

December 3, 2017



1st Sunday of Advent

# ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH



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*Preliminary rendering of the new St. Joan of Arc Church*

## Mass Times

**Sunday** 7:30 AM Low Mass  
9:30 AM Sung Mass  
12:00 PM Low Mass  
5:00 PM Low Mass  
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**Weekdays** 6:30 AM, 12:15 PM  
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**Saturday** 6:30 AM, 9:30 AM

## Confession Times

45 min. before each Sunday Mass  
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30 min. before each daily Mass  
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4:00-5:00 PM Saturday

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# MASS AND EVENT SCHEDULE

Frs. Nolan, Flick, and Terra are currently accepting Mass intentions.

Events		Mass Times & Intentions
<b>Sunday, Dec. 3rd</b> 1st Sunday in Advent	<b>Capital Campaign Kickoff</b> , St. Pius X at 1:30 PM <b>Holy Hour</b> , <i>cancelled</i>	<b>7:30 AM:</b> Pro Populo <b>9:30 AM:</b> Special Intention <b>12:00 PM:</b> Laura Brown (Grace Brown) <b>5:00 PM:</b> Private Intention
<b>Monday, Dec. 4th</b> St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor		<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private Intention <b>12:15 PM:</b> Alisa Shibler (Grace Brown)
<b>Tuesday, Dec. 5th</b> Feria of Advent		<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private Intention <b>12:15 PM:</b> †Donovan & Rhoda Bowen (Patricia Morales)
<b>Wednesday, Dec. 6th</b> St. Nicholas, Bishop & Confessor		<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private Intention <b>12:15 PM:</b> Paula Rice (Molly deTar)
<b>Thursday, Dec. 7th</b> St. Ambrose, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor		<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private Intention <b>12:15 PM:</b> †Helen Wilson (Molly deTar)
<b>Friday, Dec. 8th</b> Immaculate Conception	<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b> , following the 6:30 AM Mass until noon	<b>6:30 AM:</b> Sr. Mary Clair & Sr. Margaret Marie (Fr. Nolan) <b>12:15 PM:</b> Pro Populo <b>6:30 PM (sung):</b> Private Intention
<b>Saturday, Dec. 9th</b> Feria of Advent	<b>Little Flowers</b> , 10:30 AM to noon <b>Youth Group</b> , TBD	<b>6:30 AM:</b> Ruben & Brenda Finn (Molly deTar) <b>9:30 AM:</b> Private Intention
<b>Sunday, Dec. 10th</b> 2nd Sunday of Advent	<b>Holy Hour</b> , 3:00 PM	<b>7:30 AM:</b> Private Intention <b>9:30 AM:</b> Berrier Family (Brock & Miri- am Popek) <b>12:00 PM:</b> Pro Populo <b>5:00 PM:</b> Special Intention (KB)

## TODAY'S HYMNS

**Processional**      Lift Up Your Heads #931  
**Recessional**      O Come Divine Messiah

**REMINDER:** Please do not bring cell phones into the church, or be sure they are completely silenced *before* entering the church. Thank you for your consideration.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Private Masses:** Fr. Gordon will say the following intentions at private Masses this week: 12/4: Priests of the SSPX (The Ade Family); 12/5: Priests who are dying (The Ade Family); 12/6: †James P. Gordon, Jr.; 12/7: Mathew Dunne & Family (Tony Enfield Family); 12/8: Pro Populo; 12/9: Priests abandoned in Purgatory (The Ade Family).

**Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe:** To honor Our Lady on this great Feast Day, there will take place a procession and enthronement of Our Lady of Guadalupe, on Tuesday, December 12th, beginning in the parish hall at 6:00 AM. All are encouraged to attend this grand event and celebrate afterwards with traditional Mexican pastries and hot chocolate following Holy Mass. To adorn Our Lady we ask that **each family donate a bouquet of roses**, any color, and bring them to church during the weekend of December 9th and deposit them in buckets of water which shall be available as you enter the parish hall. You may make a monetary donation as well; please mark your donation "December 12th Flowers".

**Homemade Tamales!** Next Sunday, December 10th, in culmination of the weeklong honoring of Our Lady of Guadalupe, homemade tamales will be available after the Masses while they last. A donation of \$2 each is suggested and all proceeds will go to benefit the building fund. Please make checks payable to St. Joan of Arc. No pre-orders, please!

**Capital Campaign Kick Off!** Please join Frs. Gordon, Nolan and Flick today, Sunday, December 3rd, from 1:30 to 2:30 PM at St. Pius X church hall (625 Haycraft Ave, CDA), for the official kick off of the Capital Campaign to build a new church! St. Joan families are invited attend the rally so that they can receive their official campaign packet of materials, discuss the project, and get answers to questions about the drive. Every parish family is asked to participate, as there are many ways to give, to ensure the success of the Campaign, and to continue to grow God's Kingdom on earth. Exciting news about the funds already pledged, a matching fund challenge by four families, and a time table will all be announced. Please make every effort to attend this most important event. May Our Lady guide each of us to do His will!

**Baked Goods Sign Up:** Baked good will once again be available after all Masses on December 17th. All donations will go to support the Youth Camp program. A sign up will be available on the credenza for donations of baked goods for this purpose. Please support this annual cause.

**Christmas Choir for Children and Youth:** Children and youth, ages 5 to 18, are invited to sing several pieces with the choir at Christmas Midnight Mass and morning Mass. Some practicing of music at home and attendance at two rehearsals will be required. Rehearsals will be 6 to 7 PM on Tuesday, December 12th, and Wednesday, December 20th. Please see the St. Joan of Arc website for recordings, printable music, and details. With further questions, please email [amvogel@cet.com](mailto:amvogel@cet.com).

**Confraternity of St. Peter:** The Confraternity of St. Peter is a society of those who wish to help the charism of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter through prayer and sacrifice, with the intention of contributing to the sanctification of all priests, of supporting priests and seminarians in their pastoral endeavors, and obtaining numerous vocations. Information and membership sign ups will be available following all Masses during Advent. Questions may be directed to Roseann Loftus (208) 661-4088.

**Annual Church Cleaning:** On Saturday, December 23rd, following the 9:30 AM Mass, the church will be cleaned from ceiling to floors. Families please sign up and bring a bucket as there is work for moms, children and husbands. Men are needed to clean the Sanctuary, statues and chandeliers. If you have an 8 or 10 foot folding ladder available please contact the church secretary. Don't miss this incredible annual event that prepares our Church and souls for Christmas. As always, Father Gordon is supplying the pizza!

**Ice Skating Party:** The annual parish Ice Skating Party will take place on Saturday, December 30th, from 6:30 to 8:30 PM at the Frontier Ice Arena.



## APOLOGETICS CORNER

*Defending our Faith with the Truth*

By Father Dennis M. Gordon, FSSP

# The Great Flood

**Q**uestion: “Let’s talk about Noah and the flood. **Was it a world-wide flood** or was it just a flood in that region—what does the Bible and science say?”

**A**nswer: “Let’s take a look...“The detailed account of the flood during Noah’s time, including a month-and-day timeline, is given in the first book of the Bible, the Book of Genesis, chapters 7-8. In there we find this account of how extensive the flood was: ‘*The rain fell upon the earth forty days and forty nights*’ (Genesis 7:12), and ‘*the waters prevailed upon the earth a hundred and fifty days*’ (Genesis 7:23).

“**Did it truly cover the whole earth?** This is what the Book of Genesis tells us; the flood waters ‘*filled all on the face of the earth*’ (Genesis 7:18). Not only that, but the Bible adds that ‘*the waters prevailed beyond measure upon the earth: and all the high mountains under the whole heaven were covered*’ (Genesis 7:19). Notice that it says that ALL the high mountains, *under the whole heaven*, were covered. This means a *total* covering with water of the entire earth (‘under the *whole* heaven’). “There is also this detail added: ‘*The water was fifteen cubits higher than the mountains it covered*’ (Genesis 7:20). A cubit is between 18-21 inches, depending on whether the cubit being referred to was a *regular* cubit or a *long* cubit. So, fifteen cubits at 18-21 inches per cubit means that the flood water was at least over 20 feet higher than the mountains. In **Genesis 8:5** we read the following: ‘*And the waters*

*were going and decreasing until the tenth month: for in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains appeared.*’ The tenth month is the tenth month since the beginning of the flood, for the timeline starts at the beginning of the rains in

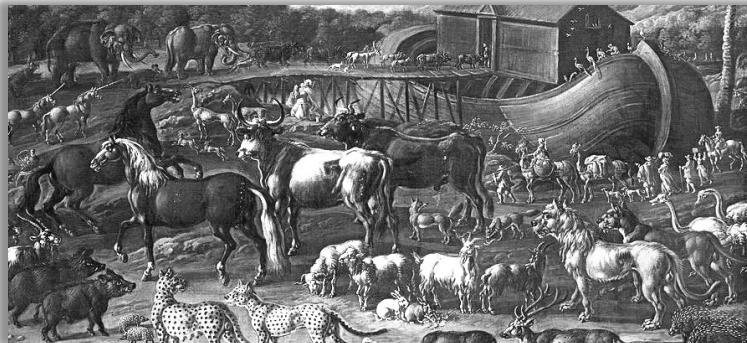
Genesis 7:11. The waters, then, prevailed over the earth for 150 days, and then began decreasing. They decreased until the tenth month when finally the ‘*tops of the mountains appeared.*’ This, then, **has** to be a world-wide flood. If this were just a *regional* flood in

the Middle East, then *that* would be a miracle indeed—that the waters of a *regional* flood could swell up to over 20 feet higher than the mountains, and then *keep* covering those mountains *for ten months* without running off.

“**Where did all that water come from?** Not only did it rain for 40 days and 40 nights, but **Genesis 7:11** adds that ‘*the fountains of the great deep were broken up*’ indicating water breaking out from under the earth.

“**Does science have anything to say on it?** Interestingly, scientists *do* say that at one time all the continents we know today *were* submerged under the oceans. They say this because there is boundless evidence that the continents were once submerged under water. Scientists also say that there are massive reservoirs of water that are still in the Earth’s mantle, underground. It was a great amount of these waters that were released during the great, world-wide flood of Noah’s time.”

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### Noah’s Ark

**Cajetan Roos, c. 18<sup>th</sup> century**

Oil on canvas. Cajetan Roos was an Italian landscape painter who spent the latter half of his life painting Biblical scenes.

# The Immaculate Conception

From Butler's  
*Lives of the Saints*

Volume XII  
December 8<sup>th</sup>

**I**N THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE VIRGIN MOTHER OF GOD, we celebrate the joyful first rays of that great day of mercy, the Nativity of Our Savior Jesus Christ. Mary's Divine Son, the eternal God, from the first moment of her being, considered the sublime dignity to which he had decreed to raise her, and distinguished her in a manner suitable to bear the relation to him of mother.

To understand the greatness to which Almighty God wished to raise his very own Blessed Mother, consider how, when He commanded a temple to be built to his honour in Jerusalem, what preparations he ordained! What purity he required in the things that belonged to that work, even in the persons and materials that were employed in it! What consecrations, rites, and ceremonies did he order to sanctify all the parts of the building! And this for a material temple, in which the ark of the old covenant was to be placed, where men were to offer their homages and sacrifices to his adorable Majesty according to the Mosaic Law.

What then did he not do for the Blessed Virgin Mary in spiritually adorning her, whose chaste womb was to be his living tabernacle, from whose pure flesh he was to derive his own most holy body, and of whom he would himself be born! If the Ark of the Covenant, holding the word of God written on stones, was worthy of such dignity, of how much greater dignity was worth the Ark of the New Covenant, Blessed Mary, holding the Living Word of God, written, as it were, in human flesh?

Consider how carefully a skilled artist, in the first place, examines that there be no irregularity or deformity in the piece which he is going to carve. And if a house is to be put in order and adorned, to receive some guest of great distinction, the first thing is to remove all filth, whatever might be offensive. Clearly then, was Almighty God pleased to preserve this holy Virgin from contracting any stain of sin, whether original or actual!



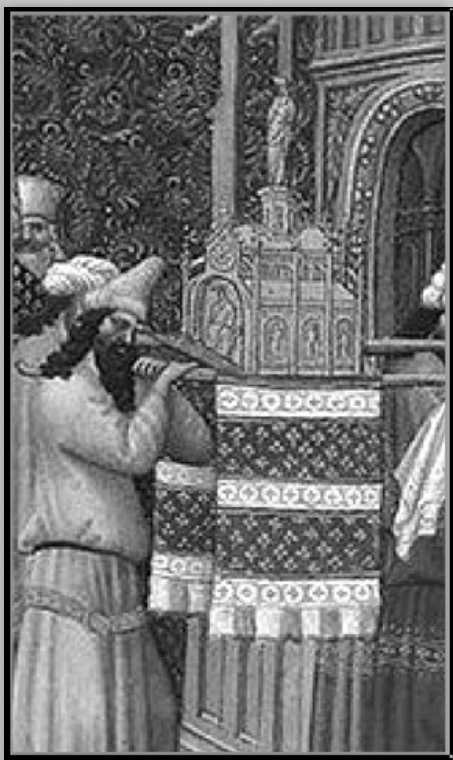
To have been one moment infected with sin was not agreeable to the undefiled purity of her who was chosen to be ever holy, that she might be worthy to bring forth the author of sanctity. Had she ever been in sin, notwithstanding the advantages of her other privileges and graces, she would have been for that moment before she was cleansed, the object of his indignation and just hatred. St. Augustin thought this reason sufficient for exempting her, whenever mention is made of sin. "Out of reverence," says he, "and for the honour which is due to her Son, I will have no question put about her when we speak of any sin."

Christ was no less her Redeemer, Reconciler, and most perfect Saviour and Benefactor, by preserving her from this stain, than he would have been by cleansing her from it; as by descending from Adam she was liable to this debt, and would have contracted the contagion, had she not been preserved from it through the grace and merits of her Son.

The grace which exempted Mary from original sin, preserved her also from the sting of concupiscence,

or inordinate love of creatures, and tendency to evil. The first sin of Adam brought on us a deluge of evils, and by the two wounds of ignorance and concupiscence, has spread its toxic influence over all the powers of our soul. Through it our understanding is liable to be deceived, and to be led away with errors; our will is prone to give in to the desires of the basest passions: our senses are become inlets of dangerous suggestions: we are subjected to spiritual weakness, inconstancy, and vanity, and are tyrannized over by inordinate appetites. Hence proceeds in us a difficulty in doing good, a repugnance to our duties, a proneness to evil, the poisoned charm of vice, and the internal war of the flesh against the spirit. All this we experience and groan under; yet under the weight of such miseries, by a much greater evil, we are blind, proud, and insensible. We must never cease sighing to the Blessed Virgin, who by God's grace was spared these evils, and to implore her aid against our enemy, and never enter into any truce with sin.

*Who is she that cometh forth as the morning rising, fair as the moon, bright as the sun, terrible as an army set in array! (Cant. 6:9)* These words we may understand as spoken by the angels at the first glorious appearance of the Mother of God, astonished to behold her, after the dismal night of darkness and sin, as the morning rising, beautiful as the moon,



shining as the sun, decked with the brightest ornaments of grace, and terrible to all the powers of hell, as the face of an army drawn up in battalia, displaying her beams on the horizon of the earth, which had been hitherto covered with the hideous deformity of sin.

What a glorious spectacle, what a subject of joy was it to the heavenly spirits, to see the empire of sin broken, and a descendant of Adam come forth free from the general contagion of his race, making her appearance pure, holy, and beautiful, richly adorned with the most precious gifts of grace, and outshining the highest angels and cherubims! Shall we refuse to her our admiration and praises? Shall we not offer to God our best homages in thanksgiving for such a mercy, and for so great a present which he has bestowed on the world in Mary?

The Immaculate Conception of the holy Mother of God was not only in itself a great and glorious mystery, but likewise joyful to mankind. Certain glimmerings of man's redemption were seen by the patriarchs and prophets of the old law, in several types and figures; and these distant visions filled them with joy. But the Conception of Mary was no mere glimmering, but indeed may be said to have been its rising morning, or the dawning of its day. She was the Throne and the Tabernacle of the true Solomon, and the Ark of the Testament, to contain, not corruptible manna, but the Author of the incorruptible life of our souls.

*O Mother of Mercy let your happy privilege, your exemption from all sin and concupiscence, inspire you with pity for our miseries: and by your spotless purity and abundant graces, obtain for us strength against all our dangers, the deliverance from all our evils, and the most powerful remedies of divine grace. Thus, from this mystery, we are to draw lessons of instruction for ourselves!*

# SICK AND HOMEBOUND

In your charity, please pray for the sick and homebound of the parish.

Patricia & Francesco Barsanti, David Burns, Sr. Maria Consuela, David Cools, Roberta Costa, Regina Dumas, Brenda Finn, Jess Flores, Sharon Flores, Jeremiah Freeman, Robert Geist, David Gunseor, Gale Hamilton, Susan Hamilton, Sherri Higgins, Donald Holbrook, Kathryn Holbrook, Margaret Hurn, Joseph Kemna, Mary Lynn Kenary, Scott Kennedy, Carrie Kralicek, Paul Krieg, Joseph Larsen, Marianne Leake, Donald Lohman, Spencer Lowell, Bryce Lund, Sandra Madrid, Sharon McManus, Patrick McMonigle, Tim Ost, Michael O'Sullivan, Phyllis Peick, Michael Permen, Rachel Porter, Julia Rose, Coleman Rozsnyai, Louis Sachwitz, Joshua Schlader, Georgia Schrempp, Heaven & Mary Schumacher, Ed Stephens, David & Erika Taxin, Jonathan Taxin, Mary & Charles West, Ernie Willette, Lezlie White, Barbara Woods.

## FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray also for the deceased of our parish.



Richard Ambrosi, Angelo Ambrosetti, Diane Braun, David Brunson, Julie Cook, Richard Copeland, Robert Courteau, Ann deTar, Grover Dilsaver, Joseph Anthony Drongoski, Charles Douglass, Susan Douglass, Fiona DuFrain, James Duggan, Joan Duggan, Norman Dumas, Jean Duval, Frank Finney, William Fisher, Mary Forrester, James P. Gordon, Joseph Guarnotta, Jeanine Grenier, Helen Groves, Ed Hattrup, Patricia Howland, Rosemary Jacobs, John Keller, Daisy Koler, Elemer Kovacs, Boleslaw Kozlowski, Wanda Kozlowski, Josephine LoCurto, Patrick Mahoney, Bonnie McDonald, Erma McKay, Kevin McKay, Mike McManus, Agnes McMillan, David Metzger, Norm Miller, Florence McNamara, Lynnette Miller, Ann Morgan, Arcadia Nicklay, Fr. Colman Nolan, Mary Norman, Molly Rose Pearson, William Pearson, Jerry Peick, Kathleen Rardon, Fr. George Rassley CSSR, Bonnie Royer, Tamiko Shaw, Steve Slater, Jeremy Smith, Maryanna Thompson, Paul Upthegrove, Paul Uribe, Linda Vogel, Paul Van Voorst, Bob Wagner, Dorothy Wagner, Helen Walitzer, Elizabeth Welch

## VOCATIONS

Please pray for the members of our parish who are discerning or pursuing a religious vocation.

Br. Peter Mary, FSSR; Rev. Mr. Marty Adams, FSSP; Mr. Christopher Hattrup, FSSP; Mr. Joseph Loftus, FSSP; Mr. Richard Grablin, FSSP; Sr. Teresa Benedicta, Carmel of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Post Falls, ID; Sr. Mary Gertrude, Norbertine Sister of the Bethlehem Priory of St. Joseph; Brother Mary Peter, Monastero di San Benedetto di Norcia; Brother Lawrence Burns, OSB, Clear Creek Monastery, OK

### Customary Stipends

- ◇ Mass\*: \$10
- ◇ Marriage: \$80-100
- ◇ Baptism: \$25-50
- ◇ Other sacrament: no stipend applies
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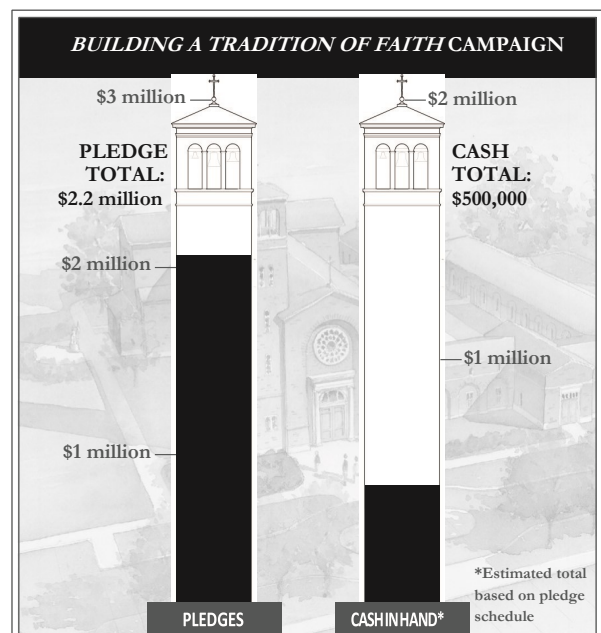
\*We ask that parishioners request no more than three Mass intentions per priest at one time.

\*Stipends are **not** required to receive any sacraments.

## FINANCES

November 26, 2017	
General, envelopes, & loose cash	4,625.61
Capital Campaign	30,135.56
Saint Helen's Poor Box	163.20
Social Event Donation	18.00
Votive Candles	168.95
Advertising	200.00
Flowers	41.00
<b>Total</b>	

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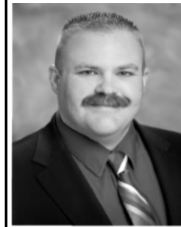
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