



ST. JOAN OF ARC

CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH 10, 2024 / 10 DE MARZO 2024

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday
9:00 AM-4:00 PM
*closed for lunch
12-1:00 PM*

MASS TIMES

Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday Masses:
8:00 AM in English
9:30 AM in Spanish
11:00 AM in English

DAILY MASS

9:00 AM
Monday-Saturday

MISSION

The Mission of St. Joan of Arc Parish is to put Jesus first in our lives by seeking to know Him in Scripture, Encountering Him in Prayer, Celebrating His Presence among us in praise and worship and uniting with one another in loving service.



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Father Pat's Gospel Reflection

Fr. Frank Roof is a former chaplain of the Kentucky State Penitentiary. He tells a story about a prisoner named Paul Kordenbrock. Paul was born in Ft. Thomas Kentucky just south of Cincinnati on the Ohio River. Paul Kordenbrock grew up in the 1960's where the philosophy was, "If it feels good, do it." This philosophy led him into one bad situation after another, committing one crime after another. He is now in prison on death row because he was found guilty of killing another person.

Paul Kordenbrock now lives today two floors above the electric chair. In 1982 Paul was introduced to Fr. Roof. He asked Fr. Roof to hear his Confession and bring him Holy Communion. This meeting led to other meetings. Paul was introduced to other Catholic prisoners on death row.

As time passed Paul petitioned prisoner officials to permit Fr. Roof to celebrate Mass for the Catholic prisoners on death row. This permission was given and Fr. Roof began celebrating weekly Masses in a steel cage for the inmates on death row. This was not an accident. Fr. Roof learned that Paul Kordenbrock was taking correspondence courses in his faith. These included courses in the Old Testament, New Testament, Church history, and Catholic morals.

Paul became a certified catechist for the diocese of Covington Kentucky. He was now conducting an RCIA program. This is a year-long program. Each year since 1982 Paul has brought in at least one condemned prisoner to Christ. This program is for initiating adults into the Catholic faith on death-row.

Fr. Roof asked Paul how he accounted for his change of heart. Paul attributed his personal transformation to four basic things. The first was letting go of the stuff that bothered him. The second thing was meditating daily. The third thing was reading daily scripture. Finally he said that sharing with other prisoners the story of how Jesus Christ changed his life.

The story of Paul Kordenbrock is similar to the Gospel story of the woman at the well. It is a story of how a sinner met Jesus Christ. Like Paul, the woman at the well was totally changed by the meeting. To appreciate the change Paul went through we can ask ourselves these questions. Like Paul do we meditate daily? Do we also read Scripture daily? Do we also share the story of what Jesus Christ has done for us?

There is also the second way Paul's story resembles the story of the woman at the well. To do this we need to recall what the woman did after her encounter with Jesus at the well. The Gospel states: "The woman left her water jar and went into town and said to the people, 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have done.'

"Then the people left the town to meet Jesus. The woman who had been a great sinner became Christianity's first missionary. After she discovered Jesus, she went off to share her discovery with her friends and neighbors.

This is exactly what Paul Kordenbrock did. After he discovered Jesus he went off to share his discovery with his fellow inmates. Paul said to them, "Come meet a man who has done marvelous things for me. Paul who had been a great sinner becomes death row's first missionary in the Kentucky State Penitentiary. **To appreciate Paul Kordenbrock's missionary activity we can ask ourselves one question. How many of us have personally instructed and brought into the Church at least one person since 1982?**

Both stories of Paul and the woman at the well illustrate an important truth. When we let Jesus Christ into our lives remarkable things can happen. Jesus can change our lives just as radically as He changed the lives of the woman at the well and the man on death row. Through us Jesus can reach out and change the lives of others, like we see in today's Gospel as well as in the story of the man on death row. Jesus is as alive today as he was 2,000 years ago when he changed the life of the woman at the well.

This is what the season of Lent is all about. It is about opening our hearts and letting Jesus into our lives. It is about opening our hearts and letting Jesus change our lives for the better like we see in today's Gospel as well as the man on death row. When this occurs Jesus can work miracles through us. This is the message we see in the story of the woman at the well. This is the message we see in the story of Paul on death row.

Let us close with a prayer:

Lord, in gospel times, a sinful woman discovered you at a well. In modern times, a sinful man discovered you on death row. And both the woman and the man ended up becoming missionaries in their world. Help us discover you this Lent. And through our discovery, help us become missionaries in our homes and in our own world.



Ethnic Festival Results

The Knights of Columbus at St. Joan of Arc are happy to announce that last year's Ethnic Festival was a total success. The Festival Committee will be writing a check for \$55,000 to Father Pat to assist with St. Joan of Arc's financial needs. This was possible through your generous volunteering, and that made it the success that it was. To show our appreciation, there will be a catered sit-down dinner for those volunteers on April 6th at 1pm in the Parish Hall. There will be signup sheets for these volunteers at the welcome desk the weekends of March 23/24 and March 30/31. This will allow us to work with the caterer on the correct count for attendees. Thank you again for your generous support and volunteering your time.



“As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus’ thirst ... He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you.”

• *St. Teresa of Calcutta*





Knights of Columbus Fish Fry!!

Lenten Fish Fry during Fridays of Lent for \$12.00 per person

Drive up 4:30pm-5:00pm Dine in 5:00pm-6:30pm

**Dine-in: Choice of Baked Fish
Fried Fish
Fried Shrimp**

**Sides include: Mac & Cheese
Cole Slaw
Baked Potato
French Fries**

Rhode Island chowder \$3.00 extra

Walk-ins are limited to ordering shrimp and a side.

**Those who make reservations may select from any of the items above.
Please call 352-345-3371 by Wednesday to place your order for Friday.**

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
forever.



2023 Ladies Auxiliary 11317 Annual Summary

The Ladies Auxiliary 11317 was established in January 2023 and currently has 19 members. Our mission is to promote spiritual, social, intellectual, fraternal, and economic welfare to its members and to always stand ready to give service to the Knights of Columbus, our parish family, and the community.

Events and activities:

February: Valentine's Dinner Dance 2/18

March: Sunday Pancake Breakfasts

April: Family Easter Celebration 4/1(free event), Family Movie Night 4/21, Sunday Pancake Breakfasts

May: Sunday Pancake Breakfasts

June: Free Family Fun Day 6/4, Craft Show 6/10, Sunday Pancake Breakfasts, Family Movie Night 6/23

July: Luau 7/8, Sunday Pancake Breakfasts

August: Sunday Pancake Breakfasts

September: Craft show 9/9, Murder Mystery Dinner event "Murder on a Cruise line" 9/16 shared with the Knights of Columbus

November: Donated paint to have the stage area painted in the hall - painting was completed by 2 members of the Ladies Auxiliary and 2 members from the Knights of Columbus

December: Gourmet Christmas Cookie platter fundraiser 2/22 (shared with CCW), Birthday Party for Jesus 12/24(free event), New Years Eve Gala 12/31

Due to the success of the events/activities and fundraisers we were able to donate to these charities: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Maui, HI Fires, Friends of the Father Bash Foundation, Saint Andrew's Ukrainian Catholic Church, Rosary Makers and St. Joan of Arc Church. Without our Parish Family and community's help, we would not have been successful. Your support is greatly appreciated and we look forward to having more fun events/activities.



Our Annual Easter Altar Flowers Envelopes are on the Welcome Desk. This is a beautiful way to remember your loved ones, living and deceased. Please put your completed envelopes in the offertory basket or drop off at the office.



Thank you for your generosity!

February 25th offertory

Attendance: 756 Sunday Offertory: \$6785.00

February online giving \$4620.00

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 10, 2024

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53
Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

OBSERVANCES WEEK OF MARCH 10, 2024

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins
Monday:
Tuesday:
Wednesday:
Thursday:
Friday:
Saturday:
Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent

Choir Rehearsal Wednesdays 5:30PM
4th Degree Knights 2nd Tuesday 7:00PM
Knights of Columbus Board 2nd Thursdays 2:00PM
Knights of Columbus Meeting 2nd Thursdays 7:00PM
Prayer Group in English every Thursday 6PM
Youth Group—every Wednesday 6:30-8:00PM
St. Vincent de Paul 2nd Monday 9:30AM

Adult Ed—Thursdays 1:00PM
OCIA—Sunday 9:00AM
Rosary Making - every Wednesday 9:30 AM
Estudio de la Biblia los lunes a las 6:00PM
Legionarias de María cada miércoles 9:30AM
Adoración los martes 9:45AM
Adoration Tuesdays at 6:00PM

MASS INTENTIONS JOIN IN PRAYER-DAILY ROSARY IN THE CHURCH BEGINNING AT 8:25 AM—MON-FRI

SATURDAY MARCH 9

9:00 AM † Samuel Vernon from Terri Vernon

4:00 PM † RoseMarie Quigley from Maureen and Kate

SUNDAY MARCH 10

8:00 AM Anne Frances from Teresita

9:30 AM Parish Family

11:00 AM † Bruno Lambracia from loving wife Joanne Lambracia

MONDAY MARCH 11

9:00 AM † Sharon Howes from husband Alan Howes

TUESDAY MARCH 12

9:00 AM † Dan Hoover from Joyce Thomas

WEDNESDAY MARCH 13

9:00 AM Ivan and Maria Giraldo 40th anniversary from Maria loving wife

THURSDAY MARCH 14

9:00 AM CCW Mass

FRIDAY MARCH 15

9:00 AM Clifford Aldrich Sr. From Norm and Robyn Aldrich

PARISH STAFF

Pastor Rev. Patrick Rebel
Asst. Priests: Rev. Edward Reiter
..... Rev. Michael Kouts
..... Rev. Dennis Kaelin

Deacons: Deacon Jose Cruz
..... Deacon Tom Casey
..... Deacon Jim Riveiro

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Director of Music Joyce Thorpe
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Director of Adult Education Mary Jo Waggoner

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 10:00 am-11:00 am or by appointment.

BAPTISM FOR CHILDREN

Please call the Parish Office to pre-register. (352) 688-0663.

Workshop is 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 6pm.

MATRIMONY If you are contemplating marriage at St. Joan of Arc Church, please be mindful that there is a six month, prior Notice Request, required.

PARISH INFORMATION

OFFICE EMAIL

Sjoa-office@tampabay.rr.com

NEW BULLETIN EMAIL FFofficesjao@gmail.com

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

FFofficesjao@gmail.com & Sjoa-youth@tampabay.rr.com

RCIA/RCIC

Rite Initiation into the Catholic Faith

“IN HIS FOOTSTEPS” SOUP & SANDWICH LUNCH

Served in our Parish Family Hall the 4th Thursday of each month from Noon-2:00 pm & on 2nd Thursdays lunches are delivered to our homebound.

MARY & MARTHA’S GIFT SHOP

SjoaGiftShop@gmail.com

Saturday 3:30 pm-5:30 pm

Sunday 7:00 am-12:30 pm

Wednesdays 9:30 am-10:30 am

Closed during all Masses.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

(352) 556-3670

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