

# 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

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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 10:00 AM

# 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. 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. 221

### **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 Wednesday, 7:30 PM

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



MASS INTENTIONS

<u>Monday, May 17</u> Acts 19:1-8 Psalm 68:1-6 John 16:29-33 5:30 pm Mother's Day Novena

<u>Tuesday, May 18</u> Acts 20:17-27 Psalm 68:9-10, 19-20 John 17:1-11 5:30 pm Mother's Day Novena

<u>Wednesday, May 19</u> Acts 20: 28-38 Psalm 68 28-29,32-35 John 17:11-19 5:30 pm Mother's Day Novena

<u>Thursday, May 20</u> Acts 22:30: 23:6-11 Psalm 16:1-2,5,7-11 John 17:20-28 5:30 pm Irene & John Kozubik

<u>Friday, May 21</u> Acts 24: 27, 25:13-21 Psalm 103: 1-2, 11-12,19=20 John 21:15-19 5:30 pm Eric Ficker +

<u>Saturday, May 22</u> Acts 28:16-20,30-31 Psalm 11:4-5,7 John 21:20-25 5:30 pm Stan & Leakadia Duplago

<u>Sunday, May 23</u> Genesis 11: 1-9 Psalm 104:1-2, 24-25,27-30 Romans 8:22-27 John 7:37-39 10;00 am Edward Benson +





# The Friar's Nook

It should come as no surprise that the lockdown has been extended. As much as I look forward to re-opening, I want this pandemic over first! Remember that the last time we were closed, the province opened but Toronto stayed closed for two more weeks. When we have an opening date, I will put it out on the MyParish app, the Facebook page, and in the bulletin. In the meanwhile, we need to keep safe and healthy.

I encourage everyone to at least look outside – Spring is coming albeit somewhat slowly. Flowers are in bloom; the trees are filling out, and our world is waking up from a long Winter's sleep. Sad to say that I really noticed this at visits to the cemetery for funerals last week. But Jesus promises new life in Him and gives us signs of this new life all around us. As to the life of the friars, the rest of the Friar's General Council met in Lima, Peru with a number of men joining our community. As much as I am weary of these many Zoom meetings, it was so encouraging to talk to professional men who are looking forward to join, the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement. It was even better to be able to see people with no gray hair!

As we see new life bloom in our religious community, we are also affected by COVID. Getting visas and getting these men able to cross country borders in this time of pandemic has become even more trying but we are moving forward. Now you might ask, "How does this affect us?" Well, as our community grows, we have new people to assign - meaning that we may be able to get some assistance here at St. Joan of Arc. Right now, that is not necessary but when we re-open I hope to get us moving forward in new and renewed directions. If you have any areas where you think we can grow as a parish and as a community, let us know. Think and pray about it. I have some ideas on building and rebuilding our parish community, but I am just one person. I encourage you all to think outside the box. We won't be able to do everything, but I hope to be able to be doing more. I would like us to be a shining light in the diocese and in the community.

As I meet each week with our Minister General and General Council on Zoom it becomes more and more apparent that we need to meet face-to-face. And yet there are no prospects at this time [so I missed an opportunity to go to Peru] but we keep on trying to forge ahead. Someday! In fact, Fr. Ken was sent here to provide coverage at the parish when I was away for meetings – but I never got the chance! It is definitely more work trying to hold it all together in my job as a General Councillor without the opportunity to meet together and plan for the future. But our future as a religious community is looking brighter and brighter. I am trying to be equally optimistic about our future as a parish community here in Toronto!

Suffice to say, I miss you all so much and I hope that you are keeping healthy and well. As we approach St. Joan of Arc Day, I am reminded that I have never celebrated it with you. My first year here we had our 100th anniversary and since then we have been closed. Therefore, I propose that we have a big party to celebrate when this pandemic is over, and we can be together again!

Till then, I'll be here for you! Fr Bob

### Please Pray for:

**The Sick**: Gary Hartnett, Daniel Olmedo, Frank Grech, Diana, Brendan Clough. and John L Kelly The Deceased: Eric Ficker, Eugene Sziraky and Josefa Pet

### NEW PARISH APP!

St. Joan of Arc is launching our own app for iPhone and Android smart phones. This will allow us to better communicate with you throughout the week and keep you updated with relevant parish news or updates. The app is very well designed and very intuitive. It is a great resource for parishioners by providing daily Mass readings, Catholic news and prayers, convenient prayer and Confession reminders, our bulletins and more. We hope for our new app to be a tool for fostering stronger parish life at St. Joan of Arc and better stewardship. You can either look for MyParish in your app store and select St. Joan of Arc Parish the setup or scan the following code in.



### Humanitarian Relief- India's Covid 19 Outbreak

Since the pandemic began, India's Catholic Church, acting principally through Caritas India, supporting some of the most disadvantaged groups, such as those with inadequate housing, migrant labourers, persons with special needs and widows. Relief services and materials provided by the Church, or with its support, include: • Food at kitchens and distribution centres in slums, at migration transit

points, etc.\*Masks, sanitizers and hygiene kits to vulnerable communities •Psychosocial support and hotline services to traumatized and grieving people •Public education campaigns on infection prevention and vaccination •Supporting the public healthcare system, including donating expertise, facilities and equipment from Church-run clinics and hospitals Donations can be made through the parish, make cheque payable to the parish and on the memo line mark it India /Disaster Relief

### <u>Celebrate Laudato Si' Week 2021 May 16 – 25</u>

Creation Care Ministry and Pope Francis invite you to join Catholics around the world celebrating the sixth anniversary of his encyclical letter Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home. The theme of Laudato Si' Week 2021 is "for we know that things can change" (LS#13). It will be a time to celebrate the Church's progress towards ecological conversion and to launch the Vatican's ambitious Laudato Si' Action Platform, which will help guide this work over the next decade. Visit laudastosiweek.org to find the program for the week and ways to participate including online events, a common prayer, and advocacy plans to protect creation.



### **ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE**

Sundays at 10:00 am-The Sunday Liturgy is live streamed on the St. Joan of Arc Facebook page. Wednesdays at 2:00 pm Fr. Bob has a Bible Study hour on the St. Joan of Arc Facebook page.

### **Offertory Envelopes**

2021 Offertory Envelopes are waiting to be collected from the parish. If you call the office on Tuesday or Thursday when Rosanne is in, she will gladly put your box out in the mailbox for you to collect. Donations can also be left in the mailbox.

### MASS INTENTIONS

You may book a mass over the phone during the pandemic and mail or drop off your payment to the parish office.

### St Basil's Parish (Ottawa)

Sunday May 30 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm You are invited to: "Conversations for our Times" Webinar Series: Pope Francis's encyclicals encourage us to become aware of our profound connectedness. What is our sense of connectedness, our dreams for the future and for our planet? Let us listen and discuss with Cardinal Czerny who has been directly involved with the publication and follow-up of these major encyclicals. Cardinal Czerny has been involved with issues of social justice and human rights for forty years in Canada, Latin America and Africa. For the past five years, he has worked with Pope Francis on the important issues of migrants and refugees; he also played a significant role in the Synod of Bishops on the Amazon. To join the webinar, at the link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8670603650 1?pwd=M3JSNktnLzlSR0IPNGw5Yk oxTGg2dz09 Passcode: 535413

