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Altar Servers
Call the office

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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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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

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.dev.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, February 10

5:30pm Mary & Thomas Blok †

Tuesday, February 11

5:30pm Walter Szymczak †

Wednesday, February 12

5:30pm Parish Community

Thursday, February 13

5:30pm Religious Ed Teachers

Friday, February 14

5:30pm Sick of the Parish

Saturday, February 15

5:30pm Int. of Anne Marie Winsor

Sunday, February 16

10am Rosemund Ficker †

12pm Parish Community

The Mass is one of the greatest prayers we can offer the world. They are special moments when we call to mind those in our lives who have gone before us, as well as those here on earth who may need a little prayer and support.

Consider requesting a Mass for a loved one – living or deceased. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sick: Debbie Wagstaff,
Carmel Foley, Vivian Gonneau,
Cecilia Salazar

Our Dearly Departed:

John Scali
Regina Rhiel-Cairns
Moya Carton, Edna Schlatau
Cyril Davis
Janina Golebiowski



The Friar's Nook

We are currently in a Jubilee Year declared by the Church. The theme for this year is, "Pilgrims of Hope." Since we live in a pilgrim church, meaning that we're on our way to something, ideally the Kingdom of God, being pilgrims of hope means we carry that hope with us as we journey. The notion of a pilgrim is one of a people on a spiritual journey seeking holiness and hopefully that's what we are doing in our lives. We don't need to go great distances to be a pilgrim but rather, we are pilgrims in our daily lives seeking the holiness of God.

It is a high calling for any Christian, but if we bear the name of Christ, we must follow his example. And so, during our daily pilgrimage, Pope Francis reminds us to carry hope with us on the journey. We are not pilgrims seeking hope, we are pilgrims filled with hope. This is what motivates us to continue our journey and as scripture says, "Hope does not disappoint."

I tend to be a hope-filled person. Therefore, I am optimistic even in the face of challenges in my life and in the world. But hope, in fact, is not a mere act of optimism like when we sometimes hope to pass an exam at university ("Let's hope we make it") or when we hope for good weather for the trip out of town on a Sunday in the spring ("Let's hope for good weather"). No, hoping is waiting for something that has already been given to us: salvation in God's eternal and infinite love. That love and salvation that gives flavour to our lives is a turning point on which we remain standing, despite all the wickedness and evil in our world. To hope then, is to welcome this gift that God offers us every day. To hope is to savour the wonder of being loved, sought and desired by God.

Pope Francis has written extensively on hope and knows that sometimes it's hard to recognize in our lives. So he gives us this advice. *"I invite every reader of this text to make a simple but concrete gesture: in the evening, before going to bed, as you're thinking over the events you have lived through. A smile from someone you didn't expect, an act of gratuitousness observed at school, a kind act encountered in the workplace, a gesture of help. And we need to go back to being like children, with their sense of wonder, to encounter the world, to know it, and to appreciate it."*

My hope is that together we can find and share hope on our pilgrimage!

Your Pastor, Fr. Bob

Jubilee Year of Hope

Further to this weekend's *Friar's Nook*, Catholics throughout the world are celebrating a Jubilee Year of Hope. This celebration includes each one of us here at St. Joan of Arc Parish. Following the Opening of the Jubilee Year, parishioners are invited to join in the celebration of regional Jubilee Year Masses – here within the Archdiocese of Toronto. In the downtown area, these parishes include:

St. Mary's Church (588 Adelaide St, Toronto)
 Mass – February 20, 2025 at 7:00pm
 Celebrant: Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB



St. Edward the Confessor Parish (North York)
 Mass – February 25, 2025 at 7:00pm
 Celebrant: Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop

Your Parish Council is also discerning the possibility of a parish pilgrimage during the Jubilee Year that may take place towards the end of 2025. More information on this Jubilee Year and how you can grow in faith will come in future bulletins.

From Pulpit to Pastry: Baking with Fr. Alex

Hear last weekend's news? Fr. Alex will be offering a 9-week German Baking course in our Parish Hall starting Tuesday, Feb. 18 at 2:00pm. Learn the art of baking alongside other parishioners. A suggested donation of \$20 is welcomed. To reserve one of 15 spaces, e-mail parish@joanofarc.ca. Don't miss out!

Merrymakers Lunch (Feb. 20)

A new month means another opportunity to gather for prayer and fellowship! Tickets (\$15 each) are now on sale in the foyer after all weekend Masses. What's on the menu? Irish stew, soda bread and apple crisp. We begin with Mass in the Church at 12:00pm, followed by lunch at 12:30pm. All are welcome.

NEW! Sanctuary Lamp (Mar. 2)

Beginning March 2, we will begin taking requests for the booking of our Sanctuary Lamp here at St. Joan of Arc Parish. You may request that the lamp be lit in thanksgiving for a blessing received or for a living or deceased individual. The suggested donation is \$30. The lamp will burn for approximately 6-7 days and the name will be published weekly in the bulletin and announced in the Prayers of the Faithful. Please connect with the Parish Office to secure your preferred week.

Mardi Gras Dinner (Mar. 4)

Who says you can't have breakfast for dinner? We will celebrate our annual "Mardi Gras" Dinner (with fresh pancakes and sausages) on Tuesday, March 4 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm in the Hall. Tickets are \$15 each and will go on sale starting Feb. 15. Monies raised will be critical in supporting your Parish and some pressing building needs. Thank you to the Merrymakers Ministry for their support.

Thank you Thomas Villiger!

With thanksgiving in our hearts and great hope for his journey ahead, we bid farewell this weekend to our parish pianist, Thomas, who is departing our family. We wish him well on his next stage of life and offer him our prayer and support.

Weekly Giving (\$)

...for February 1/2	
Expenses	\$7875 *
Envelopes	\$2421
Loose	+ \$695
PAG	+ \$1756
Online	+ \$19
Received	= \$4891
Short	- \$2984

* We require \$7875 a week (\$31,500 a month) to cover expenses. This week, we are **short \$2984**.

Did you know? Your contributions to the Building & Maintenance Fund are incredibly important, helping ensure our worship space and campus facilities are safe and welcoming places for all. We will be funding a number of critical building projects this year and in 2026. This month, **please be generous** and help us maintain your spiritual home.

ShareLife Campaign Contributions

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via Archdiocese	\$32,261.20
Total	\$42,963.70
Parish Goal	\$ 62,800.00

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