

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

THE EUCHARIST

CELEBRATIONS OF

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. 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

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

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

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Robert Langone, SA Pastor (ext. 226) frbob@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

Phone

Fax



As instructed by the Ministry of Health and the Cardinal's office Public Masses are cancelled. If a mass was booked in advance. that intention will be remembered. Fr. Bob and Fr. Ken are privately offering daily mass for us.

Readings for this coming Week

Sunday, Apri19,

Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24 1Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31

Monday, April 20

Acts 4:23-31 Psalm 2:1-3.4-9 John 3:1-8

Tuesday, April 21

Acts 4:32-37 Psalm 93 1-2.5 John 3:7-15

Wednesday, April 22 Acts 5:17-26 Psalm 34:1-8

John 3:16-21

Thursday, April 23

Acts 5:27-33 Psalm 34:1.8. 16-19 John 3 31:36

Friday, April 24

Acts 5:34-42 Psalm 27:1,4,13-14 John 6:1-15

Saturday, April 25

1 Peter 5:5-14 Psalm 89:1-2.5-6. 15-16 Mark 16:15-20

Sunday, April 25

Acts 6:8-15 Psalm 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 1Peter 1:17-21 Luke 24:13-35



The Fríars Nook

I hope everyone had a good, if not quiet, Easter. After streaming Mass, I cooked an Easter dinner for Fr. Ken and myself. Apparently is was good because the leftovers were eaten over the next couple days! I would have done it for myself even if I was alone here because it's Easter. It can be easy to get down during these times – I have witnessed a fight break out outside of Home Depot and I have had cashiers thank me profusely for my patience in the supermarket as they have been on the receiving end of anger! To what end, I ask. We should never be in such a rush that we take out our frustrations on others. Everyone is trying to do their best during these times and so should we!

As I said in my Easter homily that we are never alone since the risen Lord is always with us so we might want to keep that in mind when we are dealing with others in our frustration. If we have to wait in a long line or go through some extra steps to do what we would normally be able to do, take the time to thank God in prayer that we still can get the things we need. Remember there are still people who are homeless, hungry, alone, and sick. These times are even harder for them. Keep them in your prayers as they need it more than you do.

On Wednesday, I began my first Bible Study. I am talking about the Acts of the Apostles as it is so important in the Easter season. If I figure out what I'm doing, it will start at 2PM and go till 3. I leave it on our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/JoanOfArcToronto for those who can't join me live to watch at your convenience. If you are with me live, check in, so that I know that I'm not just talking to myself. I will try to be less nervous and more myself in the future, but it will help if submit questions of comments as I'm doing it so that I can respond to you.

I have been attending meetings online both here in the parish and at Graymoor. It is so good to see your faces and talk to you! Who knew that I would look forward to meetings! I have spent my time cleaning out our garage and storage areas and this week I'll be washing the inside windows (no I don't hire out) just to keep moving and busy.

Remember Mass on Sunday at 10 on our Facebook page, you can even attend in your PJ's with a cup of coffee! Maybe I'll do Mass in my PJ's as well to make you feel more comfortable. I can't wait for this virus to be over so I can collect all my overdue handshakes and hugs.

We have received you checks in the mail as well as your contributions through PAG and Canada Helps

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/st-joan-of-arc-church/. This has allowed us to pay our bills even though I think we should just mark them "Return to Sender".

Otherwise we are staying healthy, I hope you are as well. I look forward to seeing you again soon!

> Till then. Easter Peace. Fr. Bob

For Your Information.

The best source of information about our archdiocesan response to the pandemic is this website: <u>www.archtoronto.org/covid19</u>. Let us all pray for an end to this pandemic and for one another.

There is a Reason for Everything.

By Helen Steiner Rice

Our Father knows what's best for us, so why should we complain? We always want the sunshine, but He knows there must be rain. We love th sound of laughter and the merriment of cheer. But our hearts would lose their tenderness if we never shed a tear. Our Father tests us often with suffering and with sorrow; He tests us not to punish us but to help us meet tomorrow. For growing trees, are strengthened when they withstand the storm. And the sharp cut of a chisel gives the marble grace and form. God never hurts us needlessly and He never wastes our pain. For every loss He sends to us is followed by rich gain. And when we count the blessings, that God has so freely sent. We will find no cause for murmuring and no time to lament. For, our Father loves His children, and to Him all things are plain. So, He never sends us pleasure when the soul's deep need is pain. So, whatever we are trouble and when everything goes wrong, it is jut God working in us to make our spirits strong.

God Is Our Encouragement

Sometimes we feel uncertain and unsure of everything- Afraid to make decisions dreading what the day will bring. We keep wishing it were possible to dispel all fear and doubt and to understand more readily just wha5r life is all about. God has given us the answers, which too often go unheeded. But if we search His promises, we'll find everything that's needed.

To life our faltering spirits and renew and renew our courage too. For there's absolutely nothing too much for god to do. So cast you burden on Him, seek His counsel when distressed. And go to Him for comfort when you're lonely and oppressed. For god is our encouragement in troubles and in trials. And in suffering and in sorrow He will turn our tears to smiles.

"When you pass through the waters I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall no consume you". Isaiah 43:2 *By Helen Steiner Rice*

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel defend us in this battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humble pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly Host, by the power of God cast into hell, Satan and all the other evil spirits, who wander throughout the World, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Thanks to the parishioner who emailed this prayer to the office

.<u>Daily Mass</u> Televised

VISION TV 8:00 AM & 12 PM; JOY TV 10:30 AND 4:30 PM; HOPE TV 2:30 PM; YES TV 1:00 PM; SALT AND LIGHT 11:00 AM & 3:00PM **SUNDAY MASS: TELEVISED** VISION TV 8:00 AM; JOY TV 10:30 AM; HOPE TV 2:30 PM: YES TV 10:30 AM.

On Line.

During this pandemic, the Cardinal is saying mass each morning followed by the Angelus and the Rosary at 7:30 am, which can be followed on the website of St. Michael's Cathedral.

Message from the Archdiocese

The parishes still have to cover their expenses in this time of unrest. Offertory cheques can be dropped off at the parish mailbox or mailed in. In these times of unrest, don't forget your parish. *Remember when leaving cheques at the parish, they should all be payable to St. Joan of Arc. We only have one bank account!*

Please don't forget the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, we are still helping our neighbours in need.

I must search and I must find. What is at stake, Lord, is the element wherein, You will to dwell here on earth. What is at stake is Your existence among us. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

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To Say that I am made in the image of God is to say that love is the reason for my existence, for God is love. Thomas Merton



