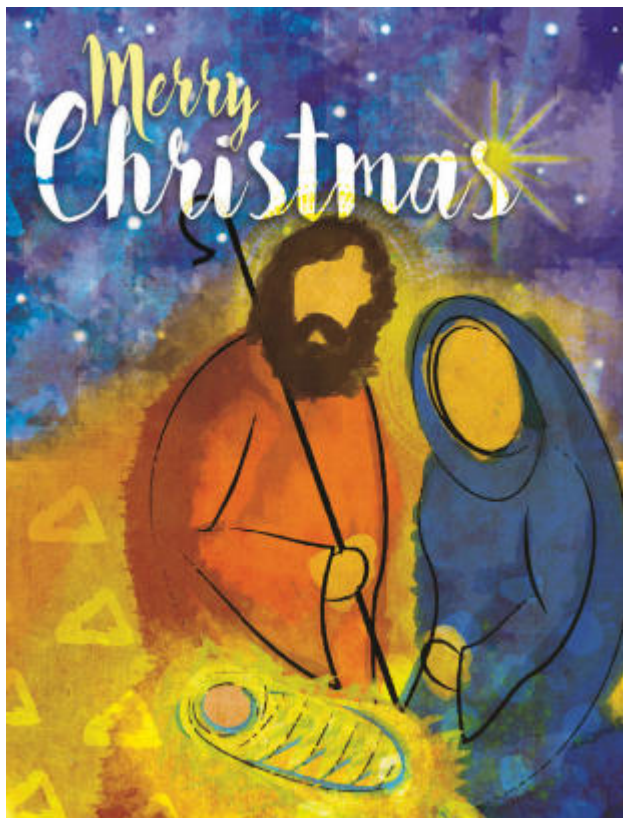




# ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Christmas and the Feast of the Holy Family | December 24-26, 2021



## OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Joan of Arc Parish is a growing community of Roman Catholic Christians in the Chagrin Falls area. We are a diverse, gifted, and joyful people who share a common belief in the Word of Jesus Christ. Our Mission, like that of Jesus Christ and His apostles, is to proclaim the Kingdom of God through living the gospel.

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**Celebrate** our faith and the presence of God in the Eucharist and in one another.

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**Teach** our beliefs at all levels.

**Welcome** the participation of all in our Christian fellowship.

### Parish Information

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*Rev. John R. Olsavsky, Retired Pastor*

### Mass Schedule

#### Weekend Mass:

Saturdays 4:30pm, Sundays 9:00am and 11:00am

#### Weekday Mass:

Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays 8:00am

Tuesdays 9:00am September-May, 8:00am June, July and August

*Holy Day Masses and Civic Holidays subject to change - see bulletin and/or website.*

### Sacramental Information

**Baptism:** Celebrated at most weekend masses or on most Sundays at noon. Contact the Parish Office.

**Reconciliation (Confession):** Saturdays 3:30pm until all are heard. Advent and Lent Saturdays 3:15pm-4:00pm.

*For other Sacramental Information, please see PAGE 3.*

**New parishioners welcome! Please contact the Parish Office to register.**

**Greetings of Peace for "Christmas week."** *I am writing this column on Friday, December 10, since our bulletin "due dates" have been adjusted due to the Christmas and New Years holidays and our bulletin company's schedule. I am trying to think ahead to Christmas and New Years, even though they are weeks from now!*

**Merry Christmas, and Blessings for the Christmas Season!** I hope and pray that the celebration of our Lord's birth has brought you his heavenly gifts, particularly his love, peace, and joy. Spiritually, I like the prayer of this season that says, "In Jesus, God became like one of us. Let us become more like him!" Let's do just that in this Season and in the New Year, 2022.

Even in the midst of this pandemic, **let us give thanks** to those who helped make our Christmas masses wonderful celebrations here at St. Joan of Arc. Particular recognition should be given to our Parish Staff, Mr. Ralph Holtzhauser for our music (and cantors and accompanists), our Liturgical Ministers and Ushers, those who tend to the care and decoration of our church (in Advent, Christmas, and throughout the year), and for you, the good people of SJA who make our parish such a good place! Thank you. You are a gift.

Looking at **the daily and weekend mass schedule for this week and the New Year** (including New Year's weekend), **please note a few adjustments:**

- There will not be a daily mass this week on Monday December 27 or Friday December 31
- For "New Year's weekend" we will follow our regular weekend mass schedule:  
Saturday January 1, 2022 at 4:30 PM and Sunday January 2, 2022 at 9 AM and 11 AM
- Our regular daily mass schedule will resume this week
- *I will be out of town the week of January 9, so there will no daily mass that week*

I shared this "cute" verse with you in the past and quite a few people told me how much they enjoyed it. I thought it would be good to share it again this year. I hope it makes you smile!

"Christmas Consequences"  
Twas the time after Christmas  
and all through the house  
Nothing would fit me, not even a blouse.  
The cookies I'd nibbled, the eggnog I'd taste.  
All the holiday parties had gone to my waist.  
When I got on the scales there arose such a number!  
When I walked to the store (less a walk than a lumber).  
I'd remember the marvelous meals I'd prepared;  
The gravies and sauces and beef nicely rared,  
The wine and the rum balls, the bread and the cheese  
And the way I'd never said, "No thank you, please."  
As I dressed myself in my husband's old shirt  
And prepared once again to do battle with dirt -  
I said to myself, as I only can  
"You can't spend a winter disguised as a man!"  
So away with the last of the sour cream dip,  
Get rid of the fruit cake, every cracker and chip  
Every last bit of food that I like must be banished  
Till all the additional ounces have vanished.  
I won't have a cookie - not even a lick.  
I'll want only to chew on a long celery stick

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## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, December 26

9:00am SJA Parishioners

11:00am Janos Szigeti (Szigeti)

### Monday, December 27

8:00am No Mass

### Tuesday, December 28

9:00am Jim Mastrangelo  
(Scaletta)

### Wednesday, December 29

No Mass

### Thursday, December 30

8:00am No Intention

### Friday, December 31

No Morning Mass

### Saturday, January 1

4:30pm Jo Ann Horvath  
(Horvath)

Mary Tighe (Moriarty)

## Moms, Pops, and Tots Play Group

Fun friends, and free play! Come join us (infants to 5 years) for play and conversation!

Meets Wednesday mornings at 9:00am in the Parish Hall.

Questions? Contact **Kelly Rohr** at **614-477-4032** or **kellyroserohr@gmail.com**

*Fr. Gary's letter, continued from PAGE 2*

I won't have hot biscuits, or corn bread, or pie,  
I'll munch on a carrot and quietly cry.

I'm hungry, I'm lonesome, and life is a bore -

But isn't that what January is for?

Unable to giggle, no longer a riot.

Happy New Year to all and to all a good diet!!

*-From "Hilarious Hailey" in Retirement Today, WA  
Smith Financial Group, Nov/Dec 2015, pg. 3. Used with  
permission*

Blessings and Peace for the Christmas Season, and  
for the New Year of Grace, 2022.

Noel.

*Fr. Gary*

## Other Sacramental Information

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Please contact a priest or deacon at least one year before the anticipated date.

**Care of the Sick and Elderly:** Please inform us of those who are sick, aged, unable to come to church, homebound, hospitalized, or may need the Sacrament of Anointing.

**Funerals:** Please contact the parish office before scheduling or publishing (generally through a funeral director).

**Sponsor Certificates:** May be obtained by registered, practicing members of our parish who have received the three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist (and, if married, were married in the Church). Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

**Sessions in the Catholic Faith (RCIA):**

Wednesdays at 7:00pm, September - May. Contact **Deacon Jeff** at **440-376-9177**



## Office of Faith Formation

Merry Christmas! Let us always remember the true reason for the season and bring Christ into our homes this Christmas. We are grateful this holy season for each student, parent, guardian, volunteer, and administrator that helps create the wonderful Christ-like atmosphere that we get to enjoy all year round in our religious education programs. Merry Christmas to all and Happy New Year!

### First Reconciliation

Please keep our day school and PSR second grade students in your prayers as their First Reconciliation date approaches. First Reconciliation will be held on January 26th and February 2nd at 7:00pm. This a very exciting time for each one of them and we appreciate all your prayers!

### Confirmation Preparation

Our next session is on January 13th at 6:30 in the parish hall. This session will include a presentation from the Culture Project on the pros and cons of social media usage. Thank you to all the parents who are prayerfully supporting their children through this formation process! Your children are a gift to our parish.

### PSR Holiday Schedule

Religious education classes for grades K-8 will resume on Sunday, January 9th and Monday, January 10th. We hope you had a wonderful holiday break!

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our Children's Liturgy of the Word, for children in Kindergarten through Grade 3, is being offered every Sunday during 9:00am Mass. Please join us any time! No registration required.

## The Food Pantry in the Narthex is Back!

Please bring your non-perishable food donations (canned vegetables, fruits, spaghetti sauce, soups, pasta, rice, ramen noodles, peanut butter, etc.) when you come to Mass.

Thank you for supporting this very necessary outreach ministry.

## Food Pantry Collection in SJA Parking Lot on Thursdays

There will not be a perishable food collection for the Food Pantry this Thursday, December 30th, in the church parking lot. please look in the next bulletin for the list of requested items for January 6th, 2022.

Thank you so much for helping us stock the pantry shelves. Please call **Jane Zilly** with any questions at **216-402-8912**.

## Music Ministry

Children's Choir meets Thursdays at 5pm in the church and welcomes all children second grade and up who would like to make wonderful music! Please contact **Ralph Holtzhauser** at **440-666-9452** or **rholtzhauser@stjoanofarc.org** for more info.

Adult Choir meets Thursday nights at 7pm. We are in need of more singers and all who enjoy music are encouraged to come, no matter what your previous experience in music is!

## VBC Coordinator Opportunity

SJA is looking for a Vacation Bible Camp Coordinator. This part-time position begins in January! We start ordering supplies in the winter and organizing volunteers by the spring. We are looking for one dedicated individual to oversee VBC and delegate volunteer positions as necessary. A generous stipend will be offered. For more information, contact **Amanda Haberman** at [ahaberman@stjoanofarc.org](mailto:ahaberman@stjoanofarc.org) or **440-247-3606 x 125**.

This year's theme will be MONUMENTAL: Celebrating God's Greatness!



## Mass Celebrant

1/1/22	4:30pm	Fr. Gary J. Malin
1/2/22	9:00am	Fr. Gary J. Malin
	11:00am	Fr. Gary J. Malin

Are you or someone in your life facing a difficult time, illness, surgery, or struggle? Put them on the SJA Prayer Line! Email prayer requests to [mvincenti@stjoanofarc.org](mailto:mvincenti@stjoanofarc.org)

## Cafeteria Manager Needed

St. Joan of Arc is in need of a Cafeteria Manager for the 2021-2022 school year. Mrs. Mahoney has graciously agreed to start the year so that the students will continue to have the option of a hot lunch each day. This is a part-time position, and more information can be found on the Diocesan employment website:

[https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/offices/human-resources/\\_employment-opportunities/category/all](https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/offices/human-resources/_employment-opportunities/category/all)

## Job Opportunity

St. Joan of Arc Parish in Chagrin Falls is seeking an Administrative Assistant/Secretary to handle a wide variety of duties and responsibilities that support the basic operations and functions of the parish office. Strong organization, communication, and relationship skills are essential, as are the ability to work independently, multi-task, and adjust priorities as they occur.

Those interested can drop off a resume (with cover letter) to the Parish Office, noting SJA Office Job on the envelope. No calls, please.

## Bulletin Submissions

If your parish group or organization has something to contribute to the bulletin, please email it to **Allie Gall** at [agall@stjoanofarc.org](mailto:agall@stjoanofarc.org) with the following subject line: **Bulletin MM/DD**.

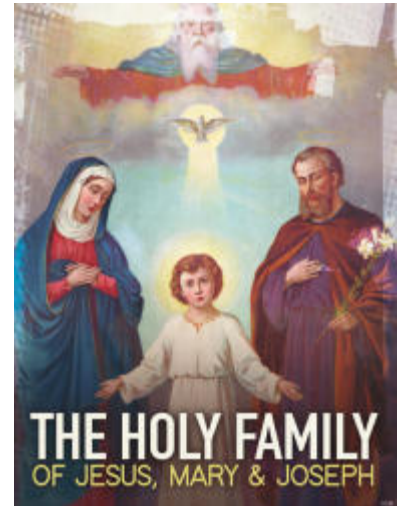
## Baptism Classes

The Sacrament of Baptism is a very special time where we receive into the Church the newly Baptized, along with welcoming their family and sponsors to share in the beginning of the child's journey of faith. Classes are offered both in-person and online with Zoom. To sign up or to get further information on the class or with questions on Baptism at St. Joan of Arc, call **Diana** at **440-552-1046** or email **dinah627@windstream.net**

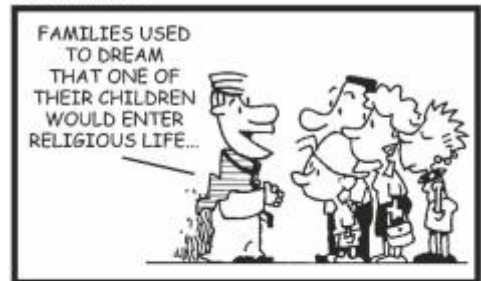
## Collections

### Weekend of 12/11-12/12

Cash	\$ 18,627.89
E-Giving	\$ 4,762.00
Total	\$ 23,389.89



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## Electronic Giving Choose the option that works best for you

1. Visit the SJA online giving website: <http://www.stjoanofarcchurch.org/eGiving.aspx> and set up an account, or simply scan the QR code below. You can set up a personal account to use for regular offertory, holy days of obligation, and special collections.

2. Visit the Apple App Store or Google Play Store, where you will find the free "Give + Church" smart phone app.

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3. Complete the paper form found on the website listed in Option 1 and mail it to the Parish Office:

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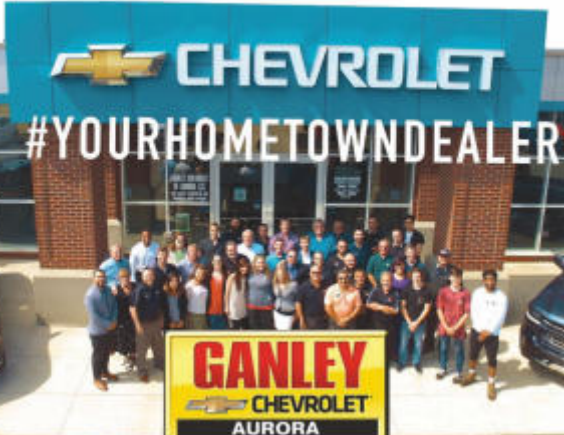
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