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CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday 5:30 PM

> Sunday 10:00 AM

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday and Thursday 9:30 am to 11:30 am

Monday to Thursday afternoons 1:00 pm to 4:00pm

Monday & Wednesday Morning Closed Friday closed

ORGANIZATIONS

& ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League

See CWL Bulletin Board for Details

Children's Liturgy

10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry

2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace

www.devp.org

3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers 3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Prayer Group

Wednesdays after mass

Parish Council

Every two months

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Robert Langone, SA Pastor (ext. 226) frbob@joanofarc.ca

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers

Andrew O'Handley

Lectors: Maryanne Chard

10:00AM Choir

Susan McElcheran

Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM

12:00 Noon Choir

Antoine Pellerin

Ushers: Call the office

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM or by appointment.

Arrangements are made through the Religious Education office. Couples expecting a child are encouraged to contact the office before the child is born. Please contact ext. 222, for more information.

Please call Fr. Bob at least one year

of the Sick:

Call the office ext. 221

BAPTISMS

MARRIAGE

prior to the planned wedding date.

St. Vincent de Paul Society 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM

Sunday School (ages 3-6) During 10:00 AM Mass

Pastoral Visitation

To arrange for a visit



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 26

Acts 11:1-18 Psalm 42 1-2,43:3-4 John 10:1-10 5:30 pm Thomas Shields +

Tuesday, April 27
Acts 11;19-26 Psalm 87:1-7
John 10:22-30
5:30 pm Fay McKee +

Wednesday, April 28

Acts 12:24, 13:5 Psalm 67: 1-5, 7 John 12:44-50 5:30 pm Int. of Joanne Nolan

Thursday, April 29

Acts 13:13-25 Psalm 89:2-3,21-22, 25.27 John13: 16-20 5:30 pm Deceased Friars

Friday, April 30

Saturday, May 1

Acts 13:44-53 Psalm 98:1-4

John 14:7-14

5:30 pm The Parish Community

Sunday, May 2

Acts 9:26-31 Psalm 22:25-27, 29-31 1 John 3:18-24 John 15:1-8
10:00 am The Cornelius Family +





The Friar's Nook

I can't believe it's been over a year and we're still closed down! I really hope that this is our last shutdown and that we are in it for as long as it needs to take to make sure that everyone is safe, and we can return to each other. It's a little different this year as I am now alone so it makes it all that more important that we do our best, not just as a parish, but as a city and a province to make sure that we shut down COVID once and for all. I can't say that I'm forgetting what you look like, but I will say I'm forgetting what I look like! When I stopped shaving my beard, I thought it would be for a couple of months. Now it's getting to the point or I'm looking like the old man at the end of the year welcoming the New Year's baby.

Since I don't do Ironman's like Father Dan, I thought I could raise money by raffling off the chance to cut my beard. I think God is testing me in this in that if I have to keep this beard all summer, I don't know what I'll do. So, wear your masks and get vaccinated as soon as you can so that we can get back together, and you can free me of this hairy prison that I wear. I think of Father Dan and his Ironman's in comparison and it's like "just run a few miles more" or "just swim a few more laps". That would never happen and yet here we are shut down again.

I'm glad that I have Bible study on Wednesdays is it reminds me which day of the week it is. Although this past week I woke up on Monday thinking it was Sunday getting set for Sunday Mass till I realized that was yesterday. And on Tuesday I woke up thinking it was Saturday and I had a baptism, so I needed to set up for that until I eventually realized that it's only Tuesday. I have heard of people's days running together during this shutdown, but this is the first time it happened to me. I never realized how glad I'd be to be able to live stream Bible study and Mass but at least it's a chance to talk to you. And every Sunday, before lunch, I sit down and read all your comments from Mass and pretend they were having coffee together in the Hall.

With signs of Spring popping up all around us, the daffodils are in bloom the forsythia in our backyard are bright yellow, I encourage all of you to get outside and take in some of nature, as Saint Francis would say "it bears the fingerprints of God". And with God we are never alone. Also, being outdoors reminds us that the world is bigger then the four walls and ceiling that seem to confine us at this time, and hopefully remind us that God is in charge. I pray for you daily, but I also pray most for those who are affected by COVID. Not just those who are ill, but those who are in care homes, you can't have visitors because of the lockdown and don't understand why no one seeing them. Plus, those members of families who have suffered a loss who can only have nine people attend the funeral. And then there are those on whom it takes a mental toll. Those who are "COVID weary" and especially our young people who are growing up in a world where they are increasingly isolated from each other and from other sources of love and support. Think about how you would feel being at either end of that spectrum. I can't imagine being a teenager and not being able to hang out with my friends or being old or infirm and all alone.

It is certain that what we need is prayer and vigilance. Is also certain especially during Easter time to remember that we are not called to live in fear but in trust the Lord who loves us will see us through. You probably have noticed this in my preaching and will continue to.

Stay safe and be assured of my prayers and love.

Fr Bob

Please Pray for:

The Sick: Gary Hartnett, Daniel Olmedo, Frank Grech, Eugene Sziraky, Diana, Brendan Clough. and John L Kelly For the Deceased: Eric Ficker

NEW PARISH APP!

St. Joan of Arc is launching our own app for iPhone and Android smart phones. This will allow us to better communicate with you throughout the week and keep you updated with relevant parish news or updates. The app is very well designed and very intuitive. It is a great resource for parishioners by providing daily Mass readings, Catholic news and prayers, convenient prayer and Confession reminders, our bulletins and more. We hope for our new app to be a tool for fostering stronger parish life at St. Joan of Arc and better stewardship. You can either look for MyParish in your app store and select St. Joan of Arc Parish in the setup or scan the following code.



A PRAYER IN TIME OF COVID

Gracious God, you who are the author of all life, and who desire the well-being of all people, during these dark days of Covid 19, increase in us, respect and reverence for all human life. Grant restored health to the sick, comfort and hope to the dying, strength to family members, friends, relatives, clergy and volunteers, Renewed energy to hospital workers, PSWs, nurses and doctors, and perseverance to all in the health care professions.

Grant wisdom to scientists for the development of effective and moral vaccines, discernment and right judgment for legislators, aid to the discouraged, poor and vulnerable, courage and justice for front-line workers, and keep always in our minds the vision of the true common good of all the world. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bishop Robert Kasun CSB, Auxiliary Bishop Central Region

Mother's Day Novena

Due to the lockdown, we will not be able to give out cards this year, but we will still have our other's Day Novena. You can mail in your names with the stipend of \$5.00 per name and they will be included in the Book placed at the base of the altar. Fr. Bob will be saying mass each day and remembering all those listed in our book



PLEASE JOIN US ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

Sundays at 10:00 am-The Sunday Liturgy is live streamed on the St. Joan of Arc Facebook page.

Wednesdays at 2:00 pm Fr. Bob has a Bible Study hour on the St. Joan of Arc Facebook page.

Offertory Envelopes

2021 Offertory Envelopes are waiting to be collected from the parish. If you call the office on 'Tuesday or Thursday when Rosanne is in, she will gladly put your box out in the mailbox for you to collect.

Catholic Family Services

CFS I now offering online quick access single sessions. This is a quick and effective way for individuals, coupes or families to address a mental health or relationship concern. For more information contact CFS at 416 921-1163 or info@cfstoronto.com

ST VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE WEEKEND DELAYED

Due to the **Provincial lockdown**, we have had to delay our Bundle Weekend to July 10 & 11th. We hope you will save your gently use items until then! Thank you.



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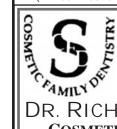
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