

St. Joan Of Arc Church

496 East Washington Street • Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022

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7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You have heard that it was said, *You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.* But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father." *Mt 5:43-45a*

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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.

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Rev. Gary J. Malin, Pastor
Sr. Judith Bucco, SND, Director of Religious Education
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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.

SAVE....THE....DATE !!



Totally Catholic VBC - St. Joan of Arc Church

June 19 - 23, 2017

Vacation Bible Camp

Children 4 years old through Grade 4

AND Adventure Crew Program for Grades 5 & 6

7th & 8th Graders can participate as Aides

8th and above can participate as Crew Leaders

Adult Volunteers welcome also!

Registration Forms Coming Soon!!

DATE & SUBJECT

February 19, 2017 — Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

"You will rightly be called children of the Most High."

(Matthew 5:38-48)

Jesus asks us to be perfect. (And you thought "holy" and "foolish" were hard to



swallow!) He asks that we measure ourselves, not against each other or a bald commandment, but against the ideal of love. Anyone who hears this must yearn for the days when all a person had to do was obey the law! The standard of love is an everlasting stretch, growth without end, a journey with an elastic horizon.

The way of love is also efficacious. Jesus didn't see turning the other cheek and praying for persecutors as a limp response to opposition. The crucifixion was not surrender! The stark courage of not returning evil for evil invites the conversion of the enemy. Eye-for-an-eye justice does not challenge the method of the wrongdoer, nor does it cause a heart to soften. But unmerited compassion and forgiveness can turn a stone heart to flesh. The shadow of the cross has been doing exactly that for twenty centuries.

How do you love yourself? Do you love your neighbor that way? Is your life wise or foolish by worldly standards? Have you ever loved an enemy? What did it do to them? To you?

Application: Consider the threefold call to be holy, foolish, and perfect. Have you known anyone who lived these teachings closely?



Presidents' Day

What did their lives look like?

Choose one occasion this week in which to be a perfectly holy fool.

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WELCOME TO ST. JOAN'S

We worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Grace and peace be with you all as we come before God.

MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 19th -

8:00 a.m. Joseph Mantz (Szabo)
10:00 a.m. Theresa Roddy (Yoe)
12:00 noon Living & Deceased of SJA

Monday, February 20th - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Ben Klofta (Clark)

Tuesday, February 21st - Weekday

9:00 a.m. Diane Tombow (Pisanelli)

Wednesday, February 22nd - The

Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

8:00 a.m. NO MORNING MASS

Thursday, February 23rd - St.

Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr

8:00 a.m. Alex Toth (Family)

Friday, February 24th - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Sara Williams (McGinnis)

Saturday, February 25th - Vigil Mass

Vigil Mass:
4:30 p.m. Charlie Rule (Family)

Sunday, February 26th -

8:00 a.m. Steve Latorette (Florkiewicz)
10:00 a.m. Steve Zumerling (Kosisko)
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 Dorothy Eiben (mother of Joanne Locastro) who passed away.

Remember the sick of our parish. Especially Elaine Pryatel, Dave York, Georgia Wagner, Anne Bodgen (mother of Carol Schneider), Dr. Patrick O'Hara, Jim Mackey, Marjorie Manno and Lisa Ricchino. May God's healing love strengthen them.

Collection for Sunday February 12, 2017

255 Envelopes Used	\$ 9,032
Cash	1,024
ACH	<u>3,164</u>
Total	\$13,220

Thank you for your support!

This Week's Readings

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48
Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6/Mt 16:13-19
Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Mk 9:41-50
Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34-35/Mk 10:1-12
Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-18/Mk 10:13-16
Next Sunday: Is 49:14-15/Ps 62:2-3, 6-9/1 Cor 4:1-5/Mt 6:24-34

SPECIAL EVENTS

BAKED GOODS NEEDED FOR PARISH MISSION

We are asking for your help in donating baked goods for each of the evenings following our Parish Mission presentations. We will have refreshments in the Parish Hall on February 26, 27, and 28 after the Parish Mission. Please contact Sr. Paula Suzelis at 440.247.7576 or 216.3490712 if you would like to make a baked goods donation. All baked good can be dropped off at the Parish Hall February 20-25 or at Office of Faith Formation on Sunday, February 26 in the morning. May our generous God bless you in abundance!! Sr. Judy

WEEKEND MASS CELEBRANT

2/25 & 2/26

4:30 Fr. Gary

8:00 Fr. Gary

10:00 Fr. Damian

12:00 Fr. Damian

(subject to change)

From the Pastor

Greetings of Peace.

St. Joan of Arc will have a **Parish Mission** on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, February 26-27-28. The mission will begin each evening at 7:00 pm. **Dan DeMatte will be our mission presenter.** Dan is an international speaker and best-selling catholic author. Please plan on joining us for this powerful three-day mission. Discover Life Anew. Discover Faith Anew. All are welcome! Bring a friend!



Here is a request from the Diocese and Bishop Daniel E. Thomas. *“Bishop Thomas asks for continued prayers from you, the faithful of the Diocese of Cleveland, as he fulfills his duties as Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese while maintaining his role as the Bishop of Toledo, OH. He also asks for your understanding and patience as scheduling changes of events will be necessary.”* Also, *“Please remember Bishop Richard Lennon in your prayers and continue to pray that a new bishop will be assigned to Diocese of Cleveland in the near future.”*

The Season of Lent is approaching. March 1 is Ash Wednesday! Why not begin now to prepare for Lent and see what we can do to grow closer to the Lord in this holy season. Some suggestions include coming to mass, celebrating reconciliation, taking time for personal prayer, giving-up and “reaching-out,” or coming to **Stations of the Cross (on certain Fridays at 6:30 pm at St Joan of Arc: March 3, March 10, March 24, and March 31)**. There are many more ways to enter into this Season of conversion and faith. These are just a few ideas.

Since this is the last “full week” before Lent, It is good to be reminded of some of the **“church rules” for the Lenten Season** - notably **Fasting and Abstinence**. Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to **Fast** on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. In addition, all Catholics 14 years old and older are to **Abstain from meat** on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays in Lent. How’s this for a simple description of each:

Lent



-Fasting means, “one full meal, two other light meals.” (Together, the “lighter meals” are not equivalent to the one main meal.)

-Abstinence means “no meat.”

However, let us not be scrupulous in this regard, as the U.S. Bishops have said. “Reasonable excuses” to refrain from fasting and/or abstinence are sickness, the need for food and sustenance for work, dietary restriction, or other “authentic needs.” Ultimately, we can ask ourselves, “What are some ways each of us can make Lent a meaningful time of prayer, sacrifice, and self-giving?”

Have a great week. Blessings and Peace,

Fr. Gary

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

PIVOTAL PLAYERS

Pivotal Players is a five-week series about Saints that will be offered twice on Mondays during Lent, at 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. for an hour and a half. Come and delve more deeply into their lives. The series begins with March 6: St. Catherine of Siena; March 13: St. Francis of Assisi; March 20: St.

Thomas Aquinas; March 27: Bl. John Henry Newman and will conclude on April 3: Michaelangelo.

OFFICE OF FAITH **FORMATION** **TO PROTECT-PRAESIDIUM** **PROGRAM**

The final class for our Praesidium Program is Sunday, February 26 for

Grades K and 7, and Monday, March 6, for Grades 1-5. Thank you for your support!

PRESIDENTS' WEEKEND

There are no PSR classes in honor of Presidents' Day for PreK-4-Grade 8 on Sunday/Monday, February 19/20.

PSR LENTEN PROJECT

The CRS Rice Bowl is the Lenten Project of Catholic Relief Services, the official international agency of the Catholic Community in the United States. Your prayers, fasting, and sacrificial contributions support CRS's work with the poorest of the poor in 100 countries. The Rice Bowls will be distributed to each family in Grades PreK-4 –Gr. 8 on **February 26** and **March 6**. Thank you for your support and generosity of this wonderful project that will help so many in need!!

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Congratulations to our SJA second graders who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on **Thursday, February 16!** May our God continue to bless them and their families!

YOUTH MINISTRY THANK YOU!

A *super* thank you to all the parishioners who contributed to our annual Souper Bowl of Caring Collection on Super Bowl weekend! This year we collected about \$2,600. The teens will be buying groceries and toiletries for area food pantries and we will be giving a monetary donation to the Chagrin Falls Park



St. Joan of Arc Catholic School News

By Mrs. Shelley DiBacco,
School Principal

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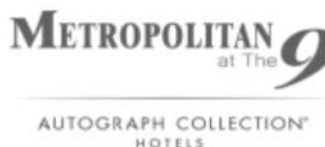
Casino Night



Don't forget to get your tickets for Casino Night!
Feel free to bring friends and family as well!
Saturday, February 25th, 2017 7:00 PM-Midnight
The Tanglewood Club - 8745 Tanglewood Trail
Tickets are \$85 per person

Please make checks payable to **St. Joan of Arc PTO**. If interested in purchasing tickets via credit card, please contact sjapto.44022@gmail.com and an invoice with a secure link for payment will be sent to complete the purchase.

Sponsored by:



St. Joan of Arc School is currently 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.

Keep these February dates in mind:

February 20	No School – President's Day
February 24	Junior High Dance
February 27	ITBS Testing begins
February 26-28	Parish Mission
February 28	Mardi Gras Sock Hop
March 1	Ash Wednesday



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for their Strategies for Life Program. These funds will help keep their community vegetable garden maintained and support their healthy eating cooking classes. Thank you for your generous support!

ELIZABETH MINISTRY MOMS POPS & TOTS

Moms, Pops & Tots will meet not on Monday, February 20th in honor of President's Day. If you are interested in the play group, please contact Debbie Fitzmaurice at 440-543-0701 or debbie.fitzmaurice@gmail.com

**WELLNESS MINISTRY
SHAWL MINISTRY**

The March meeting of the Shawl Ministry will be held on Tuesday, March 14th at 9:00 am in the Parish Hall. Project yarn will be available. Please call Karen in the parish office at 440.247.7183 if you know someone needing a shawl. Chairman, Rebecca Rybak, at 607.731.9684.

**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. We will extend invitations to all the Sisters who served at St. Joan of Arc Parish to attend this lunch. 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.

**CYO UPDATE
SPRING TRACK & BASEBALL/
SOFTBALL SIGN-UP**

Registration for the upcoming CYO Track & Baseball/Softball seasons is now open for girls and



The 2017 Catholic Charities Appeal is underway in the Diocese of Cleveland. Last weekend (Feb 11-12) we participated in the "in pew" process, completing the Catholic Charities envelopes at our weekend masses. For those who have not yet completed a Catholic Charities envelope – even if you received a letter and replied by mail, or will not make a gift to Catholic Charities – we kindly ask that you please complete and envelope and place it in the collection basket or turn it into the parish office. Envelopes are in the church Gathering Area. Thank you.

boys in grades 3 through 8. Deadline to sign up is March 10th. forms with more information and other required forms can be viewed and printed from our website at www.stjoanofarc.org, click on Parents, and click on CYO Sports. Practices begin in early March. Questions can be addressed to Brian Munday, Baseball/Softball & Track, at (216) 288-5689 or bamunday123@gmail.com. Please don't wait, register as early as possible!

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

Jesus challenges us to be generous in our love. Keeping score, getting even, holding grudges, being resistant and hating enemies are not routes to holiness and the fulfilling life. Draw on God's limitless love for you to go the extra mile, seek the great good, love your enemies and see what miracles God can work in your life! You cannot out give God!

**AREA NEWS
HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE**

The Church of the Resurrection in Solon is hosting a ten-day

pilgrimage to the Holy Land on January 15-24, 2018. Please consider this once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage. Please invite your family and friends to join us as well. You can go to www.pilgrimages.com/badalamenti for more information or contact Ken Badalamenti at kennyb7@gmail.com or 216-570-7111.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sunday, February 19th**
Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon
3:00 pm Rosary Cenacle (Chapel)
- Monday, February 20th**
7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting (Rectory)
- Tuesday, February 21st**
10:30 am Women's Bible Study (Hall)
- Wednesday, February 22nd**
7:00 pm RCIA (Rectory)
7:30 pm Boy Scouts (Hall)
- Thursday, February 23rd**
7:00 pm Bible Study (Rectory)
- Friday, February 24th**
7:00 pm Junior High Dance (OC)
- Saturday, February 25th**
Vigil Mass: 4:30 pm
3:30 pm Confessions (Church)
- Sunday, February 26th**
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)
7:00 pm Parish Mission (Church/Hall)

7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*Grow
in Christ*