

# St. Joan of Arc

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

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# Served by the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement

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. 221, 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 to Friday 9:30 am to 11:30 am 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm Monday & Wednesday mornings closed. Sunday: 9:30 am to 1:00 pm 6:30 to 8:30 pm

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

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### 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 Merry Makers 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

#### PARISH STAFF

Rev. Daniel Callahan, SA Pastor (ext. 226) frdan@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



#### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February29 2 Kings 5:1-15 Psalm 42 Luke 4:24-30 5:30 pm A Special Intention

<u>Tuesday, March 1</u> Daniel 3:25, 34-43 Psalm 25 Matthew 18:21-35 5:30 pm The Boch Family

Wednesday, March 2 Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9 Psalm 147 Matthew 5:17-19 5:30 pm The Hrestak Family

Thursday, March 3Jeremiah 7:23-28Psalm 95Luke 11:14-235:30 pmHelen Noble

Friday, March 4 Hosea 14:1-9 Psalm 81 Mark 12:28-34 5:30 pm A Special Intention

#### <u>Saturday, March 5</u>

*Hosea 5:15- 6:6 Psalm 51 Luke 18:9-14* 5;30 pm Parish Community

Sunday, March, 6

*Joshua 5:9, 10-12 Psalm 34 2 Corin. 5:17-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32* 8:30 am A Special Intention 10:00 am Euro Gonzalez + 12:00 pm Maria Dacanay+ 7:00 pm Wilfredo Peralta +

Monthly comparison for January

Offertory	2015	2016
Envelopes	\$ 17,079	\$17,017.25
Loose	\$ 5,392	\$ 6,837.00
PAG	\$ 6,601	\$ 6,565.50
	\$ 29,072	\$30,419.75

Building and Maintenance funds for August were: \$4,818.00

Totals include New Years Collection.



# The Pastor's Corner *Peace and Goodness to All!*

This third week of Lent we will pray the first of the three Liturgical Scrutinies for those who are engaged in the Rites of Christian Initiation. (RCIA, RCIC) These prayers which are incorporated in the Mass help us as a community to become more directly involved in the formational process of these new members of our faith community. Let us pray for them and for ourselves that may be ever more conformed to Christ through our Lenten journey that prepares us to celebrate the Pascal mysteries that lead us to Easter.

It has been a busy week here in the parish, Monday the Catholic Women's League, (CWL) gathered in the hall for its monthly meeting. Their work and witness for God and for Canada, is a great blessing to the parish and their generous participation and contributions to all that we do is an invaluable blessing to us. May God bless them richly. The youth group gathered also on Monday to share pot luck supper and play board games. They had a great time of celebration after the good work they did the weeks before in preparing the meal for the Winter Welcome Table and hosting a Bingo night the week before that. We are grateful to these great young people who bring such vitality to our parish.

Tuesday we gathered the leaders of our many organizations for our Semi Annual Mini-AGM, Annual General Meeting. This gives each of the organizations the opportunity to report to the whole stewardship community and to seek support and suggestions for continued growth. Two new ministries were added this time, the Liturgical Arts Committee whose work we can see at the foot of the altar and the Prayer Shawl Ministry which will be introduced at Easter time. This ministry knits and crochets blankets and coverlets for the sick and shut-ins. Prayer is said at each stitch, so the coverlet is a symbol of the prayers of the whole worshiping community. Ana Da Costa was introduced to the whole community and she shared some of her faith and Franciscan discernment story that enriched us all. This gave me the opportunity to talk about the Atonement Friar's current discernment efforts to enhance our Franciscan presence for the parish, but there will be more on this in the future.

A great word of thank you to Cyndy O'Grady who coordinated the Mini AGM and who is now working to hand off the baton to Ana Da Costa for the future as the Stewardship Coordinator. Ana will be looking for volunteers to assist in the efforts of Stewardship, so let us pray for her and give her all the support and help she needs to do well in serving our community. Thanks also to Larry O'Grady who was our MC and Chair of the meeting. Larry is a God send and blessing to the parish.

One place where we identified a great need is for a receptions committee. This would be a group who gathers to host the refreshments we offer after major events like, First Communion, Confirmation, Easter Vigil, Advent Lessons and Carols and other such gatherings. We had a ministry like this is the past but the leaders moved to another location and so we are looking for volunteers to come together to form a new committee. Traditionally this committee was charged with going to Costco or such stores, to purchase refreshments and then set them out on tables that the parish had set up for them. The supplies are paid for by the parish. We're looking for both volunteers and leaders to pull this together. If you are interested, please call the office.

Thank you to all who make our parish a vibrant place of hospitality giving witness to the Gospel through our Stewardship of God's Gifts and welcoming all!

In the love and Joy of Christ Jesus, Fr. Dan

#### Please pray for:

**The Sick:** Simon Landsman, Jennifer Kennedy, Angie Purvis **The Deceased:** Fergal Nolan, Jan Pratik, Jose Olmedo Granada

#### Altar Serving Ministry

We are looking for new servers to join the Altar Server ministry. We welcome youth starting in grade 3 and up who have made their First Communion. Adults are also welcome. This is a wonderful learning experience for our young members of the parish. They learn about their faith and take on responsibility.. Please contact the parish office for more information.

<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 12th, 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.

#### D&P LENTEN PILGRIMAGE

In Indonesia, Development and Peace supports the rebuilding and refurbishment of hundreds of crumbling homes in the Kampungs slums of Jogjakarta, Indonesia, and restores the lives of its grateful occupants who now feel 'their home is their heaven'.

#### **Stations of the Cross**

During Lent the Stations of the Cross are led by our ministries on:Fri, March 4Eucharistic MinistersFri, March 11Confirmation ClassFri, March 18CWL

#### Working wonders for those in our community...

"At Mary Centre, the residents of our homes have developed friendships, yet they maintain their own individuality", says Denise Tremblett, Programme Manager, "Although some of their relatives may have passed on, they love to remain active with healthy recreational activities and visiting regularly wit the rest of their friends and family members. We enjoy cooking and providing for them so they can remain at home here and enjoy their lives. We are extremely grateful that ShareLife donors have helped to make a difference for these very special people!" Last year, over 1,500 people with special needs received outreach services from ShareLife-supported agencies. Sunday March 13, 2016 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously. You can work wonders!

#### **MINISTRIES**

We are lacking a Social Ministry. Would you be interested in participating in a Social Committee? This committee would be available to host receptions after First Communion and Confirmations and the Easter Vigil. Contact the parish office and leave your name and phone number.

#### **Offertory Envelopes / Direct Deposit.**

If you would like offertory envelopes or to sign up for Direct deposit, please come to the parish office to request a box of fill out a form.

# This Week

Monday, February 29 7:00 pm D & P 7:00 pm Youth

<u>Tuesday, March 1</u> 4:30 pm Religious Education

Wednesday, March 2 7:30 pm Bible Study / RCIA 7:30 pm CWL Regional meeting

<u>Thursday, March 3</u> 7:00 pm CFS Marriage Prep Course

# **Future Dates to Remember**

#### Tuesday, March 8

12:30 pm Merrymakers Luncheon Call the office before 4pm March 4<sup>th</sup> to RSVP. **Doors open at 12:30 pm.** 

Saturday, March 12 6:30 pm Lenten Soup Night

<u>Saturday, March 19</u> Liturgical Ministers Retreat

# **Attention Envelope users**

Do not use previous year's envelopes! The office received an envelope from 2011. With no information and it can not be recorded as we have no idea who it is from. All envelope numbers that have not been collected each year are deleted from the computer, so they can be reissued to other parishioners.

Also, if you have changed to PAG, <u>please stop</u> using your envelopes, just recycle them at home.



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