

September 20, 2020



16th Sunday after Pentecost

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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

Events		Mass Times & Intentions
<b>Sunday September 20<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	<b>Young Adults,</b> Fine Brewed after 9:30 AM Mass	<b>7:30 AM:</b> Pro Populo <b>9:30 AM:</b> (Sung Mass) Private <b>12:00 pm:</b> Private <b>5 PM:</b> Private
<b>Monday Sept. 21<sup>th</sup></b> <b>St. Matthew, Apostle &amp; Evangelist</b>		<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private <b>12:15 PM:</b> Private
<b>Tuesday Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>St. Thomas of Villanova, Bishop &amp; Confessor</b>		<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private <b>12:15 PM:</b> Private
<b>Wednesday Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>St. Ember Wednesday, (St. Linus)</b>	<b>Men's Focus group</b> 6:30 pm	<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private <b>12:15 PM:</b> Private
<b>Thursday Sept. 24<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Feria (Our Lady of Ransom)</b>	<b>Adoration/Benediction</b> 5 pm	<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private <b>12:15 PM:</b> Private
<b>Friday September 25<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Ember Friday</b>	<b>Wine &amp; Cheese</b> 6:30 pm	<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private <b>12:15 PM:</b> Private
<b>Saturday Sept. 26<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Ember Saturday</b>	<b>Oien/Adams Wedding</b> 11 am <b>St. Tarcisius mtg.</b> 3 pm	<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private <b>9:30 AM:</b> Private
<b>Sunday September 27<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	<b>Young Adults,</b> Fine Brewed after 9:30 AM Mass	<b>7:30 AM:</b> <b>9:30 AM:</b> (Sung Mass) <b>12:00 pm:</b> Pro Populo <b>5 PM:</b>

**Adoration Chapel candles:** Prayers for the repose of the soul of Francis Crotty (Matthew White)

**Sanctuary candle:** Prayers for Laurene Casper (Diane Birch)

## TODAY'S HYMNS

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**Processional** Sing Praise to God

**Recessional** O God, Almighty Father

**Mass XI, Credo I**

**Marian Antiphon** *Salve Regina*  
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**REMINDER:** Please *silence* your cell phones!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Mass intentions are once again closed for all priests.** There is a priest on sabbatical who says the Mass in Latin, has the time, and is accepting Mass intentions. Please make your check out to 'St. Joan of Arc', drop it in the black box in the credenza and Father Gordon will make sure he receives the Mass intention and stipend. Thank you for your understanding.

**Fr. Gordon's Mass intentions:** are private this week.

Bishop Christensen **continues the dispensation** from Sunday Mass obligations for those who are 60 and older, those who are immunocompromised and those who have judged it prudent for their health and safety to stay at home. Sunday Holy Mass is **livestreamed at 9:30 am at [stjoanarc.com](http://stjoanarc.com)**

**Perpetual Adoration:** An additional adorer is needed for Saturday at 9 pm.

**Baptisms:** To schedule baptisms, please contact the church secretary, not the priests. Please email [secretary@stjoanarc.com](mailto:secretary@stjoanarc.com) to set up time and dates for baptism. Thank you. As a side note, there have been 31 baptisms at the church since the first of the year and 15 new families registered just in the past month! We are growing!

**Men's Focus Group:** The Men's Focus Group will meet on Wednesday at the Andrew Kemna home (15942 N. Crystal Springs Rd., Rathdrum). All adult men of the parish are welcome to attend. Social time and barbeque will start at 6:30 PM with rosary and spiritual talk at 7 pm. Please bring something to grill.

**Wine and Cheese** get together for all adult parishioners (nursing infants too) on **Friday Sept. 25 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm** in the parish hall. With many new people joining the parish the last ~6 months, this will be an opportunity for the adults to meet and greet and get to know one another in our large, dynamic, and growing parish. **Please bring an appetizer and a drink to share** and enjoy time with other St. Joan of Arc parishioners.

**St. Tarcisius Group:** for children ages 4 to 12 yrs. meets this Saturday at 3 pm at the Flynn home (2691 N. Shooting Star St., Post Falls) to recite the Rosary and learn meditative prayer through the guidance of a priest. Registration forms and information plus a host sign up sheet can be found on the credenza.

**Donuts returning and Help Needed!** Coffee and Donuts will be available after the 9:30 am and 12 noon Masses, starting next Sunday, September 27, and **will be served in the breezeway**. Volunteers are needed to help set up, serve, and clean up. This is a great way to get involved with SJA parish life, meet fellow parishioners and give back to the church! Contact Linda Ofstead at 785-256-4434, for more information. **Help us bring back coffee and donuts!!**

**Cleaning help needed:** As we continue to return to normal activity, we continue to need a few more volunteers to help clean the church on Saturday mornings and Monday mornings. If you are able to help with either task, please contact the church's maintenance supervisor, **Roger Stattel** at the church office 208-660-6036. May God reward you.

**Adoration Chapel candles:** We are offering the opportunity to donate the 13 beeswax candles used weekly in the Adoration chapel (six in each of the two 'candelabras' and one sanctuary candle), for specific intentions similar to lighting votive candles for specific intentions. A donation and intention for the candles (which burn for 8 days) will be accepted. The cost for using beeswax candles in the chapel is \$142 for eight days. If interested, **please place intentions & checks in the black box in the credenza**

In your charity and generosity, please remember the cloistered **Carmelite nuns** who pray and fast continuously for all of us. May God reward you.

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## APOLOGETICS CORNER

*Defending our Faith with the Truth*

By Father Dennis M. Gordon, FSSP

### Feast of St. Matthew, September 21

**Question:** *"There have been people who have called into question the certain things that have long been held as true about the Gospel of St. Matthew. Which things are those, and has the Catholic Church made authoritative responses to those challenges?"*

**Answer:** "The Pontifical Biblical Commission (PBC), when it was actually attached to the authority of the magisterium (teaching authority of the Catholic Church), and when it was not just an advisory commission without authority (as it is today), *did* make responses to certain challenges that modernist scholars posed against the traditionally held beliefs regarding this first Gospel, the Gospel of St. Matthew.

"In particular, some modern scholars have challenged the traditional notions that St. Matthew was written first, or that St. Matthew actually wrote it, or challenging the accounts that are included in his Gospel, but happen not to be included in the other Gospel accounts.

"The PBC replied in 1911 that:

It may and should be affirmed as certain that St. Matthew, the Apostle of Christ, was in fact the author of the Gospel current under his name.

The verdict of tradition is adequate support to the statement that St. Matthew wrote before the other Evangelists, and wrote the first Gospel in the native language of the Jews of Palestine at the time.

It cannot be held that the composition of the original text was after the destruction of Jerusalem, and one cannot hold an often-quoted statement of Irenaeus to be of such weight as to reject the opinion more in harmony with tradition that the Gospel was completed even before the arrival of St. Paul in Rome.

Probable arguments cannot be given in support of that opinion according to Matthew did not write a Gospel such as has been handed down to us.

The facts that the aim of the author of the first Gospel is chiefly dogmatic and apologetic, namely, to prove to the Jews that Jesus was the Messiah foretold by the prophets and born of the line of David, and that moreover in the arrangement of the facts and discourses which he narrates and reports he does not always follow chronological order does not justify the deduction that they ought not be accepted as true.

It may not be affirmed that the accounts of the deeds and discourses of Christ, which are read in that Gospel, underwent a certain alteration and adaptation under the influence of the prophecies of the Old Testament and the more mature condition of the Church and are consequently not in conformity with historical truth.

It ought to be held that there is no solid foundation to the opinions of those who call in doubt the historical authenticity of the first two chapters, in which an account is given of the genealogy and infancy of Christ, as also of certain passages of great dogmatic importance, such as are those which concern the primacy of Peter (16:17-19), the form of baptism entrusted to the Apostles together with the mission of preaching everywhere (28:19f), the Apostles' profession of faith in the divinity of Christ (14:33), and other similar matters which are found in a special form in Matthew.

"The reasons for the PBC's responses are based in *evidence*. Witnesses of his time and in history attest that St. Matthew wrote the Gospel attributed to him. Witnesses also attest that he wrote his Gospel in the language of the Jews before the other Gospels were written. There are *no* 'anonymous copies' of that Gospel in existence, and anonymous copies would be in existence if it was written by someone else and only later attributed to St. Matthew. The documentary evidence shows that what St. Matthew wrote did *not* undergo change over time: all the earliest accounts of the Gospel corroborate what we have *today* as his Gospel.

"In the end, each Gospel writer has tried, as St. Luke states at the beginning of his Gospel 'to set forth in order [literally, in the Greek, *dihghsin* (*diegesin*, 'to make an narration; a history') ] the things that have been accomplished' (**Luke 1:1**). As each Gospel writer chose *which* events to include in his particular narration of the Gospel, it happened that some Gospel writers decided to include events or describe them in one way, and other Gospel writers decided to include other events or describe them in other ways, but each is recounting the historical, biographical events of Our Lord's life."

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# EMBER DAYS

*Traditional days of fasting & penance*

The term **Ember days** refers to a set of three days within the same week (Wednesday, Friday and Saturday) which are set apart for **fasting, abstinence and prayer**. Spaced evenly throughout the year at the beginning of each of the four seasons, these Ember days were known in Latin as the *quatuor anni tempora* – 'the four seasons of the year'; or also as *jejunia quatuor temporum* – 'the fasts of the four seasons.'

The purpose of their introduction was to thank God for His gifts for each season of the year, to beg God's blessing on each season, to teach men to make use of His gifts in moderation, and to remember to assist the needy with any surplus. They also served as a reminder that man's time on Earth is short and passing, as are the seasons.

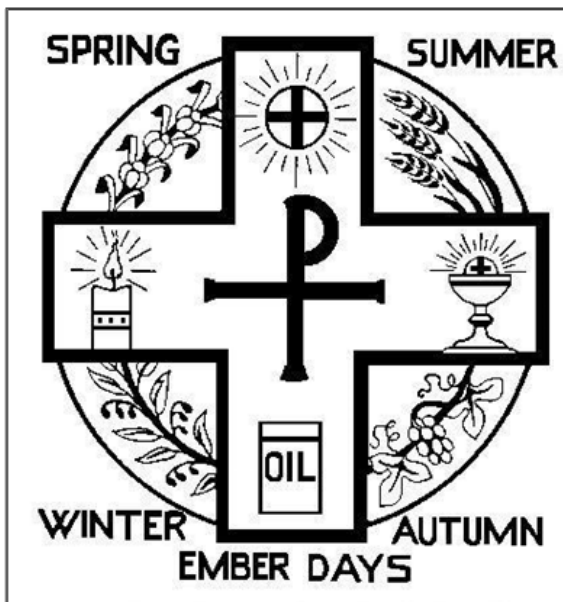
For the average Catholic, living in a primarily agrarian world, sanctifying the different seasons of the year, upon which depended his sustenance, was an important part of life. In June and September were

prayers for bountiful harvests (first harvest of the year and last harvest before winter) in December and March for good seed in the approaching year. There is a strong ecclesiastical connection with such an agrarian model. From a good harvest of wheat in June come hosts for Holy Communion; a good vintage in the fall brings wine, to become Our Lord's Precious Blood; olives harvested in November produce holy oils for anointings; and from the activity of bees on the springtime flowers come wax, to make candles for light, even as Christ is the light of the world.

The seasonal Ember days originated at Rome, and from there spread to the rest of the Church. But as they came to be associated with great feasts, especially in connection with ecclesiastical ordinations, they eventually lost

their connection to agriculture and came to be regarded solely as days of penitence and prayer.

On Ember Wednesdays and Saturdays, extra readings are added to the Mass. In addition to the Epistle and Gospel, one extra lesson is added on Wednesday; and on Saturdays, five. Some readings are from those books of the Bible which contain promises of a bountiful harvest to those that serve God. Not only should one think of the natural harvests in these seasons, but especially one should think and pray for the spiritual harvests of virtue that these seasons represent.



The Ember days were definitively arranged and prescribed for the entire Church by Pope Gregory VII (1073-1085) as the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday after the following feasts:

The third Sunday of Advent  
The first Sunday of Lent;  
Pentecost Sunday;  
**The third Sunday of September (after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross)**

Fasting and penance used to be mandatory on all Ember days, but this was lifted in 1966 by Pope Paul VI's decree *Paenitemini*. It is still important to observe the Ember days with prayer, fasting and, if possible, Holy Mass. Though they are not of obligation any more, isn't it evident that we still need God's blessing on every season, and we are all still called to penance for our sins and for the sins of the world? **Please join in observing the Ember Days this year as much pray and fasting is needed these days!**

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# September 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 <b>Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	31	1 6 pm Women's group mtg	2	3 5 pm Adoration Benediction	4 <b>First Friday</b>	5 <b>First Saturday</b> 11 am Maidens mtg. 5 pm Young adult women's
6 <b>Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	7	8	9 6:30 pm Young adult spiritual talk	10 5 pm Adoration Benediction	11 10 —4 First Communion retreat	12 9:30 am First Holy Communion 5 pm Youth group mtg.
13 <b>Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	14	15	16 6:30 pm Bible Study livestream	17 5 pm Adoration Benediction	18	19 10:30 am Altar servers 4 pm Young Adults 7 pm Men's group
20 <b>Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	21	22	23 6:30 pm Men's FOCUS group	24 5 pm Adoration Benediction	25 6:30 pm Wine & Cheese	26 3pm St. Tarcisius
27 <b>Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	28	29	30			

## SICK AND HOMEBOUND

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

Patricia & Francesco Barsanti, David Burns, Dennis Cockrum, Sr. Maria Consuela, David Cools, Roberta Costa, Carmen di Pietro, Julie deTar, Tom deTar, Regina Dumas, Ruben Finn, Sharon Flores, Alvin Froehlich, Barbara Gagne, Robert Geist, Karen Graham David Gunseor, Gale Hamilton, Susan Hamilton, Sherri Higgins, Donald Holbrook, Kathryn Holbrook, Margaret Hurn, Joseph Kemna, Carrie Kralicek, Paul Krieg, Joseph Larsen, Marianne Leake, Donald Lohman, Spencer Lowell, Bryce Lund, Bill Mayer Carol Mayer, Patrick McMonigle, Paul Orozco, Philomena Ost, Michael O'Sullivan, Florence Pearson, Phyllis Peick, Michael Permen, Rachel Porter, Julia Rose, Coleman Rozsnyai, Louis Sachwitz, Joshua Schlader, Georgia Schrempp, Heaven & Mary Schumacher, Michael Simpson, David & Erika Taxin, Jonathan Taxin, Esther Vasquez, Mary & Charles West, 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, Veronica Cools, Terrence Cooney, Richard Copeland, Robert Courteau, Raymond Covarrubias, Ann deTar, Grover Dilsaver, Joseph Anthony Drongoski, Charles Douglass, Susan Douglass, James Duggan, Joan Duggan, Norman Dumas, Jean Duval, Brenda Finn, Frank Finney, William Fisher, Jess Flores, Mary Forrester, Joan Glaze, Beatrice Gordon, James P. Gordon, Fr. Bill Gould, Joseph Guarnotta, Jeanine Grenier, Helen Groves, Ed Hattrup, Leo Heinan, Patricia Howland, Fr. Michael Irwin, FSSP, Rosemary Jacobs, John Keller, Mary Lynn Kenary, Daisy Koler, Paul Koudelka, Elemer Kovacs, Boleslaw Kozlowski, Wanda Kozlowski, Josephine LoCurto, Sandra Madrid, Patrick Mahoney, Bonnie McDonald, Erna McKay, Kevin McKay, Mike McManus, Agnes McMillan, David Metzger, Norm Miller, Florence McNamara, Lynnette Miller, Michael Mitchell, 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, Ed Stephens, Maryanna Thompson, Paul Upthegrove, Paul Uribe, Linda Vogel, Paul Van Voorst, Bob Wagner, Dorothy Wagner, Helen Walitzer, Elizabeth Welch, Ernest Willette, Wes Woods

## VOCATIONS

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

Rev. Brother Peter Mary, FSSR; Fr. Joseph Loftus, FSSP;  
Fr. Martin Adams, FSSP;  
Sr. Teresa Benedicta & Sr. Mary Crimmins, Carmel of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Post Falls, ID; Dom Mary Peter Leedy, OSB, Monastero di San Benedetto Norcia;  
Brother Lawrence Burns, OSB, Clear Creek Monastery,  
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## Customary Stipends

Many people ask "what is a customary stipend in gratitude for the Sacraments?" Stipends are **not** required to receive any Sacrament. If one would like to give a gift, here are some customary offerings:

- ◇ **Mass:** \$10
- ◇ **Marriage:** \$80 - 100
- ◇ **Baptism:** \$25 - 50
- ◇ **Other Sacraments:** no stipend applies

*We ask that parishioners request no more than three Mass intentions per priest at one time.*

## FINANCES

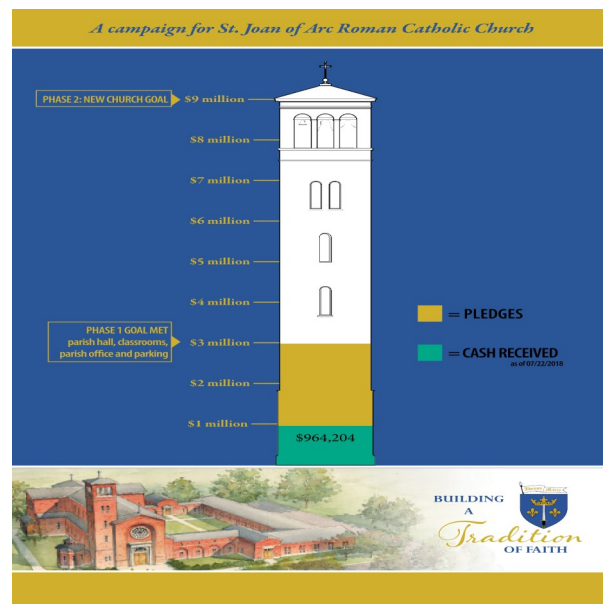
### September 6<sup>th</sup> Collections

General, envelopes, loose cash	
St. Helen's Poor Box	
Capital Campaign	
On line donations	
Individual Gifts	
Votive Candles	
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<b>Capital Campaign</b>		





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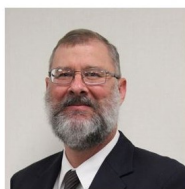
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