

Saint Joan of Arc Church

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September 3, 2017

22nd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

“For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father’s glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct.”

- Mt 16:27

Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday: 7:30 A.M.

9:00 A.M.

11:00 A.M.

Daily Mass: Monday– Thursday: 8:00A.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:

First and Second Sunday, NOON

Sacrament of Marriage:

Please call and arrange with Rectory.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please call the Rectory.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Directory

Most Reverend David A. Zubik, *Bishop*

Reverend Phillip Paul Pribonic, *Pastor*

Reverend Jon Brzek, *Parochial Vicar*

Patty Reavel, *Music Minister*

Beverly Buddemeyer, *Religious Education*

Mona Musser, *Pavilion Supervisor*

Audrey Wurst, *Youth Group Coordinator*

Sharon Gomber, *Office Coordinator &*

Safe Environment Administrator

Nancy Matter, *Secretary*

Petar Pranjic & Mary Tracey, *Maintenance*

Karen Urbanowicz, *Prayer Shawl Ministry*

Nina Hughes, *Respect Life Committee*

Steve Wardzinski, *Finance Council President*

Michael Palus, *Pastoral Council President*

Ed Strauss, *Head Usher*

Melissa Coe, Ian Valenta: *Retreat Coordinators*

Chris Lauterbach: *Life Enrichment*

Mike Pensenstadler : *RCIA*

Mass Intentions

- Saturday, September 2– Weekday**
5:00 P.M. - Robbie Harris (Red Hat Sisters)
- Sunday, - September 3– Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30 A.M. - Mark Cummings (Kim Lucas)
9:00 A.M. - Sheila Wooley (Guy Mattola)
11:00 A.M. - Emil Piciucco (Elisa Doyle)
- Monday, September 4– Weekday**
8:00 A.M. - Marge Lucas (Husband, Mel)
- Tuesday, September 5– Weekday**
8:00 A.M. - Edward & Bernardine Mindzikiewicz (Janice Reinhardt)
- Wednesday, September 6– Weekday**
8:00 A.M. - Leonard Kraft (Sisters Diana Miller & Arlene Kraft)
- Thursday, September 7– Weekday**
8:00 A.M. - John Wozniak (Vic Satter)
- Friday, September 8– The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
8:00 A.M. - NO MASS
- Saturday, September 9– Saint Peter**
5:00 P.M. - Linda Mattola (Loretta Zak)
- Sunday, - September 10– Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30 A.M. - LaVerne Ehrbar (Friends)
9:00 A.M. - Kay Reddy (Clare Koontz)
11:00 A.M. - Linda Mattola (M/M Jack Ashworth)

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:

Rose Marie Bottles, Dale Kragnes, Jay Briggs, Thom Mills, Gerry Evans, Karen Recrosio, Tom Recker, William Reddy, Chuck Stanford, Emerson Cotter, Dorothy Kudla, Michael Weston, Rod Shipe, Father Joseph Grosko, John Oakes, Julie Schmaltz, Marcy Smith, Eleanor Young, Meredith Bissette, Dom Salvucci, Albert Lexie, Jenny Fraas, Sue Wimer, Brenda Dunois, Paul Kubis, Donald Melinchak, Alyssa Strutt, Cheryl Hackett, Madeline Moze, Michael Sexton, Richard Humenansky, Josefina Trinidad, Tom Recker, Fran Drummond, Virginia Silinskas, John Roberts, John Smida, Mark Dubich, Tim O'Brien, William Vetter, Ryan Doughty, Father Michael Maranowski, Arthur Iocozzia, Mary Lou Quinn, Jonathan Piccoli, Maggie Nordstrom, Margaret Pietrzyk and Audrey Jones. Help, save, pity and defend your servants O God by your grace.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Our character is not determined by the number of followers we might have (like on Twitter)--- Hitler had fourteen million, Jesus had twelve

From the Pastor's Desk

We celebrate the final national holiday of the summer, Labor Day, and please take it as an opportunity to pray and work for the good of our country, considering very carefully how we think about ourselves, others, and the well-being of all citizens.....as Christians, we cannot take part in hate or fomenting divisions of any kind, there is only one group of people, God's people, every person is made in God's image and likeness, worthy of respect and consideration, even if we might disagree about some matters.....in God's eyes, there is no "them"...at the vicariate On Mission meeting this past Monday, a time-line for the parishes was presented: from now until April 2018, further consultation about the best type of groupings of parishes, Bishop Zubik makes decision about those groups next April, from April through September will be the transition phase, and after September will be the Roll-out phase, so changes are coming.....we officially welcome Father Jon Brzek to the parish as parochial vicar, and pray that this assignment be beneficial to us as well as to him..... he has passed his trial run and will be officially beginning on Septemberwe have been hit by a number of maintenance issues lately with all the rain, bridge, roof, ceiling tile, fallen trees, poles, electric lines, fyi...insurance covers a good deal, but not all.....we have a very large overhead on maintenance...our deepest sympathy to Tootie Hale on the occasion of the passing of her daughter, Mary Catherine, and please pray for her and her family.....

Father Pribonic

Second Collection next week is for Repairs and Replacements September 17 Hurricane Harvey Relief, and September 24 for the Bishop's Education Fund.



Hi, my name is Fr. Jon Brzek. Some of you I've met, some I've yet to meet. I've been a priest for the Diocese of Pittsburgh for soon to be 36 years. I am a 1973 graduate of McKeesport Area Senior High, a 1977 graduate of Duquesne University and St. Paul Seminary, a 1981 graduate of St. Vincent Seminary. My first assignment was Holy Spirit in West Mifflin, followed by 7 years as the Catholic Chaplain at California University of Pennsylvania, and then two years as Chaplain of LaRoche College, Passavant Hospital and the Sisters of Divine Providence Motherhouse. In 1993 Bishop Wuerl granted permission that I be released to serve under the Archdiocese for Military Services, USA to serve as a Chaplain in the United States Navy. I've served on 4 ships, 4 tours with the Marines, 3 overseas tours, and one arduous tour at Pearl Harbor Hawaii. I officially entered the ranks of the retired 01 Aug 17. I can't tell you how excited I am to be a part of the St. Joan of Arc team.

Financial Statement
Regular Offertory..... \$ 8,388.00
THANK YOU For Your Generosity.

Scripture Reflection

What's in a Name:

Jesus has a variety of names for Simon Peter. But this week's is a big surprise. Last week, in the Gospel, he retired the name "Simon" and replaced it with the name Peter.

And so I say to you, you are Peter
and upon this rock I will build my church,
and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it
(Mt 16:18). At root the name Peter means "rock." Simon is to be a "Rock," a foundation of the church.

This week, Jesus bestows on Peter an entirely different name altogether. He calls Peter, "Satan." (Gospel) If this name were to stick, Peter would be the leader of the very "netherworld" that would prevail against the church, contrary to Jesus' promise above. What has happened? First, it is clear that Jesus' emotional state has changed. He is obviously dreading the suffering and death that he tells them he will soon have to face. His rebuke to Peter is so sharp, so instant, so contradictory, that its emotional roots are showing. It is a snappish jibe at Peter and even includes name-calling! Second, Jesus had been gradually schooling the disciples about who he really is. Not just a great teacher or good friend or magnetic preacher, but the complete revelation of divine love. They achieved their first high mark last week when Peter said, "You are the Christ, the son of the living God.. In this week's Gospel, Jesus shows the real meaning of Christly love. For the good of the world he must suffer greatly under the rulers and be killed, and on the third day be raised. Shouldn't they have been able to understand, or at least begin to understand, the real meaning of Jesus as "the Christ"? No. The gospel reports that Peter "rebuked" Jesus. "No, no, no, no, Lord, we will protect you—this will not happen to you, please don't worry so much. We need you to be alive. I already said that you are the Christ! Use your powers!" But Peter is telling Jesus to avoid pain by selfish use of his powers! This is just what the devil had had seduced him to in the desert temptations! (Matthew 4:1-11) When Jesus was hungry, Satan's stealth said, in essence, "You are Messiah! Why don't you simply turn some stones into bread? Or else have your angels save you from danger. In fact, be a real Messiah: take charge of all the lands there are. Why not?" Because all of this would require bowing down and worshipping Satan's self-plan. Since he was human, Jesus must have felt within himself the rewards that would come under such desert temptations. And he must feel it again this week as Peter gives him a similar enticement. So he reacts strongly. Does he really mean that Peter is Satan? No. But he remembers with pain the devil's temptations.

No wonder the name of Satan slips out.

Father John Foley, S.J.



Congratulations to :
Father Ray who celebrated his
89th Birthday on
August 21!

Welcome!The St. Joan Choir has a roster spanning high school, college, and senior members of the congregation. We warmly encourage newcomers who wish to share their vocal and instrumental musical talents with the common goals in mind: facilitating and enhancing the liturgy experience. If you are wondering whether choir is for you, please join us on Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30 pm, beginning September 12, 2017. Choir rehearses upstairs in the choir room from September through May. All members of the choir are acting in the name of and representing the Church. Therefore, all choir members must participate in the Protecting God's Children program and obtain the necessary clearances.

For more info., contact: Patti Reavel, music minister, St. Joan of Arc preavel@gmail.com

The Cost of Discipleship – In today's Gospel Jesus reminds his disciples that in following him they are to become like him. While this will ultimately mean a share in his glory in heaven, Jesus reminds them that it will also require them to be prepared for the challenges when they must carry their crosses in life. Our call to discipleship is no different. As we follow Jesus our hearts are made more and more like his in love. That love, in turn, is to be shared with our brothers and sisters as we become the hands and the heart of Jesus in the world. While we might be anxious about the changes that are going to happen in our parishes, we can be confident that our mission to love God above all and our neighbor as ourself will never change. As we answer the call to be disciples let us take up our crosses and follow Jesus with generous, loving and welcoming hearts. Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more it and to stay informed.

Altar Server Schedule

September 9

5:00 Tommy Muha, Owen Cernetic

September 10

7:30 Matt Pensenstadler

9:00 Clare & Cole Brdar, Kimberlin Ernst

11:00 Abby & Jason Gigliotti, Sophia Hale

The Vocations Office is hosting a Come and See day for high school men on Saturday, September 16 from 9 am - 9 pm at the Seminary. It will be a great opportunity for the guys to encounter the Lord through a day of prayer, fun, and brotherhood. The day will include Mass, adoration, laser tag, games, dynamic talks, and witnesses by seminarians. No cost for the event. Please encourage any guys you know to register by September 8 by emailing my assistant **Theresa** at tsullivan@diopitt.org<<mailto:tsullivan@diopitt.org>>.

Rocking for Residents -- on Saturday, Sept. 16, from 1 to 4 p.m., a fundraiser to improve the lives of residents living at Vincentian Marian Manor, Vincentian de Marillac and Vincentian Home. Gather pledges for the "rock-a-thon" and then join Sisters, residents, families, staff and volunteers. Rocking for Residents, -- featuring music, refreshments, games, prizes and a "cake walk" -- will take place at three locations: Vincentian Home in the North Hills, Vincentian Marian Manor in the South Hills and Vincentian de Marillac in the East End. "Rock Stars" -- i.e. celebrity rockers -- joining the festivities will include the Pirate Parrot, Elvis, local priests and more. All proceeds from ROCKING FOR RESIDENTS will be used to enhance the quality of life for the seniors in Vincentian's care. For more information, visit www.RockingForResidents.org or call the Rocking for Residents hotline at 412-548-4056. You can also join the conversation on Facebook at www.facebook.com/RockingForResidents! Volunteers are needed for the event.

The Youth Group is hosting an event with Rise Against Hunger, an International Hunger Relief Organization. Nearly 800 million people worldwide face hunger and acute malnutrition as a daily reality. Tragically, over 21,000 of these people perish from malnutrition, including over 15,000 children. On Sunday, September 24th starting at 9:00 am, our Youth Group will be packaging 10,000 of these meals in the school cafeteria. The meals are dehydrated, high in protein and highly nutritious. They contain 4 ingredients, long grain rice, texturized soy protein, a dehydrated vegetable blend and a sachet of vitamin powder. The meals are boiled in water to be eaten. The cost to make and ship these meals is \$3,000. We are using the profits from our September hoagie sale and also other means to help cover this cost. We are reaching out to ask for your help to meet our goal. ANY amount is very much appreciated. You can make your check payable to St. Joan of Arc and drop it in the collection basket. Also, we welcome anyone who would like to be there and help us package these meals. If you are interested, please call Audrey Wurst @ 412-833-2400 x34.

Rest in Peace: Josh Mammay nephew of Arlene Mastro and Mary Catherine, daughter of Tootie Hale.

I want to Thank Everyone for their thoughts and prayers for my daughter Mary Catherine. Tootie Hale

Sanctuary Lamp will burn one week for the Blessed Mother in memory of Hector Verstraeten, requested by Wife, Helen .

Sanctuary Lamp will burn one week for John the Baptist in memory of Ted Hale, requested by Wife & Family.

Summer may be ending, but fall fun is just beginning at our Life Enrichment Club. A new season of programs begins on Wednesday, September 13th at 11:00am with a program featuring ventriloquist, Cindy Speck. Cindy and her friends will educate, entertain and inspire us with a program of humorous dialogue, silly skits, touching songs and some audience participation. All are welcome-please bring a covered dish and a friend. For more information, please call the parish office or visit the parish website, www.mystjoan.org

The loss of a spouse through separation, divorce, or death is a traumatic experience.

The *Beginning Experience* weekend is intended to help widowed, divorced, or separated people who would like to pass through the grief and begin to move forward with their lives. Come to a safe place. The next retreat weekend will be **September 15-17, 2017** at the Martina Spiritual Renewal Center, 5244 Clarwin Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15229 which is located in West View/Ross Township. Payment arrangements and possible financial assistance are available. For more information, visit our website www.BeginningExperience.org or make a confidential call to **Mary** at 412-523-2405 or **Steve** at 412-720-8694.

Please register NOW for CCD! Registration can be completed by completely filling in the registration form and returning it with a check. Forms are in the vestibule of the church. You can return your form by placing it in an envelope marked CCD and dropping it in the collection basket. **If you are an active member of St. Joan of Arc parish, the materials fee is \$55.00 for one child or \$85.00 for 2 or more children. If you are an in-active member or outside the parish, the fee is \$70.00 for one child or \$100.00 for two or more children.** (You are considered an active member if you come to Mass regularly and contribute to the church via the envelope system.) **This price includes the late fee. The class lists have been completed. NO more special requests.**

CCD classes begin the week of September 11th. (Monday) Students of grades 7 & 8 must enter and leave through the school doors only!

8th grades classes are Mondays at 7:00 and are dismissed at 8:30 through the school doors

7th grades classes are Mondays at 7:00 and are dismissed at 8:30 through the school doors.

1st thru 6th grades classes begin September 13th (Wednesday) Students and Parents of grades 1-6 must enter and leave through the church doors only! 1st thru 3rd grade meets Wednesday evening at 6:00 students are dismissed into the church at 7:00 4th thru 6th grade meets Wednesday evening at 7:30 and are dismissed into the church at 8:30 ******Class lists will be on the table in the vestibule on September 10th.**

Kindergarten class still has space for students!

Kindergarten classes run twice a month beginning in October, from 6:00 until 7:00. Mrs. Mary Tracy has been working hard to welcome her class. Please consider signing you child up for this very unique opportunity, but register NOW because we limit this class to 12!