

September 3, 2023



Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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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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**Monday—
Saturday** 6:30 AM, 8:00 am
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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 3rd Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost		7:00 AM: Private intention 8:45 AM: Private intention 10:30 AM: Pro Populo 1 PM: Private intention 5 PM: Private intention
Monday September 4th Feria (Labor Day)	Office closed	6:30 AM: Private intention 8:00 AM: Private intention
Tuesday September 5th St. Laurence Justinian, Bishop	Rosary group 6:30 pm	6:30 AM: Private intention 8:00 AM: Private intention
Wednesday Sept. 6th Feria		6:30 AM: Private intention 8:00 AM: Private intention
Thursday September 7th Feria	Adoration/Benediction 5 pm Confraternity of Mothers info. mtg. 6 pm	6:30 AM: Private intention 8:00 AM: Private intention
Friday September 8th The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (St. Hadria)		6:30 AM: Private intention 8:00 AM: Private intention
Saturday Sept. 9th Our Lady on Saturday (St. Gorgonius, St. Peter Claver)	Blessing of Vehicles: 8:45 am Little Flowers 10:30 am Confessions 4 pm Youth group 5 pm	6:30 AM: Private intention 8:00 AM: Private intention
Sunday September 10th Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost		7:00 AM: Private intention 8:45 AM: Pro Populo 10:30 AM: (Sung Mass) Private intention 1 pm: Private intention 5 pm: for the FSSP
Adoration Chapel candles: Ben Herbison (Anonymous) Sanctuary candle: For Brother Matthew Truong and the Monks of Mary (the Truong family) Flowers for the altar: †Logan John Sitar (the Sitar family) Flowers for Bl. Virgin Mary: †Logan John Sitar (the Sitar family) Flowers for St. Joseph: †Logan John Sitar (the Sitar family)		

TODAY'S HYMNS

Choir on summer break

Sung Masses will resume Sept. 10 at the 10:30 am Sunday Mass

Notes from Fr. Rapoport:

Confraternity of Christian Mothers: I would like to meet to discuss if there is interest in starting a Confraternity at our parish. Please mark your calendars for **Thur. September 7th at 6:00 pm**. This meeting will take the place of the September Women's Group and is open to all women 18 and older.

Prayers requested: We recently had a large donation from the estate of a local deceased priest. Please pray for the repose of his soul. Thank you.

Safe environment training: Will be Friday Sept. 8 from 6-8 pm in the parish hall. There are many who need to do an In-person training in order to be SEW certified. If you are unsure, please look over your profile on the SEW website or contact the parish office. Thank you

Spiritual Bouquet for Bishop Christensen: For the upcoming anniversary of the bishop's episcopal consecration on 9/14, please sign the spiritual bouquet in the parish hall. Thank you.

Open Adoration hours: are: Monday 1 am, 3 am, 12 pm; Tuesday 12 am & 1 am; Wednesday 3 am, 12 pm; Friday 12 am, 1 am, 2 am; Saturday 5 pm, 11 pm. Email adoration@stjoanarc.com Thank you to all the adorers for keeping the Lord company. If you are not receiving the 24-hour reminders or any correspondence via email or text, please email us at adoration@stjoanarc.com

Welcome! Please welcome the newest member of the church, **Adela Josefina Wolf**, who was baptized on August 26; she is the daughter of Patrick and Emilee Wolf. Congratulations

Michaelmas Market: Calling all makers, farmers, crafters, and artisans! St Joans will be hosting its first Michaelmas Market on September 30 at 5:00 pm. Sign up will be available soon! If have any questions, or can volunteer, call or text Barbara at (678)523-8390

Blessing of vehicles: there will be a blessing of vehicles at 8:45 am on Saturday September 9. If you would like your vehicle blessed, please be here at 8:45 am this coming Saturday.

Little Flowers: will meet this Saturday September 9, 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.

Youth group: meets every second Saturday of the month 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.

Young Adults group: contact the parish office or Sam Herbison at 208-277-6562 for more information.

Catechism classes: For those of you with children ages 6 to 17 years old, catechism classes will begin on Monday, September 11, from 6:30–7:30 pm at St. Joan of Arc parish and will continue every Monday until April 29th, 2024. You will need to sign up each child individually. Candidates for First Communion must turn 7 yrs. old on or before May 4, 2024. Due to the incredible growth at the parish over the past 2+ years, classes are limited to the children of registered and actively attending parishioners of this parish. Please follow this link to sign up: <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/p5aaxjd>

Email list: if you are not receiving parish emails and would like to receive St. Joan of Arc communications, please contact the office at contact@stjoanarc.com

Perpetual Rosary: Please be reminded of the Perpetual Rosary crusade, wherein families sign up to venerate Our Lady in their home through the care and custody of a statue provided by St. Joan of Arc. Many families have already participated. ***Is it your turn to bring Our Lady home with you?*** Sign up sheet is on the credenza at the back of church. All families are encouraged to participate!

St. Helen's Fund: This important fund is a means of helping those in our parish and in the community with extraordinary needs. Named after the great saint, Helen, who took care of the poor and needy, these funds have helped provide rent/mortgage, hospital and utility bills in emergencies. Please consider giving to St. Helen's Fund. Pennies, dollars, checks, all add up! May God reward your charity! (*Checks should be made payable to St. Joan of Arc*).

Diversity

Dr. Dennis McNerny

There are many in our society today, especially those who swing a lot of weight in the media and in the field of education, who are much preoccupied with what they call diversity. This is one of the latest fads of our intellectual elite. Intellectual elites, in our time and in all times, are very adept at succumbing to fads, and then, in more cases than not, enthusiastically drumming up support for them. Such is the case with diversity, which has now become, for many intellectuals, a near obsession. Getting caught up in fads serves as a welcome substitute for serious thought, something which intellectuals, taken as a class, and contrary to received opinion, are not particularly adept at. In general, they tend not to excel when it comes to original ideas.

Just what is this diversity about which so much to-do is today being made? If one were to look up the word in a reliable dictionary—as I just did, in Webster's Unabridged—one would be informed that diversity is a state which is characterized by difference, a lack of similarity, variety, unlikeness, multiformity. As such, I think we would all readily agree that diversity represents a very common condition. There certainly is a lot of difference to be found in the society in which we live.

Is that a good thing or a bad thing? To give an adequate answer to that question we would first have to know what kind of difference is being considered. A person who lies, cheats, and steals is different from an honest, law-abiding, and in other ways respectable citizen, but that is not the kind of difference one would want to applaud, much less actively advance.

There is a very important fact about diversity—taking it just as such, and prescinding from its being either good or bad—a fact which the self-appointed apostles of diversity, for whatever reason, systematically neglect. It is this: diversity does not have to be promoted. Diversity is quite capable of thriving on its own. Such is human nature. There is always going to be, in any society or community, willy nilly, a range of differences among the membership. Furthermore, it will inevitably happen that some of those differences will be negative, in the sense that, if not

properly tended to, they will adversely affect the health of the society or community.

This negative diversity, human nature being what it is, will make its appearance and flourish unassisted, like weeds in a garden. And, like weeds in a garden, if left unchecked, it could eventually lead to the ruination of the society or community in which it takes hold and grows. Negative diversity works directly contrary to the unity and coherence of any society. It should therefore be the principal concern of dedicated citizens to bend their efforts, not to the fostering of an indiscriminate diversity—once again, that needs no fostering—but rather to the eradication of negative diversity. Contrary to what the ideological social engineers seem to think, the natural opposite to a society low on what they understand by diversity is not a society beset by bland homogeneity; it is a healthy society, the different parts of which come together to compose a coherent unity.

But clearly the ardent advocates of diversity are up to something which smacks of the disingenuous. When they preach to us on the importance of diversity in society, and clamor for more of it, they are not interested in promoting difference of just any kind, but only of the kind which reflects their ideological presuppositions. And more often than not they are promoting negative diversity, diversity, that is, which contributes to societal disunity. "Diversity," then, must be recognized as something of a code word, as it is used by the intellectual elite, a code word that identifies a rather elaborate agenda for social change. We can get a good idea of the particulars of this agenda when we discover that something like same sex marriages is put forward as representing a recommendable form of societal "diversity."

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A specific brand of diversity which receives perhaps the greatest amount of attention and support from the intellectual elite goes by the name of cultural diversity. The promotion of cultural diversity has fast developed into a formidable movement, and is now being vigorously advanced at all levels of education, both public and private.

The basic idea behind the cultural diversity movement is that students should spend a good deal of their time learning about cultures other than their own. More particularly, students in Western countries should learn more about non-Western cultures. Now, on the face of it, this is not a bad idea. But why should we consider it as something novel, and as deserving of special emphasis? Has it not always been an integral part of any worthwhile educational program, wherever it might be found, that in it students are urged to expand their mental horizons, and take pains to learn about what lies beyond their own backyard? Hence the importance of foreign language study.

Not surprisingly, a closer look at the cultural diversity movement reveals that there is more to it than what might first strike the eye. Rather than being simply a program designed to promote better education, it is but another dimension of a larger effort that is dedicated to ideologically driven social reconstruction. Many of those who argue for the need for Western children to become better acquainted with non-Western cultures, and to develop an appreciation for those cultures, often want this carefully directed learning process to take place at the expense of the children's knowledge and appreciation of their own cultures. In addition, pro-non-Western attitudes are often furthered along with what are at least implicitly anti-Western attitudes. And the reason for this is that the promoters of these programs, who are Westerners, are themselves affected with a deeply anti-Western bias. In some extreme cases their stance amounts to something like a real hatred for Western culture.

How to explain this? A full explanation of the strange phenomenon would require a book, and

I can here offer only a couple of tentative suggestions. It seems that one reason why so many of our intellectuals are anti-Western is because they are beset by a considerable ignorance of their own culture, so that they are largely ignorant of what they so summarily reject. Paradoxical though it may sound, intellectuals are not always the best educated of people; this is especially so in the United States, particularly when it comes to a knowledge of history, even the history of their own country. The fact that intellectuals reject Western culture out of an ignorance of that culture does not, of course, excuse their actions, but it may at least make them a bit more comprehensible.

But there is a deeper, and more disturbing explanation for the repudiation of Western culture on the part of so many of our intellectuals, and that is the close association they see, and rightly, between Western culture and Christianity. Great historians such as Hilaire Belloc and Christopher Dawson have impressively demonstrated for us the fact that the principal virtues of Western culture—and they are not a few—are attributable in the main to the influence of Christianity, and, in fact, inexplicable without Christianity. Our intellectual elite know enough about Western culture to know at least that, and the knowledge disturbs them. Fully committed as they are to the total secularization of society, they see certain seminal values of Western culture, values the culture owes directly to Christianity, as irksome obstacles to their ambitious plans for the transformation of society. What they really do not like about Western culture, then, for all the decline it has suffered in recent centuries, is that it still bears upon it the, for them, disturbing marks of Christianity, a Christianity to which they are unalterably opposed.

This article was first published in March 2010. Dr. Dennis Q. McNerny's articles have been published in the FSSP North American District Newsletter many times through the years and are also published in his books "Perennial Wisdom Vol. I & II" by Fraternity Publications.



September 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	28	29 6:30 pm Women's group	30	31 5 pm Adoration Benediction 6:30 pm Exploring Catholicism	1 First Friday	2 First Saturday 9 am Brunch 10 Maidens 4 pm Confessions
3 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	4 Labor Day Office closed	5 6:30 pm Rosary group	6	7 5 pm Adoration Benediction 6 pm Con- fraternity of Mothers info. mtg.	8	9 10:30 am Little Flowers 4 pm Confessions 5 pm Youth Group mtg.
10 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	11	12 6:30 pm Rosary group	13	14 5 pm Adoration Benediction 6:30 pm Exploring Catholicism	15 5:30 pm Sung Mass; 7 Sorrows of the Bl. Virgin Mary	16 8 am Purgatorial Society Mass 1 pm Cristeros 4 pm Confessions
17 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost	18	19 6:30 pm Rosary group	20	21 5 pm Adoration Benediction 6:30 pm Men's group mtg.	22	23 9 am Altar server mtg. 4 pm Confessions
24 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost	25	26 6:30 pm Rosary group	27	28 5 pm Adoration Benediction 6:30 pm Exploring Catholicism	29	30 4 pm Confessions 5 pm Michaelmas market

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

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

Patricia Barsanti, Mercedes Bogaczyk, Sr. Maria Consuela, David Cools, Roberta Costa, Julie deTar, Regina Dumas, Ruben Finn, Timothy Finn, Sharon Flores, Alvin Froehlich, Barbara Gagne, Karen Graham, David Gunseor, Gale Hamilton, Susan Hamilton, Sherri Higgins, Donald Holbrook, Kathryn Holbrook, Margaret Hurn, Carrie Kralicek, Paul Krieg, Joseph Larsen, Marianne Leake, Donald Lohman, Spencer Lowell, Patrick McMonigle, Linda Ofstead, Katie Orozco, Philomena Ost, Patrick O'Sullivan, Florence Pearson, Phyllis Peick, Michael Permen, Rachel Porter, Julia Rose, Coleman Rozsnyai, Louis Sachwitz, Joshua Schlader, Georgia Schrempp, Heaven & Mary Schumacher, David & Erika Taxin, Jonathan Taxin, Peter Truong, Esther Vasquez, Joe Vogel, Fr. Graham Walters, Mary & Charles West, Lezlie White, Nicolas Williams, Kathryn Woeppel, 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, Sarah Grant, Joseph Guarnotta, Jeanine Grenier, Helen Groves, Ed Hattrup, Mary Lou Hayes, Leo Heinan, Patricia Howland, Fr. Michael Irwin, FSSP, Rosemary Jacobs, Rodney Johnson, John Joyce, John Keller, Joseph Kemna, 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, Stephen McDonald, Kevin & Erma McKay, Mike McManus, Agnes McMillan, John 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, Br. Matthew Truong, Monks of Mary, Sister Rosemarie, Carmel of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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

August 27th Collection

General, envelopes, loose cash	
On line donations	
St. Helen's fund	
Assumption	
Sunday Socials	
Individual gifts-Operations	
Flowers	
Votive candles	
Adoration/Sanctuary candles	
Tumbler/Apparel sales	
Building fund/Capital camp.	
Total	

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July Collections

General Offertory	
Capital Campaign	

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