

Church of St. Joan of Arc

We are a Eucharistic People.

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



**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 8, 2024**

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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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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

Monday- 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.

Visit www.stjoans.org/sacraments/baptism to schedule

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 December 8th to December 14th for the intention of :

Robert Nowinski

Requested by: Gloria, Patsy, Vivian

REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Please pray for the soul of Robert Hartzell whose Funeral Service was celebrated on December 2nd. Please pray for the soul of Reineldis Darwish whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on December 4th. Please pray for the soul of Jean Trapuzzano whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on December 5th. Please remember in your prayers the consolation of their families.

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Daniel Mungiole, Bruce Forstein, Isabella Petitto, Eleanor Kane, Tammy Torrez, Deborah J. Rando, Rick Gawarzewski, Noreen Muth, Tommy Arlotta, Rosie Obara, Michael Madden, and James Coghlan.

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, Evan Brown MIDN USNA, Col Denis Brown, Maj Ryan Brunk, Capt. 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, Thomas Farley, Luca Franchi, Col Gerard Gagnon, E3 Lucas Goergen, Cpl Michael Goncalves, Spc Evan Grabowski, Andrew Guattari, LtCol John Harding, LtCol Bill Harkins, Jared Hatley, SR Hannah Hayes, James Hayes, Rick Heipertz, Spc William Hornung, Sgt Jeffrey Jayne, PFC David Johnson, Matt Kotowski, PO2 Dixon Kehoe, PO3 Maxx Kehoe, SSGt Kris Knaup, Brian Kohler, Sgt Jonathan Krall, 2nd Lt Trevor Kuroczka, Cpt Scott Lafferty, Lt John Paul Lamorte, 2nd Lt Jarrod LaRosa, 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, LCDR 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, SSGt Jaried Zavatter, Robert Zielinski, Pvt. Ian S. Evans & Cpt. Shaun T. Lieb EOD, Jack M. Tarzy, MIDN USN

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	December 9
9:00 AM	Joel Heipp r/o Aunt Gloria Greco Edith Phipps r/o Joanne Swift Jim Diefendorf r/o Seng Family
Tuesday	December 10
7:00 AM	Margaret Kuzio r/o Peg Pendergast
9:00 AM	Domingos and Maria Rodrigues r/o Tony & Karen Maria Fleetwood r/o Mary Bernard Pat D'Amico r/o Gerry & Rich Minder
Wednesday	December 11
9:00 AM	Lauren DiOrio r/o Joanne Swift Eleanor Tyler r/o Mary Bernard Bob Lang r/o His Sister, Jeannette McFarlane
Thursday	December 12
7:00 AM	Denise Fullmer r/o Loving Family
9:00 AM	Monsignor Armand Pedata r/o SJA Friends Nancy Firreno r/o Loving Family Eleen Kehoe r/o Her Children
Friday	December 13
9:00 AM	Theresa Walker r/o Family Edith Phipps r/o Joanne DelPrato Ingrid Williamson r/o The Garrido Family
Saturday	December 14
9:00 AM	Teresa Robles r/o Candida Fabia Ingrid Williamson r/o The Garrido Family
5:30 PM	Nicole Gina Margiotti r/o Her Mommy & Family Dubrovka Cortese r/o Small Group Sisters Edith Phipps r/o Roseann & Jack Carroll Alan R. Maute, Jr. r/o Mom and Dad
Sunday	December 15
7:30 AM	Bob Lang r/o Hedy Fortuna Bruce L. Lord r/o Donna Jenkins Dorothy and Stephen Korpalski r/o Rosemary Joyce & Family Theresa Price r/o Husband George
9:00 AM	Harper Mae Graham r/o Family Thomas Lamanna r/o Emily & Bill Hahn Nicholas Goetz r/o Cathy Salvatico-Vasile
10:30 AM	Ken Mills r/o The Sawn Family Jim Hagedorn r/o Jackie & Joe Gallombardo
12:00 PM	Jillian Schlueter r/o Jim & Marian Incognito Geraldine Barsocchi r/o The Hannon Family Joseph Gesualdi r/o Loving Family Parishioners and Benefactors

GOSPEL

Lk 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert. John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah:

A voice of one crying out in the desert:

*“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths.*

Every valley shall be filled

and every mountain and hill shall be made low.

The winding roads shall be made straight,

and the rough ways made smooth,

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”

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

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve - Dec. 24th

3:00 PM Church, 3:00 PM Gym

5:00 PM Children’s Mass

8:00 PM Mass

12 AM Midnight Mass

Christmas Day:

8:00 AM

10:00 AM

12:00 PM

(All Masses will be held in the Church)

2nd Sunday of Advent / 2024

THIS HAPPENED!

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

St. Luke is emphatic. He gives dates. He gives names. He gives a specific historical context. Tiberious Caesar was the Roman Emperor. Pontius Pilate was the Roman appointed governor of Judea. Herod was the puppet administrator of the region of Galilee (where Nazareth sits). Annas and Caiaphas were the high priests in the Jewish Temple. This is when John began baptizing. This happened.

About thirty years prior to John’s preaching and baptizing, while Caesar Augustus was emperor of Rome, in a town of Bethlehem, five and a half miles from Jerusalem, a woman named Mary, whose husband was Joseph, gave birth to a child they named Jesus. This happened.

Yes, Jesus happened. In time and place. On this planet. The birth of Jesus Christ, the life and ministry of Jesus Christ, and, yes, His death and resurrection REALLY HAPPENED.

Jesus Christ is not a character in a fairy tale. His birth is not fiction. Real people knew Jesus, heard him, listened to him, loved Him. (Some other real people feared and felt threatened by Him.) Real people changed their lives to follow Him. Real people gave up everything, many times even their lives, to preach Him. Real people began a new way of living, a new way of believing in and worshipping God, a new way of loving, because of Him.

As we prepare for Christmas, let’s make Jesus REAL in our lives, in our words, decisions, our values, in the way that we prepare, in the way that we communicate. Let’s not treat Christmas like some cute storybook fantasy that we read once a year and then put it back on a shelf. Don’t keep Jesus on a shelf, either. Jesus is not an elf. Jesus was real. Jesus Christ IS real. Our children and grandchildren need to know this. We need to know it, too, and live like we know it.

Real Advent!

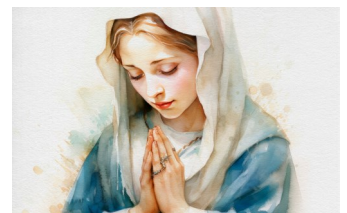
Fr. Rich

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The usual date for this important. Solemnity is December 8th. Because it falls on a Sunday this year, it is moved to Monday, December 9th. We will have two Masses celebrating this Feast — 9am and 5:30pm.

On this day the Church celebrates the grace of God which prepares Mary, from the moment of her conception in her mother’s womb, to be the bearer of the Savior, the bearer of our salvation. As her cousin Elizabeth will say to her, “Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb!”

Elizabeth goes on to ask in wonderment, “How does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me!” From this, the Church in its earliest days called Mary “Theotokos,” which means “God-Bearer,” the Mother of God. (Read more about this in the Catholic Catechism, #490-495)



YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL

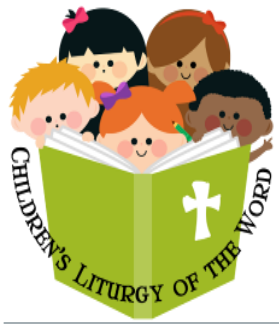


- Join us for the **SJA Annual Holiday Hayride** at Johnson's Farm on Wednesday **December 11th**. Details available in the SJA Weekly Newsletter. Thank you to the PTA for organizing this fun, family event.
- **Friday December 13th is the PTA's annual Secret Santa Shop**, where students can shop for thoughtful gifts for their family as we celebrate the season of giving.
- Parents, grandparents or special persons **looking to volunteer at the school** are required to go through **Virtus certification**. Register at www.virtusonline.org/virtus or contact Janet Polidora at virtus@stjoans.org.
- **Grocery and other gift cards** are available for purchase at Sunday Masses from 8:30am-11:30am. **Gift cards purchased through the RaiseRight gift card program benefit SJA School - at no additional cost to you**. For more details visit www.stjoansk-8.org/pta-1/.



Welcome Back!

Please come and join us on Sunday, December 8th during
10:30am Mass



We will see you on Sunday December 15th for 9am & 10:30am
Mass.

KidsLIT Schedule: Week 1 & 3 at 9am Mass & Weekly at
10:30am Mass

Any questions, please reach out to Melissa Denisi Eisenstock at
childrensliturgy@stjoans.org
www.stjoans.org/ministries/kidslit

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education News!

Art of Catechesis Class coming in February

Have you ever thought about teaching religious education, but would like a little more background on the subject? We have a class for that! We are offering the Art of Catechesis, the Diocesan course for methodology, on Saturday, February 15th from 9:30-3:30 in Pedata Hall.

****Advance registration is required.**** For the registration link, please email us at rem@stjoans.org, or see our catechist page on the website: www.stjoans.org/religious-education/for-catechists

WINGS



Meetings Every Sunday from
7 to 9pm in Pedata Hall except when noted

November 2025 November 20- 22 NCYC at the Indiana Convention Center and Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis IN

Theme: I AM / YO SOY

Next Meeting December 8th

Important Dates:

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| 12/14/24 | Service Event: Children's Bar Foundation Breakfast with Santa Christmas Party BCIT 730am depart SJA. |
| 12/17/24 | WINGS Christmas Party 7 to 9pm in Pedata Hall All Parish Teens Welcome |
| 12/29/24 | No Meeting |
| 1/5/25 | Wings Home Coming Dance: All Past WINGS Alumni Are Welcome |
| 1/12/25 | Passion Play Tryouts 7 to 9 — No meeting |
| 1/19/25 | No Meeting — Enjoy the 3-day weekend! |
| 1/26/25 | Play Practice / Short meeting |
| 2/1/25 | Diocesan Youth Conference 2025: All 8th to high seniors are invited to attend! Notre Dame High School in Lawrence NJ. If you RSVP, WINGS will provide transportation. |
| 2/2/25 | Play Practice - No Meeting |
| 2/8/25 | WINGS Blue Mt. Trip: Ski or Tubing, it is up to you! A day of fun in the snow at Blue Mt PA! Leave from SJA about 7am get back around 2pm. |

Contact Jay Keesler 856 313 9304

PARISH LIFE

ST. NICHOLAS TOY DRIVE THIS WEEKEND!

Our toy drive for children served by Mt. Carmel Guild in Trenton has begun.

New and unwrapped toys, books, crafts, board games, dolls (variety of ethnicities), science kits, cars and trucks, or popular toys of the year for children from 1 year old to 12 years old will be greatly appreciated.

**Kindly place your gift in Pedata Hall before
or after weekend Masses no later than 12:00 p.m. on
Sunday, December 8.**

For more information, email stnicktoydrive@stjoans.org.

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)

Support for Retired Religious

THIS WEEKEND!

Collection December 7th & Dec 8th

There will be a collection after all Masses this weekend to support the retired religious. Please consider giving to those who have given a lifetime.

SENIOR LUNCHEON

Tuesday, December 10th

11:30am in the SJA School Cafeteria

Our December Senior Luncheon will take place on Tuesday, December 10 at 11:30. Our SJA eighth graders will host in the school cafeteria. Please join us for a lovely meal, fellowship, and entertainment. We hope to see you there!



BUNCO Friday, December 20th

7:30 pm in Pedata Hall

Join us for the next game of Bunco!

Don't know how to play? It's easy,

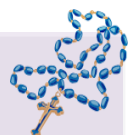
we'll teach you! Bring a snack to share if you like. More information email Lorrie at bunco@stjoans.org



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



PARISH LIFE

CHRISTMAS WREATHS

The Knights of Columbus are offering Christmas Wreaths for display outside the Church. Purchase your wreath in memory of loved ones, family or a festive Christmas theme! Individuals or families can receive their individual wreaths and assigned spots with a sponsorship of \$50. Place orders by email knights@stjoans.org and send a check to Knights of Columbus 10 Patrick Henry Drive Marlton NJ 08053. Start with your very own 20" lighted wreath prominently displayed on a 4-foot post secured around the island and walkways in front of our Church. Make it your own with decorations and remembrances of your loved ones and family. We suggest your memories or greetings be laminated prior to attaching them to your wreath. Decorate to your hearts content, but no extra lights please. Your wreath will remain lit and displayed throughout the Christmas Season, from Advent to The Epiphany (Jan 6th) .



USHERS MINISTRY

The Ushers Ministry is always looking for men, women and young adults to join the ministry and help out at all the Masses. We currently need help for the 5:30 Saturday Mass and covering the upcoming Christmas Masses. If you can help out or would like more information regarding the Usher's Ministry please contact Dean DeRose at ushers@stjoans.org

Now that we have "Black" Friday out of the way....



.. we can start focusing on Advent "Purple".

We meet on Friday mornings in Pedata Hall at 6am and
On-line via ZOOM on Wednesdays evenings at 7pm.
It's never too late to give us a try.
go to www.stjoans.org/tmiy/ for more info.



I Am Here.

Come Visit Me.

Every Tuesday
Adoration 5pm - 6:30pm
Benediction 6:30pm

Would you like to help a family in need this Christmas?
Consider donating to St Joan of Arc Helping Hands
Christmas Fund

All donations will be distributed to families who are struggling financially here in Marlton. You can donate gift cards from local stores such as Target, Walmart, Kohl's, Old Navy, etc. or you can send in a monetary donation. All monetary donations will be used to purchase gift cards from SCRIP to help the families in need.

Please send in your donations by **Monday, December 16th**.
If you are in need of help, please call Pat (856) 983-0077 ext 312.
The SJA Helping Hands Christmas Fund takes the place of our "Family to Family" Christmas Outreach Project. Thank you for your generosity, and for making a family's Christmas brighter!



PARISH LIFE

INSTALLATION OF THE PRAYER GARDEN PAVERS FOR THE SPRING OF 2024 HAS BEEN COMPLETED

Pavers are located on the walkway right of the gazebo entrance to the statues of St. Theresa (on the left) and St. Anthony (on the right).

Thank you to all who ordered the pavers. Enjoy the garden while looking for your paver. The next order for pavers will be March 2025.

Any problems, please contact Betty Mills 856-596-0407

Wednesday Faith Group

Wednesday, December 11th

Showing *The Chosen* every Wednesday morning at 9:45 in Knight's Hall, All are welcome!

For more information email emilyhrem@stjoans.org

ABIDE IN ME

Wednesday, December 11th 1:00pm
in Knight's Hall



DO YOU NEED PRAYER OR WANT TO PRAY FOR OTHERS? Email Marijane at abideinme@stjoans.org. Pray with us on Wednesdays from 1PM-2PM and once a month in the evening! To ask for a prayer, or to pray with us, email Marijane at abideinme@stjoans.org or call the parish office at (856) 983-0077.

Women of Faith Advent Celebration

Come celebrate the Joy of the Christmas Season at Saint Joan of Arc Women of Faith's Advent Celebration Monday, December 9, 2024 6:30 p.m. in Pedata Hall



All women are invited to join us for a fun-filled evening of Fellowship, Dinner (Balsamic Glazed Chicken, Eggplant Roulatine, Asian Noodle Salad, Grilled Vegetables and Caesar Salad, Beverages, Dessert), Games & Live Entertainment. Kindly respond by December 1 so we will know how much food to order. Feel free to invite all the special women in your life! Please make checks for \$30 per person payable to SJA and mail to Maria Chalmers, 44 Brittany Boulevard, Marlton, NJ 08053.

WEDDING BANNS

Second Announcement:
Gemma Ochman and Kevin Braun



LOVE IN ACTION

Life, Justice and Creation:



Our next meeting will be on Thursday, December 12 at 7 PM in Pedata Hall. We are a social justice ministry which strives to fulfill our baptismal call to care for one another, especially those most in need, and to care for creation. We welcome anyone with any interest in social justice to join us, as we put our love into action. For more information, contact Lia or SueAnn at lia@stjoans.org

COMMUNITY SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND!

Please join us next weekend, December 8th in Pedata Hall, after all Sunday Masses, for donuts, coffee, and fellowship!

Service hours are available for students. We hope to see you



1st Annual Sparkle of Hope Charity Gala

Join us for the Sparkle of Hope Gala Fundraiser which will provide assistance to our neighbors in need who may come upon hard times, struggling with everyday expenses. This is done through our Helping Hands Ministry.

Please Save the Date
Friday, January 31st
Time: 6:30 pm - 11 pm
Location: Westin Hotel, Mt Laurel

- * Cost: \$125 per person
- * Cocktail Hour & Hors D'Oeuvres
- * Plated Gourmet Dinner
- * Full Open Bar Throughout
- * Dancing with a Ten Piece Live Orchestra
- * 50/50 Tickets and other Games of Chance

We Hope You Will Attend the Gala to enjoy a wonderful evening while supporting a cause that matters.

Can't attend?

Make a Donation – Your contribution will still make a huge impact.

Invite Friends & Family

The more, the merrier—and the more we can do together!

Tickets are limited and will be on sale soon.

Tickets will be an awesome Christmas gift.

This beautiful evening will be the Social Event of the Year!



PARISH LIFE

walking with purpose

SO MUCH MORE THAN A BIBLE STUDY

Come as you are.

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 11th

Opening Your Heart: Lesson 8, "What Is Grace and What Difference Does It Make", we will be looking at Grace and the difference that it makes in our everyday lives.

Keeping In Balance: This week in Lesson 8, "Balance In Your Schedule" we will discuss how our Lord is calling us to refreshment and the ways to find this time with Him in our daily lives.

Grounded In Hope: Please come prepared to discuss and review Lesson 7, "Carried On His Heart".

walking with purpose

SO MUCH MORE THAN A BIBLE STUDY

The Walking With Purpose Advent Celebration will be held on
Wednesday, December 18, 2024
at 7:00 p.m.

Saint Joan of Arc ~ Pedata Hall

Join us for "A Quiet Moment" honoring the Holy Family.



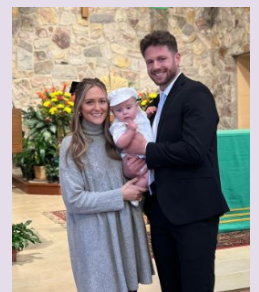
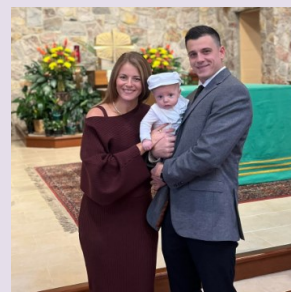
The celebration will be one of quiet reflection followed by spiritual fellowship, music, hor'derves, desserts & Christmas cheer! If you plan on attending, please **RSVP** to your Table Leaders by **December 11th**

This year as part of our Advent Celebration, we will collectively help and support families from Marlton by contributing to SJA's Helping Hand Ministry.

BAPTISMS We warmly welcome the following children who were baptized into our community the weekends of November 24th and December 1st:



Callie Peyton Coyle, Cameron James Drimak, James Patrick Emerson, Nolan Duke Maugeri, Travis Jefferson Powell



Gavin Paul Bader, Miles Gary Boettner, Lorenzo Matthew Tine, Amelia Bloom Simmons, Benjamin John McCarthy



PARISH LIFE

MARY STATUE HOME VISIT



Our Lady of Fatima has already blessed many parishioners who have welcomed the Mary statue into their homes. Consider signing up to host the Mary statue in your home for one week.

The sign-up sheet is located in the Church Gathering Room . You simply pick up the statue in her travel case on Sunday at 11 am and return her the following Sunday no later than 10:30 am. Pick-up and drop-off in the Gathering Room.

What is involved with a Mary statue home visit?

- ◆ You create a special place in your home for the statue (flowers, candle)
- ◆ Bring the Blessed Mother statue into your home with love and reverence
- ◆ Pray the rosary daily-invite family and friends to gather with you

Questions? marystatue@stjoans.org



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Knights of Columbus
COUNCIL 6530 St. Joan of Arc Parish



Christmas Candy Sale !!!

Brooks & Collins delicious Chocolate Covered Pretzels and Non Pareils. Fresh from B&C Chocolates.

1 Pound Box Decorated for Christmas.



\$20.00 per box.

(Same price as last year !)



Pick Up: December 14th and 15th after all Masses.

Place your order with:
knights@stjoans.org Or *Fill out the form below*
(Leave in the basket.)

Name _____	Circle Pickup Date. 14th Or 15th
Address _____	Candy Sale
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	
Email _____ Phone _____	
Milk Chocolate <input type="checkbox"/> Qty. _____ \$20.00 ea. Total: _____	
Dark Chocolate <input type="checkbox"/> Qty. _____ \$20.00 ea. Total: _____	
Mixed <input type="checkbox"/> Qty. _____ \$20.00 ea. Total: _____	
Payable to: Knights Of Columbus Council 6530	

ANNUAL MARCH for LIFE WASHINGTON, D.C. FRIDAY, JANUARY 24th, 2025



All are welcome to join five area parishes, as we march to demonstrate our commitment for **LIFE**. Bus will depart from the St. Mary of the Lakes parking lot after the [7:15am](#) Mass. The cost for adults is **\$20** and for all students **\$15**. Students under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult and have parental permission. For those unable to walk in the march, arrangements have been made for you to stay at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Sandwiches from Murphy's in Medford will be provided for the ride home. Your choice of **Roast Beef, Turkey or Veggie**. Please bring a bag lunch for the ride down. We will only make a brief stop at either the Maryland or Chesapeake House Travel Plazas. For more information or to reserve your seat please contact: Deacon Gene Kotowski at gene.kotowski@stjoans.org Please provide your sandwich selection and whether you'll be staying at the Basilica or attending the March. **Deadline to register for the march is Friday January 6th, 2025**

LEGACY GIVING

Have you considered St. Joan of Arc in your estate planning? Did you know that you can make a contribution from your IRA (after the age of 70.5 years) directly to St. Joan of Arc (up to \$105,000 max) and not pay income taxes on the withdrawal? Did you know that you can name St. Joan of Arc as a beneficiary of your IRA? If you would like to learn more about legacy giving, please contact Theresa Segin at the Parish Offices 856-983-0077, ext. 311 to discuss.

MORNING PRAYER

**7AM in Church
Monday, Wednesday,
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.



CHRISTMAS CAROL FESTIVAL
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15th 3:00PM
SAINT JOAN OF ARC CHURCH

Come with your family and friends to CELEBRATE
CHRISTMAS THE “THE SAINT JOAN OF ARC WAY”

Help your children grandchildren & great grandchildren
learn to sing the carols that are dear to us that have
almost disappeared.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS & CHRISTMAS COOKIES

(Gluten & Sugar Free too!)

BLESSING OF ST. JOSEPH

Bring the SAINT JOSEPH from your Manger to be
Blessed.

BRING BELLS ALONG!!

Please bring some of your homemade
Christmas cookies to share.

We need gluten free, sugar free,
and peanut free too.

We want to have
cookies for everyone!

No charge. Bring some non perishable food to donate.

Thank you!



STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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

November 23/24	\$15,189
Electronic Giving	\$15,456
November 30/December 1	\$16,104
Electronic Giving	\$12,552

Thank you for your continued generosity!

For your convenience, donation boxes are located in each of the vestibules.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024

If you haven't given to the Appeal yet, please consider doing so that we can reach our goal this year. We are only about \$5,000 away. Once we reach our goal, we receive 15% back from the Diocese which we can use this year to help subsidize the cost of new kneelers. The majority of the cost of the new kneelers will be paid by additional gift proceeds from the estate of Margaret Guellich. The new kneelers will be installed early in 2025.

[CLICK HERE to DONATE ELECTRONICALLY](#)

OR SCAN THE QR CODE!



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024



Gifts: **604**

Total Pledged: **\$105,184 (96% of Goal)**

Parish Goal: **\$110,000**

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Parish Goal: \$110,000

One Time Gift of \$ _____

I make my Pledge today of \$ _____ to the ACA.

Please set up payments of \$ _____ for _____ months.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parish _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Please make checks payable to:

**2024 Annual Catholic Appeal
701 Lawrenceville Road
Trenton, NJ 08648**

or drop in the collection box in the main foyer or at the parish office.

Online donations can be made by logging on to

www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal



BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to publish an announcement in the bulletin, please send all requests to publications@stjoans.org. All requests must be submitted **no later than the Monday at Noon** before the weekend you would like them published.

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Sunday, December 8th

Community Sunday St. Nicholas Toy Drive
Support for Religious Retirement Collection

7:00 PM: AOA— *Knight's Hall*

7:00 PM: Wings— *Pedata Hall*

Monday, December 9th

9:00 AM: Immaculate Conception Mass—*Church*

5:30 PM: Immaculate Conception Mass—*Church*

6:30 PM: Women of Faith—*Church*

Tuesday, December 10th

11:30 AM: Senior Luncheon—*Cafeteria*

5:00 PM: Adoration—*Church*

6:30 PM: Benediction—*Church*

Wednesday, December 11th

6:30 AM: WWP—*Pedata Hall*

10:00 AM: Wednesday Faith Group—*Knight's Hall*

10:00 AM: WWP—*Pedata Hall*

1:00 PM: Abide in Me—*Knight's Hall*

7:00 PM: OCIA—*Pedata Hall*

7:00 PM: WWP—*Knight's Hall and Arc Room*

Thursday, December 12th

7:00 PM: Love in Action—*Pedata Hall*

Friday, December 13th

6:00 AM: TMIY—*Pedata Hall*

3:00 PM: Blaze—*Pedata Hall*

6:00 PM: Virtus — *Knight's Hall*

