ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Epiphany of the Lord | Sunday, January 2, 2022



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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.

WE GATHER AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY TO:

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

Imitate our Savior in His service to others.

Teach our beliefs at a ll levels.

Welcome the participation of all in our Christian fellowship.

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.

Parish Information

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Parish Staff

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We celebrate the **Feast of the Epiphany** this weekend. The narrative of the Magi tells us they followed the star and found our Lord! They offered gifts and did him homage. We can do the same. Seek the Lord. Discover his love. Give him the gift of your life. Worship him – the one who deserves our praise!

It is appropriate for people to bless their homes on Epiphany. For those wishing to bless their homes, this Epiphany prayer can be used – with a piece of chalk, if desired. The U.S. Bishops strongly suggest a "House Blessing" be done by those who dwell in their home. The family gathers together and all can participate in the blessing of their home (or apartment).

BLESSING OF THE HOME AND HOUSEHOLD ON EPIPHANY

All make the sign of the cross, and the leader begins: Peace be with this house and with all who live here. Blessed be the name of the Lord. All respond: Now and forever. The leader introduces the blessing: During these days of the Christmas season, we keep this feast of the Epiphany celebrating the manifestation of Christ to the Magi, to John in the River of Jordan, and to the disciples at the wedding of Cana. Today Christ is manifested to us! Today this home is a holy place! The Scripture is read by a family member: From the Holy Gospel according to John: (John 1/1-2, 14) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God. All things came to be through Him and without Him nothing came to be. And the Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us, and we saw His glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. The Gospel of the Lord. All respond Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ. The leader continues: Let us pray: Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed Your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. All respond: Amen. The leader or a family member can mark the doorway of the house with chalk with the year and the

initials of the names attributed to the three Magi, Caspar, Melchior and Balthassar: 20 + C M B + 22 (or last two digits of the current year)

"They presented him with gifts of Gold, and Frankincense, and Myrrh." (see Matthew 2/1).

Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 2 9:00am SJA Parishioners 11:00am Bishop Anthony M. Pilla (Hollis) Monday, January 3 8:00am Vicky Koeblitz (Hollis) **Tuesday, January 4** 9:00am Eddie Giordano (7eleznik) Wednesday, January 5 No Mass **Thursday, January 6** Delores Henry (Nally) 8:00am Friday, January 7 Kathryn Makley 8:00am

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Saturday, January 8 4:30pm Patrick Zilly (Nally)

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

Fr. Gary's Letter, Continued from PAGE 2

Looking ahead, I will be out of town the week of January 9, and so there will not be a daily mass in the parish that week. Our wonderful parish staff and ministry team will do their best to respond to any emergencies that may come up while I am away and our neighboring priests will try respond to any funerals or sacramental needs that may present themselves. Thank you, Fathers – and Thank you to our Ministerial Staff here at St. Joan!

And, one more item, "looking ahead." Bishop Malesic will be in our "area" at Church of the Resurrection in Solon on Sunday January 16. The bishop will celebrate mass at 2:00 PM with a reception to follow. Our diocese is divided into "districts" and this is the bishop's visit to the "Suburban Southeast District" of the Diocese of Cleveland. If attending, please RSVP to Resurrection's parish office by January 9calling 440-248-0980 or email jketring@ churchofresurrection.org.

Noel, Blessings and Peace for this final week of the Christmas Season, and for the New Year, 2022.

Fr. Gary

Office of Faith Formation

Happy New Year! May God bring you hope, peace, joy, and love throughout the new year. We have so much to look forward to in 2022. Let us pray for God's blessing on SJA Parish and the whole world.

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.

Bulletin Correction

There was a misspelling in the December 19 bulletin. The 4:30pm mass on December 24 was said for Timothy Vleck.

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 Thursdays are Back for the New Year!

There will be a car in the SJA parking lot this Thursday, January 6, from 10-11 for you to drop off food donations. The list of needs for this week is:

-oatmeal -butter -cabbage -kielbasa -white rice -egg noodles

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

A Note from Fr. John Olsavsky

Dear Friends,

I am grateful for this opportunity to thank you all for your prayers and support. Since my health concern in September, I have been involved in physical therapy, rehab, and am making good progress.

As we rejoice in the birth of Our Savior, I wish you all a Merry Christmas this Season and pray that He will give you many blessings in the New Year 2022!

Fr. John

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 **ahabermand@ stjoanofarc.org** or **440-247-3606 x 125**.

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



Mass Celebrant

1/8/22	4:30pm	Fr. Gary J. Malin
1/9/22		Fr. Gary J. Malin 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**

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

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** 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.ne**t

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.

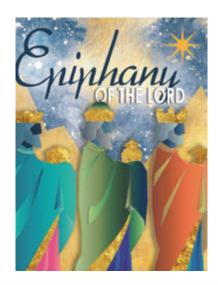
After downloading, you can set up a personal account and use the site for regular offertory, holy days of obligation, and special collections. You will be prompted to enter our zip code of 44022 or the St. Joan of Arc Church name. Click on our church name and address in the list and then begin the process of setting up you account.

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

St. Joan of Arc Parish Office Attn: Kelly Kearney 496 East Washington Street Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

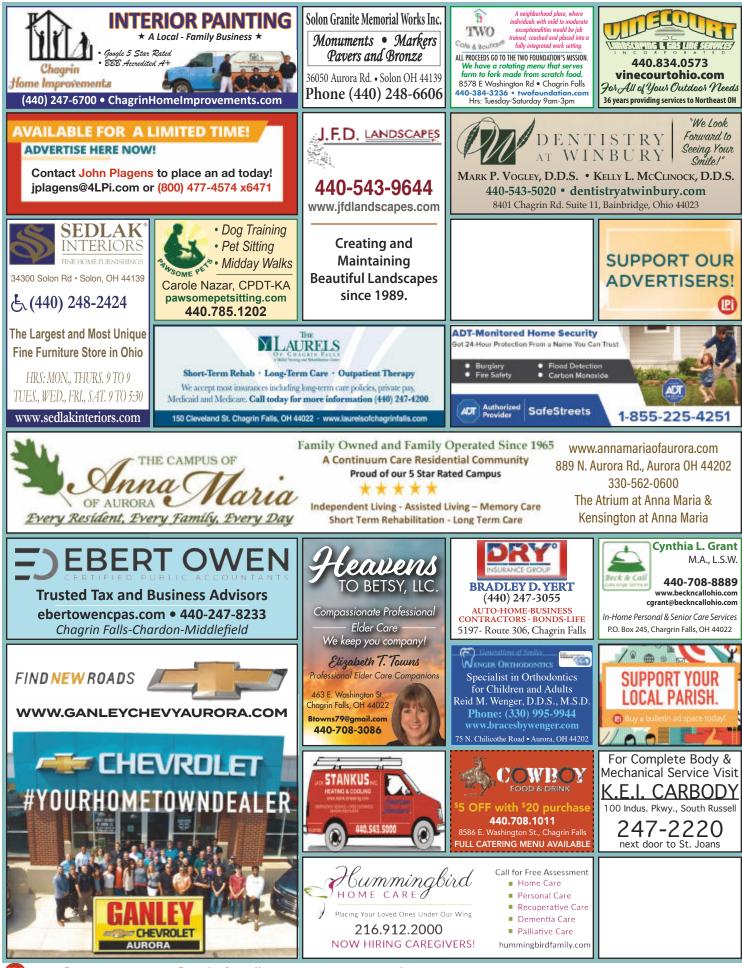
Collections

Weekend of 12/18-12/19		
Cash	\$ 30,765.54	
E-Giving	\$ 4,939.69	
Total	\$35,705.23	









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