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### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers  
Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers  
Catrina Bova

Lectors:  
Genia Vanderkruk  
10:00AM Choir  
Susan McElcheran  
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM  
12:00 Noon Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Call the office

### CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

10:00 AM

12:00 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 1003, 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 1007

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday, Friday  
9:00am to 3:00pm  
Wednesdays - Closed

### ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League  
4th Monday of the Month

Children's Liturgy  
10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry  
2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace  
[www.devp.org](http://www.devp.org)  
3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers  
3rd Thursday of the month 12:00 PM

Knights of Columbus  
1st Thursday of the Month

Parish Council  
Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society  
2nd Saturday of the Month 1:00 PM



## MASS INTENTIONS

### **Monday, March 3**

5:30pm Int. of our  
Religious Ed Teachers

### **Tuesday, March 4**

5:30pm Deceased Friars †

### **Wednesday, March 5**

(Ash Wednesday)

5:30pm The Parish Community

### **Thursday, March 6**

5:30pm Bebs Tuazon †

### **Friday, March 7**

5:30pm Our Confirmation Class

### **Saturday, March 8**

5:30pm Garmelo Galea †

### **Sunday, March 9**

10am Celerino Fernandez

12pm John Scali †

### **SANCTUARY LAMP**

(March 2 – 8)

This week's Sanctuary Lamp burns  
in memory of Gerry Williams.

Please remember Gerry in  
your prayer this week.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**Sick:** Pope Francis,  
Nilton Alves Gomes  
Carmel Foley, Cecilia Salazar,  
Maryann Chard, Mark Szuba

### **Our Dearly Departed:**

Nancy Ocampo  
Regina Rhiel-Cairns  
Genoveva Tuazon  
Gerry Williams



## *The Friar's Nook*

Jesus teaches us how we can change. How many times have you thought that you should change? I know there are some things (or many) about yourself that you don't like. Sometimes, I have seen you worried about your physical appearance, about some defects in your character, and even about your faith. Would you be upset if I, Jesus, told you that I love you unconditionally and freely?

"Repent. Whoever wishes to follow me must take up his cross. You cannot serve two masters." The Gospel, that is my life, is radical and so is the proposal I make to my followers. But be careful: this radicality can only be understood from the perspective of love. Whoever advances along the path of love will end up giving themselves entirely, not because of the weight of an oppressive law, but because of the impulse of a love that liberates. That at the same time is stronger than death. This is how a mother or wife gives herself to the one she loves. If you are already assured of my love, the first thing you need to do is to let yourself be loved and, consequently, to love yourself and to enjoy yourself as a son or daughter of God. From then on, do not obsess over suppressing this or that defect (which, on the other hand, will always accompany you), try 'only' to change your mentality, to be born again. Don't worry, this birth will be, above all, a fruit of the Spirit. It is not a question of titanic efforts. It consists of learning to see things differently, to realize that the centre is not you (not even your most holy concerns), but the Father, that His grace is more decisive than your weakness. Don't tell me that this does not imply a conversion! I know that you would not be surprised if I asked you for great sacrifices (because you have always believed that following me was an uphill road). Well, I ask you something more important and perhaps more difficult for you: that you learn to trust, that you abandon your calculating, fearful mentality and open yourself wide to the love of God this Lent.

*Fr. Alexander*



### **Stations of the Cross** (every Friday)

During the season of Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross every Friday night, immediately following the 5:30pm Mass in the Church.

As *Pilgrims of Hope* during this Jubilee Year, this is a prayerful way to accompany Jesus on His journey of suffering, death and resurrection. Stations will be lead March 7<sup>th</sup> by your SJA Development and Peace ministry.



#### **Mardi Gras Dinner** (Mar. 4)

With Lent beginning this week, we will celebrate our annual "Mardi Gras" Dinner (with fresh pancakes and sausages) on Tuesday, March 4 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm in the Hall. A limited number of tickets (\$15 each) are still available and can be purchased in the hall. Monies raised will help fix our broken dishwasher.

#### **Ash Wednesday** (Mar. 5)

We will begin the season of Lent on March 5 with Eucharist and the distribution of Ashes. One parish Mass will be celebrated this day at 5:30pm. Join our parish community as we begin a rich and spiritual 40-day journey to Calvary.

#### **Have you received your Tax Receipt?**

Charitable tax receipts for donations given in 2024 have been mailed to the address in which you are registered with St. Joan of Arc Parish. If there is a discrepancy with your receipt or you haven't received yours as yet, please connect with Anne Francis in the Finance office. Thank you for your support.

#### **Development and Peace Lent '25: Turn Debt Into Hope**

Next weekend, there will be a D&P brochure in the parish bulletin. Did you know? Rooted in the Catholic Church's celebration of the *Jubilee Year: Pilgrims of Hope*, Pope Francis calls on us to help end burdensome debts for poorer countries and create a more just society that prioritizes people and the planet. There is an informative and fun *Solidarity Calendar* in the brochure to journey through the 40 days of Lent. Great to put on your fridge and something for the whole family!

#### **Sanctuary Lamp** (Now Available)

We have begun taking requests for the booking of our Sanctuary Lamp behind the Ambo. Are you aware? The Sanctuary Lamp, when lit, signifies the presence of Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle. Light the Sanctuary lamp for a living or deceased person. The suggested offering is \$30 and the lamp will be lit for seven days (from Sunday to Saturday). Arrangements can now be made through the parish office.

#### **Your Gifts to God (\$)**

....for February 22/23	
<b>Expenses</b>	\$7875 *
Envelopes	\$2590
Loose	+ \$750
PAG (wk)	+ \$1756
Online	+ \$115
<b>Received</b>	= \$5211
Short	- \$2664

\* We require \$7875 a week (\$31,500 a month) to cover expenses. This week, we are again short **\$2664**.

Since January 19, we have been **\$16,896.60** short of making our 2025 budget.

#### **COMING UP AT ST. JOAN OF ARC**

Mar. 4 – Mardi Gras  
Dinner

Mar. 5 – Ash Wednesday

Mar. 20 – Merrymakers

Mar. 29 – Parish  
Presentation on Christian  
and Jewish Relations

Apr. 12 – Confirmation  
Rehearsal (2pm)

May 3 – First Communion  
Rehearsal (2pm)

*For these events and  
more, visit our virtual  
calendar at joanofarc.ca.*

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