



# St. Joan of Arc

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## Served by the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement

### 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

### PARISH STAFF

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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

### 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.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

## Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



### MASS INTENTIONS

#### **Saturday, November 23**

5:30pm Departed souls of the  
Florian and Galea Family †

#### **Sunday, November 24**

10am John Hruskoci †  
12pm Sabrina Araya-Gaete †

#### **Monday, November 25**

5:30 pm William Trchala †

#### **Tuesday, November 26**

5:30 pm Int. of Marck & MJ Casanas

#### **Wednesday, November 27**

5:30 pm Elizabeth Saundercook †

#### **Thursday, November 28**

5:30 pm Parish Community

#### **Friday, November 29**

5:30pm Souls in Purgatory

#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**The Sick:** Inez Meleca, Charles  
Coupal, Lucia Xavier da Silveira,  
Louis Gris, Marianne Chard, Debbie  
Wagstaff, Mary Kelly, Carmel  
Foley.

#### **The Deceased:**

John Robertson, Moya Carton, Edna  
Schlatau, Cyril Davis.



"My kingdom is not of this world."



### *Friars Nook*

The second gift of the Holy Spirit is the gift of Understanding. In understanding, we comprehend how we need to live as a follower of Christ. A person with understanding is not confused by all the conflicting messages in our culture about the right way to live. We can know all kinds of things in the world but still have no understanding of the world or of the things. For example, I know that a rocket can send astronauts into space, but I have no understanding and how it all works together.

However, the gift of Understanding is better used in our relationships with God and with others. Trying to understand others is really a gift to them. We may not agree with them in fact we may strongly disagree with them but trying to understand using the gift of understanding opens us up to the possibility of thinking in a new way, of seeing the world through different eyes. In our relationship with God the same things hold true. We can't begin to understand the mind of God but we can pray that we understand God's actions and work in our lives. This helps us to see the world, others, and all creation, through the eyes of God.

Just think of the kindness and mercy of God who thoroughly understands us and tries to help us on our journey not judge us on our mistakes. Using the spiritual gift of understanding, we ask to see the world and others through God's eyes. We might be amazed at the compassion that God shows us and that we can show others if we see them through God's eyes. So often we just give up on others rather than try to understand. Again, understanding is not agreement. But it is being open to change.

Pope Francis explains that the Holy Spirit's gift of Understanding allows Christians to obtain "*intimacy with God*" and helps them understand things "*as God understands them.*" Each morning as a reminder when I put on my glasses, I pray that God will help me to see things through his eyes and not my own. Understanding helps remove fears, fear of others and fear of God!

Trying to understand is work and to do so we really need the help of God to continue. The Spirit's gift of Understanding not only encourages us to understand the ways of God but also empowers us to do it. This really helps us when it comes to patients, patience with God, patience with others, and especially patience with ourselves. The more understanding we have of all three, the more at peace we can be in our lives in in our world.

*Use this gift that you might find joy,  
Fr. Bob*

November 24, 2024

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St Joan of Arc Conference**

Will have their Christmas collection the weekend of December 7 & 8<sup>th</sup>. Blue envelopes will be available for this Special Collection. Tax receipts will be issued to those who put their information on the outside of the envelope. Thank you!

**Parish Fall Clean up**

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the Building and Maintenance Committee, the Gardening Committee, and all the dedicated volunteers who generously gave their time and effort, last Saturday. Whether working inside the church or hall, or tending to the grounds outside, we truly appreciate your hard work in helping to maintain a clean, safe, and welcoming parish home. Your support means so much to us—thank you, everyone!

**"Giving Tuesday" Collection** Did you know? Giving Tuesday is the world's largest one-day generosity movement! It traditionally takes place on the Tuesday following American Thanksgiving. This year, St. Joan of Arc Parish will be having a special collection for Giving Tuesday. Envelopes will be handed out at all weekend Masses on Nov. 23/24 and accepted in the basket at all Masses on Nov. 30/Dec. 1. You can also give through CanadaHelps at [joanofarc.ca](http://joanofarc.ca). Monies from this collection will support our Welcome Winter Table project and future faith engagement projects. Together, our parish has something to give and every act of generosity counts. Please give generously!

**Advent/Christmas Dinner - December 15**

Join us for our Advent/Christmas Dinner Fundraiser on December 15th at 6 PM! Tickets are \$25, and only 125 tickets are available—so be sure to get yours early! You can purchase tickets after Mass on November 23rd and 24th. Don't miss out on this festive evening!

**Children's Christmas Party (St. Nicholas Day) – December 8**

Join us for a Children's Christmas Party on December 8th, after the 10 AM Mass, from 11 AM to 1 PM! Enjoy hot chocolate, festive fun, and bring a gift to share with a child in need from our Angel Tree. All are welcome to pick up an angel. St. Nick will be there to collect the gifts and spread holiday cheer to others!

**Holy Hour: November 29<sup>th</sup>, following the 5:30pm Mass**

We invite you to join us for **Holy Hour** every **last Friday of the month**. Come spend a peaceful and prayerful hour in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. It's a special time for reflection, prayer, and spiritual renewal.

**Advent Retreat – December 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am**

Join us for a peaceful and reflective **Advent Retreat** hosted by the La Xaviere Sisters, on December 24<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am to 12:30pm. It will be a special time of spiritual renewal as we prepare our hearts for the Advent season. Stay tuned for more details to come. We look forward to sharing this meaningful retreat experience with you!

**Day of Confessions for Advent 2024: December 19<sup>th</sup>**

Prepare your heart for the Christmas season with the **Day of Confessions** on **December 19th**. A special **Reconciliation Service** will be held at **7:30 PM** to offer the opportunity for confession and spiritual renewal. We invite all to take part in this beautiful sacrament of forgiveness as we prepare for the coming of Christ. More details to follow!

**WELCOME BACK, ROSANNE!**

We're excited to welcome Rosanne back to the office! She'll be here every **Tuesday and Thursday**, and we're so grateful to have her back with us again. Let's give her a warm welcome!

**2025 Donation Envelopes**

You can pick up your box in the parish hall after mass. If you would like to have a box, please notify Rosanne at [parish@joanofarc.ca](mailto:parish@joanofarc.ca) or at extension 7.

**November Dates to remember**

**November 23/24** – Development & Peace Fair Trade Sale

**December Dates to Remember**

**December 8** – Children's Advent & Christmas Party

**December 8** – St Vincent de Paul Special COlection

**December 14** – Advent Retreat with La Xaviere sisters

**December 15** – Christmas Dinner

**December 19** – Advent day of Confessions

**Monthly Offertory 2024**

Offertory	October
Envelopes	\$ 4,860.00
Loose	\$ 3,416.90
PAG	\$ 6,154.99
Total	\$ 14,431.89

Contributions to the Building Maintenance Fund for the month of October were \$ 3,340.

**ShareLife Campaign Contributions**  
**– January to October 2024**

Parish	\$ 9,487.50
Through Archdiocese	\$ 23,440.00
Total	\$ 32,927.50

Campaign Parish Goal \$ 62,800.00  
Goal reached 52.4%

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