

December 4, 2022



Second Sunday of Advent

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH



*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
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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 December 4th Second Sunday of Advent		7:00 AM: Pro Populo 8:45 AM: Private Intention 10:30 AM: (Sung Mass) Private intention 1 PM: For the Fraternity of St. Peter 5 PM: Private intention
Monday December 5th Feria of Advent	Catechism class 6:30 pm	6:30 AM: †Dean Gray 12:15 PM: Private intention (Rebecca Stattel)
Tuesday December 6th St. Nicholas (Feria of Advent)	Women's group mtg. 6:30 pm	6:30 AM: †Carolyn George 8:30 AM: Special intention
Wednesday Dec. 7th St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor (Feria of Advent)	Bible Study livestreamed 6:30pm	6:30 AM: †Sandra Holbrook 12:15 PM: Eternal repose of Scottie Shea (Dan Sullivan)
Thursday December 8th The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Holy Day of Obligation Office closed	7:00 AM: Kent Holbrook 8:45 AM: Private intention 10:30 AM: (Sung Mass) Pro Populo 1 PM: Private intention 6:30 PM: Private intention
Friday December 9th Feria of Advent		6:30 AM: Confraternity of St. Peter 12:15 PM: Veronica Saunders
Saturday December 10th Feria of Advent (St. Melchiades)	Rorate Sung Mass 6:30 am Little Flowers 10:30 am Youth Group 5 pm	6:30 AM: Private intention 8:30 AM: Poor Souls in Purgatory (Dan Sullivan)
Sunday December 11th Third Sunday of Advent		7:00 AM: Private intention 8:45 AM: Pro Populo 10:30 AM: (Sung Mass) Private intention 1 pm: Private intention 5 PM: Private intention
Adoration Chapel candles: Hardwick families intentions & thanksgiving for God's blessings (Mary H.) Sanctuary candle: Prayers for a friend donating a kidney (Anonymous) Flowers for the Bl. Virgin Mary: For the abandoned poor souls in Purgatory (Anonymous) Flowers for St. Joseph: For the abandoned poor souls in Purgatory (Anonymous) Flowers for the altar: No altar flowers during Advent		

TODAY'S HYMNS

Processional Hark a Herald Voice

Recessional O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

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: Monday 12 am, Tuesday 12pm, and Saturday 2 am. There are many hours that need a second adorer. Email the Tones at adoration@stjoanarc.com if you are interested in becoming an adorer. Thank you to all the adorers for keeping the Lord company.

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

Welcome! Please welcome the newest member of the church, **Anthony Karl Henrie**, who was baptized on December 1; he is the son of Lorenzo and Kyara Henrie. Welcome!

Please pick up your items: We are grateful to have a community sharing aspect at St. Joan's yet as we have grown so large, certain areas of the church get cluttered very quickly. We ask that if someone leaves something for you at the church, please pick it up quickly. Thank you.

Calendars: The 2023 FSSP calendars have been ordered. 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!**

Catechism classes: are from 6:30—7:30. No sign up needed. Parents *please* be assured students are **modestly dressed** when attending classes. Lately, some students have been wearing shorts or sweat pants; both are inappropriate for catechism classes. In addition, 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.

Women's Group: The Women's Group will meet on Tuesday, at 6:30 pm, at the Parish Hall. All adult women of the parish are welcome to attend. Father Flick will begin with the rosary at 6:30 pm and continue with a talk on the spiritual life.

Bible Study: Livestream classes are the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm at stjoanarc.com

Holy Day of Obligation: Mass times for Thursday, December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be the regular Sunday Mass schedule of 7am, 8:45am, 10:30am, 1 pm and 6:30pm Sung Mass. There will not be a 5 pm Mass that day. In the Church, Holy Days of Obligation are treated as Sundays, hence the Sunday Mass schedule. It also applies to no unnecessary work on Holy Days of Obligation, as on a Sunday.

Rorate Mass: there will be a Sung Mass at 6:30 am on Saturday December 10.

Office closed: on Thursday December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Youth group: will meet Saturday December 10 from 5 pm – 8 pm for a spiritual talk and activities/ outings. All youth 13 – 17 years are encouraged to attend. Contact Fr. Eichman for more information.

Little Flowers: will meet Saturday December 10 from 10:30 to Noon. All girls of the parish, ages 5 to 12 yrs., are welcome to join to learn about the saints and make new friends! Please contact Kristen Hitch with any questions at (208) 762-5907.

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.

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.



APOLOGETICS CORNER

Defending our Faith with the Truth

By Father Dennis M. Gordon, FSSP

The Inquisition

Question: *"If the Catholic Church is the true one, ecclesiastical court of the Inquisition. how do you explain the Inquisition?"*

Answer: "There seems to be two suppositions behind your question—if may I state them this way: (1) 'the Inquisition was ruthless, cruel and unfair,' and (2) 'the *true* Church must be composed of members and leaders that wouldn't ever exceed in religious zeal and be ruthless, cruel and unfair.' Since you hold that the Inquisition was ruthless, cruel and fair, and this Inquisition was made up of members of the Catholic Church who in this way exceeded in religious zeal, then you conclude that the Catholic Church can't be the true Church. Let's look at those suppositions and then answer your question.

"First of all, to *which* Inquisition are you referring?" There were three: the *Medieval* Inquisition, begun in 1184 in southern France; the *Spanish* Inquisition, begun in Spain in 1478; and the *Roman* Inquisition, begun in 1542. The Medieval Inquisition dealt with the Catharist heresy (the Albigensians). Fundamentalists Christians will sometimes pretend that this Inquisition was against "Bible Christians" because Catharists touted a vernacular Bible. However, the Catharists believed in two gods—a 'good' God of the New Covenant and an 'evil' God of the Old; they thought matter was evil, scorned marriage, but believed that relations for the unmarried was permitted because that was temporary. Catharists approved of suicide. Henry Lea, a Protestant often cited by them as a source on the Inquisition, even stated that "*Had Catharism become dominant, or even had it been allowed to exist on equal terms, its influence could not have failed to become disastrous.*" Can you see, then, why the Catholic Church led an inquisition to root out this evil from society?

"The Spanish Inquisition was the most controversial of the three Inquisitions; the Roman Inquisition being the most benign. The Spanish Inquisition was intended to root out Jews and Muslims who had pretended to convert to Catholicism, and to clear the good names of those *falsely* accused of heresy. Is it true that the punishments inflicted by the Spanish Inquisition included physical punishment and in some cases death? Yes; these punishments were similar to and were actually lighter than punishments given by secular courts of the time. Historians have found records, in fact, of people during trial in a secular court committing blasphemy on purpose so that their case would be transferred to the more lenient

"Even if one would take exception to employing such punishments as being ruthless, cruel, or imprudent, it is easy to see from where the idea that these actions were Biblically justified came:

"Our Lord gives instruction to Moses in **Deuteronomy 17:2-5**: '*When there shall be found among you... man or woman that do evil in the sight of the Lord thy God... and this is told thee, and hearing it thou hast inquired diligently, and found it to be true... thou shalt bring forth the man or the woman... and they shall be stoned.*' The Lord in **Deuteronomy 13:6-11** even gave the death penalty for those that persuaded people away from the worship of the true God. The idea of purging away the evil ones from the midst of a community is reiterated by St. Paul in **1 Corinthians 5:30**.

"Luther and Calvin supported the idea of purging false religions from society. Calvin even ordered some to be tortured and executed for 'heresy' (for example, Jacques Gouet in 1547 and Michael Severtus in 1553).

"There was a time when heresy and apostasy, being sins which kill the *spiritual* life, were seen by the whole society as *worse* than murder, which kills the *physical* life. Again, while one can argue about the prudence of using capital punishment for spiritual crimes, does that really disprove the truth of a Church's divine foundation? Does a member's exceeding in religious zeal actually disprove the truth of a Church's divine foundation? If that *were* the case, why didn't the excess in zeal by St. James and St. John, Apostles hand-picked by Christ, keep you from *Christianity*, since these founding members of Our Lord's Church had to be stopped by Jesus Himself when they wanted to '*call down fire from heaven to consume*' those who didn't receive Him (**Luke 9:54**)?

"The excess in zeal by its members, in other words, doesn't prove a Church is false; it proves that the Church is made up of members who are not perfect in prudence or judgment. In a time when public sin was considered worse than murder, it is understandable that it would be treated with same severity as societies today *still* treat murder. Nonetheless, records show that the Inquisition was more lenient than other courts of that time, such that people preferred being tried by the Church rather than the state.

Spiritual Canticle

St. John of the Cross, Stanza 16

Catch us the foxes,
for our vineyard is now in flower,

The vineyard spoken of is the nursery of all the virtues in this holy soul; these virtues supply her with a sweet tasting wine. This vineyard is in flower when the soul is united with her Bridegroom according to the will and gladdens in Him according to all these virtues together.

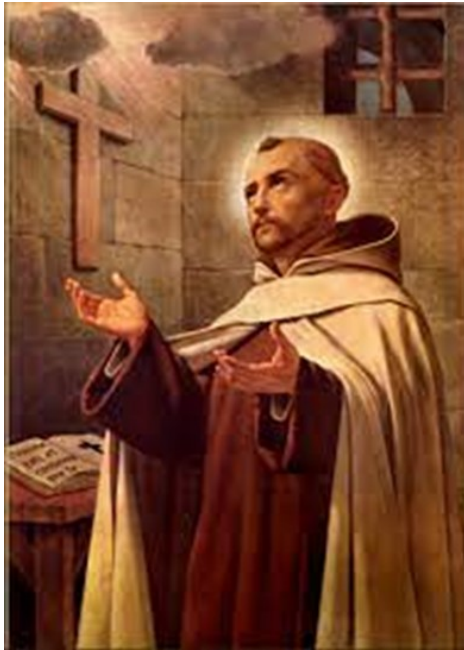
Frequently, as we said, many various kinds of images are brought to the memory and phantasy [imagination] and many appetites and inclinations are stirred up in the sensory part. These are of so many kinds that when David was drinking this delicious spiritual wine with intense thirst for God, he proclaimed upon experiencing the hindrance they caused: *“My soul has thirsted for You; O how many ways my flesh for You!”* (Psalm 62:2)

The soul calls all this harmonious composite of appetites and sensory movements “foxes” because of the great resemblance. As foxes pretend to be asleep when they are out to catch their prey, so all these appetites and sensory powers are tranquil and asleep until these flowers of virtues rise and blossom in the soul in an exercise of love. At that moment, then, it seems that the sensual flowers of the appetites and sense powers awaken and arise in the sensory part of the soul in an effort to contradict the spirit and rule. Covetousness will reach such a point, as Saint Paul says, that *the flesh covets against the spirit*. (Galatians 5:7) Since the flesh has a strong inclination to sensory things, that which pleases the spirit is distasteful and unpleasant to all flesh. As a result these appetites are a notable disturbance to the sweet spirit. Thus she says: “Catch us the foxes.”

The malicious demons on their part disturb the soul in two ways:

They vehemently incite and stimulate these appetites and by means of them and other imaginations, etc., wage war on this peaceful and flowering kingdom of the soul.

In the second way, which is worse, they assail her with bodily torments and noises in order to distract her, when it is impossible for them to do so in the first way. And what is still worse they struggle against her with spiritual terrors and horrors that sometimes become a frightful torment. If permission is given to them, they can do this very easily, for since the soul at this time enters into great nakedness of spirit for the sake of this spiritual exercise, the devil can easily show himself to her, because he is also a spirit.



At other times he attacks her with different horrors, before she begins to enjoy these sweet flowers, when God is beginning to withdraw her from the house of the senses that she may enter, through this interior exercise, the garden of her Bridegroom. The devil knows that once the soul has entered into that recollection, she is so fortified that however much he may try he cannot do her harm. Frequently when he goes out to block the soul she recollects herself very quickly in her deep interior hiding place where she finds intense delight and protection. Then the terrors she suffers seem so exterior and far away

that the devils not only fail to frighten her, but they cause happiness and joy.

The soul afterwards says here: “Catch us the foxes”; this very request was made by the bride of the Canticles: *“Catch us the little foxes that damage the vines for our vineyard is in flower.”* (Canticle 2:15)

The reason she says the vine is *in flower* rather than *with fruit* is that, even though the virtues in this life are enjoyed with all this perfection we have been discussing, she merely enjoys them as though in flower. Only in the next life will the virtues be enjoyed as the fruit.



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 1 pm Troops 5 pm Youth Focus group mtg.
18 Fourth Sunday of Advent	19 6:30 pm Catechism class— cancelled until Jan. 8	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.

FINANCES

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.

November 27th Collection

General, envelopes, loose cash	
On line donations	
Immaculate Conception	
Wish List	
St. Helen's fund	
SJA apparel/tumbler sales	
Individual gifts-Operations	
Adoration/Sanctuary candles	
Votive candles	
Flowers	
Building fund/Capital camp.	
Summer camp donations	
Total	

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November Collections

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