

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

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

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday 5:30 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon, 7:00 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. 222, for more information.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Dan 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 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 Sunday: 9:30 am to 1:00 pm 6:30 to 8:30 pm

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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Please call Fr. Dan Callahan, ext. 226, for more information.

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League See CWL Bulletin Board for Details

Children's Liturgy 10:00 AM Mass **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, February 19 Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18 Psalm 19 Matthew 25, 31-46 Holiday Monday No Mass

Tuesday, February 20

Isaiah 55:10-11 Psalm 34 Matthew 6:7-15 5:30 pm John Lapchak +

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Wednesday, February 21 Jonah 3:1-10 Psalm 51

Luke 11:29-32 5:30 pm Edward Benson +

Thursday, February 22

1Peter 5:1-4 Psalm 23 Matthew 16:13-19 5:30 pm Ajit Persaud Jain +

Friday, February 23

Ezekiel 18:21-28 Psalm 130 Matthew 5:20-26 5:30 pm In Thanksgiving for Recovery

Saturday, February 24

Deuteronomy 26:16-19 Psalm 119 Matthew 5:43-48 5:30 pm Cyril Davis

Sunday, February 25

 Genesis 22: 1-2,9-13, 15-18 Psalm

 116 Romans 8:31-35, 37 Mark 9:2-10

 8:30 am
 Hannah Browne +

 10:00 am
 The Parish Community

 12:00 pm
 Noel MacDonnell +

 7:00 pm
 Maria Palletta +

Monthly Comparison for: January

Offertory	2017	2018
Envelopes	\$ 19,677	\$ 17,163
Loose	\$ 6,293	\$ 4,926
PAG	\$ 6,548	\$ 6,676
Total	\$ 32,518	\$ 28,765

Contributions for the Building Maintenance Fund \$4,058 Monthly comparison totals are based on 4 weeks in 2018 and 5 weeks in 2017.



THE PASTOR'S CORNER Peace and Goodness to all!

Ash Wednesday began our parish journey through the 40 days of Lent. This time of retreat for the Church remembers the time when Jesus was led into the desert and was tempted by Satan who he rebuked with the words of Scripture that recalled: "it is not by bread alone that men and women live but by every word that comes from the mouth of God, and that God alone is the Lord to be worshiped."

This time also recalls the time after the Exodus that Moses led Israel through the desert to the promise land. In those years of wandering, the people of God came to know who they were, as the Chosen People. It was a time of trial where they came to know God's special providence. Not only were they given water from the rock, they were fed with "Bread from heaven", manna and quail to sustain them on the journey. It was in this experience that they were given the 10 commandments and where they discovered the consequences of disobedience to God as well as God's great mercy. This was a defining period for the people Israel, where they discovered the fidelity of God and grew to be God's faithful people.

For us lent is a time to step back and examine our lives so that we too can grow in faith and love. Together we practice the disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to help us grow closer to God and to one another as a faith community.

These three disciplines work in harmony. By fasting we experience our hunger for God and our dependency on God's providence as did the Chosen people of Israel. This moves us to pray for God's help and guidance, for without this we can do nothing. As we deny ourselves of things we are given the opportunity to economize and save so that we can have something to give to those who have less than us. In this way prayer, fasting and almsgiving work together to help us to grow our awareness of our connectedness to God and to other people.

Throughout these 40 days our catechumens and those walking with us in the RCIA program will prepare to receive the Easter Sacraments. Together we will celebrate the rites during Sunday liturgies, so we can grow in appreciation of the events we will recall in the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord that we will celebrate in Holy Week and Easter.

Lent is indeed a time of retreat for the whole Church to be purified in our recollection of God's great love for us in Jesus. He walked with us in our human struggles so that we might realize the great destiny that he mapped out for us in his life, death and resurrection. Let us pray especially this week for the members of our RCIA program as we support them by our example and prayers.

During the Lenten period, Stations of the Cross will be lead by our different ministries and parish organizations, the schedule is in this bulletin. Many people make it a practice to attend daily mass during lent and it is always encouraging to see this effort made as a visible witness to this holy time of preparation for Easter.

May God bless us with special graces during this time so that we may know more fully that we are God's holy people, set apart to know, love and serve the Lord and one another.

In the Love and Peace of Christ, F

Fr. Dan

<u>Please Pray for:</u> The Sick: The Deceased: Cecil Potts and Alex Neron

February 7, 2018

Dear Parishioners and Friends at St. Joan of Arc

This note is to say thank you to all of you for your prayerful support in this time of my life here at Holy Rosary Center. So many of you have written cards and letters to express your well wishes and prayerful support for me. There are over 80 pieces of correspondence which I would like to answer individually. Since that is not possible at this time. Please accept this word of thank you to express my profound gratitude for your outpouring of love and prayers. Please know that each and all of you are in my daily prayers and I thank you again for your kindness and prayerful expressions of love and care on my behalf. May God bless you richly in his great kindness and love. In gratitude, sincerely yours in Christ Jesus our Lord and gentle savior

Fr. Raymond Luis, SA (Fr. Mon)

Sign-Up Sundays! February 24/25 & March 3/4. We Need Your Help!

Cardinal Collins and bishops across Ontario are asking for an email address from every Catholic family in their community, with a goal of 100,000 email addresses collected by the end of February 2018. This information will be used locally by Cardinal Collins and trusted faith partners to communicate periodically (approximately 6-8 times each year) on issues of particular importance for the Catholic community. The first campaign of 2018 is the Call for Conscience, inviting our elected Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) and those seeking office this June to increase funding/access to palliative care, to protect health care workers wishing to abstain from any involvement in euthanasia/assisted suicide and to protect faith-based facilities from participation in euthanasia/assisted suicide. The work builds on a similar campaign in 2017.

Please visit http://bit.ly/SignUpSundayRegistration to register yourself for this initiative. Thank you for living a faith that acts!

<u>Lenten Soup Night</u> – Join us for this yearly Lenten tradition initiated by the Friars of the Atonement here at St. Joan of Arc. Lenten Soup Night will take place on Saturday, March 24th, after the 5:30 pm mass in the Parish Hall. For more information, participation flyers are located at the doors of the church. Alms collected will benefit the Winter Welcome Table.

Women at the Heart of Peace #4

On Fair Trade Saturday/Sunday, Feb. 24/25, you are invited to the hall to sign an action postcard to Prime Minister Trudeau asking the government to support women and groups working for peace and to increase funds for international development assistance.



THIS WEEK

Monday February 19

NO ACTIVITIES

<u>TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20</u> 7:30 pm Finance Committee

Wednesday, February 21 4:30 pm Religious Education

Friday, February 23 8:30 am Confirmation Retreat

Future Dates to Remember

Monday, February 26 5:00 pm Youth 7:00 pm CWL

<u>Tuesday, February 27</u> 7:30 pm Building & Maintenance

Wednesday, February 28 Staff 4:30 pm Religious Education 7:30 pm RCIA

Message from the Office

Please do not tape or staple your envelopes closed. If you do, after opening your envelope it sticks to the one in front, and could be missed when recording donations.



