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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
Michael Thibodeau

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 and Thursday 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM Closed Wednesday mornings

> Wednesday afternoons 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM 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 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 4:00 PM



Mass Intentions

Monday October 2

Exodus 23: 20-23a Psalm 91:1-6,10-11 Matthew 18:1-5,10 5:30 pm Deceased Friars

Tuesday, October 3

Zechariah 8:20-23 Psalm 87:1-7

Luke 9:51-56

5:30 pm The Parish Community

Wednesday, October 4
Nehemiah 2:1-8 Psalm 137:1-6
Luke 9:57-62
5:30 pm Alicia Guiritan +

Thursday, October 5
Nehemiah 8:1-12 Psalm 19:7-10
Luke 10:1-12

5:30 pm Jerry & Catherine McMullen+

Friday, October 6

Baruch 1:15-22 Psalm 1-5, 8-9

Luke 10:13-16

5:30 pm Florian Family +

Satuday, October 7

Baruch 4:5-12,27-29 Psalm
69:29,32-36 Luke 10:17024
5:30 pm A Special Intention

Sunday, October 8 Isaiah 5:1-7, Psalm 80:8,11-19 Philippans 4:6-9 Matthew 21:33-43

10:00 am The Parish Community 12:00 pm Int. of our Religious Ed Teachers





The Friar's Nook

We're very pleased to welcome Bishop Kason, or "Bishop Bob" as he prefers to be called, to Saint Joan of Arc this weekend. He is here to see how we're doing coming out of COVID and I think he will be pleased to see the direction we are going in.

Just as a reminder, we will be doing the Blessing of Animals Sunday afternoon at 2:00 PM on the front plaza. I'm reminded of what a Friar said to me once at Graymoor as we celebrated the Blessing of Animals in honor of Saint Francis of Assisi. "I think more people would show up for the blessing of animals, than for the second coming!" I can say that I'm not really sure about that, but I know that with are blessing of animals we often get people who wouldn't go into a church but would love their pets blessed. And so, we welcome them and hope that they do return. I will be doing a three-part blessing, first is for the animals that are present and healthy, the second will be for the animals who are sick and ailing, and the last will be for our deceased pets. Parents, you're welcome to bring your children with their stuffed animals for a blessing.

Saint Francis found the fingerprints of God in all creation and especially in living creatures. We may not always think of that when we look at animals, but we can learn from their acceptance of us and the comfort they can give. (Living or stuffed)

As our religious education program ramps up, we're getting ready to start the RCIA (Rites of Christian initiation) program with a new team. As we get ready to start this month if you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic let them know and have them get in touch with us so that we know how many people will be in the class. Remember they're just joining the class doesn't mean that you're committed but rather I'm seeking information to make that choice in faith.

Last week I was at Graymoor and had the opportunity to meet the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby. It was a delightful meeting and exciting to see us working together and ecumenism. We work together to bring Christ's prayer that "all may be one" will come to fruition. It reminds me of our greeting at Saint Joan of Arc that "all are welcome".

As we start our stewardship campaign again, I look forward to everyone finding some place to belong in the parish. I realize that people's time is precious and often we don't have a lot to spare but I ask you to consider joining at least one group within the parish. You don't have to participate in everything they do but you can choose one thing or another that will work for you and hence make you part of the greater community.

God's blessing to you all,

Fr. Roh

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick: Antonia Boca, Celeste Cignarella, Guillermo Medina,

Michelle Rodrigues, Rose Menecola **The Deceased:** Mary Litzenberger

Stewardship Weekend

You are invited into the parish hall after all the masses this weekend to learn about the ministries and organizations in our parish. Just wander around the hall and see the displays around the room. Members will be available to answer any questions you may have. If you are interested in joining any of them, they will be happy to take your information.

Altar Server Training

The second altar server training session will be held on Saturday October 14th from 2-4 pm in the church. All current, new and future altar servers are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. This session is a duplicate of the previous one and those who have already participated need not attend.

Blessing of Animals

Fr. Bob will be Blessing the Animals in the parking lot around 1:30 pm today. Bring your animals large or small for a blessing. This has been an annual event since the Friars came to St. Joan of Arc.

Merrymakers

Merrymakers' lunch this month will be on Thursday, October 19th. Mass will take place at 12 noon and lunch will follow at 12:30 pm. The menu will be: Spaghetti and meatballs with garlic bread and chocolate pudding for dessert. Tickets can be purchased after each Mass on Saturday and Sunday at the church entrance. (cash only) Please purchase your tickets by October 15th.

Synod on Synodality

The eyes of the Catholic world turn to Rome Oct. 4, as the worldwide Synod of Bishops convenes on the feast of St. Francis of Assisi to focus on "synodality" and understanding what it means in terms of "communion, participation and mission" in the church.

In an unusual move, the synod general assembly has been divided into two sessions, with the first Oct. 4-29, and the second planned for October 2024. The decision, announced in October 2022, has parallels to the Synod of Bishops on the Family, which met in 2014 for an extraordinary general assembly of the Synod of Bishops, and then continued its work the following year as an ordinary assembly. The work of both meetings culminated in the post-synodal apostolic exhortation "Amoris Laetitia" ("The Joy of Love"), released in 2016. Let us pray for it to be a success.

10:00 am SUNDAY LITURGY

We continue to live stream the 10:00 am Mass on our YouTube page. Please visit: youtube.com/@st.joanofarcchurch

This Week

Sunday, October 1

Bishop Bob's Pastoral Visit
Special Collection for Indigenous
Reconciliation-envelopes available.
Fair Trade Product Sale
1:30 pm Blessing of the Animals

Future Dates to Remember

Monday, October 9

Thanksgiving - No Mass Offices closed.

Thursday October 19

Merrymakers – 12PM Mass & Lunch to follow.

SAINTLY WISDOM

"For me, prayer is an aspiration of the heart; it is a simple glance directed to heaven." – St. Therese of Lisieux

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