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Served by the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement

June 7/8, 2025



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 9

5:30pm Int. of the Children of
our Parish

Tuesday, June 10

5:30pm Int. of the Parents of
our Parish

Wednesday, June 11

5:30pm Int. of Couples hoping
to conceive

Thursday, June 12

5:30pm Patricia Daisy

Friday, June 13

5:30pm Int. of the Sick of
our Parish

Saturday, June 14

5:30pm Cyril Davis †

Sunday, June 15

10am William Doyle †

12pm Father's Day Novena

SANCTUARY LAMP

(June 8 - 14)

This week's Sanctuary Lamp
burns for the children of our parish.

WE PRAY FOR:

The Sick

Maryann Chard

Mary Kelly

Mark Szuba, Anne Szuba

Gioia Santoro, Laura Carinci

Cecilia Salazar, Bernadette Swan

Helena Harshman, Erica Lovely

Joe Biden

The Deceased

Maria Conceição Vicente

Nilton Alves Gomes, Vivian Gomes

Vlance Cecilia Munoz Garcia

Emerlinda U. Bernal



The Friar's Nook

Happy Father's Day and Happy Pentecost! Perhaps we should say Happy Holy Spirit Day?

As we remember our own fathers and all of those people who have fathered us, we should always look to the prime example of fatherhood – God Himself. God did not create us to be simply followers but His children – brothers and sisters of Christ!

It is a high calling, of course, to compare our fatherhood with God's but it is the example we have been given. I'm sure most of us would like some things different in our fathers and the way they raised us. I always wanted my best friend's father because he seemed "cool". Turns out my best friend wanted something different as well. I look back now and see some of the things my father did for me that I didn't realize when they occurred but now, I find an example of God's love in them. Although there are many, I will share just one example here.

When I was about 5 years old, my father, brother and I were picking berries. Since I was the youngest, I was charged with bringing the buckets up to the house, emptying them, and returning. On one trip, I stepped on a rotten log, and it turned out to be a wasp's nest. Almost instantly, I was surrounded by wasps and stung. I dropped my buckets, covered my face and cried out. I remember my brother saying that I probably saw a snake, but my father told him to be quiet. He heard the buzzing and came running. The next thing I know was that I was under my dad's arm being whisked through the woods to our tool shed where we had a rain barrel. He told me to hold my breath and then plunged me under the water, thus swatting away the wasps as they floated to the surface.

Then he asked me if I was okay and brought me back to the house to change into dry clothes and treat my stings. I can still remember the awesome feeling of almost flying in my father's arms while I was being saved. It wasn't until I was much older that I learned how allergic to bee stings my father was when I had to rush him to the emergency room when I was a teenager.

I didn't realize it then, but my father risked his own life to save me! Kind of makes up for the imperfections that I focused on when I was growing up.

Pope Leo says, "*The profound thirst for the infinite present in the heart of every human being means that parents have the duty to make their children aware of the fatherhood of God.*" That is done by example. We all are not perfect, yet we can show signs of God's fatherhood when we act out of love.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, let us strive to recognize the love of God that is all around us and then let us show it to each other.

In His Love,
Fr. Bob Langone, SA

Feast of Pentecost



"The Holy Spirit, if we let Him, inspires, helps and supports us in this effort, so that our moments of struggle can turn into occasions of growth, healthy crises from which we can emerge better, stronger, and capable of loving others with greater freedom." (Pope Francis, Pentecost 2024)

St. Joan of Arc Feast Day (June 1)

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who set up tables, oversaw the games, cooked and passed out food and drinks and generally made the day a success. Our children had a wonderful time! Thank you to Sister Claire, Sister Marie-Noelle, Anna, and Pricila for organizing the children for their excellent presentation and participation during our Sunday Eucharist. We would also like to extend our appreciation and thanks to Cardinal Funeral Home as well as those individuals who donated merchandise and funds to make this day possible. Once again, the community of St. Joan of Arc is alive and flourishing. Thank you!

Merrymakers Luncheon (June 19)

We're looking forward to hosting another Merrymaker's Lunch! Be sure to join us on Thursday, June 19. Mass will be celebrated at 12:00pm, followed by lunch in the parish hall. This will be the last luncheon until we resume again in September. Tickets will be on sale after each Mass in the hall or at the entrance of the church for \$15. This month's menu includes a salad plate and dessert. If you are able, we encourage you to buy your tickets in advance so we may prepare accordingly. As always, All are Welcome!

Franciscan Friars' Legacy Weekend (June 20-22)

There is a sheet in the bulletin that shows the overall plan for our Farewell Weekend with the Friars from Friday, June 20th – Sunday, June 22nd. **Join in it all if you can.** This is our time to share our love and gratitude to Fr. Bob, Fr. Alex and to all of the Friars for their faithful presence to St. Joan of Arc Catholic Community over the last 28 years.

If you want, you can bring a card or note for each priest during that weekend which will be put inside two Memory Boxes that will be available. Let's send them forth with our thanks!

Your Gifts to God (\$)

....for May 31/June 1	
Expenses	\$7288
Envelopes	N/A
Loose	N/A
PAG (wk)	N/A
Online	N/A
TipTap	N/A
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** This week's numbers were not available before our publishing deadline.

Thus far, we are **\$54,000+** short of our 2025 budget.

As we approach summer when many will be away or travelling, we encourage you to continue supporting your spiritual home through regular giving. This is a good time to consider enrolling in our PAG program! You can also give online via our website at joanofarc.ca or consider using our NEW TipTap and contactless pay machine in the foyer.

Thank you for your support!

MONTH OF JUNE **AT A GLANCE**

June 15 – Marygrove Collection

June 19 – Merrymakers

June 20 – Franciscan Farewell Fling
7:00pm – 10:00pm

June 22 - Parish Reception
1:00pm in Hall



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