



SAINT
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OF
ARC
Catholic Community

July 25, 2021

Welcome

We Welcome You Wherever You Are On Your Journey

Gym Masses

Presider: *Fr. Jim DeBruycker*

Family Mass

Family Masses will begin on September 12 at 9:45 and 11:45am in the church.

As we re-open our SJA campus, our Parish Center hours are 9am - 3pm, Monday - Friday. We look forward to seeing you, and we ask that you wear a mask when visiting the Parish Center. We invite you to continue to drop off donations for Sabathani Community Food Shelf, as well as socks and toiletries for Mobile Loaves Twin Cities. These donations have been a mainstay for Sabathani and MLTC. Thank you! We plan on scheduling ministry group meetings on-site beginning in August. Our groups are discerning how to incorporate Zoom and online options along with in-person opportunities, and we will keep you posted as we go forward.



Pastor's 2 Cents From: Fr. Jim DeBruycker

At the feeding of the multitude, the number was more than 5000 as they were only counting men-typical. This is one of those iconic scripture stories you don't even know what to say about anymore; what hasn't been said already? I am just glad Jesus didn't institute the Eucharist at this miracle. Could you imagine trying to break up the fish into little pieces or trying to preserve them for later? You would have to change the song to "*And they'll know we are Christians by our smell, by our smell...*" So much of life is presentation.

While the story is not about the institution of the Eucharist, it is a Eucharistic story. For a community of strangers to sit down in peace and share a meal is at the heart of the Eucharist. Just about every national group has the legend of a small child who in the time of great trauma or famine suddenly appears with a small miraculous basket of food which multiplies itself to feed everyone, be it the infant of Prague or the Holy Infant of Atocha. The miracle begins with a small child-like the small boy with the loaves and fishes. Food from the heart is offered to all who need it. It is the classic story of an innocent who couldn't possibly change the world planting a powerful seed, hope, which can. Most of Jesus' miracles begin with simple faith and trust which allows others to be a vehicle for a great miracle.

Luckily for us, Jesus did not send out his disciples to check if the multitude was worthy to receive this food. If he had the beginnings of Christianity might have been aborted. Jesus was not there to judge but to feed and strengthen the people for the journey.

This story really began with Jesus sending out his disciples on a trial run of evangelization. They were more successful than they ever thought possible. He continued their education of faith with this great miracle, but then he ends it with a caveat: beware the seductive power of power and the corresponding temptation to surrender your power for safety 's sake.

Jesus comes to empower, not to control. The kingdom is built by individuals making the decision to act to do the loving thing to feed each other. If you try to do it alone, you can't do it.



SJA SYNOD Highlights

Please review detailed information regarding the Synod process and Synod Focus Areas at: <https://thecatholicspirit.com/special-sections/archsynod/archdiocesan-synod-2022-this-present-moment/> and https://archspmmainite.s3.amazonaws.com/Synod/Synod+Overview_Year+3_Final_061721.pdf

Weekend Masses are Celebrated at:
5pm Saturday & 7:45am Sunday in the Church
9am & 11am Sunday in the Gym
Family Masses at 9:45am & 11:45am in the Church (beginning Sept.12)



Peace Prayer for July 25th

O God, Bread of Life,
remind us that bread is not made
from a single grain, but from many grains.
Help us to be a community
That no longer thinks of "me" but rather, "us."
May we always share our bread with others
and accept the companionship
Of all who share this bread with us.
In this we shall find true peace.
Amen

Scripture Readings:

Sun, July 25: Kings 4:42-44; Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15
Mon, July 26: Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34; Matthew 13:31-35
Tues, July 27: Exodus 33:7-11; 34:5b-9,28; Matthew 13:36-43
Wed, July 28: Exodus 34:29-35; Matthew 13:44-46
Thu, July 29: Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38; John 11:19-27
Fri, July 30: Leviticus 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Mat 13:54-58
Sat, July 31: Leviticus 25:1, 8-17; Matthew 14:1-12
Sun, Aug 1: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35

Looking Ahead...

**In person ministry meetings can be
scheduled beginning in August.
Parish Center will be open
9:00am - 3:00pm Monday thru Friday**

Saturday, July 24, 5pm Mass: Presider: *Fr. Jim DeBruycker*. Music led by *Seth Boyd* and *Tommy Barbarella*

Sunday, July 25 Masses:

9 & 11am Gym Masses: Presider: *Fr. Jim DeBruycker*, SJA musicians and soloist, *Lee Vague*

Online Mass: Presider: *Fr. Jim Cassidy*, with music from *Charles Lazarus* and *Tommy Barbarella*

August 15: SJA EcoSpirits co-chair Elaine Gaston will share a brief story of her call to join the Line 3 oil pipeline protest, in solidarity with indigenous leaders in Minnesota.

August 22: Members of our Sister Parish Committee will invite you into our Sister Parish virtual delegation with our loved ones in Tierra Nueva Dos in Guatemala.

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.



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

Chuck Abramson, Arlene Axelson, Bill, Carol B, Marcus B, Dennis Barta, Ben, Phyllis Berninger, Michael Branigan, Rob Brown, Elaine Boehm, Marcia Boehnlein, Jan Braatz & parents, Michael Branigan, Patty Brennan, Kevin Brown, Lorraine Bryant, Stacy Budd, Pam Burd, Fred Bursch, Sue C, Jared Callahan, Mary Cermak, Larry Clark, Mary Cowden, Culver family, Melva D, Nick & Megan Daoust, Bill & Meg Davis, Elizabeth Davidson, Larry Dease, Jim DeBruycker, Joe Dooley, Marvin & Betty Dubert, Jerry Dudley, Ava Dunlay, Joe Dunn, Kathie DuRocher, Pete Eichten, Henry F, Ellie Fitzgerald, Donny Fitzpatrick, Michelle Fourre, John & Margaret Frees, Michelle Fries, Jim Green, Heidi Gregorich, Jerry H, Steff H. Brad Hinker, Jim Hinton, Amy Hnilicka, Megan Hoffman, Jan Horner, Kathy Horner, Kathy Itzin, Janie, Ruth J, Meg Jay, Tom Jay, Barb Janisch, Dave & Donna Johnson, Therese K, Annie Kack, Alex Kalal, Brad Karkkainen, Glen Kelley, Chuck Kennedy, Paul Kennedy, John Kingston, Sage Kirscht, Lois Koegl, Mary Kremer, Steve Kremer, Abby L, Alex L, Helen LaFavor, Amy Lainus, Sally Lambert, Amy Larkin, Melva Larson, Lindsay family, Theresa Little, Bob Loftus, Chantilly Lynch, Samantha M, Claire Madden, Delores Masuda, Amy Matykiewicz, Pamela Mayfield, Dawn McClland, Mary Jane McConnell, Kate Meyer, Bob Miller, Bev Moran, Royce Morrissette, Jack Muelken, Ted Mueller, Nate, Trent N. Rita Nelson, Allan Nichols, Craig Nordby, Dale Olson, Pat Olson, Paul Olvera, Mike O'Rourke, Marleny Rivera Orozco, Colette Ott, John Palmer, Marco Palmer, Jacques Parent, Jimmy Peterka, Alice Pirola, Brenda & Ernesto Ramirez, Ahlaia Rash, Ruth Reese, Carol Reiland, Jack Riebel, Rita, Donald & Susan Roufs, Dorothy Rowe, Pat Russell, Kayla Ryan, Sam, Bev S, Monica Sausen, Don Schafer, Carter Schmidt, Colleen Schroeder, Bernice Sederberg, MaryAnn & Dick Seekamp, Gerry Sell, Jack Sell, Nate Shaw, Tania Sisel, Sam Slagerman, Harold Sonnek, Teddy Sparrman, Joan Speltz, Ross, Doug Stahlke, Vivian Steblay, Peter Steen, Carson Stier, Nancy Stockhaus, Rick Streng, Christine Stuart, Lorelei Swan, Grayson Taylor, Matthew Tennant, Ed Tischleder, Glo Tonskemper, Arturo Torres, Abby V, Carin Vagle, Leroy Vague, Dave Velasco, Floyd Ward, Pam Washington, Marlys Weber, Mike Williams, Sandy Wilson, Phil Wixsten, Jerry Wohnoutka, George Wolf, Morley Woodruff, John Wozniak, Michele Wylie, Dave Youngren, Edwina Zagami, Zephie, Annemaire & Ava Zubrzycki, Bridget Zvirin

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 the Parish Center at 612.823.8205.

Parish Life

SJA Choir: The St. Joan of Arc volunteer adult choir is excited to get back together again after our long separation. We are planning a casual get together on Thursday, Aug. 19 at 5:30pm. Sing-a-long with Dan Chouinard! Watch your email and this bulletin for details and plan to COME! We are ready to make a joyful noise. FFI, avagle@stjoan.com.



Communal Grief Service: Wednesday, August 11 at 7pm in the church. The pandemic has cast us into a collective state of grief and loss. For many, this includes grieving the loss of a loved one in isolation. Our communal grief service is an opportunity to gather together in community for a time of reflection and prayer. FFI or questions, contact Sherri Stella at [sstella@stjoan.com](mailto:ssstella@stjoan.com).



Remembering those we have lost : As a part of our welcome back event on September 11, we will be having an *in memorium* celebration of all those we have lost in the time we were apart. If you have a copy of a photo that you don't need to be returned, you can drop it off with JP Fitzgibbons at the Parish Center or you can email a photo to him at jfitzgibbons@stjoan.com. Please have all submissions in by August. 31. For more details call the Parish Center at 612.823.8205.

Mobile Loaves Twin Cities needs toiletry size soap, shampoo and lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes and lightweight socks. Please place your donations in the collection hamper in the Parish Center lobby. FFI contact info@mobileloavestc.com.



The TRUST Chore Program is looking for workers to mow lawns, do small home repairs, organize and clean at the homes of seniors and people with disabilities. If you are interested, please call the TRUST Chore Program at 612.827.6150.

Join the TRUST Grocery Transportation Program Volunteer Team. We're looking for volunteer drivers to help with this essential program, which empowers seniors to shop independently and mixes in fellowship too. we will resume providing transportation in June. FFI, contact TRUST at 612.827.6159 or email grocerycoordinator@trustinc.org.

SJA School Supply Collection: No matter what grade you're in, there is nothing better to start the school year than fresh new school supplies! We are collecting new backpacks and school supplies for the children of the Church of Kateri Tekawitha through August 22. Pick up a flyer outside this morning (or on the SJA website) for a list of requested supplies and drop-off information. Thank you so much for your help!

Food Shelf Donations Needed: We continue to accept non-perishable food items, especially cereal, laundry detergent & body soap for Sabathani Community Center. All items can be dropped off Monday through Friday, 9am - 3pm, in the bins in the Parish Center.

Wedding Policies: Weddings at St. Joan of Arc are provided as a service to members of the parish community. It is necessary that one of the engaged couple be a registered member of the parish for at least six months before a wedding date can be set and this can only be scheduled by one of the priests after an initial interview with the engaged couple. A minimum of six months from the time the date is set to the wedding is necessary in order to complete requirements. In cases where there has been a previous marriage ending in divorce, a notice of an annulment is needed before scheduling. FFI call Sherri Stella at the Parish Center.

Catholic Social Teaching: The Foundation of Our Faith and Our Shared Future. The principles of CST offer us a powerful lens through which to see and love the world as God does. They are a blueprint for us in overwhelming times:

- **Human Dignity:** Every one of us is created in the image and likeness of God.
- **Common Good:** We realize our human dignity in relationship and community.
- **Option for the Poor:** The moral test of our society is how we treat our most vulnerable.
- **Rights and Responsibilities:** We all have a fundamental right to what is needed to live in dignity - life, food, shelter, health care, education, employment. We also have a responsibility to participate in our public life together.
- **Role of Government:** The state has a positive moral function to promote human dignity, protect human rights and build the common good.
- **Economic Justice:** All workers have the right to decent and fair wages and safe working conditions. No one is allowed to amass excessive wealth while others lack the basic necessities of life.
- **Stewardship of God's Creation:** We are called to live in right relationship with the earth.
- **Promotion of Peace and Disarmament:** Peace is not just the absence of war. Peace is the fruit of justice.
- **Global Solidarity:** We are called to work together globally in an interdependent world.



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

Week of July 12, 2021 - July 18, 2021

Actual \$40,407 Budget \$36,092
Prior Year Actual \$31,228

Year to Date (July 1, 2021 – July 18, 2021)

Actual \$99,031 Budget \$108,275
Prior Year Actual \$93,683

Thank You for your continued generosity!

Pastoral Ministries

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

Monday Mental Health: Please join us in September for our new series titled, *Hope, Healing & Growth*. More details to follow.

Pastoral Care: During these difficult and uncertain times, we want you to know that you are *not* alone. We never know the challenges someone is facing, the pain they are enduring, or the grief they carry with them. So, always remember to reach out to one another in the spirit of love, compassion and grace. Even small acts of love and kindness can make all the difference in someone's life. If you, or a loved one is in need of pastoral care support, please contact Sherri Stella at 612.300.6228 or [sstella@stjoan.com](mailto:ssstella@stjoan.com).

Have you been given the gift of knitting or crocheting?



Would you be interested in sharing your talent with our community? Our Prayer Shawl Ministry creates prayer shawls and other needlework projects (hats and mittens) for individuals experiencing illness, grief, loneliness and isolation. No experience is necessary. Our group is willing to teach anyone who is interested in learning. FFI contact Sherri at [sstella@stjoan.com](mailto:ssstella@stjoan.com).

"To each is given a manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." 1 Cor 12:7

Card Ministry: Do you have the gift of cardmaking? Our card ministry is looking for volunteers to make homemade cards for individuals experiencing grief, illness and isolation. For more information, contact Sherri Stella at [sstella@stjoan.com](mailto:ssstella@stjoan.com).

Mental Health Matters: It's OK to not feel OK. Know that help is available if you need it. Hennepin County Cope: Call 612.348.2233 (17 and under) Call 612.596.1223 (18+) hennepin.us/cope. More free resources: Text "MN" to 741741 Call **CRISIS (**274747)

Peace and Justice

FFI on Peace & Justice programs contact Julie Madden at 612.823.8205 ext. 228 or jmadden@stjoan.com.

• Sister Parish News:

- August 22-29, you are invited to our "virtual delegation" with members of our Sister Parish community in Guatemala. We will have a schedule of our activities available after mass on Sunday, August 15, or contact Julie Madden for more info. Throughout the week, we will share cultural, educational and spiritual connections on Zoom (and of course we'll have fun - including Zumba on Zoom!). We celebrate 27 years of a wonderful relationship between our two communities, and we hope you will join us for some or all of our week together.
- Also, check out current Sister Parish news on the SJA website, including greetings from scholarship students in Tierra Nueva Dos.

SJA ISAIAH: At Work in Minneapolis: Join an upcoming forum to learn more about our path to a city where everyone can thrive! Learn more about our work to create a new Department of Public Safety and a path to Rent Stabilization. Join our SJA ISAIAH core team on Zoom July 22 at 6:30pm, or in person at SJA on Wednesday, August 4 at 6:30pm. To RSVP, contact Julie Madden.



Women of SJA, We Need Your Voice: The Vatican has formed a papal commission on ordaining women deacons, and we celebrate what this could mean for our church. Ordained deacons preach homilies, preside at baptisms, weddings and funerals that do not include a mass, and serve communities in a myriad of ways. Join us on Zoom on Tuesday, July 27 at 3pm. RSVP to Julie Madden for the link.

Mobile Loaves Twin Cities: This mobile food ministry, in which several hundred SJAers have volunteered, has continued to serve the hungry during the COVID 19 pandemic, *no questions asked*. We will welcome the MLTC truck to the SJA parking lot at our masses on August 7-8. You can stop by the truck and learn more about serving with Mobile Loaves Twin Cities, which provides meals at many sites across our cities. Thank you, MLTC!

Angels Unawares: On Friday, August 27 at 6pm, SJA will host a



service of prayer and music at the Angels Unawares sculpture, which will be placed on Hennepin Avenue in front of the Basilica. This incredible statue depicts refugees throughout history and cultures, crowded on a boat in search of a better life. We will lift up the lives

of all refugees, and commit ourselves to a better welcome of those displaced by war, famine, and climate change. Please join us for this time together. Also, we will have a presence at the statue beginning at 4pm, with info, activities, and exhibits for visitors.

News from Risen Christ School: This incredible grade school, a neighbor of SJA, a Sustaining Partner of our SJA Outreach Fund, and a vital community for so many families, regardless of income, is seeking to fill a number of teaching positions for the upcoming school year. SJAers are encouraged to apply! More info at <http://risenchristsschool.org/about-us/employment/>.

Great News from Our Sanctuary Support Team! Under threat of being sent back to violence in their home country, a family of 7 has been living in sanctuary with a neighboring faith community for 3 years. Many SJAers volunteered to help protect the family during this time, and Justice Grants from our SJA Outreach Fund helped defray the costs incurred by the host congregation. In June, this family was granted a stay of deportation from ICE, which means they can leave sanctuary, free from fear! Our Welcome the Stranger and Sanctuary Support Teams are spurring efforts to assist this family as they move into dignified housing. If you can help, go to: <https://www.gofundme.com/free-from-sanctuary>

Faith Formation and Adult Learning

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

Baptism: To have your child baptized at St. Joan's you must be a registered member and participate in a 90-minute Baptism preparation class. FFI and to register contact JP by email at jftzgibbons@stjoan.com or by calling the Parish Center.



Nursery: FFI contact Michelle Dehn, Nursery Director at 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. (date is yet to be determined for the re-opening of our Nursery)

Pre-school: (Ages 4-Kindergarten) FFI contact Michelle Dehn at mdehn@stjoan.com or 612.823.8205 ext. 240.

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

First Communion: Group #1 previously registered for spring 2020: check your email for information on choosing dates this fall to celebrate! FFI email mbissonnette@stjoan.com
Group #2 for those who missed preparing for and celebrating in 2021: information forthcoming in mid-July for you to register and pick up preparation materials to celebrate this fall.



Elementary Faith Formation Classes will begin in the Fall. Specific dates are still to be determined. Please see future bulletins and visit our website for information and registration, upcoming this summer.

Online Family Liturgies: Continue to worship as a family during these strange times. Take a little time to pray, sing, and reflect together each week at a gospel-based service designed for the whole family.

Youth Ministry: (Grades 7-12) FFI contact Rose Aspholm at 612.823.8205 ext. 241 or raspholm@stjoan.com

Confirmation 2020-21 Update: Classes will begin Fall 2021. Open to teens in 10th and 11th grade, our program is grounded in relationship building, discernment, and service. If you would like to be added to our contact list for teens and families who are interested email Rose: raspholm@stjoan.com



CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Adult Learning: FFI contact Cynthia Bailey Manns at 612.823.8205 ext. 226 or cmanns@stjoan.com.

SAGES Presents Last Tuesday Seminar on July 27 at 4pm. Mark Scannell will lead the Seminar on the theme of "Who is the Body of Christ?" Contact Mark @ gasscann@bitstream.net for the link to this event.

Parish Book Club: No meeting in August. Join us on Wednesday, as we discuss *You Don't Have to Say You Love Me* by Alexie Sherman, 6pm social half-hour, 6:30 - 8 discussion. The dates (through Dec.), books and authors are on the SJA website under Ministries/Parish Book Club. For the Zoom link email Lucy at lpetermeier@comcast.net.



Centering Prayer: Join us Sunday's in the Arc, 10:15 - 10:45 am, for an in person meditation, we will also be simultaneously Zooming it on line. FFI contact Ray Spack at raymondspack@gmail.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 run from Fall 2021 through Spring 2022, led by Fr. Jim DeBruycker and the RCIA leadership 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 have questions, please contact Fr. Jim DeBruycker at jdebruyster@stjoan.com for more information

SJA Mission Statement

Saint Joan of Arc is a joyful Christian community which celebrates the loving word of God in worship and action. We transcend traditional boundaries and draw those who seek spiritual growth and social justice. We welcome diverse ideas and encourage reflection on the message of the gospel. We are committed to the equality of all our members and strive to ensure their full participation through liturgy, education and service. By these means we seek to empower all who come to grow in wisdom and bring to reality the promise of Christ.

SJA Vision Statement

To be a visible, progressive, Catholic Community, compassionate and welcoming to all