, Indians, Browns etc.) All monies raised will benefit our Parish. Save the date, Thursday May 11th! If you have some silent auction items or ideas, please call Sally at 216-832-6243.

### **AREA NEWS** **BAPTISM CLASS**

St. Rita in Solon will hold a Baptism Class on Wednesday, May 17th at 7:15 p.m. To register for the class, call 440.248.1350 x100 or [strita@stritaschool.com](mailto:strita@stritaschool.com)

### **HOLY ANGELS CHURCH**

Ladies, are you looking for ways to grown in prayer? Holy Angels is sponsoring a "Spiritual-Tea" on Wednesday, May 10th at 7 p.m. in their community room. To register, contact Sr. Susan at 440.708.0000 or [susan@holyangelschurch.com](mailto:susan@holyangelschurch.com)

### **CHAPLAIN SERVICES FOR THE INCARCERATED**

Anyone with a loved one incarcerated in one of eight counties of the Diocese and would like a priest, deacon or lay volunteer ministers visit with them, please call the Parish Life Office at 1.800.869.6525 or 216.696.6525 x3500. Someone would be glad to visit them.

### **HEALING MASS**

There will be a Healing Mass on Sunday, May 7th at Ss. Cosmas & Damian in Twinsburg, beginning at 7 p.m. Fr. Michael Stalla, Pastor, will celebrated the mass and lead Healing Prayer. For more information, contact Grace or Jerry Wrobel at 330.425.2678.

### **HOMADE NUT AND POPPYSEED ROLLS**

Homemade Nut or Poppy seed rolls are available for sale at St. John Byzantine Catholic Church, 36125 Aurora Road, Solon any Sunday between 11:30 am and 12:30 pm. You can also call the church at 330-840-0331 for more information or to arrange a convenient pick-up.

### **BETHANY RETREAT CENTER**

Join us for a Quiet Day of Prayer at Bethany Retreat Center, 13000 Auburn Rd., Chardon (across from NDCL) on Wednesday, May 3rd, from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. The day

begins and ends with prayer together and in between, you are free to create your own time of prayer and reflection. The \$10 donation includes lunch. Please contact Sr. Jennifer Kramer, SND at [jkramer@ndec.org](mailto:jkramer@ndec.org) or 440-279-1143 by Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, to register.

### **FAMILY PERSPECTIVES**

*The Spirit of the Risen Jesus is present in the midst of families locked behind doors of hurt, pain and resentment. Have the courage to believe His promise of peace. Choose to reach out and ask Him for help if your marriage is strained. Take the first step toward forgiving the person who has hurt you the most. "Do not be unbelieving but believe."*

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### **Sunday, April 23rd**

**Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon**  
10:00 am Pre-K-3 PSR (School/OC)  
11:00 am Gr. 7 & 8 PSR (School/OC)  
3:00 pm Rosary Cenacle (Chapel)  
6:30 pm Youth Ministry (OC)

#### **Monday, April 24th**

4:30 pm PSR (School/OC)  
7:00 pm Baptism Class (GA)

#### **Wednesday, April 26th**

7:00 pm RCIA (Rectory)  
7:30 pm Boy Scouts (Hall)

#### **Saturday, April 29th**

**Vigil Mass: 9:00 pm**  
9:30 am Jesus Day (OC/Church)  
3:15 pm Confessions (Church)

#### **Sunday, April 30th**

**Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon**  
10:00 am Pre-K-3 PSR (School/OC)  
11:00 am Gr. 7 & 8 PSR (School/OC)  
11:00 am Family Religion (Library)  
3:00 pm Rosary Cenacle (Chapel)



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# *Easter Adoration*

## *Sunday, April 30, 7-8:30pm*

### *St. Joan of Arc Church*



*Do you desire more silence and peace?*

*Do you feel like your prayer life could be stronger?*

*Are you tired, physically, emotionally or spiritually and need to re-energize?*

*Come to Eucharistic Adoration where Jesus is fully present in the Eucharist...*

*...find silence and peace.*

*...develop your prayer life with Jesus.*

*...re-energize in the presence of our Risen Lord!*

*What can you expect at this Easter Adoration Night?*

*-A scripture reading and homily*

*-Silent time to reflect*

*-A cookie social in the parish hall afterwards*

*(Optional: Bring a rosary, bible, or other spiritual book to help you pray! A selection will be provided to borrow.)*

*Questions contact Melissa: [stjoanofarcym@gmail.com](mailto:stjoanofarcym@gmail.com) or 440-247-4316*