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Traditional Latin Rite Parish of the Diocese of Boise Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter



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

M, W, F

6:30 AM, 12:15 PM

Tues. & Thurs.

6:30 AM, 8:30 AM

Saturday

6:30 AM, 8:30 AM

#### **Confession Times**

30 min. before each Sunday Mass

30 min. before each daily Mass

...... 4:00-5:00 РМ Saturday

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#### Mass and Event Schedule

	Events	Mass Times & Intentions		
Sunday December 11 <sup>th</sup> Third Sunday of Advent		7:00 AM: Private 8:45 AM: Pro Populo 10:30 AM: (Sung Mass) Private intention 1 PM: Private intention 5 PM: Private intention		
Monday December 12 <sup>th</sup> Feria of Advent (Our Lady of Guadalupe)	Catechism class 6:30 pm	<b>6:30 AM</b> : Private intention <b>12:15 PM</b> : Poor Souls in Purgatory		
Tuesday December 13 <sup>th</sup> St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr (Feria of Advent)		<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private intention <b>8:30 AM:</b> Children & Grandchildren (Julie deTar)		
Wednesday Dec. 14 <sup>th</sup> Ember Wednesday of Advent		6:30 AM: Private intention 12:15 PM: Teddy Bacon (Bresee family)		
Thursday December 15 <sup>th</sup> Feria of Advent	Adoration/Benediction 5 pm	<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private intention <b>12:15 PM:</b> Filiae Laboris Mriae Sisters (Bresee family)		
Friday December 16 <sup>th</sup> Ember Friday of Advent (St. Eusebius)		<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private intention <b>12:15 PM:</b> Deceased members of the Bresee family (Bresee family)		
Saturday December 17 <sup>th</sup> Ember Saturday of Advent	Youth Focus group mtg 5 pm	<b>6:30 AM:</b> Private intention <b>8:30 AM:</b> Purgatorial Society		
Sunday December 18 <sup>th</sup> Fourth Sunday of Advent		7:00 AM: Private intention 8:45 AM: Private intention 10:30 AM: (Sung Mass) Pro Populo 1 pm: Private intention 5 PM: Private intention		
Adoration Chapel candles: For all parishioners and their families, living and deceased (Talia Orem)  Sanctuary candle: †Maria Guadalupe Kochert (Ray & Anna Boggess)  Flowers for the Bl. Virgin Mary: For the Froehlich family (the Froehlich's)  Flowers for St. Joseph: Sarah Grant and family (the Froehlich's)				

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Flowers for the altar: No altar flowers during Advent

#### Today's Hymns

Processional On Jordon's Bank

**Recessional** O Come Divine Messiah

Mass XVII, Credo I

Marian Antiphon Alma Redemptoris Mater

**REMINDER:** Please *silence* your cell phones!

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass intentions are once again closed for all priests. Thank you for understanding.

**Perpetual Adoration:** Hours needed are: Tuesday 12pm, and Saturday 1 am. There are many hours that need a second adorer. Email the Tomes at <u>adoration@stjoanarc.com</u> if you are interested in becoming an adorer. Thank you to all the adorers for keeping the Lord company.

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

**Welcome!** Please welcome the newest member of the church, **Christopher Matthew Wiese**, who was baptized on December 3; he is the son of Brian and Cecilia Wiese. Welcome!

**Calendars:** The 2023 FSSP calendars have been ordered and are scheduled to be here by the end of the week. The price is \$10 each, same as last year (verses \$17 on line). Please drop off a check for \$10 for each calendar along with your name (if paying with cash) & place it in the black box in the credenza, or bring it by the office, or mail it in. Please write "Calendar" in the memo line & make checks payable to **St. Joan of Arc.** We have ordered more calendars as we have more parishioners than last year, yet orders will be filled on a first come, first served basis. **Order soon!** 

**Candle Order Time:** These are candles to be blessed on February 2nd, Candlemas that you purchase for your homes. **In the vestibule are candle order forms** and examples for this coming year. Please fill out the form with the exact amount of money enclosed (check to St Joan of Arc or cash) by Friday, January 6th, 2023. Any money made by the sale of these candles will be donated to the Building Fund. God bless you all and remember, Keep the Candle Burning! Questions? Contact Cynthia deTar 208-640-9064

**Advent reflections**—with Sr. Mary Eucharista, SMMC, Sunday Dec. 11 from 1:45–6:30 pm at St. George Catholic Church in Post Falls. Please see flyer on the bulletin board in the parish hall for more details.

**Catechism classes:** will be held Monday December 12 and are then **cancelled** on Dec. 19, Dec. 26, and January 2. Classes will resume on Monday January 9.

**Purgatorial Society:** The Purgatorial Society of St. Joan of Arc will be remembered on the Saturday Dec. 17 at the 8:30 am Mass. All members are encouraged to attend.

**Pro Life Rosary:** The Pro Life Group of St. Joan of Arc will meet Saturday Dec. 17 at noon in front of Planned Parenthood in Spokane (123 E. Indiana Ave.) to recite 15 decades of the Most Holy Rosary to end legalized abortion everywhere. All are welcome! The **rosary will NOT be recited at St. Joan's this month** as the church is in use at that time. We ask that you please pray individually for an end to abortion.

**Youth Focus Group Meeting: Saturday** Dec. 17 at 5 pm in the parish hall with a talk by Fr. Gordon on the spiritual life and Christian perfection. Suggested age range is 15—21 as the content is slightly more intellectual. Please bring some food to share.

**Growth of parish and advanced notice:** As everyone is aware, we have grown over the past few years yet still have three priests to handle all Masses, Confession, sacraments, and request for paperwork, etc. It would greatly help to give the priests one week's notice, preferably two, for any requested needs. Thank you.

**Exploring Catholicism class**—Fr. Gordon will begin another class for those who wish to explore the Catholic Faith and/or convert and join the Church. It will start in January, once again beginning from the first lesson. If you know of anyone who is not Catholic and would like to explore the Catholic Faith, please stay turned for more information on a starting date. This class is only for non Catholics yet SJA parishioners are welcome to come with a guest who is interested in the Faith.

#### What is the Church's position on Marijuana?

the following:

*al law.*[3]

Pope Francis even said at the International Drug Enforcement Conference in Rome, in 2014; "Let Structurally speaking, after these condemnations me state this in the clearest terms possible: the of interpreting cannabis as a soft drug, CDDA problem of drug use is not solved with drugs! discusses several drug products and their danger-Drug addiction is an evil, and with evil there can ous effects on the human person. In this section be no yielding or compromise," the pope said. of the document cannabis is equally placed ting drug addicts to use narcotics in no way re- crack. In other words, in the mind of the Pontifisolves the problem. Attempts, however limited, to cal Council cannabis is in the same category of legalize so-called 'recreational drugs', are not on- substances with the same level of moral danger ly highly questionable from a legislative stand- as these "hard" drugs. In rejecting the distinction point, but they fail to produce the desired ef- of cannabis as a "soft" drug this Church docufects."

In 2001 the Vatican put together this manual on drug use: https://www.vatican.va/roman\_curia/ pontifical councils/hlthwork/documents/ rc pc hlthwork doc 20011101 chiesa-drogapresentation en.html

due in part because "soft drugs" promote the loss more debilitating in this manner.) of attention, alteration of one's sense of reality, isolation from society, and encourages the abuser. One final observation is that the act of smoking to seek out and use stronger drugs, such that marijuana is also morally illicit. It is immoral to when the question is approached from a pharma- use marijuana recreationally so the only valid cological perspective the distinction between time one could possibly smoke it is for medicinal hard and soft drugs cannot be maintained. This is purposes. However, there is a consensus among in part due to the fact that THC stimulates neu- medical professionals that smoking marijuana is rons to release dopamine (and if we recall the not a suitable method for this drug's delivery becommon property which all drugs share).

Cannabis is specifically mentioned by CDDA as a <u>control dosage</u>. Therefore, one cannot morally drug some would consider to be "soft" but argues smoke marijuana regardless of the reasons why that cannabis cannot be a "soft" drug due to the he or she is using it. serious health consequences it has for its users, concluding that: "Considering all the facts, it is irresponsible to consider cannabis in a trivial way

The Catechism teaches in paragraph 2291 and to think of it as being 'a soft drug', that is, one without remarkable effects on the organism." Later on in discussing the question of the legali-The use of drugs inflicts very grave damage on zation of drugs the CDDA again rejects categorizhuman health and life. Their use, except on ing cannabis as a "soft" drug. Drug advocates strictly therapeutic grounds, is a grave offense, want to give cannabis such a classification in or-Clandestine production of and trafficking in der to legalize it. CDDA warns that this would drugs are scandalous practices. They constitute create mass confusion in society and trivialize direct co-operation in evil, since they encourage cannabis in public opinion, for such a propaganpeople to practices gravely contrary to the mor- da scheme would generate a public ignorance of cannabis' real physiological and spiritual dangers.

"To think that harm can be reduced by permit- alongside cocaine, heroin, ecstasy, LSD, and ment placed marijuana in the same category with heroin and cocaine as equally dangerous. It is therefore a mortal sin to use marijuana outside of legitimately supervised medical administration. (Note however that by the term "dangerous" we are referring to moral danger and pharmacological dangers such as im-The 2001 manual, called "Church, Drugs and paired brain functioning. We do not mean to Drug Addiction" or CDDA, rejects the distinction equate marijuana and cocaine in the meaning of between soft and hard drugs repeatedly. This is physical toxicity, for cocaine and other drugs are

> cause it causes many of the same respiratory problems as tobacco smoking and is harder to

## Fasting

St. Thomas Aquinas

#### Is Fasting a Virtue?

As St. Thomas Aguinas writes in the Summa, an act is virtuous through being directed by reason to some Everyone is bound by the natural dictate of reason to it is directed to the end of that virtue, as explained precept of the natural law. above (II-II:32:1 ad 2; II-II:85:3). Accordingly, there is no reason why fasting should not also be an act of religion, or of chastity, or of any other virtue. To endure hardships resulting from privation of pleasure of touch, belongs to temperance and its parts: and such are the hardships of fasting. Therefore, it is part of the virtue of temperance.

#### What is fasting?

St. Isidore: "fasting is frugality of fare and abstinence from food." Properly speaking (according to St. Thomas) fasting consists in abstaining from food in

order to bridle concupiscence, yet so as to safe*quard nature.* Now only one meal is seemingly sufficient for this purpose, since thereby man is able to satisfy nature; and vet he withdraws something from concupiscence by minimizing the number of meals. Therefore, it is appointed by the Church, in her moderation, that those who fast should take one meal in the day [in recent times the Church allows two smaller colla-

tions that, combined, don't equal another meal].

#### Why Fast?

**First**, in order *to bridle the lusts of the flesh*, wherefore the Apostle says (2 Corinthians 6:5-6): "In fasttity. For, according to Jerome [Contra Jov. ii.] the one meal. "Venus is cold when Ceres and Bacchus are not there," that is to say, lust is cooled by abstinence in meat and drink.

**Secondly**, we have recourse to fasting in order that the mind may arise more freely to the contemplation of heavenly things: hence it is related (Daniel 10) of Daniel that he received a revelation from God after fasting for three weeks.

**Thirdly**, in order to satisfy for sins: wherefore it is chastity."

written (Joel 2:12): "Be converted to Me with all your heart, in fasting and in weeping and in mourning."

virtuous good [II-II:145:1]. Nothing prevents the act practice fasting as far as it is necessary for these purof one virtue belonging to another virtue, in so far as poses. Wherefore fasting in general is a matter of

> Fasting is of two kinds [Cf. Article 1, Reply to Objection 3]. One is the *natural fast*, or *Eucharistic* fast, which is requisite for receiving the Eucharist. This is broken by any kind of drink or food, after which it is not lawful to receive the Eucharist [even coffee and gum break the Eucharistic fast - only water may be taken before Holy Communion]. Today one must fast for at least one hour before Holy Communion, under serious obligation. In former times, for centuries the Church prescribed fasting from midnight before Holy Communion from all food and drink, such that the first 'food' of the day was Holy

Communion.

The fast of the Church (ecclesiastical fast) is another kind, and this is not broken save by such things as the Church intended to forbid in instituting the fast (such as is done on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and was observed by all traditional Catholics throughout Lent and the Ember Days. Now the Church does not intend to command abstinence from drink (i.e., in be-

tween meals, though food is forbidden between meals on fast days), for this is taken more for bodily refreshment, and digestion of the food consumed, although it nourishes somewhat. It is, however, possible to sin and lose the merit of fasting, by partaking ing, in chastity," since fasting is the guardian of chas- of too much drink: as also by eating immoderately at

> In former times, the "one meal" had to be taken after Vespers (after 3 pm), but this law does not bind anymore.

> St. Augustine said (De orat, et Jeiun, [Serm, 72]): "Fasting cleanses the soul, raises the mind, subjects one's flesh to the spirit, renders the heart contrite and humble, scatters the clouds of concupiscence, quenches the fire of lust, kindles the true light of





# December 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 First Sunday of Advent	28 6:30 pm Catechism class	29	30	1 5 pm Adoration Benediction	2 First Friday	3 First Saturday 9:30 am Brunch 10:30 am Maidens
4 Second Sunday of Advent	5 6:30 pm Catechism class	6 6:30 pm Women's group mtg.	7 6:30 pm Bible Study Livestream	8 Holy Day of Obligation Office closed	9	10 6:30 am, Rorate Mass 10:30 am Little Flowers 5 pm Youth group mtg.
11 Third Sunday of Advent	12 6:30 pm Catechism class	13	14	15 5 pm Adoration Benediction	16	17 5 pm Youth Focus group mtg.
18 Fourth Sunday of Advent	19 6:30 pm Catechism class— cancelled until Jan. 9	20 6:30 pm Homeschool mom's mtg	21 6:30 pm Bible Study Livestream 6:30 pm Men's mtg.	22 5 pm Adoration Benediction	23	24
25 Nativity of the Lord (No 5 pm Mass)	26 Office closed 6pm Parish ice skating party	27	28 7 pm Men's Focus group mtg.	29 5 pm Adoration Benediction	30	31 6 pm Christmas concert

#### SICK AND HOMEBOUND

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

Patricia Barsanti, Sr. Maria Consuela, David Cools, Roberta Costa, Carmen di Pietro, Julie deTar, Regina Dumas, Ruben Finn, Timothy Finn, Sharon Flores, Alvin Froehlich, Barbara Gagne, Karen Graham, Sarah Grant, 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, Katie Orozco, Philomena Ost, Patrick 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, 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 & Nancy Ambrosi, Angelo Ambrosetti, Francesco Barsanti, Robert Bowman, Diane Braun, David Brunson, Dennis Cockrum, Blake Cloney, Julie Cook, Veronica Cools, Terrence Cooney, Richard Copeland, Robert Courteau, Raymond Covarrubias, Ann deTar, Joseph Anthony Drongoski, Charles & Susan Douglass, James & Joan Duggan, Norman Dumas, Jean Duval, Brenda Finn, Frank Finney, William Fisher, Mary Jane Foeller, Lorraine Floberg, Jess Flores, Mary Forrester, Lin Fulwiler, Dorothy Gallus, Robert Geist, Joan Glaze, James & Beatrice 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 Joyce, John Keller, Mary Lynn Kenary, Daisy Koler, Paul Koudelka, Elemer Kovacs, Boleslaw & Wanda Kozlowski, Klaus Cuthbert, Vita La Fond, Jeremiah Leake, Steven Lepeilbet, Josephine LoCurto, Sandra Madrid, Patrick Mahoney, Bonnie McDonald, Kevin & Erma McKay, Mike McManus, Agnes McMillan, Florence McNamara, David Metzger, Norm Miller, Lynnette Miller, Michael Mitchell, Ann Morgan, Carlos Moya, Arcadia Nicklay, Fr. Colman Nolan, Mary Norman, William & Molly Rose Pearson, Jerry Peick, Betty Rackie, Kathleen Rardon, Fr. George Rassley CSSR, Bonnie Royer, Tamiko Shaw, Jeremiah Shea, Evelyn Simas, Alice Sires, Steve Slater, Jeremy Smith, Ed Stephens, Maryanna Thompson, Paul Upthegrove, Paul Uribe, Linda Vogel, Paul Van Voorst, Bob & Dorothy Wagner, Helen Walitzer, Joseph Walter, Elizabeth Welch, Ernest Willette, Wes Woods

#### Vocations

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

Fr. 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; Matthew Truong, Monks of Mary.

#### **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.

December 4 <sup>th</sup> Collection				
General, envelopes, loose cash				
On line donations				
Christmas Day				
Sunday Socials				
St. Helen's fund				
Individual gifts-Operations				
Adoration/Sanctuary candles				
Votive candles				
Flowers				
Building fund/Capital camp.				
Total				

**FINANCES** 

#### Thank you for your generosity!

November Collections				
General Offertory				
Capital Campaign				

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