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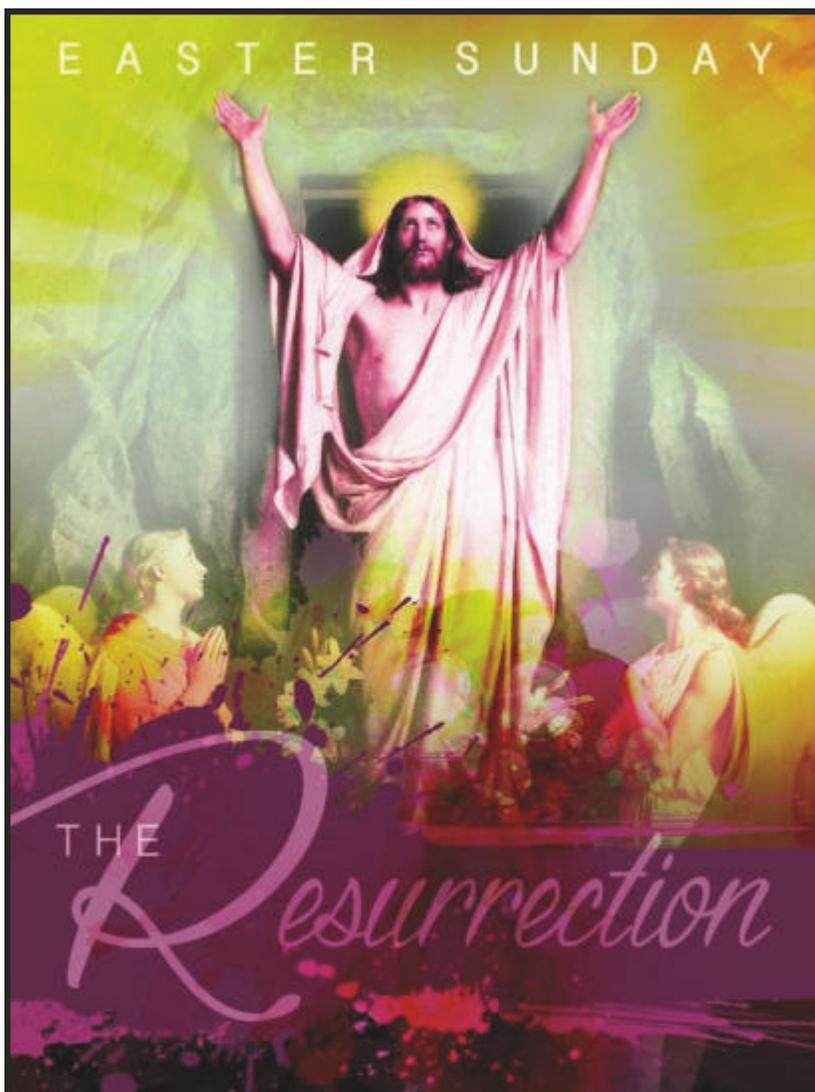
SJOA's Weekly Parish Bulletin



Faith + Community + Service

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Easter Sunday



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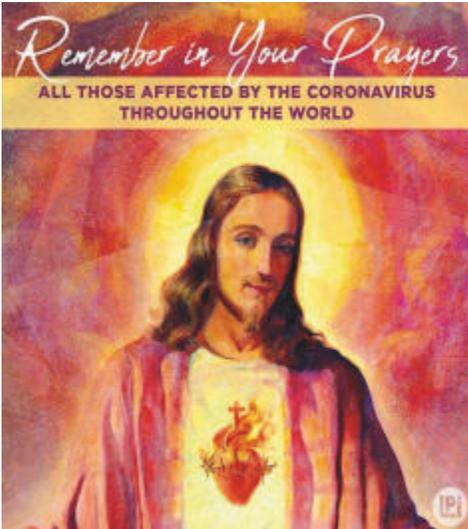
Monday	no mass April 5
Tuesday	no mass April 6
Wednesday	5:30 PM
Thursday	8:15 AM
Friday	no mass April 9
Saturday	5:30 PM
Sunday	8:30 & 10:30 AM, 5:30 PM

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Mass Intentions April 5-April 11

Monday, April 5

No Mass today

Tuesday, April 6

No Mass today

Wednesday, April 7

Ray Pachciarz

Thursday, April 8

Irene Loughery

Friday, April 9

No Mass today

Saturday, April 10

Lawrence and Shyla Halter

Sunday, April 11

Souls in Purgatory

Nancy Smith

The Parish of St. Joan of Arc

Christ is Risen

A traditional greeting among Christians on Easter Sunday is, “Christ is risen!” And the response is, “He is risen indeed!” It is a beautiful sentiment which fills us with hope. But do we believe it? And is it relevant to our lives? St. Thomas Aquinas once said, “To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without faith, no explanation is possible.”

Mary Magdalene went to the tomb that first Easter morning, and found it empty. She did not yet believe in the resurrection from the dead, so her response was the same as so many of us: there must be a logical explanation. What explanation? The enemies of Jesus had stolen His body. This was what she hurried to tell the Apostles. Peter and John ran to the tomb to see for themselves. Their response to the resurrection was also something common to many of us: it can’t be possible. What was the result of Mary’s logical explanation theory? She was left in grief and despair. And what was the result of the Apostles’ doubt in the resurrection? Confusion, fear, and hiding behind locked doors.

The resurrection from the dead is central to our Catholic Faith: not just the resurrection of Jesus, but also of each of us as well. We might enjoy celebrating Easter, but is it truly relevant to our lives? We might think it nice that Jesus rose from the dead. And, if we believe it, we might say it is good for us when this life is over. But how does our belief in the resurrection help us today? How does it help us as we come out of the Covid-19 pandemic? How does it help us face the day to day struggles of life? How does it help us cope with the death of our loved ones, or pay our bills, or face unemployment, or any other of life’s challenges?

The Greek word for “resurrection” is *anastasis*, and it means, “to stand up again.” Having been knocked down, and defeated, we are able to stand up and live again. We can face all that the world can throw at us, even death, because we have a new life. Anastasis does not mean we get up and try again in the same old way; it means we possess a new power which is given to us by faith in Jesus. Mary Magdalene was grieving at the tomb of Jesus, and didn’t recognize Him when He stood by her and asked, “Why are you weeping?” But then He spoke her name, “Mary!” Then she realized that He had risen, and in encountering Him, she also came to share in the newness of life. Jesus then empowered her and sent her on a mission, “Go and tell the Apostles I am alive. Proclaim the Good News!”

The Apostles didn't believe Mary's testimony, so later that day, Jesus appeared to them in the locked room. He breathed the Holy Spirit on them and said, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." In the same way, Jesus send each of us to raise the dead to new life by proclaiming our faith. We find new life, and receive power, when we encounter the risen Christ. But how do we encounter Jesus? Our first reading is essentially a proclamation of the Faith of the Church. To accept it means we must become vulnerable to Jesus: in a sense, to "die" with Him. This mystical death and resurrection happens in Baptism, and on Easter, all Catholics renew their Baptismal promises. Our second reading tells us to stay focused on the things of God, rather than on the things of earth. This means we focus on the mission Jesus has given to us: of proclaiming and showing God's love to the world. Our life and mission as Catholics is counter-cultural, but it is what brings salvation and life to all people.

Like Mary, Jesus calls us each by name. If we listen to Him, place ourselves in His hands, and live by His teachings, and the grace He gives us in the Sacraments, then we can face anything life throws our way. Whenever we are challenged, and even when it appears we are defeated, we can stand up again: for not even death can defeat us. The power of death is destroyed by the resurrection of Jesus.

The world at large may doubt and even mock the idea of rising from the dead. But, as St. Thomas Aquinas said, "To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without faith, no explanation is possible." Anastasis means to stand up again. In faith, may we stand up today and every day, living the new life of Jesus.

Fr. Roberts

From *The Heart of the New Evangelization, A Parish Manual for the New Evangelization* by Fr. Guy Roberts.

We are the Church, the Assembly, because God gathers us, fills us with His grace, and then sends us forth in His name. **To believe in the Gospel is to have life.** This life is more than simply a biological existence; it is the fullness of life which is sharing in the divine nature, in the very life of God through Jesus Christ (Pg. 20).

St. Joan of Arc Parish Mission Statement:

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church is a community gathered in Jesus Christ. We welcome all people and provide them opportunities to know God, grow in faith, and use their gifts to serve others. Through Word, Sacrament, Prayer, and Service, we honor our tradition as we extend our ministry to each new generation.



Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas. We fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

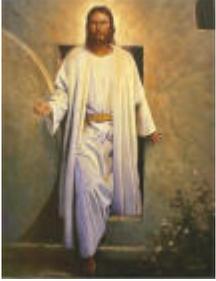
In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOAN OF ARC

The hymns and readings for today's Mass can be found on page 7 of this bulletin.

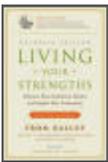


On behalf of Fr. Guy and the parish staff, we wish all of you, those who are able to attend Mass in person and those who are still attending on your computer at home, a very blessed and Holy Easter. We pray that by next year we can all be back in the church together once again.

The Parish Office will be closed tomorrow, April 5.



Please note there will not be a daily Mass on April 5, 6, or 9 of this week. We will resume the normal schedule next week.



Want to more fully utilize your God-given talents in every aspect of your life? Take a **Living Your Strengths** class and learn how! Mark your calendar! We are offering four 90-minute sessions via Zoom on Monday evenings beginning April 5 at 7:00 PM. Contact Melinda Rivelli: mrivelli@sjoa.org for more information.



St. Joan of Arc Parishioners supplied 1284 cans of corn for the **North Deanery Easter Food Drive**—popping the corn right off the charts! Thank you so much for your participation, parishioners! For those who do not have the security of three meals a day for their family, this is such a blessing.



Thank you to those who were able to help us with flower donations to make our church look so beautiful this Easter. Envelopes are still available if you would like to contribute.

Weekly Prayer Petition



Dear Lord, let us reflect on the glorious hope that comes from your resurrection. All thanks and praise to you for your ultimate sacrifice and supreme example.

Please Pray For: Leslie Ashburn-Nardo; Kevin Beaty; Adeline Beining; Sam Blandina; Kim Bourque (Kathy Caparo's Sister); Mable Brown; Frederick Bullard; Cathy Chamberlaine; Ronerik Christie and Marvin Colbert (brother & brother-in-law of Yolanda Christie); David Colby; Kelly Colen; Ella Comer; Maureen Cox (d-i-l of Judy Cox); Ian Craig (son of Libby); Alison Croker; Judd Cromer; Ellie Davis; Lyla DeArmond; Mary Ellen Diemer; Gregg Dwyer; Dee Enrico-Janik; Brian Gaddie; Rita Gatzemeyer; Donna Gesell-Stuart; Gail Gerlach; Joyce Geske; Larry Grein; Owen Griffith; Sara Hanlon; Betsy Harvey; Noreen Hazeur Williams; Polly Henn; Susie Hoffman (mother of Erin Kelly); Doris Hogan; Patty Hughes; many members of the Irwin Family; Harley Janssen; Dalaena Johnson; Judith Jones; Rod Kramer, Jim Laidlaw; Charlie Lane; Tom & Marie, (Catherine Hayes brother and sister); Rick Mahaffey; Kovan McCauley; Peggy McClellan (friend of Dee Enrico-Janik); JoAnn McDaniel; Betty McKillip; Sherm McMurray; Sharon Montieth; Buffy Moosbrugger; Kathleen Naghdi; James Neal; Teresa O'Connell (daughter of Alison Croker); Rob Ohlemiller; Kidney Patient; Steve Pavicich; Sharon Pence; Angee Poe (friend of Margaret Graves); Mike M. Pointer; Barb Rainbolt; Charles Randall; Devin Ryan; Beth Salmon; Beth Sellers; Frederick Selm; Helen Setmeyer; Christina Shedrick; Bob Sparks; The Thornburg Family; Jeanetta Torence; Mary Strigari Vish; James Vodde; Sr. Rita Ann Wade; Joe Wainscott; Drake Williams (son of Kyle and Abby); Carole Williams; Jane & Gary Williams; Valorie Woods.



We grieve with parishioner Frances Schlegel over the passing of her sister, Ivy Lopez.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES

SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Sgt. Dylan Barnett; P.O. 2nd class Matthew Collier, P.O. 2nd Class James Fisher, LCDR Kurt E. Davis; Maj Rocknee Gardner; P.O. 2nd Class Eileen Grosvenor-Jarp, LCPL Jonah Hollis, P.O. 2nd Class Kyle McClelland, CPT Jon Mecker, GySgt. Tom Mitsch; Marine Jonathan Price, CPT Kevin Zander.

MARCH 20-21 COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$17,035.18
Weekly Contributions	\$15,771.25
Weekly Overage/Shortage	(\$1,263.93)
Yearly Overage/Shortage	(\$8,412.02)



50/50 Club: Envelope #2186 was drawn and that household did not participate this week. The pot for next week remains \$1,034. ICG#2454



St. Vincent de Paul Society members work so hard to help our neighbors who are struggling to make ends meet, many of them volunteering several times a week. With spring here, there is a huge need for bicycles, no matter the size. Even bicycles that are in need of *some* repair will be accepted. Please consider donating outgrown or unused bikes. Also needed are bicycle helmets. You may drop them off at the Mission 27 (132 Leota St. in the downtown area) Resale Shop or give the SVDP folks a call at 317-924-5769.



Dear Parishioners and Guests,

One of the hallmarks of being an 8th grader at SJOA is re-enacting the Living Stations of the Cross for the school and larger church community. For the past two years, we have been unable to organize this. Teachers were forced to think of another way to teach the students, other than the beautiful and moving tradition re-enactment. They devised a virtual presentation of the stations of the cross. Students' drawings of each of the stations, set to music, are accompanied alongside a voiceover explanation so that what is typically modeled, is instead illustrated and explained. We were not disappointed when the plan was revealed last year, and we were equally pleased with this year's presentation. The drawings are stunning and spiritual. It is clear that as simple as we need to scale things back, Christ's Holy Passion is central in the lesson.

We hope your family has a blessed Easter. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Janet Andriole
Principal



Are you or someone you know grieving the loss of a loved one? Perhaps the Tri-Parish *Seasons of Hope*

group can help. The **Seasons of Hope** group is a ministry of St. Joan of Arc, Immaculate Heart of Mary, and St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic churches. Grief and the process of dealing with it is a very individual thing. What we have in common is our journey, supporting each other as pilgrims on the road to healing. You need not be Catholic or even particularly religious to attend. Just bring with you an openness or even a hope to encounter God's healing. The next six-week session will begin at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, **April 13**. (This is a change.) Contact Kyle Murphy at 317-283-5508 or kmurphy@sjoa.org or Jeff Hutson at jeff@JeffHutson.com



Calling SJOA Moms- The Ministry of Mothers Sharing will hold a virtual opportunity for any mom, new or not-so-new, that would like to enter into a faith journey with other moms and

learn more about the beautiful vocation of motherhood. Moms, you will be 'Finding Peace, Balance, & Joy in Your Vocation as a Mother' with the 8 week video and prayer program **Momnipotent**. The online virtual opportunity will begin on April 8 at 7:00 p.m via Zoom. It will be held for 8 weeks on Wednesday nights. The Momnipotent study set (journal, book, & video access) can be found at <https://ascensionpress.com/collections/momnipotent/products/momnipotent-journal>. Join other SJOA moms on the journey! Contact Brea Cannon (breannalcannon@gmail.com) to register or for more information



Four sessions on **Benedictine Spirituality** will be offered at the Benedict Inn Retreat & Conference Center beginning April 6 and continuing on April 13, 20 and 27. Discover how this way of life promotes inner peace and happiness for all people, not just those in a religious monastery. Register at www.benedictinn.org/programs.



Parents and interested adults or near adults, we can sure use your **help** in the coaching department or as an assistant for soccer and also for kickball. Also, it is time to plan for the Spring Walkathon. Please consider donating a prize for this event. Contact Claire Jackson for more information: cjackson@sjoa.org.



The **National Catholic Youth Conference** will once again convene in Indianapolis this fall and it is already time to start planning to attend. At NCYC teens from around the country come to encounter Christ, experience Church and be empowered for discipleship. The event will take place November 18-20. The vision is for teens to have a wonderful , joy and fun-filled experience resulting in the knowledge that they, too, are disciples of Jesus Christ. Chaperones are also needed. Please let Kyle Murphy know if you are interested in attending. Contact Kyle at kmurphy@sjoa.org



Bishop Chatard High School invites you to enjoy their spring musical, Footloose, either in person on with live streaming on April 15, 16, and 17 at 7:00 PM. In person tickets are limited. Tickets are free but you must order them online at <https://bishopchatard.org/art/tickets/>



Parents looking for fun and educational activities for their children this summer are invited to check out **Camp Cathedral**. Registration is open for all students! More than 50 different enrichment classes as well as sports camps. Start planning a fun summer now by registering here: [Camp Cathedral](https://www.gocathedral.com/on-campus/campcathedral?post_category_id=185) https://www.gocathedral.com/on-campus/campcathedral?post_category_id=185

April 4 Worship Aid

Processional: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (vs.1, 2, & 4)

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
One true God by all confessed, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Spirit blest. Alleluia!

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, Heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father. (Refrain)

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us;
You take away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us. (Refrain)

For you alone are the Holy One;
you alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God, the Father. (Refrain)

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43

Responsorial: Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4
Think about what is above. When Christ appears, then you shall appear with him in glory.

Gospel Acclamation: cf. 1 Corinthians 5:7b-8a
Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us then feast with joy in the Lord.

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Song for Sprinkling: Shall We Gather at the River

Shall we gather at the river
Where bright angel feet have trod
With its crystal tide forever
Flowing by the throne of God

Refrain:
Yes, we'll gather at the river
The beautiful, the beautiful river
Gather with the saints at the river
That flows by the throne of God

On the margin of the river
Washing up its silver spray
We will walk and worship ever
All the happy golden day (Refrain)

Save us, savior of the world
For by your cross and resurrection
You have set us free

Communion Chant: One Love Released

Refrain:
One bread one body, one cup one call
One faith one spirit, present in us all
One prayer, one blessing
One hope, one peace
One church, one people
One love released

Is not this bread we share
The body of our Lord
Is not this wine we drink
The blood of Christ out-poured (Refrain)

I am the bread of life
Eat and you shall live
To those who share this meal
My strength I'll always give (Refrain)

I am the living bread
As mana from the sky
This bread I give to you
That you may never die (Refrain)

No one will come to me
Unless our God has led
And I shall raise them up
Raise them from the dead (Refrain)

Recessional: Sing with All the Saints in Glory (vs.1 & 2)

Sing with all the saints in glory
Sing the resurrection song
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story
To the former days belong
All around the clouds are breaking
Soon the storms of time shall cease
In God's likeness, people waking
Know the everlasting peace

Oh what glory, far exceeding
All that eye has yet perceived
Holiest hearts for ages pleading
Never that full joy conceived
God has promised, Christ prepares it
There on high our welcome waits
Every humble spirit shares it
Christ has passed the eternal gates

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