

St. Joan of Arc

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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

Fax

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.

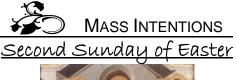
Development and Peace www.devp.org 3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

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





Sunday, April 7 Acts 4:32-35 Ps 118:2-4, 16-18, 22-24 1Jn5:1-6 John 20:19-31 10am Gladys & Stanley Jurkowski 12pm Michael Prus †

<u>Monday, April 8</u> <u>The Annunciation of the Lord</u> *Is 7:10-14; 8:10d Ps 40:6-10 Hebrews 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38* 5:30pm Health of Stanley

<u>Tuesday, April 9</u> Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1ab, 1c-2,5 Jn 3:7b-15 5:30 pm Elizabeth & Francis Gonzalves †

Wednesday, April 10 Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:1-8 Jn 3:16-21 5:30 pm Mary Davis †

Thursday, April 11 Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:1-19 John3:31-36 5:30 pm Marcelo Quinteros †

Friday, April 12 Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1,4,13-14 Jn6:1-15 5:30 pm Ted Grygiencza †

<u>Saturday, April 13</u> Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21 5:30 pm Parish Community

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick: Aniela Kuncaitis, Antonia Bova, Celeste Cignarella, Guillermo Medina, Rose Menecola, Rosanne Kelly, Inez Meleca, Charles Coupal, Lucia Xavier da Silveira. The Deceased: Tom Moriarty †



The Friar's Nook

Hallelujah! Happy Easter!

This past week we celebrated Easter Sunday. I don't simply mean that on Sunday we celebrated Easter but literally the church celebrates Easter Sunday every day of the first week of Easter. That's because Easter is so important to the life of the church and to us that they can't simply pack it into one day.

As Pope Francis said in his Easter address "On this day when we celebrate the life given us in the resurrection of the Son, let us remember the infinite love of God for each of us: a love that overcomes every limit and every weakness." It reminds me of a different way of saying our slogan at Saint Joan of Arc namely all are welcome. On Easter I talked about overcoming fear because that's what Jesus was about - not being afraid of anything because God is with us through life, through death, and into eternal life. So, He overcomes our weaknesses and limitations. Good thing too, because on our own we really can't do it!

I feel it's really important for us to let go of fear. Not only is it the message of Jesus to his disciples and to us but it allows us to experience the fullness of God's love. This past week I had a chance to meet with the Confirmation students and I encourage them to not be afraid of what God has in mind for them because it will always be better than what we think of for ourselves. I also invited them to help us restart our Youth Ministry that we lost during COVID because our youth moved on and graduated. We will be having a youth night to get together and have a good time. I encourage you to invite any youth you might know, Catholic or not, to come. I assure you it will be a good time.

We're also trying to get our Young Adult group started up again after the pandemic. For us young adults are anyone 18 and over who identifies themselves as a young adult. This is not a singles group though there may be many singles there but rather we're looking to gather young singles, young married people, and young married people with children. I realize that all three of those groups have different needs, but we will try to do things for each of them under the umbrella of Young Adult group. Be on the lookout for announcements about our next young adult evening and come if you can. Would love your input.

We will continue to have coffee and doughnuts after the 10:00 Mass as well as the noon Mass as long as people continue to come.

Look forward to seeing you, Fr. Bob

St. Joan of Arc Parish Creation Care Guidelines

"as people of faith and goodwill, we should be united in showing mercy to the earth as our common home" Pope Francis, Sept. 1, 2016

New parish Creation Care Guidelines outline and encourage some best practices for reducing and responsibly managing waste from parish events and other activities in the parish hall. These Guidelines draw on the 2 parish townhall consultations held in 2020 on reducing waste and growing a culture of ecological care. Throughout April Creation Care Ministry will raise awareness about the Guidelines which are posted in the kitchen and on their bulletin board in the parish hall. Many thanks to all who provided input and help with graphic design.

EARTH DAY* EVERY DAY- Mon. Ap.22nd

Earth Day celebrated every year on <u>April 22</u>, is the largest environmental event in the world. In the past, more that seven million Canadians, including nearly every school-aged child, participated in an Earth Day activity in their communities. For all of us, Earth Day is a challenging invitation to foster and celebrate environmental respect, action and behavior that lessens our impact on our fragile earth. The theme this year is: **Planet vs. Plastics**. As people of faith, we are called to <u>urgently act</u> to not only protect but also restore God's beautiful gift of creation. May the **Total Solar Eclipse** this Monday (Ap.8) fill us with the wonder of creation. (Becoming Neighbours Fridge Notes - Mar. 27/24)

Youth Ministry

We are inviting all youth aged 12 and above to the youth night on Tuesday, April 23 at 6:00pm. Come and bring a friend for a night of fun, faith and fellowship. Please confirm your attendance via email to mj@joanofarc.ca.

Young Adults

All young adults (single or married) are invited to the young adults gathering on Tuesday, April 30th. Details to follow.

SJA, CWL, 60th Anniversary – Come and Celebrate with us!

This is the 60th anniversary for St. Joan of Arc CWL Parish Council. To celebrate we are having a buffet breakfast at Canadiana Restaurant in Six Points Plaza., at **10:00 am on April 27, 2024.** This is a full breakfast including: orange juice, Coffee and Tea; Assorted muffins, Assorted Fresh Fruit, Assorted Toast with Butter, Scrambled eggs, home fries, bacon, sausages and French toast. The cost of the breakfast is \$25.00. Tickets will be on sale, Saturdays/Sundays: April 6th and 7th and 13th/14th, and Saturdays/Sundays 20th and 21st and at the office. All are welcome!

St. Joan of Arc Garage Sale – A parish fundraiser (May 25)

Spring is here, and so is the perfect opportunity for some decluttering! As you tidy up your homes during this season of renewal, why not consider donating your gently used items to our parish fundraiser Garage Sale? Your contributions will not only help clear out space in your home but also support our parish community. From household goods to clothing and everything in between, we welcome all donations with open arms. Drop off your items on Fridays from April 12th to May 17th between 2pm and 6pm and on Saturday May 18th from 12-4pm and mark your calendars for the big sale on May 25th. Let's turn your spring cleaning into a meaningful contribution!

Monthly Offertory

Offertory	Mar 2023	Mar 2024
Envelopes	\$ 5,349	\$ 9,323
Loose	\$ 1,780	\$ 5,039
PAG*	\$ 5,918	\$ 6,390
Total	\$ 13,047	\$20,752

*Pre-Authorized Giving

Contributions to the **Building Maintenance Fund** for the month of March were \$2,927.

Merrymakers Lunch – April 18

The merrymaker's lunch will be on Thursday, April 18th. There will be Mass at 12nn followed by the lunch at 12:30pm. Tickets can be purchased after all weekend Masses this weekend and next weekend, \$12 cash only please. The menu: scalloped potatoes and ham + dessert.

April 20 - Confirmation

April 20/21 - D&P Fair Trade Wknd

April 22 - CWL General Meeting

April 23 – YOUTH NIGHT 6PM

April 27 - CWL Anniversary breakfast

April 28 - ShareLife Sunday (Special Collection)

April 29 – Winter Welcome Table Appreciation dinner. Thank you to all the groups who contributed their time, talent, and treasure for the Winter Welcome Table. All volunteers are invited for Mass and a celebratory dinner at St Peter's. Details to follow!

April 30 – Young Adults Night

We would like to wish Mike Ellis, all the best on his retirement! Mike has been working with our parish as our custodian for the last 5 years. Thank you and may we all send him our prayers on his new journey! Liturgical Publications 3171 LENWORTH DR. #12 MISSISSAUGA, ON L4X 2G6 905-624-4422

