

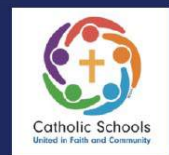
Church of St. Joan of Arc

We are a Eucharistic People.

We Adore Christ; We Receive Christ; We Become Christ for One Another.



Catholic Schools Week 2024



4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 28, 2024

Parish Office: 856-983-0077
Religious Education: 856-983-7575
School: 856-983-0774
Youth Ministry: 856-983-7674
Music Ministry: 856-985-5461
Convent: 856-983-0258



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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:30am - 12:30pm,
2pm - 5pm and 6pm - 8:00pm

Friday 9:30am - 12:30pm, 2pm - 5pm

Saturday 9:30am - 12:00pm

Click [Here](#) to Request a Mass Card

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Fr. John Michael Patilla, *Parochial Vicar*

Fr. Richard Regan, *Weekend Assistant*

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Mrs. Jessica Donohue,

Director of Religious Education

Sr. Stephanie Cymerman, SSJ,

Director of Music

SueAnn Jeral, *Pastoral Minister*

of Adult Faith Formation

Mr. Jay Keesler, *Youth Minister*

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ALL ARE WELCOME!

God's love knows no boundaries and neither do we!

Consider making St. Joan of Arc your home parish.

Register online at www.stjoans.org or stop in the office.

SUNDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:30PM; **Sunday** 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am & 12pm

Livestream Sunday: 10:30am

Live streams available on **Website:** www.stjoans.org

Facebook: [StJoansMarlton](#) & **YouTube:** [StJoanOfArcNJ](#)

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE (Jan. 29 - Feb. 9)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday : 9am (Livestream Available)

Tuesday & Thursday: 7am

Saturday 9am

Morning Prayer (Mon, Wed, Fri): 7am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays at 4:00pm & by appointment.

BAPTISMS

We celebrate Baptisms most Sunday afternoons. The baptism of your child is a great time to renew your own faith in Jesus Christ.

Call the Office to schedule at 856-983-0077

HOW TO BECOME CATHOLIC

We have special programs for children, teens and adults who would like to become Catholic or complete their Sacraments.

Please call 856-983-0077.

LOVE IS IN THE AIR

Congratulations to all who have been recently engaged! We invite you to consider a Church wedding (contrary to what you may have heard, Church weddings do not have to be BIG church weddings!). We would be honored to help you prepare for your wedding day. Please call the Parish Office (ask for Pat—856.983.0077) at your earliest convenience.

Marriage prep in the Church is easier (and more fun) than you may think!

CONSIDERING A DESTINATION WEDDING?

If you are considering a destination wedding, please give us a call to discuss available options to have your marriage blessed as one of the seven Sacraments. Even if you aren't sure what the Sacrament of Marriage is all about, give us a call. We think you will be pleasantly surprised!

ALREADY CIVILLY MARRIED?

Or married in another faith tradition? We would love to talk to you about having your marriage blessed in the Catholic Church.

Call today: 856.983.0077

Or Email: richard.laverghetta@stjoans.org

jm.patilla@stjoans.org

PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

Our Tabernacle Candle will remain lit during the week of January 28th to February 3rd for the intention of :

Ken Mills

Requested by: The Sawn Family

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Joe Sadlowski, Roberta Schneider, Fr. John A Del Duca, Fr. Robert V Smith, David D Evans, Paul Krisa, Joseph Leyenaar, Diana Jordan, and Bernie Koval

REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Please pray for the soul of Donald J. Staudt whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on January 23rd.

Please pray for the soul of Barbara Tietze whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on January 26th.

Please remember in your prayers the consolation of their families.

PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY

KINDLY PRAY FOR THE WELFARE OF

Sgt Elliot Adkisson III, Jason Alexander, Matthew Alexander, Cms Michael Allen, Cpl Jason Annese, A1C Daniel Bilgic, A1C Joseph Bilgic, Josh Blassman, LT Justin Beck, Bryan Bolt III, Cpl Stephen Bray III, LT Jack Brandt, Col Denis Brown, Maj Ryan Brunk, Cmdr. Matthew Buyske, SN Matthew Chybinski, SSG John Ciacci, Michael Costello, MSgt Zachary Crawford, Gwen Daley SR, Joseph DeStefano, Josh Dikmak, Col Christopher DiNote, John Dixon, LCpl Silvio Duplechan Jr, Sgt Mohamed Embaby, Pvt Andrew Ensign, James Evans, Luca Franchi, Col Gerard Gagnon, E3 Lucas Goergen, Cpl Michael Goncalves, Spc Evan Grabowski, Andrew Guattari, LtCol John Harding, LtCol Bill Harkins, SR Hannah Hayes, James Hayes, Rick Heipertz, Spc William Hornung, Sgt Jeffrey Jayne, PFC David Johnson, Matt Kotowski, PO2 Dixon Kehoe, PO3 Maxx Kehoe, SSG Kris Knaup, Brian Kohler, Sgt Jonathan Krall, 2nd Lt Trevor Kuroczka, Cpt Scott Lafferty, Lt John Paul Lamorte, A1C Class Daniel Little, SSG Stephen MacCrory, William Mace, Bryan Marines, Cayden Martin, Pvt. 1st Class Matthew Marthins, Cpl Anthony Mastrangelo, PFC Class Matthew Mastrangelo, Cpt Michelle Mathews, LT Shane Mauro, Brenden McKittrick, Sgt Brian McNally, Sgt Luke McNally, Cpt Jared Miller, SSG Richard Miller III, Cpl Timothy Miller, Lt Maggie Montesanti-Bowen, Cpl Shannyn Noone, A1C Anthony Orlando Jr, Sgt Michael Peterson, Bob Poller, ENT Nicholas Ricci, Sr Chief Kimberly Ripoli, Doug Sackett, Clinton Scheibner, Lt Andrew Schwalbenberg, Col Dan Shanahan, PFC Joseph Seller, Molina Semple, CW4 Nicole Sproesser, LT Gregory Swift, Dallas Thorp, Pvt Jake Witham, Luke Williams, Tristan Wood, SSG Jaried Zavatter, Robert Zielinski, Pvt. Ian S. Evans & Cpt. Shaun T. Lieb EOD, Jack M. Tarzy, MIDN USN

MASS INTENTIONS

One Daily Mass Jan. 29 - Feb. 9

Monday	January 29
9:00 AM	Mary Lou Orr r/o <i>Joanne Swift</i> Florence Fenaroli r/o <i>Family</i> Robert J. Hartman, Jr. r/o <i>Cathy & Wayne Krentz</i> Marie Berg r/o <i>Lida Napier</i>
Tuesday	January 30
7:00 AM	Leona Wahl r/o <i>Peg Pendergast</i> Rosalie Margaret Giangrasso r/o <i>Laurie & Bob Follet</i> James Kehoe r/o <i>Mr. & Mrs. Edward Fierko</i> Annette DiPaolo r/o <i>Steve & Karen Agazzino</i> Patti Travers r/o <i>Pete & Joan Mattered</i>
Wednesday	January 31
9:00 AM	Travis Martin r/o <i>Roseann & John Carroll</i> Annette DiPaolo r/o <i>Mary Anne & Tom Donaldson</i> James M. Devenny r/o <i>Mary Friel</i>
Thursday	February 1
7:00 AM	John Pendergast r/o <i>Wife Peg & Family</i> Albert O'Brien r/o <i>Nelson & Paz Santos</i> June Wojtowicz r/o <i>Julie, Anna, Paul, Ed & Family</i> Betty Jane Stemple r/o <i>Joanne Swift</i> Eric Paramio r/o <i>Candida Fabia</i>
Friday	February 2
9:00 AM	Ann Bateman r/o <i>Kane & Tencer Families</i> Kenneth Arcidiacono r/o <i>Frank & Debbie Conti</i> Joan Seibert r/o <i>Cheryl Gliick</i> Marianne & Jack Hayes r/o <i>Loving Family</i>
Saturday	February 3
9:00 AM	Brian Picollo r/o <i>Mr. & Mrs. Edward Fierko</i> Richard Nocella r/o <i>Eric Fikry & Rosanna Suriano</i> Joseph Grossman r/o <i>Yvonne Grossman</i>
5:30 PM	Brian Picollo r/o <i>Joanne Swift</i> Travis Martin r/o <i>The Magee Family</i> Carolyn Malaney r/o <i>Colleen Rainone & Siblings</i>
Sunday	February 4
7:30 AM	Karen Ciccotelli r/o <i>Susan & Walt Schrank</i> Erwin Budzynski r/o <i>Jim & Elaine Wilkie</i> Parishioners & Benefactors
9:00 AM	Anthony L. DiLoreto r/o <i>Hugh & Krista Van Sciver</i> Terry Kay McAndrew r/o <i>Bob Baranowski</i> Paul Marabella r/o <i>The Powers Family</i>
10:30 AM	Meghan Ranalli r/o <i>Clare & Joseph DiPhillipo</i> Richard Nocella r/o <i>Tony & Donna Devitt</i> Alfonso Lipawen r/o <i>Candida Fabia</i>
12:00 PM	Carmella DiPietro r/o <i>The Hannon Family</i> Anthony Romano r/o <i>The Romano Family</i> Paul Marabella r/o <i>Jim & Marijane Michalowicz</i>

GOSPEL

Mk 1: 21-28

Then they came to Capernaum, and on the sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him. All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee.

[For this weekend's readings, click here.](#)

FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS:

Jesus confronts evil head on. Mark tells us that the people respond to Jesus' teaching with astonishment. Jesus impresses the crowds not only with his words, but also with his authority power to heal.

Does Jesus speak to you with authority about a life issue today? How can you help dispel the evil in our world? What does Jesus give you the power to change or heal within your work? family? friends? school? world? What has Jesus done in your life that completely astonished you?

DID YOU KNOW ...

The petitions we hear every Sunday during the Prayer of the Faithful (also known as the General Intercessions) do not come out of a book. They are not "canned" prayers that many parishes use. They are written each week by a member of our Liturgy Planning Team. They are written specifically for us, for our community and for what is going on in the world and our community that week.

A NEW YEAR. AN IMPROVED YOU.

If you are an adult dealing with depression, anxiety, marital issues, issues with communication or with aging, perhaps counseling is for you.

Sr. Barbara Gondek, SSC is a licensed clinical social worker with over 24 years experience.

To schedule an appointment please call the parish office at (856) 983-0077 ext. 315 or email

pastoralcounseling@stjoans.org.

Sister Barbara will be available:

Wednesdays and Thursdays 9:30am—5:30pm
starting January 31st. (At this time, we are limiting appointments to parishioners only)

4th Sunday Ordinary Time /2024 *To Teach Like Jesus*

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The vast number of people who first encountered Jesus of Nazareth experienced Him as a teacher. We hear it today in Mark's Gospel. Jesus is teaching. Jesus teaches differently. He teaches the truth with humility, with integrity, with love.

After Christ had risen from the dead and ascended to God the Father, He filled His disciples with His Holy Spirit and sent them out to continue His work, His mission, His ministry. An important part of that work is teaching about the Kingdom of God. We here at St. Joan of Arc continue that ministry in many different ways, teaching people of all ages. This week we highlight the important ministry of our Catholic Elementary School.

At St. Joan of Arc School we make every attempt to teach as Jesus taught, which means to honor the dignity of each child, to help them grow spiritually, emotionally, intellectually and physically — in other words, to grow in holiness and wholeness as a unique child of God, as disciples of Christ, as well as citizens of this country and members of the human race.

We are blessed to have outstanding teachers in our elementary school. Guided by Sr. Pat Pycik, our school principal, they go the extra mile to help our children learn their subjects as well as to be kind and caring people.

I strongly encourage all of our parents to seriously consider sending your child(ren) to St. Joan of Arc School. Make an appointment for a tour of our school. Financial aid is available for any and all who might need it. Come see what makes a Catholic education different.

Peace!

Fr. Rich



YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL



Happy Catholic Schools Week! Thank you to our parishioners for your amazing support of our school!

Kindergarten and New Student Registration for the 2024-2025 school year is on **Thursday, February 1st** from 9:30-11:00 AM and 6:00-7:00 PM in Pedata Hall.

Our 5th Graders will celebrate their **LEAD Graduation** on Tuesday, January 30th at 1:30pm in the church.

Bringing a beautiful end to Catholic Schools week is our beloved **Grandparents Day**. Grandparents/Special Persons are invited to **9 AM Mass**, followed by refreshments and classroom visits on Friday, **February 2nd**. Students will have a **12:30pm dismissal**.

Join us for one of our biggest fundraisers of the year, the **Night at the Races and Casino Royale**, Friday, **Feb. 9th at 7:00 PM** in the school. See bulletin flyer for ticket info!

Thanks to all who continue to support our **RaiseRight gift card program**. Grocery Gift cards and gift cards to many area stores and restaurants are available for purchase. **SJA School receives a percentage of the sale at no cost to you.** For details, check out the PTA Current Happenings Page at <https://www.stjoansk-8.org/pta-1/>.

Scan this QR code for the enrollment code.

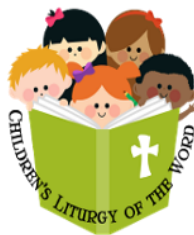


KIDSLIT

Join us **Sunday, January 28th during 10:30am Mass.**

We will see you on Sunday, February 4th at 9 am and 10:30am Mass.

Questions? Contact Melissa Denisi Eisenstock at childrensliturgy@stjoans.org



WINGS



Saturday, February 3rd DYC! Open to 8th Graders to High school Seniors! Missed NCYC? Come to the next best local thing. Scan QR code below for more information.

Saturday, Feb. 10th Save the date!

WINGS Blue Mt. SKI/Tubing day trip! More info soon! It's a fun day with your friends on Blue Mountain.

Any questions please contact Jay Keesler at (856) 313-9304

Diocesan Youth Conference

Saturday Feb 3 2024
Red Bank Catholic HS,
Red Bank NJ

8th—12th Grade Teens Invited
Adv. Registration \$25,
Walk-In Registration \$35
www.dotyouth.org/dyc



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Art of Catechesis - Virtual Classes in February

Have you ever thought about volunteering as a catechist or aide for Religious Education? Or are you just interested in learning more about our Catholic faith? We have a class for that! 'Art of Catechesis,' a course created by the Diocese, will be offered virtually in February on the following dates and times:

Session 1: The Role of the Catechist
Wednesday, February 7th, 6:30 pm

Session 2, Sources and Methods
Wednesday, February 21st, 6:30 pm

Session 3, Tools and Practice
Wednesday, February 28th, 6:30 pm

Participants must register in advance so that we can send you the Google Meet link for the class (there is no cost for this class). You can find the registration form at www.stjoans.org/religious-education/for-catechists or scan the QR code.

Questions? Please email Jessica Donohue, facilitator for the course, at jessica.donohue@stjoans.org.

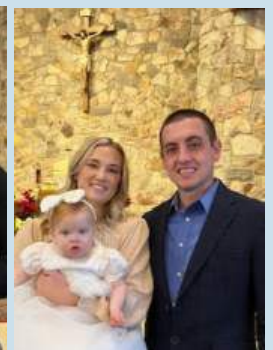


BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome the following children who were baptized into our community the weekend of January 21st:



Lyla Jacquelyn Arce
Benjamin Jason Arce
Liliana Rose Foehr
Cecilia Rose Piscitelli
Torin Clair Obetz



ADULT FORMATION

SPIRIT AND MIND MINISTRY

Tuesday, February 6th at 7pm in the Arc Room

Why ME? Have you ever asked yourself that question?

Why do bad things happen to good people?

Join us for a discussion on suffering and see examples of how others have used positive coping skills to answer the Why.

"Because of this, with much wisdom there is also much anger.

And whoever adds knowledge, also adds hardship.

– Ecclesiastes 1:18"

LOVE IN ACTION - A NEW MINISTRY!

Thursday, February 29th 7pm in Pedata Hall

Our parish is excited to launch a new social justice ministry called LOVE IN ACTION: Life, Justice and Creation. Our ministry will be grounded in our baptismal call as Christians to care for one another and our planet Earth.

Please join us for our first meeting on Thursday, February 29th at 7pm in Pedata Hall to hear what we have in mind and to brainstorm about what you may have in mind for our new ministry. If you have any questions please contact SueAnn at sueann.jeral@stjoans.org.

Come as you are

walking with purpose
SO MUCH MORE THAN A BIBLE STUDY

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, January 31st.

Opening Your Heart: We will be discussing Lesson 15: "What is the Role of Suffering In My Life". When we are suffering, nothing robs us of peace like expectations. We will focus on these expectations to come to a deeper understanding of the role of suffering in our lives.

Keeping In Balance: In this week's lesson, "Balance Our Cravings", we will discuss what we were truly made to crave for; a connection with Our Lord, the One who created us!

Fearless & Free: This week we will review Lesson 4, "Mature" and discuss Days 4 and 5.

MORNING PRAYER

7AM in Church Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday

Join us as we lift up our prayer petitions for each other along with receiving the Eucharist. A beautiful way to start the morning with the Psalms and praising God.



DAILY ROSARY 2 PM MON—SAT

Join us for the DAILY rosary. We gather on Zoom at 2pm **Monday thru Saturday**. Contact Donna Gould with questions and for the zoom link at sja.rosary@gmail.com.

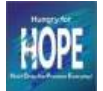


HUNGRY FOR HOPE

Thursday, February 1st 3:30pm on Zoom

This isn't a diet it's a journey of healing & grace!

Rooted in God's love and nourished by his Word, this is a ministry of spiritual sharing and support for anyone who longs for a healthier relationship with food for themselves or their loved ones. Questions and for zoom link contact Marijane at hungryforhope@stjoans.org



EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL



The reason why we all assemble on Sunday is that it is the first day: the day on which God transformed darkness and matter and created the world, and the day on which Jesus Christ our Savior rose from the dead.

St. Justin Martyr
First Apology, Chapter 67
(c. 160 AD)



Men:

***If the Truth hurts
..... it must be working.***



We meet on Friday mornings in Pedata Hall at 6am And On-line via ZOOM on Wednesday evenings at 7pm.

It's never too late to give us a try.

Go to www.stjoans.org/tmiy/ for more info.

PARISH LIFE

CARITAS CORNER FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

MONTHLY EVENTS:

TLC SOCIAL ADULT GROUP FOR YOUNG ADULTS Ages 18+

SAVE THE DATE- Friday, February 16th at 7:30 - 9:30pm
Pedata Hall Valentine's Celebration featuring DJ Nick. We will be collecting hand lotion and small boxes of chocolates for Wiley Nursing Home for our Random Act of Kindness.

HEART TO HEART PARENT/CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesday, February 13th at 7:00 pm via Zoom

Our focus will be Psalm 62:8 which gives believers a beautiful picture of prayer. It is prayer which stems from continual trust in a trustworthy God.

CARITAS MASS

Sunday, January 28th Noon Mass St. Joan of Arc Church
CARITAS CAFE!! Faith Sharing, Fellowship, Fun with Friends

Sunday, January 28th following CARITAS MASS 1:00-2:00PM

We invite Adults ages 18+ with one or more family members to come and share our faith with music, movement, small group activities and crafts. Light refreshments will be served.

CARITAS ENLIGHTENMENT

"Never worry about numbers. Help one person at a time and always start with the person nearest you."

- St. Teresa of Calcutta

ABIDE IN ME

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

Wednesday, January 31st 1:00pm in Knight's Hall

DO YOU NEED PRAYER OR WANT TO PRAY FOR OTHERS?

www.stjoans.org/ministries/abide-in-me

To ask for a prayer, or to pray with us, email Marijane at abideinme@stjoans.org or call the parish office.

The Knights of Columbus, Father John P. Wessel, Council #6530 and Katerina Tekakwitha, Council#12229 hosted the Council Level of the Free Throw Championship on Jan. 20th in SJA Gym. The Knights thank everyone for coming out and we appreciate St. Joan's allowing us to use their gym. Thank you to Brother Knights for volunteering your time. The winners advance to the District Level of the competition on February 3rd back at St. Joan's at 3PM. The winners of the Council Level are as follows:

COUNCIL #6530

Girls

10 year olds Reese Suleski
 11 year olds Angela Wisniewski
 14 year olds Jane Tomkiewicz

Boys

9 year olds Ryan McHale
 11 year olds Shane Flynn
 13 year olds Paul Flynn III

COUNCIL #12229

Girls

10 year olds Aryanna Hall
 13 year olds Brielle Suleski

Boys

9 year olds Zachary Rodgers
 11 year olds Doug Moore
 13 year olds Colin Pleckaitis

Congratulations to all those that will be shooting in the District Level. See you on February 3rd!

SCOUT SUNDAY!

Sunday, February 11th at Noon Mass

All Scouts, Scout families, and Scout leaders are encouraged to attend the 12 pm Mass on February 11th to celebrate "Scout Sunday".

Cub Scout Packs, Boy and Girl Scout Troops, and Brownies should bring their flags for participation in the entrance procession.

All Scouts & Scout leaders should wear their uniforms.

Please arrive at Knight's Hall at 11:45am. During Mass Scouts and Scout leaders will sit together in the middle aisle pews on the right side. Questions? Contact Tom Nolan Jr. at tnolan201@verizon.net.

AOA

Sundays 7pm Knight's Hall

A Christ centered ministry of spiritual support for anyone on their journey through **addiction to recovery or anyone accompanying a loved one** on their journey. Guided by the "Recovery 12 Steps" & related scriptures from the Life Recovery Bible.

We pray, we share, we support. We don't judge nor give advice.

AOA is for anyone impacted by this disease. All are Welcome!

For more info visit stjoans.org/AOA.

To have a conversation, please contact: Dan aoa@stjoans.org or [856-313-9758](tel:856-313-9758) or Elaine at aoa@stjoans.org or [609-923-6525](tel:609-923-6525)

Sponsored By: **Knights of Columbus**
COUNCIL 6530 St. Joan of Arc Parish

February 10 & 11th

Valentine's Day
Candy Sale!

Can be purchased after all Masses.

Treat Your Valentine to a One Pound box
of Dark or Milk Chocolate Covered Pretzels,
and Non-Pariels.
Freshly Made by "B & C" Chocolates.

1.) Order by email at: knights@stjoans.org
 2.) Call AL at (609)320-4362
 3.) Or complete the order form below.

\$20.00 per box.

Order Form

Name _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone: _____

Number of Boxes (\$20 each) _____

Total: \$ _____

Payable to: Wessel Council 6530.

Mail to:
Knights of Columbus
10 Patrick Henry Drive
Marlton, NJ 08053

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St. Joan of Arc School

Faith, Knowledge, Service



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

January 2024

Catholic Schools Week

Happy Catholic Schools Week!

The year 2024 at SJA began with our traditional New Year's retreat day. It was a beautiful day focused on bringing unity into the new year. Some highlights of the month include: Retreat Day, Feast of the Epiphany, SJA Hawks Basketball games, 5th Grade Spaghetti Dinner, LEAD Graduation and Catholic Schools Week.

This week, we celebrate not only our wonderful school, but also, our parish, parishioners, families and friends. We are blessed to have such an amazing community at SJA. Thank you for your incredible support of our school!



Dear Parishioners,

Peace! Hopefully the first month of the New Year has had moments, maybe even days of peace and happy memories.

The school community of SJA began 2024 with celebrating Eucharist with our parish community. We had connection activities throughout the day. We started with making a personal strip of paper. When completed, we met in the gym to connect the strips into a school wide chain. The blue and gold links now grace our cafeteria brain. We designed flip charts for the New Year, made Eucharist placemats with weekend Mass schedules, and had a picnic lunch provided by our PTA with our prayer partners. The day ended with all of us meeting in church, each class having an opportunity to visit the Christmas crib. This traditional day always proves to be a great way to begin the new year.

Our 5th grade families enjoyed their spaghetti dinner in January, while 6th, 7th and 8th grade families will celebrate in February and March.

Students in grades 2-8 completed their second session of the Star Assessment.

Our parish/school finance committee gave their state of the school address to our parents on Thursday, January 25. Tuition for the 2024-2025 school year is \$4,600 with a \$100 registration fee. Thanks to Fr. Rich, our Finance Committee, and our PTA, we are able to offer each child a \$3,064 scholarship helping to cover the cost per child.

This week we begin our annual National Catholic Schools Week. The theme is ***United in Faith and Community***. Thank you so very much for your prayerful and financial support. We look forward to praying with you and celebrating Eucharist with you each Friday.

Our fifth grade class will have their LEAD graduation on Tuesday, January 30. Pray with them and for them so that they may have the strength needed to stay drug free.

May your February days be filled with God's unconditional love.



God's Blessings!

Sister Pat



SMALL GROUPS LENT 2024

THEME: JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST



SMALL GROUPS ENCOURAGES US TO:

- Reflect on God's word.
- Grow closer to Jesus in the Eucharist.
- Grow in faith & friendships.

- Discuss our faith.
- Learn from others.
- Find God in the ordinary moments of life.



Small Groups will range in size from 6 to 12 people. Meetings will be held in homes or in parish facilities. Groups will meet for 7 weeks beginning the week of February 11th.

For questions contact SueAnn at: sueann.jeral@stjoans.org
To be a participant in a Small Group, please sign up through the link below:
<https://forms.gle/o8Na4ekwSgshrK5C7>

SJA'S 12TH ANNUAL NIGHT AT THE RACES & CASINO ROYALE

at St. Joan of Arc School Cafeteria and Gym

TICKETS
\$75 PER PERSON



FEBRUARY 9, 2024
7:00 – 11:00 PM

Horse racing | Casino Games | Wine Pull | Basket Raffle
Non-stop fun and lots of chances to win!

Ticket includes drinks, dinner & dessert, open wine & beer bar, start up gaming money and complimentary wine & beer tasting!

Must be 21 with valid ID to enter

[Click here](#) to purchase tickets electronically or scan QR code below



*Or send a check with the form below in the Brown Envelope.
Parish families may drop at the rectory in an envelope
labeled "NATR".*

TICKET REQUEST FORM

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Homeroom: _____

of Tickets _____

Total Due: _____

STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

As disciples we are called to be faithful stewards of our time, talent and treasure.

January 20/21	\$12,182
Electronic Giving	\$11,711
Christmas Collection to date	\$135,500

Thank you for your continued generosity!

HELPING HANDS MINISTRY

What is the Helping Hands Ministry here at St. Joan of Arc and how can you help?

Our Helping Hands Ministry at St Joan of Arc helps Marlton residents who are having a temporary need for financial help whether it is from loss of job, illness, etc. The only criteria is that you be a Marlton resident. Helping Hands is completely confidential.

This ministry is mainly supported by donations from our parishioners. Please consider making a donation to help our neighbors who are going through some difficult times.

Checks can be made out to St. Joan of Arc Church and state *Helping Hands in the memo section*. Thank you and God bless you for your consideration.



MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

NEXT WEEKEND - Food drive collections after all Masses. Donations will benefit the Prince of Peace Food Pantry. Any non-perishable food items and paper items are greatly appreciated! Bags in the gathering room are available for your donations to our monthly food drive. **Please drop off donations in the gathering room.**



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THE WEEK AHEAD:

Sunday, January 28th

- 1:00 PM: Caritas Cafe - *Pedata Hall*
- 7:00 PM: AOA - *Knight's Hall*
- 7:00 PM: WINGS - *Pedata Hall*

Tuesday, January 30th

- 5:00 PM: Adoration - *Church*
- 6:30 PM: Benediction - *Church*

Wednesday, January 31st

- 6:30AM: WWP - *Pedata Hall*
- 9:45AM: Bible Study - *Knight's Hall*
- 10:00AM: WWP - *Pedata Hall*
- 1:00PM: Abide in Me - *Knight's Hall*
- 7:00PM: O.C.I.A. - *Pedata Hall*
- 7:00PM: WWP - *Arc Room, Knight's Hall*

Thursday, February 1st

- 9:30 AM: School New Student Registration - *Pedata Hall*
- 3:30 PM: Hungry for Hope - *Zoom*
- 6:00 PM: School New Student Registration - *Pedata Hall*

Friday, February 2nd

- 3:00 PM: BLAZE - *Pedata Hall*

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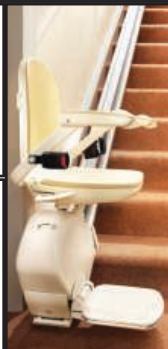
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