

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

Mrs. Rosanne Kelly Executive Assistant (ext. 221) parish@joanofarc.ca

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Ms. Ana Da Costa Religious Education Contact (ext 222) religioused@joanofarc.ca

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



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Monday, May 2 Acts 16: 11-15 Psalm 149 John 15:26-16:4 5:30 pm Nancy Sadle +

Tuesday, May 3 1Corinthians 15:1-8 Psalm 19 John 14:6-14 5:30 pm For the Sick of the parish

Wednesday, May 4 Acts 17:15,22- 18:1 Psalm 148 John 16:12-15 5:30 pm Int. of the Friars

 Thursday, May 5

 Acts 18:1-8
 Psalm 98

 John 16:16-20
 5:30 pm

 Antonio Lagdamen Jr +

<u>Friday, May 6</u> *Acts 18:9-18 Psalm 47 John 16:20-23* 5:30 pm Ignacio Olmedo Vargas +

<u>Saturday, May 7</u> Acts 18:23-28 Psalm 47 John 16 23-28 5:30 pm Juliette Maling +

Sunday, May 8 Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47 Ephesians 1:17-23 Luke 24: 46-52 8:30 am Rosemarie Henze+ 10:00 am Mother's Day Novena 12:00 pm Donal Heslin + 7:00 pm The Parish Community

Monthly comparison for: April

Offertory	2015	2016
Envelopes	\$ 11,169	\$ 13,060
Loose	\$ 4,194	\$ 4,892
PAG	\$ 6,519	\$ 6,713
Total	\$ 21,882	\$ 24,665

Note: Monthly comparison totals are based on 4 weeks in April 2016 and three weeks in April 2015.



The Pastor's Corner Peace and Goodness to all!

As we come toward the end of the Easter Season, and the weather is finally warming to spring like temperatures, it is a joy to see the new life of spring bursting forth. It is even more exciting to see new life in the parish. Last week we celebrated the First Communion of 36 of our parish children, it was a beautiful day and special thanks goes out to Laurie Carolyn, and the teachers who did wonderful work with the parents and children to make this such a special day. Ana Da Costa led the children in their lovely songs of thanksgiving and praise to the Lord. What a joy it is to see families coming together to celebrate our faith in this way. Later in this month we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with 60 of our young people who are preparing to receive the sacrament through classes and service projects that present opportunities for them to live their faith.

This past Tuesday, I had the pleasure of addressing some very good and mature questions they proposed to me in their gathering. Issues like Euthanasia, the LGBT community, Pro-life issues from different perspectives were at the core of their questions. It is always a privilege to speak about how our core values are founded on the primary value of human life that is raised to the position of holiness through Christ Jesus. This can be a counter cultural insight in a society which places economic values above life in its political agendas. I am grateful to the parents and teachers of these fine young men and women who have made the decision to continue in the development of their faith and life following the Lord Jesus Christ. We are gifted with the great hope they bring to our community.

Wednesday at our staff meeting we discussed the upcoming events like St. Joan of Arc day, the visitation of the General Council of the Atonement Friars, and the year end fiscal issues of the parish. We are so blessed to have a parish whose volunteers and committees take responsibility for the life and functions of our parish. Thank you all for your participation in the stewardship of our parish community. The RCIA program is coming toward its final sessions for this season, and I want to thank Mary Jago once again for her leadership in this program. This program will resume in September, so if you or anyone you know is interested in inquiring about our faith or who would like to become Catholic through the sacramental life of the Church, please give me or the office a call and we will help them become connected.

Next week is the parish clean up, paint up, fix up morning, on Saturday May 7 from 10:00 until about Noon. Please come on out and be part of our "Tom Sawyer" fun filled morning. This event is sponsored by the building and garden committees. Thank you for your participation in this project.

As we continue to celebrate this beautiful season, let us all be grateful to the Lord for the many blessings we are given, especially the gift of life and fellowship.

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

Please Pray for:

The Sick: Andy Sapkowski, Neil Holloway, Mervis Worotynec The Deceased: Tony Ten Kortenaar

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ST. JOAN OF ARC CONFERENCE

*We will be holding a **Bundle Weekend, May 14 / 15,** The will be a truck/trailer in the parking lot to accept your gently used clothing and household items over the weekend. See signs posted in the hall and church entrance for more details.

* We have had a request for a slightly use couch. If you might be replacing yours and would like to help us help the less fortunate, please leave a message on the SVDP line ext. 232. We will arrange pick up and delivery.

Catholic Education Week May 1 - 6

We invite all parishioners to join in celebrating Catholic Education Week 2016, which runs from May 1 to 6th. For more than 160 years, Ontario publicly funded Catholic schools have been integrating our faith into all aspects of school life, nurturing the gifts and talents of every student. We celebrate the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools provide, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who faithfully journey with our young people each day. For more information about Catholic Education Week visit: www.goodnewsforall.ca

Working Wonders for the elderly...

Elva is a client in her late 70's who spent her life overcoming the challenges of Spine Bifida. Despite her physical disabilities, Elva travelled the world as a music teacher and pianist for the National Ballet in Canada. Wheelchairbound for the last 25 years, Elva gradually found herself less able to continue playing the piano and doing the things she enjoyed. Last year, the Society of Sharing matched Elva with a friendly visitor, Adam a young university student, with whom she can converse with as though there were no age difference. Adam is seen as an encouraging and familiar friend and someone to share ideas with as well as assist her with her cell phone, computer and printer. With his help, Elva is able to go out to the movies and or see local sights. Because of Adam, Elva's world has opened up and she is now reconnected to her community and able to share her incredible gifts of wit. intelligence, and positive attitude, giving her a renewed sense of meaning and purpose. This year, our support for ShareLife will help to expand this volunteer model into the Peel Region to assist seniors in this area. Last year ShareLife-supported agencies provided outreach programs that met the needs of over 2,200 seniors. This year, with your support, we can do more to help the elderly within our archdiocese. Next ShareLife Sunday is May 29, 2016. Please give generously. You can work wonders!

Printed with permission from the priest at St. Theresa of Avila Parish, Boston. His homily last week was about Family and Love, and he started with a little humour!

Matilda gave her nephew a generous cheque for his birthday last year, and he wrote back stating he could not fine the words to thank her. She was wrapping a gift for this year's birthday and her husband George walked in asking what are you wrapping. She said "remember last year, when we sent the gift to our nephew and he wrote back stating he could not find the words to thank us". "Well this year we are sending him a Webster's Dictionary".

This Week

Monday, May 2 7:00 pm Youth Group

<u>Tuesday, May 3</u> 6:30 pm Religious Education

Wednesday, May 4 7:30 pm Bible Study/ RCIA

Saturday, May 7 10:00 am Parish Clean up Day

Future Dates to Remember

Saturday, May 14 2:00 pm Confirmation

Mother's Day Novena

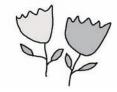
Once again this year we will have the Mother's Day Novena at St. Joan of Arc. Cards are ready in the office and are \$5.00 per name. Names will be listed in the novena book and placed in front of the Altar for the Novena.

St. Joan of Arc Parishioners extend a

A WARM WELCOME TO

THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE FRIARS OF THE ATONEMENT!

Most Rev. Brian Terry, SA Rev. Jim Loughran, SA Rev. Bernard Palka, SA Rev. Charles Sharon, SA



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