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# Welcome

*We Welcome You Wherever You Are On Your Journey*

## Gym Masses

President: *Fr. James Cassidy*

Today our speaker is **Rabbi Michael Latz**, our dear friend and neighbor from Shir Tikvah Synagogue. Shir Tikvah will be holding their Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur services at SJA, and Rabbi Michael will share more about these sacred days with us this morning. Welcome back, Rabbi Michael! And SJA, don't forget to sign our welcome to Shir Tikvah in the Welcome Center today.

We welcome renowned Twin Cities singer, **Julius Collins**, to share his musical inspiration at today's masses. Julius, along with our own **Tommy Barbarella**, will be featured in this year's Cabaret Sunday Show on Oct. 6 at 2pm. *Love 2 the 9's* is an intimate and special concert celebrating Prince and his musical legacy. Don't miss it!! Tickets on sale today.

## Family Mass

Today the Pharaoh's daughter comes to tell of all the women who gave Moses life through their love. Thank you to Rachel Lovejoy for bringing us this story! All are welcome in the church for our joyful family-friendly liturgies at 9:45 and 11:45am.



## Pastor's 2 Cents From: Fr. Jim DeBruycker

Today we have the ultimate Hebrew prophet, Amos. In scripture class he is often used as the paradigm of what a prophet should be.

First of all, he is not a professional prophet. In fact, as often happens with real prophets, Amos argues with God that he is not as competent as he should be to front for God. But like the other prophets, out of obedience he reluctantly gives in (unlike Jonah who ended up in the belly of a whale trying to get out of the job.)

Second, a prophet's message is about justice. It is their job to point out how society is short changing the people. Amos points to the greed of the rich who have never been more wealthy and yet try to cheat the poor for even more wealth. People from Martin Luther King to Bernie Sanders have quoted Amos in taking the rich to task for their greed.

Third, they stress God really isn't moved by fancy ceremonies. One of the reasons they stress they are not professional is because they do not want to be confused with the ceremonial prophets who exist simply to put on a good show. God is moved by justice- How are God's people? What is the quality of life of the poor, the widow, the sick?- not by who has the best smells and bells.

Fourth, they usually fail, not through any fault of their own, but because their audience is too far gone to receive a message of repentance and their need to change. Interestingly enough, the most successful prophet was Jonah who convinced the Ninevites to repent. It is written that everyone from the king to the pack animals covered themselves with sack cloth and ashes.

Fifth, their preaching foreshadows a calamity which would befall them if they did not change their ways. In Amos' case, he pointed out that their self-indulgence was blinding them to the fact that just to the Northeast an army was assembling, ready to overrun them if they did not prepare. They would lose all of the luxuries they so cherished if they didn't change. Of course they didn't and they did.

In Amos' case, he did his job and then went back home again to herd sheep and raise figs.

The Gospel gives us the parable of a corrupt society and ends by asking the question, 'Whom do you serve?'

**We Need Socks:** Mobile Loaves Twin Cities, a food outreach ministry in which hundreds of SJAers are involved, needs as many new socks as we can collect, and there is a critical need for women's socks at this time. Please drop them off in the MLTC box in the Parish Center lobby. Thank you for responding to this call.

**Weekend Masses are Celebrated at:**  
**5pm Saturday and 7:45am Sunday in the Church**  
**9am and 11am Sunday in the Gym**  
**Family Masses at 9:45am & 11:45am in the Church**

## Highlights This Week at SJA

FFI check the bulletin, the SJA website or call the Parish Center. The Upper Room is located in the Parish Center; Hospitality Hall, in the Church basement; the Arc, across 45th Street, 4457 3rd Ave.

### Sunday, September 22

*Youth Ministry Orientation Event*, 12:30pm, meet in Hospitality Hall

### Monday, September 23

*EcoSpirits Meeting*, 7pm in the Upper Room

### Tuesday, September 24

*8am Mass* in the Orleans Chapel

*Scripture Matters*, 1pm in the Arc

*WAMM Peacemakers Meeting*, 7pm in the Geranium Room

### Thursday, September 26

*8am Mass* in the Orleans Chapel

*Sanctuary Meeting*, 6:30pm in the Upper Room

*Choir*, 7pm in the Welcome Center

### Sunday, September 29

*Blessing of the Animals*, 2pm in the Memorial Garden

## Scripture Readings:

Sun, Sept. 22: Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13

Mon, Sept. 23: Ezra 1:1-6; Luke 8:16-18

Tues, Sept. 24: Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-16; Luke 8:19-21

Wed, Sept. 25: Ezra 9:5-9; Luke 9:1-6

Thu, Sept. 26: Haggai 1:1-8; Luke 9:7-9

Fri, Sept. 27: Haggai 2:1-9; Luke 9:18-22

Sat, Sept. 28: Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a; Luke 9:43b-45

Sun, Sept. 29: Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31

## Looking Ahead...

### Sunday 9 and 11 am Gym Masses:

**Sunday, September 29:** Presider: **Fr. DeBruycker**. We celebrate the life of St. Francis of Assisi in readings and music. The St. Joan of Arc Choir will sing.

**Sunday, October 6:** Presider: **Fr. Cassidy. Dr. Peter Hayden** will speak on providing substance use treatment and support to the African American community.

**Sunday, October 13:** Presider: **Fr. DeBruycker**. Our pre-mass speaker is **Sr. Irene O'Neill, CSJ**. She is president of *Sisters Rising Worldwide*, a global network of more than 700,000 women religious in 190 countries working for justice.

**Sunday, October 27:** Presider: **Fr. DeBruycker**. We hear from members of our Confirmation class about their journey.

**November 3:** Presider: **Fr. Cassidy**. A reflection on All Saints and All Souls, when we remember our beloved ones who have died. **The SJA Choir** will sing.

**November 10: Presider:** Fr. DeBruycker. A special Armistice Day presentation to turn our hearts toward peace.

**Gluten-free Communion** is available upon request. Please see any of the Sunday sacristans in the gym before Mass.

**Enhanced Hearing Devices** are available in the church and gym. They are located in the back of the church and the welcome center.

**SignUpGenius for Eucharistic Ministers** is available online. It is simple, user friendly and a reminder is sent 3 days before your scheduled volunteer day. FFI contact Marcia at [mkurtz@stjoan.com](mailto:mkurtz@stjoan.com).

## Prayer Corner: Please remember in your prayers those who are in need of healing:

Chuck Abramson, Molly McLaughlin Antila, Arlene Axelson, Ned B., Dennis Barta, Phyllis Berninger, Elaine Boehm, Marcia Boehnlein, Patty Brennan, Brent, Lorraine Bryant, Pam Burd, Catharine C., Courtney, George C., Dayna Cell, Mary Chermack, Culver family, Meg & Nick Daoust, Will Davis, Jenny Dease, Joan DeCossse, Jim DeBruycker, Colleen Dooley, Bob Duffy, Ava Dunaly, Kathie DuRocher, Henry F., John Fierce, Steve Freeman, John & Margaret Frees, Amy Friedrichs, Kate Gilbert, Pat Greene, Heidi Gregorich, Tom Griep, Abigail H. Emma H., Mary Hasbrouck, Brad Hinker, Megan Hoffman, Jan Horner, Kathy Horner, Neysa Housley, Gina J., Tricia Jacobson, Paul Jonsson, Glen Kelley, Chuck & Kathy Kennedy, Sage Kirscht, Barbara Klebel, Liam, Luke, Amy Lainus, Iva Lang, Melva Larson, Dorothy & Darlene Lawson, Margaret Lulic, Alex M., AnnMarie M., Kyle M., Michael M., Dawn McCelland, John McGarry, Steve McManus, Joaquin Mendez, Kate Meyer, Kelley Meyer, Rita Miller, Russell Mohr, Royce Morrissette, Ted Mueller, Sheri Murch, Nate, Craig Nordby, Dick Olson, Paul Olvera, Colette Ott, Paula, Pam Paul, Bill Peterka, Catherine Popehen, Alice Priola, Liz Prunziske, Jim Rapp, Carol Reiland, Jack Riebel, Donald & Susan Roufs, Steve Rudzki, Pat Russell, Shane, Joe S., Kay Samuelson, Don Schafer, Phil Schmidt, Sam Slagerman, Harold Sonnek, Teddy Sparman, Joan Speltz, Doug Stahlke, Susan Stamson, Erin Stojan-Ruccolo, Joleen Strosahl, Tess, Irene Taddiken, Matthew Tennant, Echo Thoren, Glo Tonskemper, Al Traynham, Martha Utz, Carin Vagle, Leroy Vague, Barbara Verthein, Mimi Villaume, AJ & Theo W., Nikki W., Floyd Ward, Pam Washington, Marlys Weber, Julie Wegscheild, Todd Weller, Bennett Wentworth, Mary White, Kathy Wiberg, Eric William, Jim & Jerry Wohnoutka, Jim Wolfe, Morley Woodruff, Ann Woolsey, Sofia Wright, Julie Wylie, Mike Wyman, Curt Youngren, Baby Zoey Grace, Bridget Zivirn, Annemaire & Ava Zubrzycki

**Prayer Corner Requests:** To keep prayer requests current, names will be included in the bulletin for four weeks and then removed. To **add** a name or to **renew** your request, please call Nancy Becker at 612.823.8205 ext. 223.

**A Book of Prayer** is located in our Gym vestibule. If you have a family member or friend who is ill or who has recently died, please write their names in our Book of Prayer before Mass so we may include them in prayers during our Sunday Masses.

## Parish Life

**Choir** will meet this Thursday, Sept. 26 at 7pm in the Welcome Center. Come early to be prepared to start on time! Welcome to all of our new members. We have a great start to our new season. FFI contact Anna Vagle 612.823.8205 ext 235.



**Cabaret Sunday Show: Love 2 The 9's – Unplugged** celebrating the music of Prince, Oct. 6, beginning at 2pm. Featuring the keyboard talents of SJA's Tommy Barbarella and the singing of Julius Collins. Tickets \$40 for reserved seating and \$25 general admission. Also, a few tickets are left for the Cabaret shows on Friday, Oct. 4 & Saturday, Oct. 5. Tickets are on sale after today's masses in the Welcome Center or at [www.stjoantickets.com](http://www.stjoantickets.com).

**SJA Community Archdiocese Synod 2021 Information Gathering**, Saturday, Sept. 28, 9:30am in the Welcome Center. Archbishop Hebda identifies the Synod as "a 'spiritual exercise' of listening and prayer, meant to engage Catholic laity to share their personal perspectives and ideas." Please join us to discuss how SJA, individually and collectively, can participate in the upcoming archdiocese-wide Listening Sessions. It is imperative that we inform the archdiocese and our fellow Christians of our concerns, challenges, and hopes that we have as we strive to embody our mission in our daily life experiences. FFI contact Cynthia Bailey Manns or Julie Madden.

**Sacred Conversations:** *Our Health Care, Our Values, Our Community.* Senator Scott Jensen and Senator John Marty will address the question - *What would be the most effective and compassionate ways to provide healthcare?* Please join us for a facilitated discussion on Saturday, Oct. 5, 9:30 - 11am, in Hospitality Hall. Free and open all yet registration required by Oct. 1 at 612.823.8205. FFI contact Cynthia Bailey Manns at [cmanns@stjoan.com](mailto:cmanns@stjoan.com).

**SJA Women:** Join the League of Catholic Women for a discussion to express your honest feelings about changes you would like to see in the Church. Saturday, Oct. 12, 9am - 12pm, Minneapolis Women's Club, 410 Oak Grove S. This event is for women only. There is no charge. FFI contact Cynthia at [cmanns@stjoan.com](mailto:cmanns@stjoan.com).

**SJA LGBTQ Group:** All are welcome to our next book club meeting on Monday, Oct. 14 at 6:30pm at Curran's Restaurant at 42nd and Nicollet. We'll be discussing *On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous* by Ocean Vuong.

**10 Days Free From Violence:** Sept. 20 - 29. Last year, over 70 events focused on peace and nonviolence were part of this ten day observance. When asked, "How do you know it was successful?", Will Wallace, founder of EMERGE and a veteran youth worker, replied, "No funerals." Together, we can wage peace. For info on this year's events, go to [twincitiesviolence.org](http://twincitiesviolence.org). And put this event on your calendar for sure:

- **Prophets of Peace:** A reader's theatre presentation on the lives of Dorothy Day and Thomas Merton will be presented next Thursday, Sept. 26 at 7pm at St. Francis Cabrini Church. Hear the words of these leaders for faith-filled nonviolence.

**Prayer Partners Blessing of the Animals**, Sunday, Sept. 29, 2 - 3:30pm, Memorial Garden. All are welcome!

**Parish Book Club** meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. Everyone is welcome anytime!

- October 9: *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande

**Parish Council News:** Fr. DeBruycker has appointed Richard Brozic to be the new Chair of our Parish Council. Dick was first elected to the Parish Council in 2017 and is also currently on the Core Team of Mobile Loaves Twin Cities; the Facilities Committee and the Stewardship Committee. At the September meeting Emily Antin and Ann Counihan were elected to be Parish Council Vice Chairs. Congratulations and thanks to these parishioners.

**Be Kind to One Another:** What ministries are you called to this year? Shared Ministry registration for 2019 - 20 has begun. Please renew or make new ministry electives as soon as possible. Registration is also available on-line at [www.stjoan.com](http://www.stjoan.com). Mail completed registrations to the Parish Center or drop them in the vestibules' collection boxes or mass collection baskets. Thank you for your service to St. Joan's and our extended community!

**Virtus Live Training:** Live Training sessions are offered at a variety of metro locations. Volunteers who have regular or unsupervised interaction with youth or vulnerable adults are required to complete one Virtus Live Training. To register for Live Training, login to your existing Virtus account or create an account, at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). If you've forgotten your login information, follow the prompt "Need login information?" Please do not create a duplicate account which will not include your archived records of previous credentialing activity. FFI contact your SJA staff supervisor.

**A Retreat Day for Birthmothers:** If you have placed a child for adoption in your life, join with others to share stories and experiences in a safe, compassionate place. Saturday, Oct. 12 at Our Lady of Grace Church, 9:15am - 2pm. \$15 suggested cost. FFI/to register, contact Melissa Miller at [melissamiller@olgparish.org](mailto:melissamiller@olgparish.org).

**St. Albert The Great Fall Festival:** Please join us, 11am - 4pm, on Sunday, Sept. 29 for a delicious meal and Festival fun! St. Albert's is on the corner of 29th St & 32nd Ave in S. Minneapolis.

Summary of contributions for the week and fiscal year. Includes plate, envelopes and estimated Sustaining Member payments.

**Current (September 9 - September 15, 2019)**

Actual \$29,304      Budget \$34,184  
Prior Year Actual \$28,975

**Year to Date (July 1 – September 15, 2019)**

Actual \$396,091      Budget \$384,390  
Prior Year Actual \$384,591

**Thank You!**

## Pastoral Ministries

**FFI on Pastoral Ministries** contact Sherri Stella at 612.823.8205 ext. 231 or [sstella@stjoan.com](mailto:ssstella@stjoan.com).

**Mental Health Ministry:** Please join us on Monday, Oct. 14, 5:45 - 8pm, in the Welcome Center, as Carol Hornbeck, MA, LMFT from Westminster Counseling Center presents, *Mental Health in Our Communities: Supporting Youth & Families*. The evening begins with a light supper. All are welcome. FFI please contact Sherri Stella at the Parish Center.

**Did You Know?** Recovery is possible when we embrace our personal journey with the goals of hope, empowerment, and autonomy. Through this deeply personal process, individuals begin to regain physical, spiritual, mental, and emotional balance (National Council for Behavioral Health).

**Mental Health Connect (MHC):** Please join us on Saturday, Sept. 28, 8:30am - 3:30pm, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 4100 Lyndale Ave S, for MHC's Suicide Awareness Symposium: *The Role of Faith Communities in Suicide Awareness and Prevention*. Our speaker is Rev. Dr. Rachel Keefe, author and pastor of Living Table United Church of Christ. Registration is available through Eventbrite. FFI/to volunteer contact Sherri Stella at the Parish Center.

**Coalition for Grief Support:** The Fall session begins Thursday, Sept. 26, 6:15 - 8pm, in the SJA Parish Center. Brenda DeMotte will present on *Grief - The Definition*. The evening begins with light refreshments followed by the presentation and facilitated small group sessions. FFI contact Norine Larson at 952.925.2437 or Sherri Stella at the Parish Center.



**The Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Please join us on the third Tuesday of each month, 9 - 10:30am in the Parish Center. In October we will return to the first Monday of each month, 6:30 - 8pm. All are welcome! Our members are open to teaching new members to knit and crochet. FFI contact Sherri Stella at the Parish Center.

**The Parish Visitor Ministry** offers confidential listening, prayer, communion, and support in times of life challenges or transitions. Through phone calls and visits, this quiet support is available to parishioners who cannot join us for worship or would like an additional long or short term parish connection in the home, hospital, rehab or care center. FFI contact Sherri at the Parish Center or Carolyn Dobis at 651.485.2868.

*"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them." Matthew 18:20*

Healing begins with connection, shared understanding and unconditional love. It is when we walk alongside someone in their journey that we can transform pain and suffering into hope and healing. If you or someone you know is struggling, please contact Sherri Stella at 612.823.8205 ext. 231 or [sstella@stjoan.com](mailto:ssstella@stjoan.com).

## Peace and Justice

**FFI on Peace & Justice** programs contact Julie Madden at 612.823.8205 ext. 228 or [jmadden@stjoan.com](mailto:jmadden@stjoan.com).

**Warm Hands Warm Hands Coat Collection Starts Today!** This beloved project - led and organized by SJA volunteers - will collect 500 coats and winter accessories for children in need in our community and we need your help! Stop by tables after all masses this weekend to pick up a card with a child's name and size. Thank you all so much for making this a tradition in our parish.

**Welcome the Stranger Metro Card Collection Today:** Look for our table in the Welcome Center with info about providing bus cards to the asylee and refugee families with whom we partner. Transportation is vital to beginning a new life in our community, and this is a very tangible way to welcome newcomers in our cities.



**WAMM/Peacemakers Table Today:** End War Now. Since 1981, September 21 has been observed as the Int'l Day of Peace by many nations, political and military groups, and individuals. Today, our SJA WAMM/Peacemakers are in the Welcome Center with *End War* stickers and news on local peace efforts and actions.

**A Banner of Welcome to Shir Tikvah Synagogue:** Please sign our banner of welcome to Shir Tikvah Synagogue, which will be visible during their Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur observances here at SJA. The banner reads *Shanah Tovah Shir Tikvah!* - translated, that's *Happy New Year!*

**Sister Parish Solidarity Walk:** Following the 11am mass on Sunday, Oct. 13, join our Sister Parish committee outside the Welcome Center for a brief walk, with song and prayer, in solidarity with our Sister Parish family in Tierra Nueva Dos, Guatemala. Our Sister Parish will host a walk as well. In this way, we hold our brothers and sisters in our prayers and celebrate our 25 year relationship of solidarity together.



**SJA Housing Ministry Ramps Up:** After both masses on Sunday, Oct. 27, join us in the Parish Center for a brief intro to our Housing Ministry, including hands-on work rehabbing properties with Urban Homeworks, and advocating with Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative for affordable housing funding and support.

**Justice Grant Application Deadline:** If you volunteer with or lead a great nonprofit, please consider applying for a Justice Grant. The deadline is November 1 and the application is not difficult. Through our Justice Grants, we partner with incredible organizations, and with you, our parishioners, in your commitment to building God's kingdom of justice and peace among us. Our grants are provided by the SJA Outreach Fund, which is a restricted, designated fund that is separate from our operating budget. We are grateful to all who support this holy work. FFI on the Justice Grants or the SJA Outreach Fund, contact Julie Madden.

## Faith Formation and Adult Learning

*We form the faith of our community through participation in prayer, liturgy, sacraments, education, community and works of justice.*

**The SJA Children's Choir**, directed by Seth Boyd, is open to all in grades 3 - 7. Rehearsals start with a Choir Camp on Saturday, Oct. 26. Make new friends. Learn about music. Give back to your church family. Be a voice of Advent. Join the SJA Children's Choir! FFI/to sign up contact Gabrielle at [gdane@stjoan.com](mailto:gdane@stjoan.com).

**Kids, Work with MLTC!** All children in grades 4 - 6 are invited to work with Mobile Loaves Twin Cities! On the first Thursday or the third Tuesday of the month, November through April, join together with other SJA kids to pack food to go out on the MLTC truck for our neighbors in need! You meet at Knox Presbyterian church (4747 Lyndale Ave S., Mpls) 3:45pm to around 4:30pm. FFI contact Gabrielle at [gdane@stjoan.com](mailto:gdane@stjoan.com).



**Join the Supper Club:** The Clare Housing Supper Club is an opportunity for families, friends, or individuals to prepare and serve the evening meal to residents and caregivers at any one of Clare Housing's four community care homes for people living with HIV. FFI contact Gabrielle at [gdane@stjoan.com](mailto:gdane@stjoan.com).

**Feed My Starving Children:** On Oct. 12, 1 - 2:30pm, join other SJAers to pack food for kids in need. We'll meet at the Coon Rapids FMSC site. To sign up contact Gabrielle at [gdane@stjoan.com](mailto:gdane@stjoan.com).

**Mentor Families:** Are you new to SJA? Do you find it hard to connect with other families? Would you like to be part of the many SJA ministries, but don't know how to get started? Sign up to meet with a Mentor Family! Your Mentor Family will join your family for coffee & cookies after a Family Mass to share with you the ways their family has found a home at SJA. FFI contact Gabrielle at [gdane@stjoan.com](mailto:gdane@stjoan.com).



**Nursery:** FFI contact Michelle Dehn, Nursery Director at [mdehn@stjoan.com](mailto:mdehn@stjoan.com) or 612.823.8205 ext. 240.

**Our Nursery**, located in the lower level of the Parish Center, is open for the 9 & 11am Sunday Masses. The Nursery is a wonderful community of families and volunteers that allows parents to enjoy Mass and meet other families in the parish. Drop-ins welcome.

**Pre-school:** (Ages 4-Kindergarten) FFI contact Magnolia Ditzler at [mditzler@stjoan.com](mailto:mditzler@stjoan.com) or 612.823.8205 ext. 230.

**Grade School:** (Grades 1-6) FFI contact Marie Bissonnette at 612.823.8205 ext. 229.

**2019 SJA Christmas Musical:** Auditions for *My Three Spies* will be on Oct. 13, 1 - 2:30pm, in the Arc. No experience is required. Speaking roles are available for children in grades 2 - 8. Grades 1 - 8 are welcome to participate in the ensemble. FFI contact Terrie Coats at [stagecoachslp@gmail.com](mailto:stagecoachslp@gmail.com) or 952.367.6032.

**Youth Ministry:** (Grades 7-12) FFI contact Rose Aspholm at 612.823.8205 ext. 241 or [raspholm@stjoan.com](mailto:raspholm@stjoan.com) or Brennan Hall at [bhall@stjoan.com](mailto:bhall@stjoan.com).

**Youth Ministry Orientation Fair! Today**, 12:30 - 3pm, to kick off the Youth Ministry program year. Learn about new Micah service opportunities, meet your Small Group leaders, share a meal, and enter a drawing to win awesome prizes! Open to all 7th - 12th graders and their parents. See you there!

**Adult Learning:** FFI contact Cynthia Bailey Manns at 612.823.8205 ext. 226 or [cmanns@stjoan.com](mailto:cmanns@stjoan.com).

**RCIA:** SJA welcomes you on your spiritual journey of study, exploration, faith sharing, and faith formation. The Rite of Christian Initiation, or RCIA, is an important Sacrament designed for adults (called Candidates), who are interested in becoming Catholic, or for Catholics who wish to be Confirmed, and may also include the Rite of Baptism. Each candidate works with an individual sponsor who will walk with them through this unique faith journey. The RCIA classes from fall 2019 through spring 2020, led by Fr. Jim DeBruycker and the RCIA team, build learning relationships that encourage provocative questions about what it means to be Catholic and opportunities to grow in one's faith. If you are interested, or FFI, please contact Cynthia Bailey Manns at [cmanns@stjoan.com](mailto:cmanns@stjoan.com).



**Save the Dates!** All are welcome to join the RCIA candidates as they journey through Christianity 101 to learn about the following:

- **Oct. 30:** *Why Do We Have Religion? And How Did We Get Here?* - Dr. Patricia Ahearne-Kroll, Univ. of MN.
- **Nov. 20:** *Sources of Revelation (Tradition & Bible)* with Dr. Stephen Ahearne-Kroll, Univ. of MN
- **Dec. 18:** *Christology and the Liturgical Year* with Fr. Jim DeBruycker, SJA
- **Jan. 22:** *Church History and SJA History* with Fr. Jim DeBruycker, SJA
- **Feb. 19:** *Church Structure* with Fr. Jm DeBruycker, SJA  
*Vatican II* with Rose Aspholm & Brennan Hall, SJA
- **Mar. 18:** *Ethics and Conscience* with Dr. William McDonough, St. Catherine Univ.

**Women of SJA (WSJA)**, Saturday, Oct. 19, 9am - Noon in the Welcome Center. *Mary and Martha - The Story Women Love To Hate*. If this is you, you need to come to this retreat! Join other SJA women of faith as they wrestle with the many messages buried deep in this gospel story. Facilitated by fellow parishioner, Jane Leyden Cavanaugh, this upbeat, interactive retreat will change your mind about Mary and Martha and what they represent. RSVP by Monday, Oct. 14 online at [www.stjoan.com](http://www.stjoan.com) or to the Parish Center. FFI contact Cynthia at [cmanns@stjoan.com](mailto:cmanns@stjoan.com).

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