

November 22, 2020



24th & Last 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
Sunday November 22nd 24th & Last Sunday after Pentecost	Young Adults, Fine Brewed after 9:30 AM Mass Wine & Cheese w/ talk 6:30 pm	7:30 AM: Private 9:30 AM: (Sung Mass) Pro Populo 12 PM: Private 5 PM: Private
Monday November 23rd St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr	Catechism classes: 6:30 pm	6:30 AM: Private 12:15 PM: Private
Tuesday November 24th St. John of the Cross, Confessor & Doctor		6:30 AM: Private 12:15 PM: Private
Wednesday Nov. 25th St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr		6:30 AM: Private 12:15 PM: Private
Thursday Nov. 26th St. Sylvester, Abbot	Thanksgiving Day Adoration/Benediction cancelled	6:30 AM: Private 9:30 AM: †Robert Finn (Ruben Finn)
Friday November 27th Feria		6:30 AM: Private 12:15 PM: †Robert Finn (Ruben Finn)
Saturday Nov. 28th Saturday of Our Lady	Altar server mtg. 10:30 am St. Tarcisius mtg. 3 pm	6:30 AM: Private 9:30 AM: Fr. Dennis Gordon (Karen Ade)
Sunday November 29th First Sunday of Advent	Young Adults, Fine Brewed after 9:30 AM Mass	7:30 AM: Private 9:30 AM: (Sung Mass) Private 12:00 pm: Pro Populo 5 PM: Private

Adoration Chapel candles: For the conversion of our loved ones & for FSSP priests & seminarians (Anonymous)

Sanctuary candle: For Beth Thrasher (Cynthia deTar)

Flowers for the Altar, St. Joseph, & Bl. Mother: No intention this week

TODAY'S HYMNS

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Processional Lift up your Heads

Recessional With thy Holy Benediction

Mass XI, Credo I

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr. Rapoport and Fr. Terra are currently taking Mass intentions Make check to the priest and limit to three intentions. Thank you.

Fr. Flick'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**

Perpetual Adoration: Currently, no hours needed. Please email any questions to adoration@stjoanarc.com.

Also, there is the annual **mandatory** adoration meeting for **all adorers and substitutes** on Friday, Dec 4 at 6:30 pm in the parish hall.

Thanksgiving Day: Masses will be at 6:30 & 9:30 am. There will be no 12:15 pm Mass. Also, the 5 pm Benediction/Adoration is cancelled.

Winter coat/clothes giveaway: The Knights of Columbus Council 12560 at St. George's is having their Winter Wear Giveaway **on Friday, November 27**, the day after Thanksgiving, from 9 am-5 pm at St. George's, 2010 N. Lucas Street, Post Falls. They will be giving away **over 900 brand new children's down-filled winter coats** along with a large quantity of new stocking hats, gloves and socks. The size of our coats ranges from 5 -18 years. The clothing is intended for any area family that has a need for them and will be distributed until they run out. Please come by & let others know of this very generous offer .

Welcome! Please welcome the newest member of the congregation, Roman Thomas Patzer, who entered the church through the sacrament of baptism on November 14, 2020. He is the son of Seth and Katherine Patzer. Welcome!

Catechism class: Monday evenings with five separate classes for ages 6—17 yrs. Classes begin at 6:30 pm and end at 7:30 pm. We hope to see you there.

Wine and Cheese Social—to support Children of the Immaculate Heart, a Catholic non-profit helping survivors of human trafficking. **Sunday, Nov. 22, 6:30 pm, parish hall.**

St. Tarcisius Group: Will meet at the Flynn home on Saturday November 28. This group for children ages 4 to 12 yrs., meets once a month at 3 pm on the 4th Saturday at the home of a parishioner to recite the Rosary and learn meditative prayer through the guidance of a priest. For more information please contact jessicamay.flynn@gmail.com

Altar Server meeting: Saturday November 28 at 10:30 am in the parish hall. Contact Fr. Rapoport with questions.

Annual Young Adults Flannel party, chili night and bonfire! Father Rapoport will give a spiritual talk; cider and donuts will be provided. All young adults 18-35 are invited! Saturday, November 28 from 3-9pm at the Frank Brown home (14708 E. Cameron Rd. Medimont ID 83842). Wear your favorite wool or flannel jacket! Guys, bring beverages. Ladies, contact Laura at 208-582-1616 to bring a dish or side.

Troops of St. George—are offering to rake leaves and help with snow removal this fall and winter. Please contact Robby Miles with any questions at miles.robby@gmail.com.

Key cards: We continue to have problems getting key cards from the security company and we ask for patience from the many parishioners who have requested them over the past 3 months. As soon as they arrive AND work properly, we will let you know. Thank you.

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



APOLOGETICS CORNER

Defending our Faith with the Truth

By Father Dennis M. Gordon, FSSP

End Times (p. 1)

The end of the world is coming. We don't know when the end of the world will come, but we know that the end of the world will come for *us* when *we* have to leave this world. This Sunday and next Sunday – the Last Sunday of the Liturgical year and the First Sunday of the new Liturgical year – the Church sets before us the end of the world. This is because the Church is always trying to keep our minds pointed forward to the end of this world, and our passage into the next world. Something of which we can be infallibly certain is this: the end of the world will come for each one of us, when we die. Every attachment to this world that we have made in this life will have to be broken when we die. We don't even take our bodies with us when we die, so what we invest in the pleasure of the flesh is really just a waste. Only those things to which we have been united in this life *in God and for the sake of God* will remain – that which we have done *in God and for God* (that which we have done in *charity*) will remain.

Why does God allow temptations and trials in this world? God prepares us for that separation from this world which we will all undergo to test and prove our virtue. It is in war and battles that we see the courage of a soldier; so it is in sufferings and in temptations that we see the zeal and perseverance of a disciple of God, not in times of peace.

Jeremiah 18:6 says that, “*As clay is in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand.*” Isaiah 29:16 and 45:9 use this same comparison: that God is like a potter and we are like the clay. Romans 9:21, [2 Cor 4:7,] and Job 33:6 make the same comparison. Our Lord often uses the analogy of making pottery, vessels (such as cups and jars) out of clay, to describe how He works in the soul, so this is worth examining more closely.

What happens first, when pottery is made? The potter first has to dig the clay out of

the earth, separating it from the dirt with which it is mixed up in the earth. This what God does to us when He tries to separate *us* from the world and its ways – its values. That is why good people should be skeptical of what the world produces for us, for example, the movies made today and the entertainments that can take us away from being virtuous. Who is making that movie? What are the values of the movie makers that are telling a story with all the great special effects? We may be watching it for the special effects but what is the story, the lessons, the morals, that we are being taught *with* those special effects? What spirit is behind that lesson?

We must be separated from the spirit of the world. So likewise, first the potter separates the clay from the dirt that's in the earth.

Then the potter has to sift the clay. This happens when the clay is still dry. He winnows the clay and sifts it when it is *dry*. So God will also let us go through dryness to winnow out the dirt from the good clay. He does this by stirring up the clay, holding the clay in his hand and then pouring it out, letting the breeze take away the dirt, the grass, mixed in with the clay, which will not work to form pottery.

So God does with us. He stirs up our soul by trials and temptations and holds us in His hand, and then lets us be poured out in trials so that the breeze of the Holy Ghost can drive away that which is not good in our soul; that which is not compatible with forming a clay vessel which is to be the image and likeness of God. How many times do we resist this winnowing process of God, and we won't let go of that which He is trying to use to sift our souls of that which is in us and we are holding onto that won't let us be made into His image and likeness? How many complain during this process that things are so dry? Yet that dryness is necessary to sift the clay properly.

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End Times (continued)

Then the potter pulls out, by hand, the tiny pebbles that remain, sifting the clay even more. If he doesn't pull out these very tiny stones from the clay, when the clay is put in the furnace it will cause the clay to crack and the whole vessel is broken. So God does to us. He tries to pull out the stones of sin that are mixed in with our lives so that when the furnace of trial and temptation come, we won't be broken and fall away. Can we see how important it is, then, to break from attachments and sin, so that when trial and temptation come, we are proven faithful?

Then the potter adds water, which is a unifying principle, and gives the clay structure, making it possible to work the clay into a desired shape. So also God adds the water of Baptism and grace through prayer and the sacraments, which give shape to the clay of our souls, and lets our souls be truly formed into the image of God.

Ecclesiasticus 27:6 says, "*The furnace tries the potter's vessels, and the trial of affliction tries men who are just*". If God is the potter and we are the clay, then the furnace, the fire which makes the clay pottery solid, is the furnace of trial and temptation. Trials and temptations prove and show the just for what they are. When *metals* like gold, silver and iron are put into the furnace long enough to forge and shape them, the metal glows red-hot, and begins to resemble the fire that is behind that furnace. The melted metals become like the fire itself. The fire is like God, and like metals forged in a fire, when we pass through trials and temptations, we begin to resemble Him more and more.

Temptation gives us knowledge of who we are, of what we are capable, and of how much we need God's help.

How do we deal with temptations?

(1) Be bold. If the devil sees that we are bold in resisting him, he begins to run away. If, on the other hand, he sees that we are weak in our resistance, **he** feels emboldened and he stays and tries *harder*. "*Resist the devil and he will fly from you*" (**James 4:7**).

(2) Don't be troubled at temptations, lest we lose courage, but resist them with joy. The Maccabees won their victories against incredible odds, because they fought with such a good attitude, saying

that *they fought with cheerfulness the battle of Israel* (**1 Macc. 3:2**). Another reason that St. Alphonsus Rodriguez gives to keep our cheerful attitude in temptation is because the devil is the enemy of our happiness. If he sees us saddened at temptation, he will want to keep afflicting us with temptation to keep us sad. But if we have joy even in the midst of temptation, we will put him to flight. In **Hebrews 12:3** it even says that Our Lord, *having joy set before Him, endured the Cross*. (Not because the Cross was a joy, but because He focused on the joy of the victory that the Cross would bring).

(3) In temptation remember that the devil is able to do very little to us. St. Bernard said that our enemy is so weak that he can overcome only those who have a mind to be overcome (*Sermon 73 in Cant.*). The actions of the evil spirit have no further power over us than what we ourselves give him. Resolve not to do whatever the evil spirit suggests to us. He is like a dog on a chain, as St. Augustine says; he can only bite us if we approach him or let him come near.

(4) When we are in temptation or trial, remember that we fight in God's presence. In combat, men are most motivated to fight in the moment of battle, for the life and for the sake of their brother soldiers around them. In temptation, then, remember that we fight not only for ourselves but for God, and we are fighting for the life of Christ in our soul. We fight for those around us, for whom we can gain grace by resisting temptation.

So remember: Be bold; resist temptation with joy; the devil can only hurt those who let him approach them; and that remember we fight in God's presence and for others.

When we have a cross or trial to bear, look up! We are in the hands of a good and loving potter. And many are the blessings that we could count if we should only look up and see the will of God that can do great good in spite of even great evil.



November 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 All Saints Day	2 6:30 pm All Souls Day (Sung) Mass	3 6 pm Women's group meeting	4 6:30 pm Bible Study livestream	5 5 pm Adoration Benediction	6 First Friday	7 First Saturday & Parish brunch 11 am Maidens mtg
8 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost	9 6:30 pm Catechism classes	10	11 6:30 pm Young adults spiritual talk 7 pm Men's Focus mtg.	12 5 pm Adoration Benediction	13 10am-4pm Confirmation retreat	14 9:30 am Confirmation Mass 5pm Youth Group
15 Resumed Sixth Sunday after Epiphany	16 6:30 pm Catechism classes	17 7 pm Home-school group mtg.	18 6:30 pm Bible Study livestream	19 5 pm Adoration Benediction	20 6pm Young adult men's mtg.	21 5 pm Youth Focus 7 pm Men's group mtg.
22 24th (Last) Sunday after Pentecost	23 6:30 pm Catechism classes	24	25	26 Thanksgiving Day 6:30 am & 9:30 am Mass	27	28 10:30 am Server mtg. 3pm St. Tarcisius
29 First Sunday of Advent	30 6:30 pm Catechism classes	1 6 pm Women's group meeting	2 6:30 pm Bible Study livestream	3 5 pm Adoration Benediction	4 First Friday 6:30 pm Adoration mtg.	5 6:30 am Rorate Mass 1st Saturday/Brunch 11 am

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, 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, OK

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

November 8th Collections

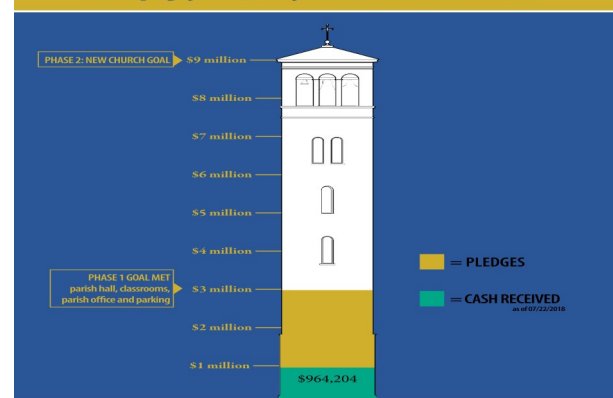
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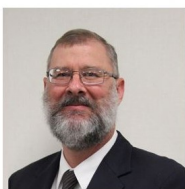
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