

St. Joan of Arc

Proclaiming and Living the Gospel through Stewardship. All are Welcome.

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers Call the office

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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 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

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Intentions

Monday, January 20 5:30pm William Trchala †

Tuesday, January 21 5:30pm Int. of MJ Casanas

Wednesday, January 22 5:30pm Lucy Stangl †

Thursday, January 23 5:30pm Int. of Ministry Committee

> Friday, January 24 5:30pm Int. of Friars

Saturday, January 25 5:30pm Int. of Alt Evony Coligado

> Sunday, January 26 10am For the People

12pm For the People

The Mass is one of the greatest prayers we can offer as people of faith. They are special moments when we can 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 your Parish Office for more information.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Sick: Inez Meleca, Charles Coupal, Lucia Xavier da Silveira, Louis Gris, Marianne Chard, Debbie Wagstaff, Mary Kelly, Carmel Foley, Vivian Gonneau, Virginia Kiflit,

Our Dearly Departed: Moya Carton, Edna Schlatau, Cyril Davis, Lucy Stangl, William Trchala



The Friar's Nook

The sixth gift of the Holy Spirit is Piety. I used to think that piety was acting holier than thou but I've come to realise how wrong I was. So, what does Piety involve?

- 1. *Respect:* Piety involves having a deep sense of respect for God and the church. It goes beyond the gifts of Knowledge and Understanding to trusting God's will.
- 2. *Devotion*: Piety involves being devoted to God and wanting to please him. This does not mean saying a variety of prayers but an inward desire to turn toward God in all things.
- 3. Obedience: Piety involves obeying God's commandments and Church teachings. This does not mean simply blind obedience. Remember Mary questioned the angel about God's will and the disciples often questioned Jesus. The best way of understanding this came when I was a Novice. As Friars we take vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. And what I was taught is that obedience is to the will of God (which may or may not be the will of your superior). It involves grappling with our faith.
- 4. *Love*: Piety involves loving God with childlike love and loving others as God intends. The two commands that Jesus gave us basically to love as He loves.
- 5. *Sorrow:* Piety involves feeling sorrow for sin and asking for forgiveness. This is not beating yourself up but rather recognizing our need for God and approaching Him with humility.
- 6. Justice: Piety involves acting with justice towards all people.
- 7. *Caring for the world*: Piety involves caring for the world and building up a culture of life for future generations. This means that the gift of Piety calls us out of ourselves and into the world God created both in people and in creation.

Pope Francis says about the gift of Piety: "If the gift of piety makes us grow in relation to and in communion with God and leads us to live as his children, at the same time, it helps us to pass this love on to others as well and to recognize them as our brothers and sisters." Our Piety can be expressed through prayer, worship, singing, and service. It should strengthen and guide us that we might show it to the world.

Peace, Fr. Bob

Supporting your Parish in 2025 (from Fr. Bob)

Your Finance Council humbly asks that you increase your personal giving to the parish. Your weekly (and monthly) contributions are **vital** to sustaining our ministry throughout the year. It enables us to reach out to those in need, maintain our dedicated staff, support our liturgies and music ministries and continue with the wide range of programs that nurture faith and service within **your** St. Joan of Arc Catholic Community. Please consider registering with our Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) program. Your participation guarantees regular, reliable support to us, especially when you are away for any period of time.

Thank you for your kindness and consideration. Please connect with Anne Francis at <u>finance@joanofarc.ca</u> to learn about giving options. *Thank you!*

D&P Petition Drop Box (Jan. 18/19 & 25/26)

Thank you to those who took a Corporate Due Diligence Petition home over the holidays to be signed by family, friends and acquaintances. You can return the signed petitions to the D&P Drop Box at the back of the Church for the next two weekends.

Merrymakers - January Meeting (Jan. 23)

Mark your calendars, Merrymakers! Our monthly lunch will take place on Thursday, January 23 at 12:30pm, following the 12:00pm Mass in the Church. Tickets are \$15 and are on sale after all weekend Masses.

Fair Trade Weekend (Jan. 25/26)

Next week, Development and Peace is hosting its first Fair Trade Weekend after the <u>Saturday 5:30pm</u> and <u>Sunday 10:00am</u> Masses. This is a great resolution for <u>2025</u>: to support fairer wages, working conditions and environmental practices through supporting the Fair Trade movement.

Marriage Sunday in the Archdiocese of Toronto (Feb. 9)

As part of the diocese's Marriage Sunday celebrations for this year, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place on Sunday, February 9, 2025 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. For more information and to register, visit <u>www.archtoronto.org/marriage</u>.

St. Valentine's Day Dinner & Dance (Feb. 14)

Already thinking of your St. Valentine's Day plans? Dance the night away at St. Joan of Arc Parish with the Big Band sound of "The Hurricanes." This special evening takes place on Friday, February 14 at 7:00pm. Tickets are now on sale after every weekend Mass. \$35 per person and only 80 tickets are available. An evening you won't want to miss! •

Special Thank you from your Society of St. Vincent de Paul

"We would like to thank our parish community for their support of our very important Christmas collection. With your financial support, we were able to help approximately 70 families have a better Christmas."

(The Vincentians of St. Vincent de Paul)

Weekly Giving

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Collection	Jan. 11/12
Envelopes	\$1380.00
Loose	\$580.00
PAG	\$1693.00
Total	\$3653.00**

** Our weekly expenses at the parish total \$7153.00

Our monthly target for the Building Maintenance Fund is <u>\$3950.00.</u> Thus far, we've raised <u>\$1569.00</u> for January. <u>Help us reach our goal!</u>

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. Please be generous and help maintain your spiritual home.

ShareLife Campaign Contributions

Our Campaign is ongoing!

Campaign Parish Goal \$ 62,800.00 Goal reached 54.5%



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