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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00am to 4:00pm
370 SW 3rd St. • Boca Raton • FL 33432
561.392.0007 • 561.392.0074 Fax
Saturday 9:30am to 2:00pm
in the Gift Shop • 561.393.0006

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

561.392.7974 • 561.368.6671 Fax
Monday - Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm

DAILY MASSES

Mon. - Fri. 8:15am & 12:15pm
Saturdays: 8:15am & 4:30pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY MASSES

7:30am, 9:15am, 10:45am, 12:15pm
& 5:30pm (Spanish)

MASS SCHEDULE ON:

Eve of Holy Days: 6:00pm
Holy Days: 8:15am, 12:15pm
Holidays: One Mass at 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Sat. 3-4:00pm,
Sun. 4:50-5:20pm Spanish

ADORATION

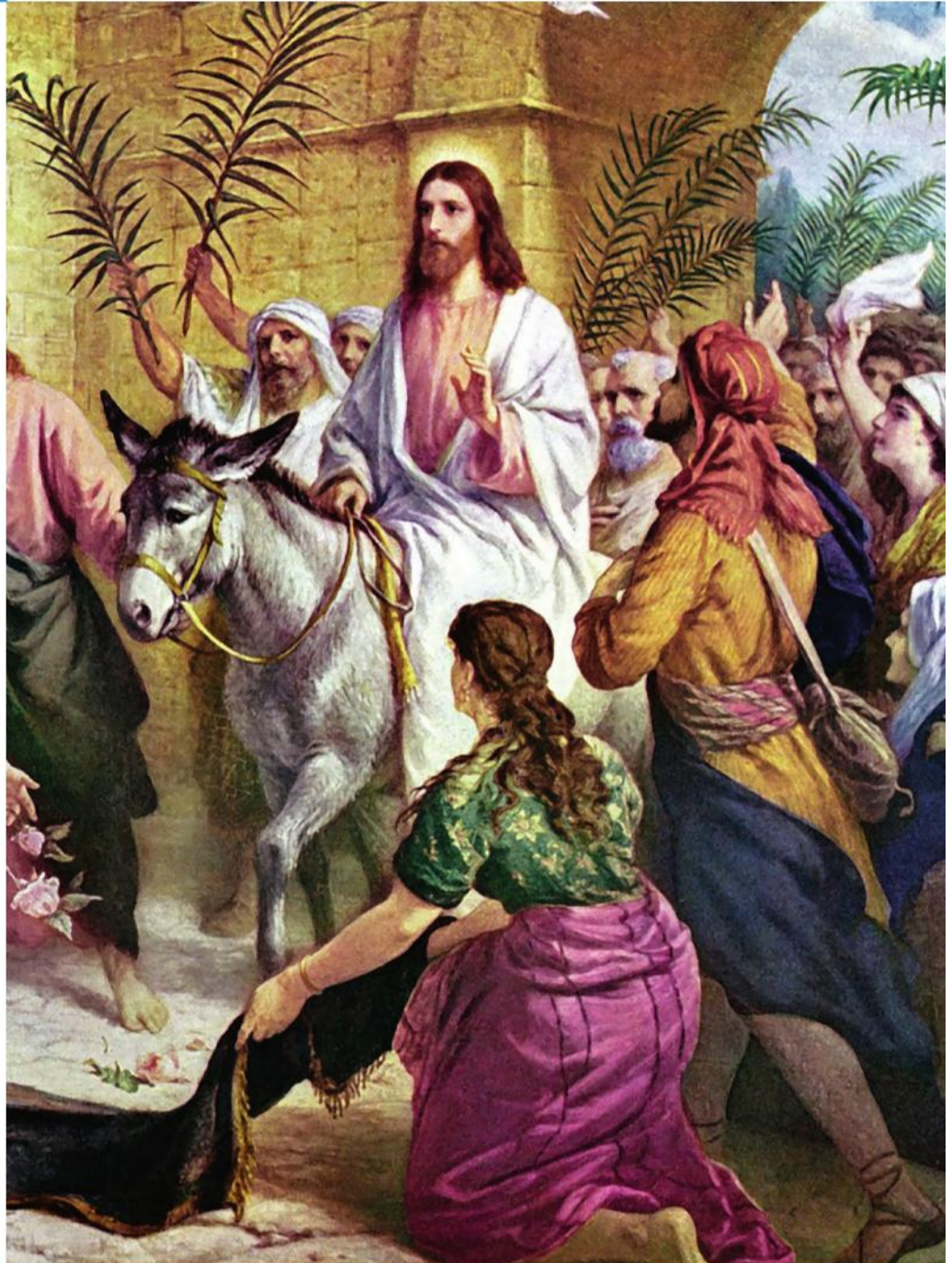
Tuesdays 5:00pm to 8:30pm
1st Fridays from 9:00am to 8:30pm

BAPTISMS

Call the Parish Office 561.392.0007

MARRIAGES

Must be registered parishioner/s for at
least 6 months before the wedding date



MARCH 24, 2024

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

First Reading: Is 50 4-7

Second Reading: Phil 2:6 -11

Gospel: Mk 14:1-15:47

SCHOOL WISH LIST:

50 IP HD Security Cameras for our School

Approximately \$80,000 for installation/hardware

SJA Tuition Assistance to aid a needy student for the 2024-2025 school year.

Donations towards The Sisters of Mercy Scholarship Endowment, as we celebrated 64 Years of the Sisters of Mercy Legacy at St. Joan of Arc. Please call 561.952.2868 for more details. Thank you!

MISA DE LA AURORA

Domingo de Pascua de Resurrección

6:15 de la mañana

en la cancha de deportes de
St. Joan of Arc.

(Esta es la única misa en Español el 31 de marzo)

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 23 TO MARCH 30, 2024

SATURDAY – March 23

4:30pm Barbara D'Amico • Karol Vancek by the Wells family
Patricia Landry by Lawrence and Silvia

SUNDAY – March 24

7:30am Maryan and Stephen Ladika by the Cipolla family
9:15am Sara Lassus by Sarah Ahumada and her grand children
Healing for Rosa Bristol by Stacie and Mimi Bliss
Eileen Crook by The Moore Family
10:45am Herta Werle by Donna and Ron David
Bruno Poschner by Stephanie Cristadoro and family
12:15pm Guillermo Monroy • Gregory Lacivita by his wife
5:30pm Guillermo Monroy de su familia
Manuel Ruiz de sus hijos y familia
Magdalena Guerrero de Ruiz de sus hijos y familia

MONDAY – March 25

8:15am Iris Ramos
12:15pm Casey Clarity

TUESDAY – March 26

8:15am Windy Louise Novak by the Gavilan family
Joan Farrell by Genevieve Murphy
12:15pm Iris Ramos and Casey Clarity

WEDNESDAY – March 27

8:15am J.D. Murphy Jr. by Genevieve Murphy
12:15pm Healing for Mark Schramm by his mother Elvi

HOLY THURSDAY – March 28

7:00pm Mario Scicoli by Dayana
J. D. Murphy by Genevieve Murphy

GOOD FRIDAY – March 29

2:00pm & 7:00pm The Lord's Passion

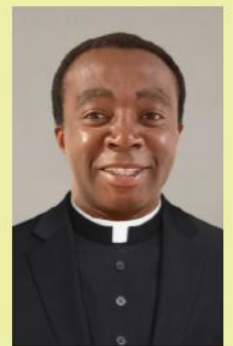
HOLY SATURDAY – March 30

7:00pm Garcia and Ascensio Families
Farrel by the Price family

REMEMBER YOUR SPIRITUAL FAMILY AS WE REMEMBER YOU...

Side by side we have been here for you through important family events. At Weddings, Baptisms, First Communions, Confirmations, Hospital Visits and Last Rites, we are there in support; just as your family would be. Please consider remembering St. Joan of Arc in your will, for donations in memory of a loved one who has passed away, or in lieu of flowers. Please call 561.952.2868 for more information.

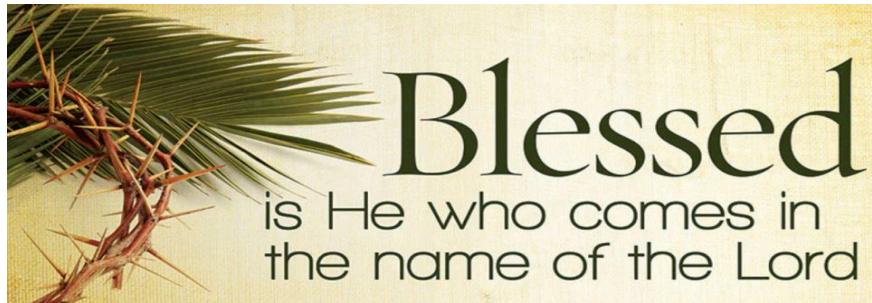
Fr. Nichodemus Okafor who is residing here at St. Joan of Arc, will **provide priest visitation of the sick at Boca Regional Hospital** for the Anointing of the Sick Sacrament on Mon. Wed. & Fri. When required, please notify the **Hospital Staff** that you or your loved one requires a priest visit or call the Parish Office at 561-392-0007, Mondays through Fridays 9:00am to 4:00pm. For Hospice visits, please continue to call the Parish Office. Thank you and may God bless all of you and keep you safe.



ST. JOAN OF ARC

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PASTORAL STAFF: Very Rev. Nestor Rodriguez, V.F.,
Fr. Junesh Xavier, Fr. Armando Leon, Fr. Michael Driscoll,
Fr. Nichodemus Okafor, Fr. Adam Forno, Fr. Richard Moran,
Deacon Bill Watzek, Deacon Michael Zatarga



2024 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY: March 28: Morning Mass not permitted.

The Lord's Supper will be celebrated at 7:00pm - **Bilingual**. Following the 7:00pm Mass the Blessed Sacrament will be on the Altar of Repose in the Church for Adoration until midnight.

GOOD FRIDAY: March 29: Morning Mass not permitted.

Parishioners are urged to observe the 3 hrs. (12 to 3pm) commemorating the Passion of our Lord on Good Friday.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 12:00pm in the Church.

SPANISH STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 4:30pm in the Church, followed by a Celebration of The Lord's Passion **in Spanish**.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION with the distribution of Holy Communion and Adoration of the Cross at 2:00pm and 7:00pm in the Church.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA begins after the Lord's Passion (approx. 3:00pm) in the Chapel, continues daily at 3:00pm until April 6.

Closing Service: April 7 on the Feast of **Divine Mercy Sunday** at 2:30pm, in the Church.

HOLY SATURDAY: March 30: Morning Mass is not permitted.

THE BLESSING OF FOOD is at 1:00pm in the Chapel. **No confessions on Holy Sat.**

2024 EASTER SCHEDULE

HOLY SATURDAY: March 30: A combined English/**Spanish EASTER VIGIL MASS** will be held in the Church at 7:00pm and we will celebrate the reception of Catechumens & Candidates. **This Mass will last at least two hours.**

EASTER SUNDAY: March 31: Masses: 6:15am **Spanish Misa de la Aurora** at SJA's Athletic Field. In Church: 7:30am, 9:15am, 10:45am, 12:15pm (Last Mass of the day).

No Spanish Mass at 5:30pm. (Overflow Masses will be celebrated at 9:15am and at 10:45am in Mercy Center).

During this Holy Season of Lent, Come Journey with The Lord in His Passion, Death and Resurrection.

*Happy and Blessed Easter from Very Rev. Nestor Rodriguez V.F,
and the St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church Pastoral Team and Staff.*

WEEKLY TREASURE

We ask you to please continue to support your church, St. Joan of Arc relies on the weekly offertory to pay its bills. The Weekly Offertory grand total for March 16/17 was \$24,968. You can mail in your envelopes to St. Joan of Arc, or click on the secure yellow "Donate" button located on our website stjao.org. We can also securely store your donation information by filling-in the Online Credit Card Authorization Form that can also be found on our web-site under WAYS TO GIVE. St. Joan of Arc appreciates whatever support you are able to offer.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Adri, Michele
Albino, Francis
Albino, Lia Marie
Alexopoulos, Lana
Alvarez, Camila
Anasail, Viole
Anderson, Joanne
Anderson, Michael
Arteaga, Denny
B. Jane
Babione, Helen
Barbis-Tanji, Emilia
Belotta, Louis
Bernstein, Joy
Bernabey, Andrea
Bouchard, Carolyn
Campbell, Carol
Campbell, Virginia
Carrigan, Doreen
Castelli, Angela
Castillero, Lilia
Christmas, Irene
Clarity, Casey
Cluster, Mike
Cominski, Bill
Cuervo, Maria Camila
Cwal, Anna
Cwal, Coli
Cwal, Paul
Davidson, Elizabeth
Des Maris, Jean Charles
De Varona, Jorge
Di Federico, Carmen
Dole, Rana
Doyle, Jack
Driscoll, Fr. Michael

Duncan, Kyle
Dunne, Joyce
Durant, Alyssa
Eremia, Alex
Faustina, Anna
Frazier, Natalie
Fruehan, Tim
Frias, Elvira
Funk, James
Galeano, Camilo
Gallardo, Cindy Ryan
Ganley, Frank
Gaviria, Adriana
Giannetti, Maria
Gibmeyer, George & Debbie
Giguere, Gerald
Giguere, Theresa
Golembski, Vincent
Gomez, Paola
Green, Carol
Guth, Evelyn
Gustus, Annette
Handal, Richard
Hasey, Christine
Hennessey Shirley
Hernandez, Aidan
Hernandez, Vita
Hoch, Camden
Hoffman, Steve
Hynes, Billy
Hynes, Rita
Jacob, Kim
Jara, Patricia
Johnson, Ken

Kabbas, Diane
Kabbas, Elise
Kayle, Mildred
Kallaher, Colleen
Kelleher, John
Kelley, Kevin
Knickman, Shane
Krolikowski, Johnny
Laing, Maria
Lango, John
Layor, Robert
Leey, Patricia
Lombardi, Juliana Kay
Lopes, Felisberto
Lopez Torres, Anita
Lopez, Fernando
Lopez, Carlos
La Rota, Antonia
McNeil, Mary
Malpeli, Flora
Maloney, Jim
Maingot, Keith
Maingot, Mary
Mantey, Sandra
Martinego Pino, Lucila
Martinez, Joel
Martin, Juan M.
Maurtua, Humberto
McManus, Barbara
Mena, Suzanne
Mendez Thorne, Rosario
Medina, Luis Javier
McGraw, Msgr. Michael
McGraw, Timothy

Montigny, Cathy
Morgan, Todd
Mullen, Peter
Murphy, April
Murphy, Sr. Ellen
O'Toole, Dennis
Pardo, Figueroa
Paz, Mariano
Peterson, Niles
Plant, Richard
Prieto, Maria Fernanda
Pratt, Kinsley
Quillard, Millie
Quirk, John
Rabin, Karen
Ramos, Iris
Ratto, Gigi
Rebagliati, Juan Enrique
Recharte, Carlos
Randall, Fr. Robert
Raudenbush, John
Rende, Mary
Restepo, Javier
Ritacco, Candace
Roberts, Blake
Roberts, Robyn
Ruscito, Nancy
Russell, Bernard
Russell, Taxo
Saavedra Burbank, Lea
Salamack, Debbie
Sanders, Dylan
Sanders, Cindy
Saunders, Jackie

Sarra, Carolina
Schmidt, Dava
Sedlik, Steven
Sheets, Michael
Sheldon, Roger
Silva, Kevin
Silva Moreira, Maria M.
Solari, Pablo
Spinella, Grace
Stefancic, Guido
Steinemann, Anne
Strauch, Jonathan
Stewart Mendez, Rocio
St. Germaine, Robert A.
Tarlow, Chris
Thomas, Ellen
Thomsen, Dana
Thompson, Jaqueline
Torres, Andres
Torres Yañez, Juana
Thomsen, Donna
Trupiano, Anthony
Turner, Sarah
Tyrrell, Mason
Vala, Andrew
Vargas, Rosa
Vass, OSC, Sr. Frances
Velotta, Louis
Vetto, Regina
Wachowiz, Jamey
Wilt, Marge
Whitney, Beverly
Williams, John
Wolff, Michael
Zaloom, Mr. & Mrs.

**GOD LOVES A
CHEERFUL
GIVER**

March 31: Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord
First Reading Acts of the Apostles: 10:34a, 37-43
Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4
Gospel: John 20:1-9

Our balance to reach our goal is
\$143,885.88

100% \$409,000
ST. JOAN OF ARC'S GOAL

80%

60%

40%

20%

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Your gift makes it possible to continue vital programs and ministries serving those in need throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach.

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Please specify
St. Joan of Arc Church
under Parish designation.
Thank you!!

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD

Matthew 6:11

https://www.diocesepb.org/ministries/offices/offices/development/diocesan-services-appeal/2024-dsa-ways-to-give.html



2024 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD *Matthew 6:11*



ONE OF THE PILLARS OF FAITH WE EMPHASIZE IN LENT IS ALMSGIVING

Giving makes us active participants in the mission of the Church. It makes us a part of something larger, more majestic, and holier than ourselves. (2Cor 8:3-4) 1. Giving alms is an act of praise and worship of our God. It is an expression of gratitude for all the blessings God gives to us.

Your love and generosity is making possible to continue vital programs and ministries serving those in need throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach.

As you can see in our Goal Chart (bottom left page), we as a Parish are steadily moving forward to reach our 2024 Diocesan Services Appeal goal. We ask that during this Lent we as disciples, should strive to be like Him (Mt 10:25). When our giving is sacrificial—a bit uncomfortable and for the benefit of others—then in our small-scale way we approach the sacrificial self-giving of Jesus on the cross. Our giving becomes our preaching of the Gospel.

Your monetary support is greatly appreciated as well as many other ways of planned giving shown on this page. If you plan to give with any of these options, please call 561-775-9590 and specify that your planned giving is for the 2024 Diocesan Services Appeal and that your designated parish is St. Joan of Arc.

Thank you for your generosity!

7 Ways to make a Planned Gift to the Diocese of Palm Beach



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- 1 Stock/Securities** - By giving a gift of appreciated securities, you can avoid paying capital gains on the stock or security, receive a charitable gift deduction on your tax return and the diocese, parish or diocesan ministry receives the full value of your security.
- 2 Matching Gifts** - Many companies provide matching gifts for their employees as a benefit of their employment. Matching gifts are an excellent way to double and sometimes triple the impact of your personal donation.
- 3 Endowments** - An endowment is a permanent fund that holds its principal in perpetuity and is invested for the benefit of a particular purpose. By contributing money to an endowment, you create a source of income for the beneficiary and carry on your legacy of giving for generations to come.
- 4 Taxable IRA** - Donors above 70.5 years of age may give a gift from their IRA (limited to \$105,000 per year per individual, which will be indexed for inflation starting in 2024). This counts towards your required minimum distribution (RMD) and is a way to avoid taxable income.
- 5 Wills** - To leave a gift in your will, simply share this sentence with your attorney or financial planner: "I bequeath \$_____ or _____% of my estate to The Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, D.D., J.C.L., as Bishop of the Diocese of Palm Beach, his successors in Office, a corporation sole. I wish to designate the funds to (Your Parish, Ministry, or the Diocesan Services Appeal)."
- 6 Charitable Gift Annuity** - A charitable gift annuity is when you give a sum of money, in this case to the Diocese of Palm Beach (minimum of \$25,000 for the Diocese of Palm Beach and donor must be 65 years or older), and they pay you a guaranteed quarterly annuity payments for the rest of your life.
- 7 Life Insurance** - Name the Diocese of Palm Beach as the beneficiary of your life insurance policy. Simply contact your policy holder and ask for a Change of Beneficiary form.

St. Joan of Arc's **DIVINE MERCY NOVENA**

begins on Good Friday, March 29, at 3:00pm daily for nine days
in the chapel.



JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!

SJA PARISHIONERS, PARENTS AND CHILDREN COME JOIN US:

Our Lord told St. Faustina, *"I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw...strength and refreshment and whatever grace they need in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death"* (Diary, 1209). *Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy.* (699)

- 3/29 Day 1:** All mankind, especially sinners
Good Friday: Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy,
& Veneration of the Relic of the
True Cross of Christ
- 3/30 Day 2:** Souls of priests & religious
- 3/31 Day 3:** All devout & faithful souls
- 4/01 Day 4:** Unbelievers & Unfamiliar with Jesus
- 4/02 Day 5:** Souls of separated brethren
- 4/03 Day 6:** Meek & Humble souls of children
- 4/04 Day 7:** Souls who venerate Jesus
- 4/05 Day 8:** Souls in Purgatory
- 4/06 Day 9:** Souls of the Lukewarm
- 4/07:** The Feast of Divine Mercy (church)
Closing Service on the Second Sunday of
Easter at 2:30pm: Rosary, Chaplet of
Divine Mercy, & Veneration of the Relic of the
True Cross of Christ

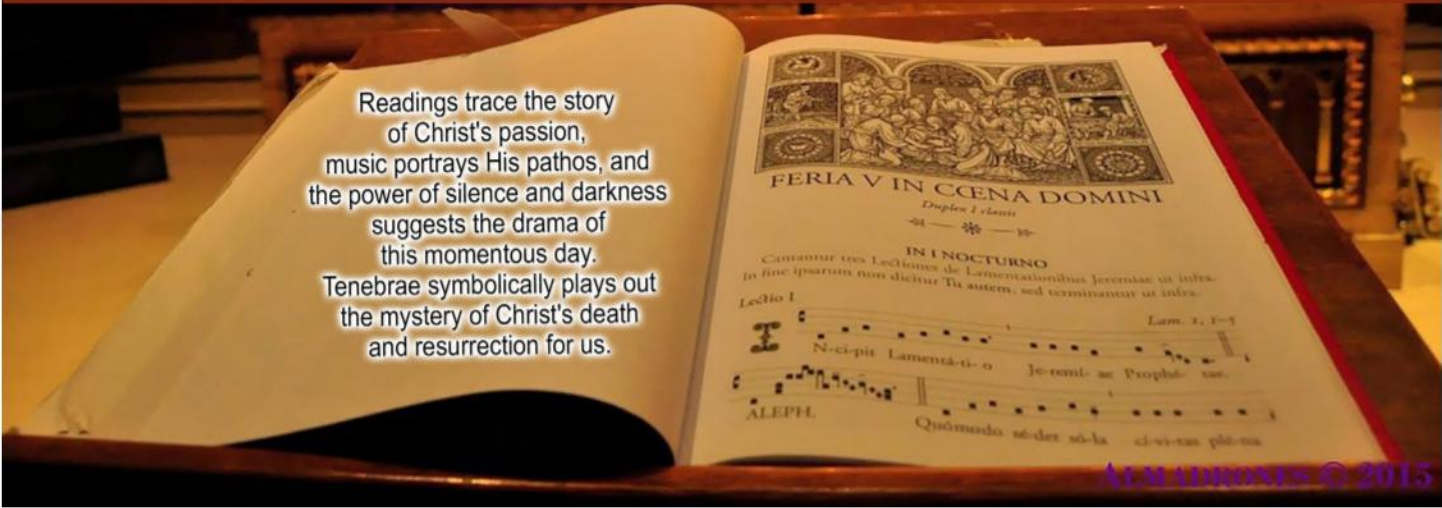
This devotion began by St. Faustina Kowalska, the apostle of Divine Mercy, who was canonized on April 30th, 2000, by St. John Paul II.

PLEASE JOIN THIS NOVENA and make petitions, implore favors, and obtain graces by honoring our Lord.



Please join us at St. Joan's TENEBRAE SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27 at 7:00pm as we begin the Easter Triduum



Readings trace the story of Christ's passion, music portrays His pathos, and the power of silence and darkness suggests the drama of this momentous day. Tenebrae symbolically plays out the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection for us.

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19TH ANNUAL

Long-Sleeve Relief Drive

This Lent please join

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Our brothers and sisters in the fields are in need of long sleeve **BUTTON DOWN** shirts to wear to protect them from the sun and toxic elements as they gather the food we put on our tables.

Please bring long-sleeve shirts you no longer wear, place them in large plastic bags, and deposit them in the bin located by the SJA Church Gift Shop. We will deliver them right after Holy Thursday. Thank You!



SJA SCHOOL LIVING STATIONS OF CROSS:

In Mercy Center, performed by 6th Graders

MON. March 25 at 8:45 am (Grades K-3 also attend)

TUES. March 26 at 8:25 am (Grades 4-8 also attend)

Tenebrae Service: WED. March 27: 7:00pm Church.

SJA OFFICES CLOSED: In observance of the Triduum SJA Parish and School Offices will be closed on Holy Thursday and Good Friday. We'll reopen on Monday, April 1.



MARIAN SHRINES

11-DAY PILGRIMAGE

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APRIL 27

10:00AM - 2:00PM

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Family Faith & Fun Day

Family, Faith, & Fun Day offers St. Joan of Arc families an opportunity to gather together in a fun-filled environment recognizing the common element that brings us together, our faith.

Each year the costs of having this very successful event have increased. In an effort to keep the cost of attendance affordable to all, we are offering the following sponsorships.

**PLEASE CONTACT ANDREA LEWIN
AT 561-952-2848 FOR ANY QUESTIONS.**

Sponsorship Includes

Family name or company name on Sponsorship banner on Athletic Field fence (**printing deadline March 31**). Banner placed in front of game/activity. Name will be listed as sponsor in the newsletter, bulletin and web page.

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OR GAME**

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\$ 5,000	Gold Sponsorship (2 available) Entire event	\$ 600	General Store
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\$ 2,500	Dixie Flyer	\$ 500	Prize Wheel SOLD
\$ 2,700	All American Slide	\$ 400	Face Painting SOLD
\$ 1,900	Deluxe Bumper Cars	\$ 400	Arts & Crafts
\$ 1,550	Magical Carousel SOLD	\$ 400	Mini Golf
\$ 1,295	Friendly Petting Zoo & Pony Rides SOLD	\$ 350	Ice Cream SOLD
\$ 1,200	Power Sports Challenge	\$ 300	Backyard SOLD
\$ 900	Inflatable Soccer Dart SOLD	\$ 100	Lemonade SOLD
\$ 900	Beach Party Playcenter	\$ 400	Disk Jockey



Company Name/Name for Poster or Banner _____

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone # _____

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Signature _____



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ReligiousEd@stjoan.org * 561-391-4345

Mon-Tue-Thu: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM * Wed: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Fri: 9:00 AM – 12 Noon * Sat-Sun: Closed

Next Class Days: SUN Apr. 7, WED Apr. 3

Waiting list for 2024-2025 Rel. Ed Classes is open.

Contact Religious Ed Office.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER AS A CATECHIST, ASSISTANT
OR MONITOR IN REL ED YEAR 2024-2025?**

To volunteer, please call the Religious Ed Office. Thank You!

*** Pre-Baptism Class: Apr. 4 (English), Apr. 18 (Español) ***

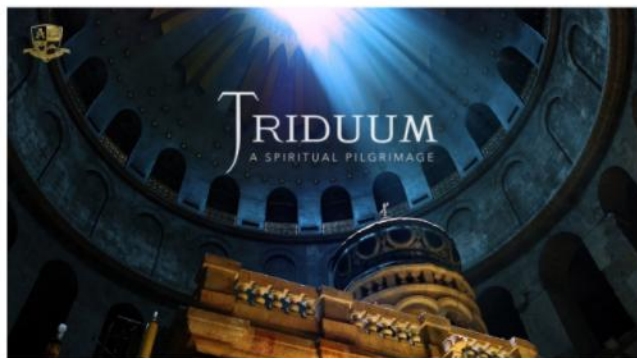
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God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above
every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of
those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue
confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
(Philippians 2:9-11)

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INVITES: SAINT HELLEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

DATE & TIME

SATURDAY, MAY 4 | 6:00 p.m.

LOCATION

St. Joan of Arc Mercy Center
370 SW 3rd St, Boca Ratón, FL 33432

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STA. JUANA DE ARCO

MISA DE LA AURORA

Domingo de Pascua de Resurrección

6:15 de la mañana

en la cancha de deportes de
St. Joan of Arc.

(Esta es la única misa en Español el 31 de marzo)



DOMINGO DE RAMOS

En este Domingo de Ramos, cuando Nuestro Señor comienza la semana decisiva para nuestra salvación, dejémonos de consideraciones superficiales, vayamos a lo central, a lo que verdaderamente es importante. Lo que hemos de pretender es ir al cielo. Si no, nada vale la pena. Para ir al cielo, es indispensable la fidelidad a la doctrina de Cristo. Para ser fiel, es indispensable porfiar con constancia en nuestra contienda contra los obstáculos que se oponen a nuestra eterna felicidad.

El cristiano puede vivir con la seguridad de que, si desea luchar, Dios le cogerá de su mano derecha, como se lee en la Misa de esta fiesta. Jesús, que entra en Jerusalén cabalgando un pobre borrico, Rey de paz, es el que dijo: el reino de los cielos se alcanza a viva fuerza, y los que la hacen son los que lo arrebatan (Mt XI, 12.). Esa fuerza no se manifiesta en violencia contra los demás: es fortaleza para combatir las propias debilidades y miserias, valentía para no enmascarar las infidelidades personales, audacia para confesar la fe también cuando el ambiente es contrario.

La Semana Santa nos ofrece la ocasión de revivir los momentos fundamentales de nuestra Redención. Pero no olvidemos que —, «para acompañar a Cristo en su gloria, al final de la Semana Santa, es necesario que penetremos antes en su holocausto, y que nos sintamos una sola cosa con Él, muerto sobre el Calvario». Para eso, nada mejor que caminar de la mano de María. Que Ella nos obtenga la gracia de que estos días dejen una huella profunda en nuestras almas. Que sean, para cada uno, ocasión de profundizar en el Amor de Dios, para poder así mostrarlo a los demás.

Para el 24 de marzo - Domingo de Ramos

Marcos: 11:1-10

Primera Lectura: Isaías 50 4-7

Segunda Lectura: Filipenses 2:6-11

Evangelio: Marcos 14:1 -15:47



OUR OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN SERVICE

AA (Alcoholic Anonymous) Men & Women - Saturdays meetings at Immaculata Center. Saturdays 10:00am -12:00pm.

The Newcomers group meets on THURSDAY night in the Conference Room A (2nd floor of the "Ministry Building") beginning at 6:30pm. Contact Pat McLaughlin 561 239 2462 or April Stone 760 717 5184 for more information.

Al-Anon & Alateen - Saturdays 10:00am -12:00pm 2nd floor of the Education Bldg.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Every Tuesday: 5pm to 8:30pm
First Friday: 9am to 7pm, 7 until 8:30pm Bilingual Rosary, Meditation and Benediction. Would you sign-up for a weekly Adoration Hour? Please without such personal commitment Adoration cannot continue. Please be a Eucharistic Adorer and commit to one hour. Call Laura at 561.702.3303 or Rosie at 954.534.5380 or 561.392.0007

CARE MINISTRY & FOOD PANTRY: Offers aid to confirmed residents of Boca Raton or Delray Beach who find themselves in crisis situations with rent, electric or water bills, childcare, etc. Hours of operation on Monday, Tuesday and Friday are from 9:00am to 12noon. Clients must call ahead in order to schedule an appointment: 561.962.6000. We also have a Food Pantry to supply those in need with basic food items. The Food Pantry is open to registered clients only on Saturdays from 10:30am to 12 noon. Clients must have a pre-scheduled appointment time to receive food. The vast majority of the SJA Care Ministry resources are donations of Time, Talent and Treasure from the generous hearts of our parishioners. All donations, either monetary or food items go to help those in our community.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES COUNSELING CENTER - Counseling services at Catholic Charities' satellite office at SJA's Kilby House by Professional Counselors. Services are available Mon-Fri 9am to 5pm. Contact our Counselor Maria Nowak: 561-952-2852 or email: amnowak@ccdpb.org. For scheduling please contact Maria Lumbi at counseling@ccdpb.org

COLUMBIETTES - Ladies group building a strong bond in our parish. For details call Terry Picinich at 561-901-7312.

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (CCW) - We are a joyful group acting through our members to support, empower and educate Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service. Our seven circles offer a variety of monthly meeting times. Join us and make new friends as we are Women Making a Difference. SJA Council of Catholic Women Circles: Santa Ana Circle, Last Wednesday of the month 7pm to 9pm, St. Martha & Mary Circle, 3rd Thursday 1 -2:30 P.M. Kilby House St. Monica Circle, 4th Monday 1-3 P.M. Kilby House

For more information, email stjancw@gmail.com.

DAD'S CLUB - Every Monday in Mercy Center at drop off - 7:45am. All dads in the Parish welcome. For more information contact the school office.

DAILY ROSARY: We pray the Holy Rosary at 4:00pm at the Marian Garden.

GRIEF SUPPORT SESSIONS - When grief is shared, pain may be eased and life be more bearable because we see that we are not alone. The SJA Grief Support Program have been having small group meetings in the Kilby House on Wednesdays from 4-5pm. If you've lost a loved one and would like to participate in this program please call Marjorie O'Sullivan at 561.609.2542 or write osullivanmarjorie546@gmail.com.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY - Call us if you or someone you know is no longer able to attend Mass. Our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion visit the elderly & infirmed parishioners 561-392-0007.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - We are a part of this great dynamic Catholic International Organization. Contact: knights.council13051@gmail.com

KOINONIA - A spiritually uplifting weekend experience that takes place in our parish grounds. Please contact: George Kunzman at bridgefin@bellsouth.net or call 561-394-7128.

MEN'S MINISTRY - Strives to develop God-centered Catholic men through Christian fellowship, education and service. Meetings Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm-8:15pm upstairs at The Kilby House. All men of the parish are most welcome. Call Paul Paschke 561-392-2476.



For information on:

- EMs (Eucharistic Ministers)
 - School of Christian Formation
 - Lector Training
 - Annulments
 - SJA Campus Room Reservations
- Please contact Deacon Bill Watzek at 561-952-2828 or watzek_bill@stjoan.org

MOTHER MARY CONTINUUM BIBLE STUDY Starting Friday, Nov. 10 we will begin studying a book entitled "The Story of A Soul: The Autobiography of St. Therese of Lisieux". Please feel free to join us in person in St. Kateri Room in the Kilby House or online. We start with the Rosary at 9:15am. For additional information please contact Kathy Graham (kathymthgraham@gmail.com)

PRE-BAPTISMAL CLASS IN ENGLISH - First Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM in Mercy Center, 2nd Floor. Please contact the Parish Office at 561-392-0007 to register before attending.

CLASE PRE-BAPTISMAL EN ESPANOL - Tercer Jueves del mes a las 6:30 PM en Mercy Center, 2nd Floor. Por favor comuniquese con la Oficina Parroquial al 561-392-0007 antes de asistir.

SCRIPTURE STUDY - Sunday mornings at 9:15 in Mercy Center upstairs. Contact George Kunzman at bridgefin@bellsouth.net or call 561-394-7128.

SJA SCHOOL ALUMNI - We invite you to register on our St. Joan of Arc website as an alumni if you haven't already done so at stjaoan.org/school/alumni-outreach/

SPANISH ACTIVITIES:

Rosary for Priestly Vocations – Wednesdays at 5pm in the SJA Chapel.

Prayer Group – Every Tuesday at 7pm at the Kilby House.

Pre Baptismal classes in Spanish every 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30pm at the Kilby House.

SOULCORE CLASSES - SoulCore is an apostolate that nourishes mind, body and spirit by combining the prayers of the rosary with movement of gentle stretching and core strengthening exercises. Classes are offered Mondays and Wednesdays 6:30pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30am, and Sunrise Saturdays at 6:45am.

Please contact Ramona joachim for locations or more info 561-866-4820

SUNDAY TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND - The Diocese of Palm Beach's weekly Sunday morning Mass for the homebound airs on CW34 WTVX at 10:30am -11:00am

UPLIFT THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY - Please join UPLIFT, the Thursday morning Bible Study group for a study on the Acts of the Apostles with Jeff Cavins beginning on October 19th. This 20 week study will help you to see your place in the Church as a disciple of Christ. We will meet Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:15 in Mercy Center, 2nd floor conference room. Please contact the Religious Education office to register (561-391-4345 or ReligiousEd@stjoan.org).

USHERS - Men & women at SJA represent the parish and the community in their function as hosts and hostesses at our liturgies. For more information call Javier Palermo at 561- 445-1782 or Dennis Jordan at 561-395-8329.

WOMEN OF GRACE - Travel a spiritual pathway with the Blessed Mother through the Women of Grace Foundational nine-week program and discover your purpose, your mission, and the gift of your feminine genius! For more information contact Martha at mnicolli@womenofgrace.com

WOMENS REFLECTION GROUP - Join us for various Bible Studies. Wednesdays 8:30am - 10:00am.

WEDDING MINISTRY - If you have a question about marriages, first please visit our website stjaoan.org for Wedding Requirements. For appointments, please contact Laura Wazek at 561-952-2854 or email watzek_laura@stjoan.org.



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