

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

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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

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, November 1</u> *Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 Psalm 24: 1-6 1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5: 1-12* 5:30 pm The Parish Community

<u>Tuesday, November 2</u> Deut. 6:2-6 Psalm 18:1-3,6,46,50 Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 12:28-34 5:30 pm All Souls Novena

<u>Wednesday, November 3</u> *Romans 13:8-10 Psalm112 1-5,9 Luke 14:25-33* 5:30 pm All Souls Novena

<u>Thursday, November 4</u> *Romans 14:7-12 Psalm* 27:1,4,13-14 Luke 15:1-10 5:30 pm All Souls Novena

<u>Friday, November 5</u> *Romans 15:14-21 Psalm 98: 1-4 Luke 16:1-8* 5:30 pm All Souls Novena

<u>Saturday, November 6</u> *Romans 16:3-9,16, 22-27 Psalm 145: 2-5, 10-11 Luke 16:9-15* 5:30 pm All Souls Novena

<u>Sunday, November 7</u> *1 Kings 17:10-16 Psalm 146 Mark 12:38-44* 10:00 am All Souls Novena





The Fríar's Nook

Happy November, growing up in the states it was a time to look forward to Thanksgiving. We always had a large Thanksgiving celebration with just our family. As people got married and had children the gathering got even larger, eventually topping out at about 75 people. That's a lot of food! I say that because during my first year at university, after surviving bland dining hall food, I was really looking forward to home cooking. So, when I got to go home at Thanksgiving, I had three helpings of Thanksgiving dinner! I think I was trying to save it up to get me through the rest of the semester but all I did was feel bloated and moan to myself "why did I do this?". But I did learn my lesson that celebrations are not all about the food but about the people. Eating a huge turkey dinner by myself would be a sad thing. I would rather eat a turkey sandwich with people that I love instead. Recently I have had just such opportunities. Not eating turkey sandwiches, but rather dining with people who mean a lot to me. Last Saturday, Sunday, and this Saturday I had the chance to dine with friends and parishioners. I was quite happy, but Sonya was not, as she usually begs some of my dinner after she has her own dinner. I keep telling her that I never eat her kibble so why does she always want to eat my dinner, but she persists anyway looking too cute to ignore.

I learned some of some of Sonya's background this past week. She's from Siberia so I think she'll really like the winter weather. Already has its cooldown I have found her laying down outside with her head up sniffing the cool air. But I also found out some sad things. Apparently, she lost her leg in an animal trap while she was foraging for food. And when she was rescued and brought to a vet, they found 15 pellets from a pellet gun in her which they removed. It greatly upset me to think how cruel some people can be. It also surprised me that given her experience with people that she has anything to do with them at all now, but she remains loving and calm. I have been working with her daily doing her physical therapy to get her adapted to using her prosthetic leg and she calmly allows me to do this although the quizzical look she gives me is sometimes funny. Hopefully soon it will click, and she will understand what this leg is for and get to run and play with the other dogs! Maybe she'll be ready by Christmas, fingers crossed.

Speaking of Christmas, I honestly thought that we would be back to something more of a normal schedule by then and yet so far, I have seen no changes on the COVID front. I get updates from the diocese but most of them say there is no change in regard to worship however our staff and volunteers all need to be vaccinated. I don't know about you but I'm really tired of this virus. I haven't put together a Christmas schedule it hopes that we might be able to have at least an additional Mass, but we'll have to see how things go.

On the plus side, I have been talking with Richard Tone who is our liaison with the Winter Welcome table and that will be starting up again this month. As I mentioned last year with the COVID restrictions we can only do so much but those who come in are hungry have fewer places to find meals so it's even more urgent. Also, on the last Monday before Christmas, gifts of scarves and gloves and toiletries will be given out to those who show up. I'll be telling your more about our need for those in the coming weeks. We also used to provide meals to be brought over to St. Peter's to be served. I was asked this year about the wonderful chili that has been made here and whether it can be made again and brought over.

Let's focus on others this season and we will find our journeys easier, Fr. Bob

Please Pray for:

The Sick: Mary de Lac The Deceased: Joseph Darmody & Leo O'Keefe

Double your impact on ShareLife Sunday

ShareLife Sunday is a special day for our parish, as we join together in support of those who are poor and marginalized. And we now have an opportunity to make an even greater difference with our donations. From now through November 15, our gifts to ShareLife will be matched by a generous donor up to a total of \$750,000.

"Thank you to each and every person who showed solidarity with those who suffer by making a sacrificial gift."– Cardinal Thomas Collins. Today is the final ShareLife Sunday of 2021. Please give generously.

People & Planet First

World leaders have gathered for the <u>26th UN Climate Change</u> <u>Conference</u> (COP26) - Nov.1-12. Although these powerful decisionmakers are debating the future of the planet, they are probably too far removed from the realities of its most vulnerable people. It is up to us to hear and amplify the voices of those who are defending their rights and the environment against economic ravage. We are invited to learn with the Development and Peace Fall '21 campaign - <u>People & Planet</u> <u>First</u> - how to raise our voice in solidarity. More info will follow. Check out devp.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays. (Mornings only). Arturo Gonzalez can be reached at ext. 222. Classes have started! Teachers and assistants are always needed. If we can get more, we can open up another class. If you can help, please leave your information at the Religious Ed office, Ext. 222. Thank you!

<u>RCIA, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults</u> will be beginning soon. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming Catholic (through adult baptism or entering full communion in the Catholic Church) or learning more about Catholicism, please contact the parish office.

SUNDAY 10 LITURGY

Fr. Bob live stream's mass on the St. Joan of Arc Facebook page.

ALL SOULS NOVENA

All Souls envelopes are in the church. You may list your names that you would like remembered on the outside of the envelope and enclose \$5.00 per name inside the envelope. Our Novena stars November 2.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Since so few boxes for 2021 were collected from the parish hall, we are not getting boxes for 2022. You may use your 2021 envelopes from the beginning of the year, then use plain envelopes with your number and name written on them for the rest of the year.

If you did not collect your 2021 box, it is still in the parish hall. You can still collect them and start using them.

Future Dates to Remember

October30- 31, Final ShareLife Collection November 2 All Souls Novena November 13 Shepherd's Trust Collection November 20-21 SVDP Bundle Weekend December 4-5 SVDP Christmas Monetary Collection



