



# ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

JANUARY 21, 2024 / 21 DE ENERO 2024

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

## MASSES 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.*



*"Come after me,  
and I will make you fishers of men."  
Then they abandoned their nets  
and followed Him.*

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## DIACANO JOSE

El libro entero de Jonás consiste de cuatro capítulos y el capítulo que escuchamos hoy debe ser el único del cual Jonás se sentiría orgulloso. Y es que ésta es la segunda vez que el Señor le da a Jonás esta misión. En el primer capítulo Jonás responde inmediatamente al llamado de Dios . . . ¡zarpando en el primer barco que sale en dirección opuesta! Durante una tormenta brutal los marineros lo echaron al mar, pues temían que él había despertado la ira de Dios. En el capítulo dos un pez grande se traga a Jonás, cuya desesperación lo lleva a orar. Al dársele una segunda oportunidad, en el pasaje que hoy escuchamos, obedece de inmediato; pero en el último capítulo Jonás se siente enojado. ¡Nínive era el enemigo! Y Jonás esperaba ver cumplida al menos un poco de la ira que Dios había prometido. Pero Dios le enseña que el arrepentimiento, y no el castigo, fue siempre la meta, pues la misericordia de Dios sobrepasa el enojo de Dios. Aunque Jonás haya fracasado en hacer lo correcto primero y su corazón todavía estaba dividido aun cuando hizo lo correcto, así y todo salvó de una destrucción a millares de personas, porque al fin y al cabo cumplió el llamado de Dios.

Dios nos promete una vida nueva después del arrepentimiento y la conversión. Jonás encontró esa vida nueva después de haber estado tres días y tres noches en el vientre de aquel gran pez. La gente de Nínive encontró esa vida nueva después de ayunar y ponerse ropas de penitencia. Simón, Andrés, Santiago y Juan encontraron esa vida nueva después de dejar sus redes y seguir a Jesús. Ahora nos toca a nosotros confiar en que arrepentirnos y seguir al Señor tendrá su recompensa.

Fijémonos en que Jesús no les dijo a los pares de hermanos que tenían que estudiar mucho tiempo para conocerlo, ni que tenían que pasar un examen antes de ir a pescar discípulos. Más bien y enseguida les dijo que todo lo que tenían que hacer era seguirlo y él los haría pescadores de más personas. No necesitamos ponernos nerviosos por creer que tenemos que estar calificados para empezar a invitar a los demás. Siempre y cuando seamos sinceros en seguir a Jesús, podemos invitar a otras personas a que también lo sigan.

### Pregunta de la semana

¿De qué manera puedo invitar a otras personas a caminar hacia el Reino conmigo?



## DEACON JOSE

The entire book of Jonah consists of only four chapters, and the chapter we hear today must be the only one Jonah would be proud of. You see, this is the second time the LORD called Jonah on this mission. In the first chapter, Jonah responds immediately to God's call . . . by jumping on the first ship sailing in the opposite direction! During a

brutal storm, the sailors throw him overboard, fearing that he brought on God's wrath. In chapter two, Jonah is swallowed by a great fish, leading him to pray in desperation. Given a second chance in the passage we hear, he obeys at once. But in the final chapter Jonah is miffed. Nineveh was the enemy! Jonah hoped that he might see at least some of God's promised wrath. But God teaches him that repentance, not punishment, was always the goal, for God's mercy trumps God's anger. Jonah may have failed to do right at first, and his heart was still divided when he did right, but he saved thousands of people from destruction because in the end he followed God's call.

God promises us new life after repentance and conversion. Jonah found it after three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish. The people of Nineveh found it after they turned to fasting and sackcloth. Simon, Andrew, James, and John found it after dropping their nets and following Jesus. Now it is our turn to trust that repenting and following the Lord will be rewarded.

Note that Jesus did not tell the pairs of brothers that they had to study him for a good long time and pass a test before they could go out and fish for more disciples. No, he told them straightaway that all they had to do was follow and he would make them fishers of others. We need not be nervous about first becoming qualified enough to reach out to others. As long as we sincerely follow him, we can invite others to follow as well.

### Question of the Week

How do I go about inviting others to journey to the kingdom with me?



## FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We express our deep sympathy and assurance of our prayers to the family of:

**James Darrell Barfield**  
**Teresa Fonseca**



## Lenten Mission

**Save the date!! This year's parish mission features Father John Anglin who will lead the Mission. Mission is scheduled for February 19, 20, 21.**



## FATHER PAT

In the Gospel with John the Baptist it tells the story of the call of the first disciples of Jesus. This passage shows how John the Baptist redirects his own disciples to become followers of Jesus. John the Baptist is standing with two of his disciples watching Jesus go by. He immediately said, "Behold the Lamb of God."

This title refers to the image of the paschal lamb which was understood to be the sacrificial lamb whose death saved the Israelites and the whole world. John's two disciples then immediately followed Jesus. This was just the beginning of a process that involves some dialogue between Jesus and the two followers.

The two followers asked Jesus where He is staying. The questions and answers that followed are on two different levels. The first level is the literal understanding. Jesus is asking them what they are seeking then the two followers ask Jesus where He is staying. The questions are basic and to the point. The second is a theological understanding which reflects the deeper reality of what discipleship really entails. On this level a disciple seeks God by following Jesus. Jesus is an itinerant preacher that moves around. Jesus does not stay in any one place. Discipleship is an invitation to stay with Jesus wherever He goes. A follower must first respond to Jesus invitation, then will see where Jesus stays.

The Apostle Andrew is identified as one of the two disciples of John the Baptist who followed Jesus. Andrew then finds his brother Peter and tells him that he has found the Messiah. Following this statement, Andrew takes Simon Peter to Jesus. Peter does not say anything during this exchange, As soon as Jesus sees Peter, Jesus states his name, Simon the son of John, and then Jesus changes the name to Cephas which is translated Peter which means rock. This call to being a disciple to Jesus is based on a faith conviction that Jesus is the Messiah. No proof that Jesus is truly the Messiah is given. It is a matter of faith.

When the disciples of John the Baptist ask where Our Lord is staying, Jesus tells them to come and see. We can ask Jesus the same question today and Jesus may respond in a number of different ways. We can ask, "Teacher where are staying?" He may say, "I am sleeping under a bridge with the homeless who have no one, who have no place." Jesus may tell us, "I am sitting at the same table with the poor kids no one wants anything to do with." Jesus may tell us, "I am watching TV with the elderly couple who lives alone." Jesus may say, "I am holding the young woman who is terrified of the surgery she is facing." Or He might say, "I am with your children when you are not there. I am with your spouse when you are apart." He may say, "I am with you when you are feeling lost and alone." Finally Jesus may say, "I am putting my shoulder to yours in bearing your crosses of illness, despair and catastrophe." "Where am I staying? Come and see." If we do, we will be true Disciples of Christ.

We are constantly called to listen for God's voice, to be attentive to the teachers God sends to us. We can then grow beyond anything we could have imagined in our relationship with God. There is no better place to grow close to God than around the banquet table of the Lord. May we receive the Body of Christ and become what we receive. We not only come and see Jesus. We receive Him into our hearts. He reveals himself in a marvelous way because He helps us realize that He really cares about us and wants to live in union with us. He wants to continue to live His life through us.---



**Thank you to all of our very generous parishioners who donated to our Giving Tree! Thanks to each of you who found it in your hearts to donate to our parish and Spring Hill community families in need. Every family received gift cards for their children's gifts and grocery cards to feed their families a nice Christmas dinner!**

**WE HAVE THE ABSOLUTE BEST PARISHIONERS! God Bless You, Fr. Pat**

## PASTA-A-THON!!!

Sunday, February 4th, 2024, the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Pasta-a-Thon. First seating will be 1:00 pm and the second seating will be 3:00 pm. Meatballs, sausages, and chicken cacciatore will be served with four different pastas and three different sauces. The cost is \$12:00 per person for all you can eat in 1 hour. Bring the entire family!!!



### ST MARIA GORETTI SCHOLARSHIP

The St. Maria Goretti Scholarship is available to All active Catholic 12<sup>th</sup> Grade High School young women entering College or Vocational Training:

1st Scholarship prize \$1000.00

2<sup>nd</sup> Scholarship \$500.00

3<sup>rd</sup> Scholarship \$500.00

Visit [spdccw.org](http://spdccw.org) to obtain Scholarship application and details. Under Events follow the link to St Maria Goretti Scholarship Forms and Information. Deadline for submission is March 1, 2024. Sponsored by the St Petersburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

### MISSION STATEMENT

*The St. Petersburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women acts through its members to support, empower, and educate all Catholic women in Spirituality, Leadership and Service. SPDCCW programs respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and Society in the modern world.*

### PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Our parish is grateful for your continued support at this time. Go to our website: [www.StJoanofarcfl.com](http://www.StJoanofarcfl.com) and click on Online Giving. Thank you.

### STEWARDSHIP DONATIONS FOR JANUARY 7

**Attendance: 680 Sunday Offertory: \$8960.35**

**Thank you for your generosity!**





## New and Transferred Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus Council #11317 here at St. Joan of Arc, would like to welcome new Knights to our Council along with two transferring Knights, and one visiting Knight.

### **New Knights:**

Lillo Furca, Robert “Bob” Gleason, Mark Paliokis, Lance Johnson, BJ Berry, Alfredo Tirado, Darren Rayborn

### **Transfers:**

Raymond Sztuba, William “Bill” Hadfield

### **Visiting:**

Richard DiChirico

The Knights at St. Joan of Arc would like to invite all practicing Catholic men over the age of 18 who are parishioners of St. Joan of Arc to join and participate in the rewarding and spiritually uplifting experience the Knights provide.

**ATTENTION!!!: NEW BULLETIN - FFOfficesjoa@gmail.com**

## YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENT

Youth group for high school teens has been very busy. During Thanksgiving we visited and attended mass with residents at Salishan. We gave them cards and thanked them for their continued prayers and financial support to our group. We continue to meet Wednesday nights from 7:15 – 8:15 pm. We welcome any high school students interested in Christian fellowship and having fun together.

We are gearing up to host the MJM7 concert in the Parish Hall on Sunday, February 11 at 1:00 pm. MJM7 is a Catholic family band comprised of Michael James Mette and his children: Charity (15), and Cecilia (14) and MJ(12). The Mette’s gifts of music, joy, & family life fall somewhere between a rock concert and a parish mission, with vibrant lights and powerful music. The music is uplifting without being preachy, engaging without being confrontational. Bring a friend! You won’t want to miss this unique event. The concert is free, donations are accepted. Food will be available for purchase. Bring the family and enjoy a fun afternoon.

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 21, 2024

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20  
Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30  
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35  
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20  
Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18  
Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10/Mk 4:26-34  
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41  
Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

## OBSERVANCES WEEK OF JANUARY 21, 2024

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children  
Tuesday: St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin  
Wednesday: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
Thursday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle  
Friday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops  
Saturday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin  
Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

Choir Practice 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

## MONTHLY EVENTS

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

### SATURDAY JANUARY 20

9:00 AM † Roni Skinner by Bill

4:00 PM † Daniel Hoover by Maureen and Kate at the 4pm Mass

### SUNDAY JANUARY 21

8:00 AM † Mark Waggoner by Brian

9:30 AM Parish Community

11:00 AM † Antulio Rodriguez by loving wife

### MONDAY JANUARY 22

9:00 AM † Craig Sohl by Loving Mother

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

9:00 AM Sue Page by Loving Friends Melinda and Paul

### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 24

9:00 AM † Clifford Aldrich, Sr by Norm and Robyn

### THURSDAY JANUARY 25

9:00 AM † Maria Lemay by Gene and Carol

### FRIDAY JANUARY 26

9:00 AM † Souls in Purgatory

### SATURDAY JANUARY 27

9:00 AM † Robert Gamboney by Family of McCarthy

4:00 PM † Fr. Raymond O'Neil

### SUNDAY JANUARY 28

8:00 AM † Marcie Schwabenbauer from SJOA Extraordinary Ministers

9:30 AM † Herminio Martinez by Maria and children

11:00 AM For the Parish Community

## PARISH STAFF

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

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..... 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

### NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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