

St. Joan of Arc

Proclaiming and Living the Gospel through Stewardship. All are Welcome.

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers Call the office

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Lectors: Maryanne Chard 10:00AM Choir Susan McElcheran Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM 12:00 Noon Choir Antoine Pellerin

Ushers: Call the office

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday 5:30 PM

> Sunday 10:00 AM

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

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.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Bob at least one year prior to the planned wedding date.

> Pastoral Visitation of the Sick: To arrange for a visit Call the office ext. 221

OFFICE HOURS

Fax

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

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

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



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 5 Acts 2:14, 22-33 Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-11 Matthew 28:8-15 No Mass & Parish office closed

<u>Tuesday, April 6</u> Acts 2:36-41 Psalm 33:4-5, 18-20,22 John 20:11-18 5:30 pm Jose Olmedo Granada +

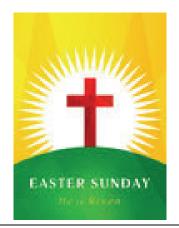
<u>Wednesday, April 7</u> Acts 3:1-10 Psalm 105:1-4, 6-9 Luke 24:13 -35 5:30 pm Michael Prius +

<u>Thursday, April 8</u> Acts: 3:11-26 Psalm 8: 2,5-9 Luke 24: 35-48 5:30 pm Deceased Friars

Friday, April 9 Acts 4:1-12 Psalm 118:1-2,4, 22-27 John 21: 1-14 5:30 pm In Thanksgiving for the Friars

<u>Saturday , April 10</u> Acts 4:13-21 Psalm 118:1,14—16, 18-21 Mark 16:9-15 5:30 pm Mary Davis +

<u>Sunday, April 11</u> Acts 4:32-35 Psalm 118:2-4, 16-8, 22-24 1John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31 10:00 am Edward Benson +





The Friar's Nook

Happy Easter! It certainly seems happier this year with people in the church. If you remember last year we were closed down do the covid, even though our numbers are limited now it certainly is much more of a celebration with the congregation present. As you know, I'm alone now so seeing friendly faces at Easter is certainly a gift to me. I pray that we may continue to move forward in this direction that people are kept safe and we drive this pandemic out.

I coloured Easter eggs this past week because it doesn't matter for young or old, if we're alone or together, if we are happy or sad - Easter came. I refused to give in to the gloom that sometimes surrounds us these days. That is not to say that I don't take every effort to be safe for myself and for you, but I choose to be cheerful and celebrate the joy of Easter. A friend of mine suggested that at my age I could hide eggs around the house come back an hour later and forget where they were so I could have an Easter egg hunt all by myself. I told her that if I didn't find them I'd be able to smell them eventually! She thought I would be hiding chocolate Easter eggs, but chocolate is too precious a thing to risk losing!

This year, Holy Week is different. We didn't have palms to hand out on Palm Sunday, we didn't wash feet on holy Thursday (but I did think of shining shoes instead), we didn't have an adoration of the Cross on Good Friday, and we didn't have a fire and candles at the Easter vigil. But it's a far cry from last year at this time when we had an empty church! I must admit it was strange for both Fr. Ken and me to celebrate the holiest days of the church year with just the two of us. But next year I hope we will be in full swing with the doors open and the church full, so that we can celebrate with great joy that the Lord is indeed risen. We're not just happy for Jesus, although I'm sure he was glad to get out of that tomb, but especially for ourselves in that he shows us how much God loves us – which is beyond our wildest imaginings.

As we move through the Easter season, will notice the weather getting warmer. Flowers blooming, trees budding and hopefully see more people around. My hope is this progress through the season that many more people will be vaccinated and kept safe. Since the word vaccine comes from the Latin referring to cows, maybe we should celebrate the Easter cow instead of the Easter Bunny! My family in the states keeps after me asking when will I be able to visit. At this point I don't know, but I'll keep moving forward in the hopes as we leave this pandemic behind us. One thing it is taught to not take people and things for granted. We never know if we have tomorrow much less next year so we should show as much love in care as we can.

This Easter let us remember that God not only loves us to death but beyond - to eternal life. The love Jesus showed for us was given as an example that we may show the love of God to others. (continued) If we cannot be joyful and share love the best ways we know how, then how are people going to know about the love of God? Living alone without someone to bounce ideas off of, I worry that I might come across at times in ways that seam unloving. If I do so, I pray you will forgive me and help to be more like the risen Christ, especially during this Easter Season.

I look forward to seeing each of your, hopefully soon. Fr. Bob

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.



Randy Haluza-DeLay - D&P Guest - Mon. April 19th

You are invited to attend our monthly Zoom meeting on Monday, April 19th at 7:00. As a follow up to Pope Francis' visit to Iraq on March 5-8, Randy is going to share his experience with a human rights delegation to Northern Iraq in 2018. Randy was a sociology professor for 20 years who has done many talks and workshops as well as academic publishing on environmental justice and interfaith dialogue on climate change. If you would like to attend, please email Elizabeth at efedorkow@sympatico.ca with Iraq Speaker as the subject title by Friday, April 16th . A Zoom invitation will be sent closer to the date.



We wish you all the Blessing of this Easter Season! Fr. Bob Rosanne Cathi and Anne

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. For Lent. Fr. Bob has also added the Stations of the Cross on our Facebook page.

<u>Society of St. Vincent de</u> <u>Paul</u>

We will be holding a Bundle Weekend next month, May 1 & 2, 2021. Please no furniture or large appliances.

YOU'VE BEEN ASKING ABOUT BAPTISMS

Due to Covid 19, we have had to change our policy of doing baptisms. We are currently doing Private Baptisms on Saturdays only. You can all in and arrange baptisms for your children.

- regardless of their faith, age, or background.

Our first ShareLife Weekend is April 17/18. Envelopes will be at the entrance of the church for your convenience.

Happy Easter



