

St. Joan of Arc

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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 12:00 PM

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 1003, 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 1007

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 Saturday 4:00 PM

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

Mass Intentions

<u>Monday, February 13</u> Genesis 4:1-15,25 Psalm 50:1,8,16-17,20-21 Mark 8:11-13 5:30 pm Int. of the Friars

<u>Tuesday, February 14</u> Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10 Psalm 29: 1-2,3-4,9-10 Mark 8:14-21 5:30 pm The Parish Community

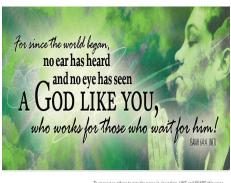
Wednesday, February 15 Genesis 8:6-13,20-22 Psalm 116: 12-15, 18-19 Mark 8:22-26 5:30 pm Sick of the Parish

<u>Thursday, February 16</u> Genesis 9:1-13 Psalm 102:15-22,28 Mark 8:27-33 5:30 pm Deceased Friars

Friday, February 17 Genesis 11:1-9 Psalm 33:10-15 Mark 8:34-38; 9:1 5:30 pm Daniel Olmedo +

<u>Saturday February 18</u> *Hebrews 11:1-7 Psalm 145:2-5, 10-11 Mark 9:2-13* 5:30 pm Mrs. Mary Davis +

<u>Sunday, February 19</u> Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18 Psalm 103: 1-4,8,10,12-13 1Corinthians 3:16-23 Matthew 5:38-48 10:00 am Rosamund Ficker +



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The Friar's Nook

This past fall, I had the opportunity to visit our Friars both in Italy and in Peru. Both of these houses are houses of formation, so I got to meet younger Friars who are coming into the community. I must say it certainly was an uplifting experience, being around youth and youthful expectations. It's a sign of new life for the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement. On the other end of the scale, these past two weeks I have been visiting with the Friars at Graymoor. Most of these men are retired and therefore older. I tried to share with them the enthusiasm that I felt from the new Friars that we met, and I hope to be able to bring the younger guys spend some time with the older guys. I think it would be good for both of them!

It got me thinking about the parish though, and I realized that there are some similarities between the Friars and the parish community at Saint Joan of Arc. As you know if you've been attending or watching the Sunday Mass, we have a large group of youngsters who go off for Children's Liturgy of the Word and it always makes me happy to see them. But all it takes is for one to look around and see that we also have a number of older parishioners too. And I was thinking that, just as with the Friars need to interact so we need members of the parish, the young and the old, to interact. The young learn from the history of the older, and the older absorb the enthusiasm and life of the younger. We don't simply form youngsters into old Catholics! Together we grow in faith learning from each other and from God. It means that both groups change and while children are used to change as it's part of their life, adults are a little more reticent to change as they don't know what it may bring. Still the parish, and the Friars make up a family.

I was fortunate enough growing up to have a large extended family. In fact, my great grandmother didn't die until I was a freshman in college. And we always spent some holidays at my great grandparents' house with their children, my grandparents and her siblings, my parents, and my siblings. It was always quite a noisy affair, but no one seemed to mind. As children we would listen to the conversations of the adults and wonder about what they were talking about. But we also talked, and I'm sure the older relatives wondered what we were talking about. In either case, there was mutual respect for the other and as I gained some wisdom from them, I can tell by the look on their faces that they gained some youthful enthusiasm from us.

As the family of Saint Joan of Arc, I hope for a greater mix with the younger and older parishioners. Just as I see with the Friars that it's good for both parties it also fosters and enhances life. Coming out of the pandemic, that is a great struggle for us. Our numbers are down and so we see fewer faces in the congregation but we still see those stalwart parishioners who keep on coming as well as the new families who have joined us. I'm happy that we have coffee and Timbits after the 10:00 o'clock mass because it provides a time to be with one another and I would encourage you if you're an older parishioner to sit with some young families. And vice versa for those of you who are new to the parish or are

younger to spend some time with the older parishioners, you might pick up some of their knowledge and spirituality. There's an expression, "Family does for family". Let's try to grow together as a family that our family may grow even more! **Peace Fr. Bob**

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Deceased: Len Sylvester

Watch "The Letter" film online and join others protecting our common home The new Laudato Si' film, "The Letter – A Message for our Earth" helps bring to life Pope Francis' 2015 letter on care for our common home and was produced with collaboration of the Vatican. You are invited to visit Creation Care Ministry's website at www.bit.ly/sjaccm where you will find a link to The Letter film which you can watch for free, as well as some reflection and action suggestions and resources. Lent begins soon, offering an ideal time to deepen our understanding of how Pope Francis is inviting all of us to greater ecological conversion and renewal.

TWO LITURGY CHANGES COMING

Starting on the 1st Sunday of Lent - February 26th:

1. **12:00 pm Mass** will resume. Please go to the Parish Scheduling App to sign up as a greeter/usher, lector, Eucharistic minister, or altar server. We need you!!

2. **Collection Plate** - Will be passed around by the ushers rather than having the basket at the back. We invite you to use a numbered donation envelope. Check to see if your box is in the hall or request one from the office.

Merrymakers Tuesday February 21

The Merrymakers First Luncheon will take place on February 21 with a pancake lunch. Please **call the office before 3 pm on Thursday February 16 to RSVP** A place. We must have numbers in order to prepare enough pancakes.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Greetings all CWL members! Our Membership dues of \$32.00 for 2023 are now due. Thank you to those members who have already paid. To pay, you could either take your dues to the Parish Office, in the collection plate and mark envelope "CWL, or bring them to our next general meeting on February 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. We welcome any new members who would like to join us and also we welcome all those returning members.



10:00 am SUNDAY LITURGY

10:00 am Mass is live streamed on our Website **This Week**

Monday, February 13 7:00 pm Development & Peace

Tuesday, February 14

4:15 pm First Communion Class 6:15 pm Confirmation class

Wednesday, February 15 7:30 pm RCIA

Future Dates to Remember February 26, 2023

We will resume passing the collection plate and the 12:00pm mass will restart.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE UPDATE

We invite you to check out the D&P bulletin board in the hall for some of the special days of February. The next Fair Trade Weekend is February 25 / 26.

Winter Welcome Table

Was started by the Friars in partnership with The Paulist Fathers, the Sisters of Sion and parishioners of St. Joan of Arc and St. Peter's. The programme started when "Out of the Cold" started to close down. Starting in November each year until March, Winter Welcome Table has been serving meals on Monday nights in St. Peter's parish hall. During Covid they handed out boxed lunches. We have supplied volunteers but not financial support. This week we ask you to use a plain envelope with Winter Welcome printed on it, with your name. It will be included on your parish receipt. (Cheques are to made payable to St. Joan of Arc.) On the Memo line put WWT.

