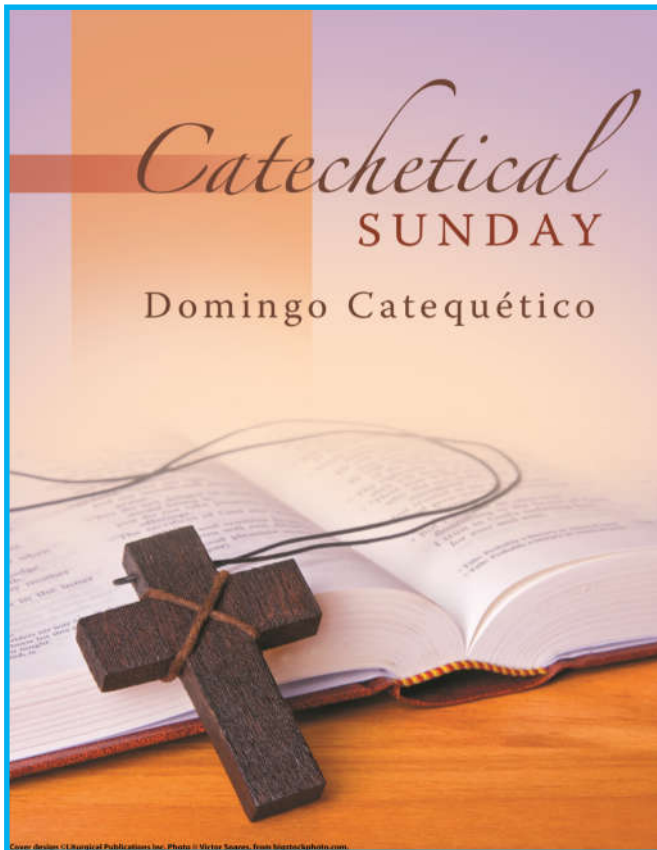


St. Joan Of Arc Church

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.

Parish Office (440) 247-7183
Music Ministry Office (440) 935-2232
Rel. Education Office/Sr. Judy Bucco (440) 247-3606
Sr. Ann Marie Kanusek, SND (440) 247-1141
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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

September 17, 2017 — Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“How often must I forgive?”

(Matthew 18:21-35)

Peter has just attended Jesus' conflict-resolution seminar. He offers a heart-felt question: how much forgiveness is required of me? He may well ask. As a career bungler, he himself could use a seven-forgiveness cushion on which to rely. Peter is adding. Jesus, as usual, multiplies. To get his disciples into the right spirit, Jesus tells the story of a man who forgives, and one who does not. It ends on a grisly note, and seems to confirm Ben Sira's point: forgive your offenders, or else.

Or does it? There is an element to this story that is missing in Sirach. The king originally forgave the official his debt because of the king's own compassion, not because of the official's worthiness. Forgiveness is not a matter for barter. Our lack of mercy may find us wanting mercy in the end, but God's mercy is not driven in exchange for ours. We can forfeit it, but we do not earn it.

Jesus exhorts us to forgive one another “from the heart.” It is by the quality of our hearts that we are judged.

How much of your morality follows a pragmatic piety like Ben Sira's? We belong to Christ in death only if we belong to Christ in life. How do you deal with the temptation to be your own master?

Application: Spend the week clinging to no offense, forgiving every unkindness or injury from the



heart and letting it go.

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WELCOME TO ST. JOAN'S

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome to worship!

MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 17th -

8:00 a.m. Ellen Malone (Rooney)
10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of SJA
12:00 noon Ken Lowe, Sr. (Coyne)

Monday, September 18th - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Virginia Ortmann (Ortmann)

Tuesday, September 19th - Weekday

9:00 a.m. Anne Bogden (Schneider)

Wednesday, September 20th - Ss.

**Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest & Paul
Chong Ha-sang, & Companions,
Martyrs**

8:00 a.m. NO MORNING MASS

Thursday, September 21st - St.

Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

8:00 a.m. Tom Foli & Rosemarie
Zuccaro (Family)

Friday, September 22nd - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Walter & Dorothy Vesbach
(Family)

Saturday, September 23rd - Vigil Mass

Vigil Mass:
4:30 p.m. Daniel Horrigan (Moriarty)

Sunday, September 24th -

8:00 a.m. Charles & Carrie Cuccia
(Miller)
10:00 a.m. Kevin Lynch (Yoe)
12:00 noon Living & Deceased of SJA

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 Frank Mazzulo (husband of Jill), Ron Sulik (husband of Jean), Georgia Wagner, Dr. Patrick O'Hara, Jim Mackey, Janet Leff, Patrick Ross (son-in-law of Terese & Tony Szabo), Judith Renfrow and Nancy Adamczyk. May God's healing love strengthen them.

Collection for Sunday September 3, 2017

250 Envelopes Used	\$11,180
Cash	704
ACH	<u>5,755</u>
Total	\$18,343

Collection for Sunday September 10, 2017

250 Envelopes Used	\$12,817
Cash	1,001
ACH	<u>3,676</u>
Total	\$17,494

Thank you for your support!

This Week's Readings

Sunday: Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-4, 9-12/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7-9/
Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-6/
Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-5/
Mt 9:9-13

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-10, 17-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-5/
Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9,
17-18/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

SPECIAL EVENTS

ANNUAL PARISH RAFFLE

We will be selling tickets every weekend up to the Clambake and including at the Clambake. You can purchase your ticket either through the parish office during the week, the mail or after weekend mass in the Gathering Area. If you have any questions, please contact Karen in the parish office at 440.247.7183.

7TH ANNUAL CLAMBAKE

We are in need of any donations for our Chinese/Silent auction. Special

WEEKEND MASS CELEBRANT

9/23 & 9/24

4:30 Fr. Gary

8:00 Fr. Damian

10:00 Fr. Damian

12:00 Fr. Gary

(subject to change)

From the Pastor

Greetings of Peace.



We have a **new bishop for the Diocese of Cleveland**: he is **Bishop Nelson J. Perez**. He was officially installed as our bishop during mass at 2:00 pm on Tuesday September 5, 2017 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in downtown Cleveland.

The bishop was born in Miami, Florida, on June 16, 1961. He studied at Montclair State University and graduated with a Bachelor's degree. He entered Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia and earned Master of Divinity degree in 1988 and a Master of Arts in Theology degree in 1989. He was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in 1989 and served for 23 years in parishes and as also as a pastor.

In June 2012, Pope Benedict named him an Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre and he was ordained a bishop there on July 25, 2012. Pope Francis named him our bishop on July 11, 2017.

Welcome Bishop Perez!

Here at St Joan of Arc, we have **one week until our Clam Bake and our Parish Raffle** on Sunday September 24. *"You can't win if you don't have a Raffle Ticket."* The grand prize is \$25,000! This is the one "major fundraiser" we have to support our parish and our General Operating Budget. "Thank you for your support."



At the end of the month on September 30 and October 1, we will have the Annual **Finance Report at all of our weekend masses**. Thank you for your generous support of our parish and its ministries. Our Parish Staff and Finance Council all seek to be good stewards of your generosity.

Speaking of Stewards, the weekend of October 7-8 we will have **our annual "Stewardship Sunday."** On Stewardship Sunday **all parishioners will be invited to see how they can serve the St. Joan of Arc parish family and become involved in one or more of the many ministries and activities of our church**. That weekend there will be a "Ministry Fair" in the Parish Hall. Please stay tuned for more information about our Stewardship Sunday! And please pray about how you can share in the life of our great parish.



This week we begin Fall (Autumn). Enjoy the beautiful weather, colors of the foliage, and the gift of changing seasons!

You are in my heart and in my prayers.

Blessings and Peace,

Fr. Gary



thanks to past parishioner and Ministries who have donated in the past. We are looking to make this our biggest year and raise the most money for a great cause. Please call the parish office at 440.247.7183 or email: stjoanchagrין@gmail.com) if you would like to make a donation, volunteer that evening or

help solicit for the Chinese/Silent auction.

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN COLLECTION

The weekend of Sept. 23-24, our parish will take up the collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign. The collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and

enriches our faith through podcasts, television, radio, and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our diocese and support local needs, so please be generous in this collection.

PARISH NEWS ATTENTION LECTORS

The 2018 Lector Workbooks are available in the parish office. The cost is \$10. Please stop in the parish office and pick one up.

**OFFICE OF FAITH
FORMATION**

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

Today is Catechetical Sunday. We will recognize at the 12:00 noon Mass, the many women and men of our parish who devote themselves to imparting the Catholic Faith to our children, teens and adults. Our Parish Community celebrates the goodness and dedication of these generous women and men who serve our Parish as Catechists in our Catholic Day School, PSR Program, Confirmation Process, RCIA and Youth Ministry!

FAMILY RELIGION PROGRAM

The initial Parent Meeting for all families (adults only) participating in the Family Religion Program will be Sunday, September 17, from 11:00am-12:30pm in the Olsavsky Center.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Opening Session for parents and candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation was Saturday, Sept. 16. We thank Mary Lou Beers, Coordinator of Sacramental Programs at St. Mary Magdalene Parish in Willowick and a national speaker for the Diocese of Cleveland, for being such an integral part of our initial gathering for Confirmation. Mary Lou is such a great role model for our teens! Her deep faith and love for God, her family and those with whom she ministers, is such a powerful witness for all of us!

The **First Instructional Session** in preparation for the Sacrament of

SAVE THE DATE!

DUE TO A SCHEDULING CONFLICT

THE 7TH ANNUAL
ST. JOAN OF ARC CLAMBAKE WILL BE ON
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2017
AFTER THE NOON MASS IN THE
OLSAVSKY CENTER

Note: For this year's Clambake to be as successful as in the past, we are in need of a coordinator and volunteers to help with this year and future years. Please call Karen in the parish office at 440.247.7183. Thank you.

Confirmation is **Thursday, Sept. 28, from 6:30-8:15 pm in the Parish Hall.** Please note that each candidate session ends 15 minutes later than in the past. This time increase began with last year's sessions.

*Candidates need to bring their Red Confirmation Folders to this session and each session.

GRADE 8 – CONFIRMATION PRAYER PARTNERS

We are asking our Parish Community once again to pray for our 8th grade candidates for Confirmation this year. We are seeking Prayer Partners for all of our candidates and will be explaining the simple process at all the Masses the **weekend of September 16/17.**

YOUTH MINISTRY ANCHORED: FATHER/SON RETREAT

Fathers & sons grades 7-12, join us for an afternoon retreat & rock climbing on **October 1, Noon-5pm!**

(If a father is unable to attend, another adult male may participate.) We will start with Mass at Noon, followed by lunch, a guest speaker, and rock climbing at Kendall Cliffs. (PSR students who cannot attend Mass at Noon, please join us at 1pm for lunch.) The cost is \$20 per person and includes lunch and rock climbing. *Financial assistance available upon request. * *Being a parishioner of SJA in not a requirement to participate.* *Permission forms will be sent once registered* **Registration due by September 27.** See the parish website for details.

FAITH AND HOOPS FALL SCHEDULE

Faith & Hoops for all HS boys will continue to meet during the fall. All HS teen boys are welcome to join us for a short faith discussion and basketball. Dates include: September 17 & 24 and October 15, 22 & 29.

HS NIGHT: KICK-OFF & BONFIRE

Sunday, October 8, 6:30-8pm, Olsavsky Center. HS teens, join us while we kick off a new year! We will have a bonfire behind the school, kickball and food. Dress for

**TO DATE: LESS THAN
325 TICKETS
HAVE BEEN SOLD FOR THE
ANNUAL FUNDRAISER**

chilly/muddy weather--rain plan will be inside the gym.

SHAWL MINISTRY **SHAWL MINISTRY MEETINGS**



The October meeting will also be on the second Wednesday, October 11th. Subsequent meetings will return to the second Tuesday of the month and will be announced in the bulletin. We invite any experienced or beginning yarn fancier to join our group. We also need people to sew medals on our shawls so if you have an interest, please join us, we can find a rewarding job for you.

If you know of someone who would benefit from one of our prayer shawls, please call Karen in the Parish office at 440-247-7183 or Myra Janda at 440-543-9359. For more information, please contact our coordinator, Rebecca Rybak at 607-731-9684 or rrvbak@hotmail.com.

WOMEN'S GUILD

The Women's Guild is presenting again this year:

Chagrin Documentary Film Festival October 4th-8th

Women's Guild has sponsored a lunch from the beginning and lunch will be on Thursday, Oct. 5th at 11:30 in the Parish Hall. Our salad luncheon is very popular, and we hope that you would like to bring a salad to share. Your salad is your ticket to the lunch. Reservations are required because this sells out fast and also what type of salad you're bringing. We are sponsoring two other events on Oct. 5th, Doc and Donuts at 8:30, (\$10) and a Documentary Tea at 3:00, (\$15). If you do not bring a salad, tickets are \$15. All monies collected will go to the St. Joan Helping Hand Fund.

Reservation deadline for all events is Sept. 29th. For information and reservations contact Sally Florkiewicz 216-832-6243 or 440-247-6945 or Gerry Koprowski 440-591-5182 .



St. Joan of Arc Catholic School News

By Mrs. Shelley DiBacco,
School Principal

Faith. Academics. Excellence



Today is Catechetical Sunday. The teachers of St. Joan of Arc School will be called forth at the 12:00 Mass to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. This year's theme, "**Living as Missionary Disciples**", invites all the baptized--especially catechists and Catholic school teachers--to devote themselves to a deeper study and practice of prayer, for their own spiritual good and for the good of those they serve. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

Parents are truly the primary catechists of their children. They prepare the soil and plant the first seeds of faith. On Catechetical Sunday, we not only highlight the work of catechists in our parish and school, but we also commend parents and guardians and encourage them to take seriously their role of making their Catholic households a place where faith is passed on to the next generation.

St. Joan of Arc School has been blessed to have highly talented, passionate educators who work hard to challenge every child to perform at his or her best. Parents at St. Joan's are supportive of this challenge as they also expect a lot from their children and their teachers. We are confident that students who graduate from St. Joan of Arc School are well prepared, both spiritually and academically, to excel at the high school of their choice. We have indeed been richly blessed. It is only fitting that we set aside a day to highlight this ministry and invite the entire church community to think about our responsibility to share our faith with others. Please keep our teachers and all catechists in your prayers as they begin this new school year.

We will hold two "Back to School Nights" this year. One for students in grades K-5 on September 20th and another for grades 6-8 on Thursday, September 21st. The parents will be given time to visit their child/children's classrooms to learn about the curriculum. Our hope is that by the end of the evening our parents will have a clearer picture of our building, our teachers, our curriculum and our core values. **Both evenings will begin at 6:30PM.**

The St. Joan of Arc PTO will be selling mums again this year in the parking lot after school starting Thursday, September 21st and going through Sunday, September 24th. Mums will be sold from 3-4 PM on Thursday and Friday, from 4:30-6 PM on Saturday and from 8:30 AM until 1 PM on Sunday. Mums are \$6 each or 4 for \$20.

AREA NEWS

CARMELITE ROSES IN NOVEMBER

"Roses in November" on Saturday, November 11 to benefit

the sisters of the Carmelite Monastery at Executive Caterers at Landerhaven. Boutique starts at 9:30 am with luncheon at noon and fashion show by Toni in Style in

Chagrin Falls. \$1,000 grand prize and additional prizes. Tickets are \$50. For questions or to buy tickets call Kathy Hughes at 440.565.7555 or visit kathhughes@att.net.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, September 17th

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon

10:00 am Pre-K & K PSR (OC/School)

11:00 am Gr. 7 & 8 PSR (OC/School)

11:00 am Family Religion (OC)

12:00 noon HS Theology (Library)

3:00 pm Rosary Cenacle (Chapel)

6:00 pm Youth Ministry (Hall)

6:30 pm YM Basketball (OC)

Monday, September 18th

9:15 am Moms, Pops & Tots (OC)

4:30 pm PSR (OC/School)

Tuesday, September 19th

6:00 pm Cub Scouts (Hall)

7:30 pm Choir (Church)

Wednesday, September 20th

10:00 am Women's Bible Study (Hall)

6:30 pm Back to School Night
(OC/School)

7:00 pm RCIA (Rectory)

7:30 pm Boy Scouts (Hall)

Thursday, September 21st

8:30 am Bible Study (Rectory)

6:30 pm Back to School Night
(OC/School)

7:00 pm Bible Study (Rectory)

Saturday, September 23rd

Vigil Mass: 4:30 pm

3:30 pm Confessions (Church)

The Giving Pantry

The Following Items Are Needed Every Week:

Canned Beef, Pork, Spam, Salmon, Tuna, Chicken, Stew, Rice, Noodles, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce with Meat, Dry Soup Mixes, Cereal, Dried Fruit, Raisins, Peanuts, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Coffee, Tea, Crackers and Cookies

The Following Items Are Needed Monthly:

Bath items, hand soaps, toothpaste & toothbrushes, shampoo/conditioner, Depends, feminine products, toilet tissue, paper towels, napkins, laundry detergent, fabric softener, dish soap.

Donation for the USO:

Individual Size: peanut butter, drink mix, hot cereal, wipes and shaving cream. Also: beef jerky, lip balm, raman noodles, all sizes Ziploc bags, toiletries and hard candy

Please put items by the flag in the Gathering Area

Manufacturer Coupons

Please continue to drop off store coupons found in the local newspapers, magazines or online. Place them in a bag or envelope and put them in the food pantry collection baskets in the Gathering Area after Mass. Thank you

CALENDAR OF EVENTS (con't:)

Sunday, September 24th

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon

**Annual Raffle & Clambake after the
12:00 noon Mass**

10:00 am Pre-K & K PSR (OC/School)

11:00 am Gr. 7 & 8 PSR (OC/School)

11:00 am Family Religion (OC)

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3:00 pm Rosary Cenacle (Chapel)

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FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

When we forgive someone, we unilaterally choose not to hold a grudge against him or her. When we reconcile, we move to a new plateau in our relationship where the needs of all parties are heard and respected. In families we can sometimes forgive someone without even speaking. Reconciling is more difficult, for we must involve the one who has hurt us and rebuild trust. It is not always safe or possible to reconcile, but forgiveness is an essential ingredient of the Kingdom of Heaven.



ANNUAL PARISH RAFFLE

This year's prizes include:

**Buy some
clams & win
A LOT of clams
\$25,000!!!!**

1st Prize: \$25,000 CASH

2nd Prize: \$3,000 Cash

3rd Prize: \$1,000 Cash

4th Prize: \$1,000 Cash

"Winner responsible for payment of taxes when prize is awarded."

Tickets may be purchased either with cash, check or credit card. The drawing will be held at the Annual Clambake on Sunday, September 24th. For more information, please contact Karen (440.247.7183) in the parish office.