



St. Joan of Arc Parish

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St. Joan of Arc Parish, we proclaim and live the Gospel through stewardship, growing together as a welcoming community where all belong.

PARISH STAFF

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday : 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Closed from 12:30 – 1:30 for lunch

Saturday & Sunday: Office is closed

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please register with the parish before seeking any Sacraments. Registration forms are available in the church main entrance, parish office and in the parish website.

MASS TIMINGS

Tuesday - Saturday : 5:30 pm

Sunday - 10:00 am and 12:00pm

ORGANISATIONS & ACTIVITY

Catholic Women's League :

4th Monday of the month

Children Liturgy :

10:00 am Mass (Sunday)

Creation Care Ministry

2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace

www.dev.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

St. Vincent de Paul Society

2nd Saturday of the Month 4:00 PM

COORDINATORS

Sacramental Coordinator:

Joelle Lauriol

Altar server coordinator:

Tommy Pham

Liturgical Ministries :

Lectors: Luz Sucilan

Eucharistic Ministers:

Caterina Bova

10:00 am Choir

Susan McElcheran

Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 pm

12:00 Noon Choir

Dorothy Pellerin

Rehearsal: Sunday 10:45 am

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: Parents wishing to have a child baptized must contact the parish office to register. Information and registration form is available on our website.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions):

Saturday 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm,

First Friday 6:00 pm– 7:00pm or by appointment.

Marriage: Please contact the parish office for an interview with the Priest one year before planning your wedding date.

R.C.I.A : Adults wishing to be baptized or received into the Catholic Church must contact the parish office. Sessions begin in the fall.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the Parish Office.

Pastoral References - You must be registered for at least 6 months. Please check our website under Parish Life for more information.

SCHOOLS

St. Luigi Catholic School

2 Ruskin Ave, Toronto, ON
M6P 3P8

Bishop Marrocco/ Thomas Merton

Catholic Secondary School
1515 Bloor St w, Toronto, ON
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DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration:- First Friday of the month 6 pm-7 pm

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual

Help :- Every Wednesday after 5:30 pm Holy Mass.

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral

Services: Archdiocese of Toronto
416-733-8544

Parish Website



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<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u>	Earthen Vessels, Sacred Cargo
<u>Tuesday, October 27th</u> 5:30 pm – Blessings & Peace in Family <u>Wednesday, October 28th</u> 5:30 pm – Thanksgiving <u>Thursday, October 29th</u> 5:30 pm – Guidance in Family <u>Friday, October 29th</u> 5:30 pm – Thanksgiving and guidance for elders <u>Saturday, October 29th</u> 5:30 pm – Filomena & Guillermo Tan+ <u>Sunday, October 30th</u> 10:00 am – Parish Community - Eric & Rosamund Fiker + 12:00 pm – Leon & Mario Dacany+ - Souls in purgatory + - Lawrence D'costa + <u>Please Pray for the Sick</u> Maryann Chard, Anne Szuba, Ted Daniel, Cecilia Salazar, Tania Florian, Nestor Belisario Munoz, Adelina Banez, Maria Rochelle Dacanay Tiffany Santos, Eric Hauser and Vladimir Klimenko. <u>Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul</u> Raymond Hosick, Carl Hetu, Anna Maria Silva, Margaret Galaski and Anne Sorzano.	Last weekend we took time after all our Masses to gather in the hall and visit with each other and to encounter the ministries and groups in the parish. Many of you expressed interest. This should be followed up in the coming weeks. It was also a chance for me to listen to a number of people. The strongest message I received was of interest in what the Church generally calls, “ongoing formation”. We use the word, “formation”, not because it is the goal of the Church to promote a single way of approaching the faith, but because the faith is to be integrated into the lives of people. I would say broadly this has been an increasing priority across the Church. When we think, for example, of our long-held emphasis on sacramental preparation it may have occurred to us that sometimes we are lacking follow up. What happens after the preparation is complete and the sacrament being prepared for has been celebrated? As I am writing this the Church is celebrating the Memorial of St. John Paul II, who was elected when I was in grade 12. For the first 16 years of my priesthood I prayed for him every time I spoke the Eucharistic Prayer at Mass. In the leadup to the Great Jubilee of the Third Millennium of Christianity, he wrote extensively on the renewal of the life of the Church. He referred to it as a New Advent. In the document that came out following the Jubilee he called for this newness to become a characteristic of the Church’s daily living. While renewed efforts at evangelization may be more visible, the object of evangelization is to become not only more committed to Christ but to live out that relationship. That’s where ongoing formation fits in. I think we have the capacity to start to undertake some efforts here at St. Joan. In a couple of parishes I started by using the Catholic version of Alpha, a program developed in the Anglican communion aimed at helping people to come to let their faith dwell in them deeply. If you want to check it out here’s a link: https://www.alphacanada.org/catholic-context. In one parish we did it once and in another we did it twice over a 2-year period. I would like to see 2 different programs each year and eventually 3, meaning that something would be available virtually all year. Formation is not a one size fits all matter. It is meant to provide nourishment to our faith life and so each of us has a particular combination of needs. We can end up deepening our understanding of Sacred Scripture, of the spiritual life, of what it means to be part of the local Catholic Church of Toronto and of the Church around the world. Ideally, the combination will address, heart, head and hands. Working together in our ministries and groups is also an exercise in being more deeply formed to live the Christian life in a fuller way, especially if we take time to be conscious of it. I will continue to write more of what I am taking away from the experience of our Stewardship Weekend in the coming weeks. In Christ, Fr. Bob

First Communion preparation classes

We are now accepting registrations for the First Communion preparation classes which will begin October 25th. The registration is simple and only requires the completion of a few forms, the payment of the appropriate fee and the photocopy of the Baptismal Certificate. Please contact the parish office or the sacramental coordinator at sja.sacraments@gmail.com for more information.

Knit with Love

Do you like to knit or crochet?

We are starting a new group at **St. Joan of Arc** in the meeting room, on the 4th **Wednesdays of each month from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** We will make hats, mitts, and scarves for local shelters, the Winter Welcome Table, and the parish sale in November. We are looking for knitters and crocheters who would like to get together and socialize.

Don't knit or crochet but would like to support us? We also welcome **donations of wool/yarn**. You can leave donations at the office, and we will collect them from there

Confirmation preparation classes

We are now accepting registrations for the Confirmation preparation classes which will begin January 5th. The registration is simple and only requires the completion of a form, the payment of the appropriate fee and the photocopy of the Holy First Communion Certificate. Please contact the parish office or the sacramental coordinator at sja.sacraments@gmail.com for more information.

Weekday Parking Notice

If you are visiting the church on a weekday for any church-related matter, please provide your vehicle and parking information to the parish office **in advance** to avoid receiving a parking ticket.

STEWARDSHIP THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Some of you may have missed **Stewardship Weekend** (Oct.17/18) this past weekend, or are still pondering what ministry you feel called to. It is **never too late** to join any ministry at any point during the year. Enclosed in this bulletin is a **Ministries Summary Sheet** that you can complete and **hand in** to the **office** or to one of the weekend **ushers** at any time. This sheet also a QR Code to the Brochure (that describes every ministry) and a QR code with a list of ministries that you can **email** to our office . There are a wonderful array of ministries..and you give the amount of time that you can. Experience the **gift of sharing** and the **joy of belonging** at St. Joan of Arc.

Merrymakers – Looking for Cooks

Do You Have a Passion for Cooking?

The Merrymakers Team is looking for a volunteer to plan and prepare a special luncheon for approximately 30–40 participants in November or February, with the support of our team.

This is a wonderful opportunity to share your favourite meal, showcase your culinary talents, and bring joy to others through food and fellowship!

Interested? Please contact the parish office @ 416-762-1026. We'd love to cook up something wonderful together!

St. Vincent de Paul

Our Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be holding their annual fall Bundle weekend, November 21 - 22, 2026. The truck will be in the parking lot to accept your gently used items, See the posters for more details. Thank you for your continued support for the less fortunate of our community.

Your Gift to God

Weekend of Oct 17th & 18th, 2026

Offeritory Collections	
<i>Weekend of October 17 & 18, 2026</i>	
Envelopes	\$1,015.00
Loose	617.00
PAG per week(based on 4 weeks)	1,258.43
	2,890.43
Tip Tap	100.00
Total	\$2,990.43
<i>Suggested Parish Goal</i>	\$ 47,500.00
ShareLife - Parish	\$ 12,566.15
ShareLife - through Diocese	16,548.00
Total collection - Jan to Oct 18, 2026	\$ 29,114.15
Percentage achieved	61%

Looking Ahead

Sacramental Preparation

First Holy Communion: First Class –
October 25, 2026

*(Preparation for the Sacrament of
Reconciliation)*

Confirmation: First Class – January 5,
2027

RCIA: First Class – September 15,
2026

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