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# St. Joan of Arc Parish

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# Happy Easter

#### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

#### **EUCHARIST**

Saturday 5:30 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon 7:00 PM

Monday to Friday 5:30 PM

#### RECONCILIATION

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

#### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

#### **BAPTISM:**

Arrangements are made through Judi Engel, ext 222. Couples expecting a child are encouraged to make contact before the child is born.

#### **MARRIAGE:**

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

#### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS AND CHILDREN OF CATECHETICAL AGE:

For those interested in the Catholic Church, please call Fr. Dan Callahan, ext. 226 (for adults) or Sheila Malloch ext 222 (for older children and youth).

#### PASTORAL VISITATION OF THE SICK:

To arrange for a visit to persons who are ill or housebound please leave their name and phone number at the office.





#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### **Easter Monday April 25**

Acts 2:14, 22-33 Psalm 16 Matthew 28:8-15 No Mass

#### Tuesday, April 26

Acts 2:36-41 Psalm 33
John 20:11-18
5:30 pm Special Intention

#### Wednesday, April 27

Acts 3:1-10 Psalm 105 Luke 24:13-35 5:30 pm John Bellis +

#### Thursday, April 28

Acts 3:11-26 Psalm 8
Luke 24:35-48
5:30 pm D.D. & Rose MacDonell +

#### Friday, April 29

Acts 4:1-12 Psalm 118

John 21:1-14
5:30 pm Deceased Friars

#### Saturday, April 30

Acts 4:13-21 Psalm 118 Mark 16:9-15 5:30 pm Frank Cairns +

#### Sunday, May 1

Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 118 2-4,13-15,22-24
1Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31
8:30 am Marko Horvatin +
10:00 am Mass of Thanksgiving
12:00 noon Mary Sullivan +
7:00 pm The Parish Community

#### **Monthly Comparison for: March**

Offertory	2010	2011
Envelopes	\$15,709	\$14,802
Loose	\$4,842	\$4,429
PAG*	\$8,615	\$8,428
Total	\$29,166	\$27,659

\*Pre Authorized Giving





#### THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Welcome parishioners and Visitors to St. Joan of Arc Parish, Easter Joy and Blessings to all!

He is Risen as He said, Alleluia! The earliest disciples shared this joyful message from their experience and we continue to share it today from ours. Each of the disciples encountered the risen Lord Jesus in different and mysterious ways. Mary Magdalene was the first. Matthew's Gospel recounts that Jesus tells her, "do not be afraid" as she goes forward with her proclamation to the disciples. In John's gospel she meets Jesus whom she mistook for the gardener. Only when He speaks her name does she recognize him, then she is given her mission to tell the disciples. The gospels tell us they were reluctant to believe this truth. Doubting Thomas personifies ones coming to believe only by hands on experience.

The two disciples on the road to Emmaus encountered the risen Jesus as a fellow traveler. He spoke the word of God in scriptures to explain the meaning of Christ's death and resurrection, then they recognized Him in the breaking of the bread and they recalled how their hearts were burning within them as He spoke. Gradually they all came to believe and rejoice. When he appeared to the eleven disciples his message was clear: Peace be with you. As Jesus ate with them, and they had other experiences and encounters with the Risen Lord, they were prepared to receive the fullness of the truth and its meaning that continues to unfold in history today.

This year in our Easter Vigil we will celebrate the baptism of 5 adults and two children. Additionally we will celebration the reception into the Church of six more adults and four children. These members of our community have experienced the meaning of the death and resurrection of the Lord as it is revealed through the life and teachings of the Church and are a wonderful testament of living faith and the action of the Holy Spirit among us as a community. These new members bear witness to all of us that the Risen Lord Jesus continues to bring new life freedom and peace into our lives. We are grateful to these individuals who have encountered the Risen Lord Among us and we are grateful to God for bringing them into our community to meet Christ in the experience.

The gospel stories recall the first experiences of the Risen Lord. These form the basis for our Easter Proclamation that is repeated throughout the ages because the death and resurrection of the Lord is the eternal dynamic foundation of our faith. The meaning of this continues to be revealed and experienced in our lives and shared relationships in the life of the Church. Throughout the year we gather to share our faith and worship. We continue to nurture the parish committees and stewardship activities that witness our faith and help others to encounter the Lord. Last week the confirmation class encountered the Lord in their retreat experience with L'Arche especially in the "Spirit Dancers" who helped them to see that we are all One in the Body of Christ. Last week we celebrated our annual Soup supper to raise alms for our outreach to Winter Welcome Table. In the coming weeks of Easter up to Pentecost, we will celebrate first communions, confirmations many weddings. These continue the sacramental signs of the Risen Lord in our Midst.

John's Gospel tells us that there are so many things that Jesus did that there would not be room enough in the entire world to hold the books to record them. Jesus continues to pour out the blessings of His resurrection upon our parish on the Church throughout the world and on all people of good will. The good works and relationships this nurtures throughout the world could not be recorded in all the computer space in the world.

May the Risen Lord Jesus pour out Easter life and blessings on us all.

Fr. Dan

#### **Please Pray for:**

Sick: Orla Murphy, Joe Hosick Deceased: Mary Gallagher

#### **Parish Cleanup Day**

The Parish will hold a Community Spring Cleanup day on Saturday, May 7th from 10 am to 2 pm. There will be numerous outdoor projects that we welcome your support and "hands" to complete. We will also be offering some items "free to take away", such as desks, bookshelves, chairs, tables as we prepare to redesign the organization and efficiency at the Parish Offices and Meeting room.

#### Parish Yearbook - Family Photo

Mark your calendars, we will be creating a parish directory/yearbook this spring. Each person/family who wishes to participate will have a professional photo take for the book and receive a free 8 x 10 photo. There is no cost to you or the parish to participate in this event. Scheduling and sign up will begin the week of April 25<sup>th</sup>. You will also be able sign up for a sitting by going to our website: <a href="www.joanofarc.ca">www.joanofarc.ca</a>, once the company sets us up Watch the bulletin for more details. Photo shoots will take place May 17<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> and May 31 to June 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Sharelife** *Working Wonders for Families*

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#### **Winter Welcome Table**

The annual winter welcome table appreciation dinner will be held wed May 4 at St Joan of Arc parish beginning with mass at 5:30 pm. Dinner to follow. All volunteers are requested to RSVP to Frank or Marie by May 1st. Thanks to Fr Dan, the Friars of the Atonement and St Joan of Arc for hosting the dinner this year. We look forward to seeing all WWT volunteers there.

#### **Women's ACTS Retreat**

May 5 -8 at Queen of Apostle Renewal Centre in Mississauga. A new and exciting retreat experience helping us to grow in a personal relationship with God. "ACTS"-Adoration, Community, Theology and Service." For more information call 905-278-5229.

#### **A Message from the Office**. Please:

If you use offertory envelopes for your donation, please write your name and address on the next few that you use. We are receiving donations and have no idea who to credit. If we can't record your donation, we can't issue a receipt.



#### THIS WEEK

#### **Easter Monday**

No Activities Offices closed

#### Tuesday, April 26

7:30 pm SVDP Toronto West **Wednesday, April 27** 

Staff Meeting

#### **Future Dates to Remember**

May 7<sup>th</sup> Parish Clean up Day
May 15<sup>th</sup> First Communion
May 17 Photo Shoot will start

May 27<sup>th</sup> Confirmation

May 29 St. Joan of Arc Day

#### **Baptisms**

Anyone considering a summer baptism Sheila Malloch as soon as possible, to register for a class. This is a reminder only 2 classes left, before Sheila leaves for the summer break.

#### **Religious Education**

Sunday School and Year One will classes and Year Seven will resume on May 3.



Fr. Dan, Sheila, Rosanne & Cathi Wish all the parishioners a very Blessed Easter!

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