

September 19, 2021



17th Sunday after Pentecost

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Preliminary rendering of the new St. Joan of Arc Church

Mass Times

Sunday

7:00 AM Low Mass

8:45 AM Low Mass

10:30 AM **Sung Mass**

1:00 PM Low Mass

5:00 PM Low Mass

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M, W, F 6:30 AM, 12:15 PM

Tues. & Thurs. 6:30 AM, 8:30 AM

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Saturday 6:30 AM, 8:30 AM

Confession Times

30 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 September 19th Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost		7:00 AM: Intentions of Bob & Cindi Johnson 8:45 AM: Scott C. Kennedy 10:30 AM: (Sung Mass) Private 1:00 pm: Pro Populo 5 PM: Rorate Caeli Purgatorial Society
Monday Sept. 20th Feria (St. Eustace & Companions)	Catechism class 6:30 pm	6:30 AM Private 12:15 PM: Intentions of Bob & Cindi Johnson
Tuesday Sept. 21th St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist	Homeschool mom's mtg. 7 pm	6:30 AM: Private 8:30 AM: Scott C. Kennedy II
Wednesday Sept. 22th Ember Wednesday of September	Men's Focus group mtg. 7 pm (Social time at 6 pm)	6:30 AM: Private 12:15 PM: Private
Thursday Sept. 23th St. Linus, Pope & Martyr	Adoration/Benediction 5 PM	6:30 AM: Private 8:30 AM: †Bonnie McDonald
Friday September 24th Ember Friday of September		6:30 AM: Private 12:15 PM: Br. Peter Mary, FSSR
Saturday Sept. 25th Ember Saturday of	Altar server mtg. 9:30 am St. Tarcisius mtg. 3 pm	6:30 AM: Private 8:30 AM: †Charles & Pauline McDonald
Sunday September 26th Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost		7:00 AM: Private 8:45 AM: †Jim & Lynn Schindler 10:30 AM: (Sung Mass) Pro Populo 1:00 pm: Private 5 PM: Private
Adoration Chapel candles: Prayers for the conversion of the Reed family (Scott Reed) Sanctuary candle: Prayers for Diane Strutz (The Mudrick family) Flowers for the main altar & St. Joseph: Prayers for Pope Francis (The Mudrick family) Flowers for the Bl. Virgin Mary: For the Bl. Mother's intercession (Jean Jostlein)		

TODAY'S HYMNS

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Processional Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

Recessional Crown Him with many Crowns

Mass XI, Credo I

Marian Antiphon Salve Regina

REMINDER: Please *silence* your cell phones!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr. Eichman is currently taking Mass intentions. Please limit your intentions to three per family as there are many wishing to submit intentions. There is also a priest on sabbatical who only 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 & Fr. Gordon will make sure he receives the Mass intention & stipend.

Perpetual Adoration: Hours needed are: Saturday 9 am and 6 pm. There are many hours that need a second adorer. Email Jason and Sally Tomes at adoration@stjoanarc.com if you are interested in becoming an adorer.

Fr. Gordon's Mass intentions: 9/20 Confraternity of St. Peter (BL); 9/21 St. Joan of Arc Purgatorial Society (BL); 9/22 My godchildren (Bonnie Gibbs); 9/23 My children (Bonnie Gibbs); 9/24 Special Intention (Bonnie Gibbs); 9/25 FSSP Priests & Seminarians (Jerry & Mary Hill) 9/26 PRO POPULO.

Father Gordon wishes to thank the ladies of the parish for forming an altar society to help with the cleaning of church linens & cassocks. For those interested in helping, please contact Allison Anderson. Thankyou

Catechism classes: are from 6:30—7:30 pm. No sign up needed, just come and join. Parents *please* be assured students are **modestly dressed** when attending classes (no ripped pants/jeans, short skirts or dresses, tight or immodest clothing, or inappropriate logos). Classes are on church property and are in close proximity to Our Lord in both the church and the Adoration chapel. *Thank you* for your cooperation.

Homeschooling Mothers meeting: Tuesday, Sept 21, 7pm in the parish hall. We will have a welcome back "Meet and Greet" and discussion regarding learning styles. All homeschooling mothers, newbies to veterans are welcome. Contact Jennifer Junkin jenjunkin@gmail.com for further information.

Men's Focus Group: The Men's Focus Group will meet on Wednesday at the Andrew Kemna home 15942 N. Crystal Springs Lane in Rathdrum. BBQ at 6 pm (bring you own food to grill) with spiritual talk at 7:00 by Fr. Gordon. All adult men of the parish are welcome to attend.

Altar server mtg: will be after the 8:30 am Saturday Mass and breakfast will be served. All servers, both beginners and experienced, are welcome to attend. **Practices will now end at 10:45 am.**

St Tarcisius: meets **Saturday at 3 pm** at the Flynn's house for children ages 4 to 12 yrs. For more information please contact jessicamay.flynn@protonmail.com

"Clergy" has been painted on some of the parking spots on the south side of the church by the breezeway entrance. These spots are for our priests (including Fr. Terra who helps on Sundays) and for a car that was donated to the parish for the priests use. Please reserve these parking spots for our priests. Thank you.

Cleaning help needed: There are currently ~1,200 parishioners who attend Sunday Masses and over 30 church sponsored groups at St. Joan of Arc. Our priests offer Masses 17 times/week and confessions 18 times/wk. With that said, we need a few more volunteers to help us clean and keep our beautiful church in good condition. If you are able to help clean on Saturday at 1pm and/or Monday at 7:15 am, please contact the maintenance supervisor, **Roger Stattel** at 208-660-6036. May God reward you.

Banns of Marriage: Be it known to all here present that **Matt Regan**, son of Brent and Moura Regan of the parish of St. Joan of Arc, and **Laura Spencer**, daughter of Richard and Mary Spencer, intend to be united in Holy Matrimony. Wherefore, we hereby admonish each and all that, if anyone of you has knowledge of an impediment of blood relationship, relationship through marriage, spiritual relationship, or of any other kind, you are bound to make it known to the pastor or the bishop as soon as possible. This is the second publication of these banns.

Sanctuary candle: There is the opportunity to sponsor the sanctuary candle in the church for a specific intention similar to lighting votive candles. A donation and intention for the candles (which burn for 8 days) will be accepted. The cost is \$20. If interested, please place intentions & checks in the black box in the credenza

Prayer Requests and Donations for the Carmelites: In the credenza area is a small black metal box to place your prayer requests and/or monetary donations for the Carmelites in Post Falls. Please make checks payable to Carmelites of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Donations and prayer requests can also be mailed directly to the Carmel at 18772 W. Riverview Dr., Post Falls 83854. Please remember that the Sisters rely completely on the generosity of others for their support. May God reward you for your charity!



APOLOGETICS CORNER

Defending our Faith with the Truth

By Father Dennis M. Gordon, FSSP

The Telephone Game

Question: “I heard someone say that we can’t trust the Gospels because, like the ‘telephone game’ the stories must have been passed on by word of mouth, person to person, year to year, before they were finally written down. By that time, the stories must have gotten wildly changed, just like happens in the ‘telephone game’. How do you respond to that?”

Answer: “I would respond by pointing out that the suggestion that the Gospels were composed in a process similar to what happens in the ‘telephone game’ is just *not at all* historically accurate, according to all the documented evidence that is available. (The ‘telephone game’ is where one person whispers something to someone, who then passes what he hears on to another, who in turn passes that on to another, etc., with the result that the original story gets so corrupted that it is very amusing.)

“The idea that the Gospel stories must have been ‘corrupted’ or wildly changed over time *before* they were written down, so as to be inaccurate exaggerations, rests upon a couple of key suppositions which are simply (and provably) historically false.

“**The first false supposition** behind that ‘telephone game’ comparison is that the persons *writing down* the Gospels were originally *anonymous*; that they were *not* composed by Saints Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

“**The second false supposition** behind the comparison is that the Gospel writers were *not eyewitnesses*, or were so grossly distant from the eyewitnesses that what they wrote down cannot be trusted. These two false suppositions are necessary to the ‘telephone game’ analogy, since the analogy rests upon the belief that the persons *writing* the original Gospels down *did not* have an eyewitness connection to the actual Gospel events.

“**But each of these suppositions is absolutely false**, based upon *all* the historical evidence that is in existence.

“**Addressing the first supposition:** If the Gospels were originally anonymous, we would expect to

have remaining many copies of the Gospels that *don’t* have any title saying ‘Gospel According to [Matthew, Mark, Luke or John]’ written at the beginning. However, although we have *thousands* of copies of the Gospels, copies as old as the first and second centuries, there are **NO** copies of the Gospels that are anonymous – **none at all!** **Every** ancient copy of the Gospel has a title that says it was written by either St. Matthew, St. Mark, St. Luke or St. John.

“Not only that, but *all* the extra-biblical evidence there is (all the historical writings which mention Gospel authorship), *whether pagan or Christian*, also attests that the Gospels *were indeed* written by Ss. Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.



“Moreover, we have copies of the Gospels written in the first century, showing that the Gospels recorded the events they describe within the very century that the events took place: it was not some long, drawn out ‘telephone game’ type of process.

“**Addressing the second supposition:** Since all the *historical* evidence of the earliest Gospels says that Ss. Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, wrote them, how can it be true is it that the writers didn’t have eyewitness testimony? Two of the writers, Ss. Matthew and John, were indeed eyewitnesses – these were two of the original twelve apostles that were chosen by Our Lord. Of the other two, St. Mark was St. Peter’s missionary companion, and St. Luke was St. Paul’s missionary companion. St. Luke states in his Gospel that he has written what **eyewitnesses** have told him. Both of these Gospel writers are mentioned in the New Testament itself as important very early Christians therefore they do have a close connection to the actual events.

“Therefore, the ‘telephone game’ as an analogy for how the Gospels were composed is just **not at all** historically accurate, as the historical *evidence* shows, and these Gospels were composed by either eyewitnesses themselves or by those who knew and were very close companions with eyewitnesses. The texts therefore did *not* go through a ‘telephone game’ process before being written, and they are indeed very accurate recordings of what actually happened!”

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 the gifts of nature; to mark the start of a new season of the year; to teach men to make use of these 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 were prayers for a bountiful harvest; in September for a rich vintage; in December and March for good seed.

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.

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 a praiseworthy custom to mark the Ember days on one's calendar, and to observe them with prayer and, if possible, Holy Mass. The faithful may observe the penitential character of the Ember days or not, according as devotion suggests.

†*"I am the vine, you are the branches" As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abide in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me*" (Jn 15:4-5). †



September 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	30	31	1	2 5 pm Adoration Benediction	3 First Friday	4 First Saturday 9:30 Brunch 10:30 Maidens
5 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	6	7 6:00 pm Women's group mtg.	8 6:30 pm Sung Mass Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9 5 pm Adoration Benediction	10	11 10:30 am Little Flowers 5 pm Youth group mtg.
12 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost	13 6:30 pm Catechism classes begin	14 North park- ing lot closed	15 North park- ing lot closed 6:30 pm Bible Study begins	16 South park- ing lot closed 5 pm Adoration Benediction	17 South park- ing lot closed	18 4:30 pm Bluegrass Concert
19 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost	20 6:30 pm Catechism classes	21 7:00 pm Homeschool moms mtg.	22 6 pm Men's Focus group mtg.	23 5 pm Adoration Benediction	24	25 9:30 am Altar Servers 3 pm St. Tarcisius
26 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost	27 6:30 pm Catechism classes	28	29	30 5 pm Adoration Benediction	1 First Friday	2 First Saturday

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

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

Patricia Barsanti, Melody Burns, Dennis Cockrum, Sr. Maria Consuela, David Cools, Roberta Costa, Carmen di Pietro, Julie deTar, Regina Dumas, Ruben Finn, Lorraine Floberg, Sharon Flores, Alvin Froehlich, Barbara Gagne, Robert Geist, Karen Graham, David Gunseor, Gale Hamilton, Susan Hamilton, Sherri Higgins, Donald Holbrook, Kathryn Holbrook, Margaret Hurn, Christian Jostlein, 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, Sister Mary Gemma, TOR, Joshua Schlader, Georgia Schrempp, Heaven & Mary Schumacher, Michael Simpson, David & Erika Taxin, Jonathan Taxin, Esther Vasquez, Fr. Graham Walters, Mary & Charles West, Lezlie White, Nicolas Williams, Barbara Woods.

FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray also for the deceased of our parish

Richard Ambrosi, Angelo Ambrosetti, Francesco Barsanti, Robert Bowman, Diane Braun, David Brunson, Julie Cook, Veronica Cools, Terrence Cooney, Richard Copeland, Robert Courteau, Raymond Covarrubias, Ann deTar, Grover Dilsaver, Joseph Anthony Drongowski, Charles Douglass, Susan Douglass, James Duggan, Joan Duggan, Norman Dumas, Jean Duval, Brenda Finn, Frank Finney, William Fisher, Jess Flores, Mary Forrester, Dorothy Gallus, 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, Rodney Johnson, John Keller, Mary Lynn Kenary, Daisy Koler, Paul Koudelka, Elemer Kovacs, Boleslaw Kozlowski, Wanda Kozlowski, Josephine LoCurto, Sandra Madrid, Patrick Mahoney, Bonnie McDonald, Erma 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; Sister Mary Imelda, Filiae Laboris Mariae, Dom Mary Peter Leedy, OSB, Monastero di San Benedetto Norcia; Brother Lawrence Marie 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

September 12th Collection

General, envelopes, loose cash	
St. Helen's Poor box	
On line donations	
Building fund raiser	
Votive candles	
Individual gifts	
Building fund/Capital camp.	
Social Events donations	
Total	

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August Collections

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Capital Campaign	

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