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## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers  
Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers  
Catrina Bova

Lectors:  
Genia Vanderkruk  
10:00AM Choir  
Susan McElcheran  
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM  
12:00 Noon Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Call the office

## CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

10:00 AM

12:00 PM

## CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM  
or by appointment.

## BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the Religious Education office. Couples expecting a child are encouraged to contact the office before the child is born. Please contact Ext 1003, for more information.

## MARRIAGE

Please contact Fr. Anish at least one year prior to the planned wedding date.

## Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit  
Call the office Ext 1007

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday, Friday  
10:00am to 3:30pm  
Wednesdays - Closed

## ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League  
4th Monday of the Month

Children's Liturgy  
10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry  
2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace  
[www.devp.org](http://www.devp.org)  
3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers  
3rd Thursday of the month 12:00 PM

Knights of Columbus  
1st Thursday of the Month

Parish Council  
Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society  
2nd Saturday of the Month 1:00 PM



MASS  
INTENTIONS

**Monday, July 21**

5:30pm For the sick of our Parish

**Tuesday, July 22**

5:30pm For the deceased of our Parish

**Wednesday, July 23**

5:30pm Francisco Tan †

**Thursday, July 24**

5:30pm For the Parish Community

**Friday, July 25**

5:30pm Jay Cullen McQuillen †

**Saturday, July 26**

5:30pm Int. of Rosanne Kelly

**Sunday, June 27**

10am For the Parish Community

12pm Rosamunda Ficker †

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

(July 27 – August 2)

This week's Sanctuary Lamp  
burns for Ross Best †  
Please keep him in your prayer.

**WE PRAY FOR:**

**The Sick**

Maryann Chard  
Mary Kelly  
Mark Szuba, Anne Szuba  
Ted Daniel,  
Laura Gill

**The Deceased**

Vivian Castellanos,  
Andrea Wally,  
Mary Lou Grey,  
Susana Noboa,  
Beverly Johnson  
Genoveffa Farenga



***The Pastor's Nook***

Embracing the Better Part

Dear St. Joan of Arc Parish Family,  
this Sunday, as we reflect on the Gospel, we are reminded of the profound impact of our choices amidst the hustle of daily life. Jesus speaks directly to our anxieties and worries, urging us to focus our attention on Him rather than the distractions that threaten to consume us. Like Mary, who chose the "better part" by sitting at Jesus' feet, we too are called to prioritize our relationship with Christ, rising above the chaos that surrounds us.

In a world filled with distractions, it is easy to allow our concerns—no matter how small—to pull us away from the peace found in Christ. St. Thérèse of Lisieux once said, "The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother." In this essence, we recognize that prioritizing our spiritual life brings forth the deepest fulfillment, allowing us to grow in holiness and love, just as Mary did.

As we reflect on Martha's experience, we recognize that hospitality extends beyond mere physical nourishment. Jesus reminds us to give attention not only to our tangible responsibilities but to the spiritual nourishment our souls crave. By taking time to sit, listen, and engage with our Lord, we can transform our worries into opportunities for connection. St. Francis de Sales beautifully articulated this as he wrote, "Be who you are and be that well." Embracing authenticity in Christ allows us to serve others more genuinely. Abraham's hospitality, as seen in the first reading, teaches us how receptivity to the divine can lead to profound blessings. Yet we must remember that our actions should stem from love and generosity, not the expectation of rewards. God's grace is, and always will be, unconditional. In our second reading, St. Paul reveals Christ as the hidden mystery of our faith—who in every moment desires a deeper relationship with us. Let us heed Jesus' invitation this Sunday: to step away from the distractions and to sit in silence with Him. Let us reflect on what truly matters—our connection with God and the love we can share with one another.

As we enter this week, I encourage each of you to carve out time in your busy lives for quiet reflection and prayer. Gather as families, sharing the Word of God and praying together, allowing His presence to weave through your homes. Let us not forget the words of the psalmist, "The just will live in the presence of the Lord!" May we seek to live in that presence daily. Embrace the "better part" this week. Let Jesus into our hearts and homes and allow His love to transform our worries into peace.

In Christ's love,  
Fr. Anish Alex



## Installation Mass of Fr. Anish Alex

We are pleased to announce the Installation Mass of Fr. Anish Alex as Pastor of St. Joan of Arc Parish.

**Sunday, September 14 at 12:00 PM**

Celebrated in the presence of Bishop Robert Kasun, CSB.

All parishioners are warmly invited to attend this special Mass and join us afterward for refreshments in the parish hall.

Let us come together to pray for and support Fr. Anish as he officially begins his ministry among us.

### What is an Installation Mass?

An Installation Mass is the formal ceremony where a priest is officially appointed by the bishop as pastor of a parish. For Fr. Anish, this moment confirms his leadership role here at St. Joan of Arc Parish—not just as a priest, but as a spiritual guide, teacher, and shepherd of our community.

For the parish, it is an opportunity to affirm our support and trust, and to commit ourselves to walking together in faith.

Please join us for this important milestone in the life of our parish and in Fr. Anish's journey as our pastor.

### Your Gifts to God (\$)

....for July 12/13

| Expenses          | 7,288        |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Envelopes         | 1,455        |
| Loose             | 406          |
| PAG (wk)          | 1,783        |
| Online            | 53           |
| TipTap            | 65           |
| <b>**Received</b> | <b>3,762</b> |
| Short             | 3,526        |

\*\* We require \$7288 a week (\$31,500 a month) to cover our basic parish expenses.

Your generosity helps us to make our community alive through various liturgies and many outreach initiatives.

**Thank you** for your support.



### Berry Yogurt Parfaits

Layer vanilla yogurt, fresh mixed berries (like strawberries, blueberries, and raspberries), and granola in small glasses or jars. Repeat layers and top with a drizzle of honey or a mint leaf. Chill and serve—easy, refreshing, and perfect for hot days!

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