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Mark McGuffin  
Carter Smithman  
Rob Stofflet

**INFANT BAPTISM**  
Please contact Brian Hanson to schedule a meeting. Information is also available on the website and front office. 602.867.9171 X 311. Email: bhanson@stjoanofarc.com.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PANTRY**  
Monday & Wednesday: 9:00am—11:00am/6:00pm—7:30pm  
Saturday: 9:00am—11:00am  
602.867.2288

**PERPETUAL ADORATION CANDLES**  
Our Adoration Chapel candle program allows parishioners to honor/memorialize family/friends with lighted candles on the altar in the Adoration Chapel. Names of sponsors and those being remembered will be in the weekly bulletin. Please come to the parish office to set up your sponsorship of a $10/candle. Each sponsorship is for one week.

**HOLY CATHOLIC MARRIAGE MENTORING**  
By Alberta & Gary Pizzitola, PhD  
602.743.4303  
Please sign up for our podcasts based on Sunday scripture at  
www.holycatholicmarriage.com
THE PASTOR’S CORNER

(Fr. Connealy is on vacation.)

St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
by Deacon Peter R. Auriemma, MD

When a man receives the Sacrament of Holy Orders as a Deacon, he is ordained to a life of service for the Church and the People of God, specifically for the Liturgy, the Word, and for Charity. In his service to the Liturgy, he assists the bishops and priests at the Mass and liturgical celebrations. In his service to the Word, the Deacon has the privilege to proclaim the Gospel at Mass, as well as to preach, and he is an Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist, along with bishops and priests. In his service of charity, the Deacon is conformed by his Ordination to the Servant Heart of Christ, “Who came to serve and not be served”, and he helps carry on the Church’s works of charity in her service to all those in need. These were the reasons that the first seven Deacons of the Church were originally ordained by St. Peter and the Apostles, and the role of the Deacon has remained unchanged. There have been many Deacon saints that have faithfully served Christ and His Church. One of the most popular Deacon saints of all is the Deacon and martyr St. Lawrence, whose feast the Church celebrates on August 10. St. Lawrence personifies all that the Deacon is called by Christ to be.

Tradition says that St. Lawrence was born on December 31, 225 AD in Roman Spain. He came to Rome and was ordained a Deacon by Pope Sixtus II, the Bishop of Rome, in 257. He was appointed the first among the Seven Deacons of Rome and was called the Archdeacon of Rome. He was responsible for the care and protection of the sacred vessels of the Church, he was in charge of the treasury of the Church, and he was the overseer of the distribution of alms to the poor. In 258, the Roman Emperor Valerian began a cruel persecution of the Church. Christianity was outlawed under pain of death. Pope Sixtus was arrested while saying Mass underground in the catacombs on August 7, along with six of the Deacons of Rome. They were taken before the Emperor, and when they refused to deny their Christian Faith, they were all immediately beheaded. Lawrence was not with them when they were arrested, but he turned himself in to the Emperor when he heard what had happened to Pope Sixtus and his Deacon brothers. The Emperor discovered that as the Archdeacon, Lawrence was in charge of all of the precious and sacred vessels of the Church, as well as the treasury, and he thought that he could confiscate what he imagined was the great wealth of the Church. Lawrence told him that he was correct, that the Church truly was incredibly rich. Furthermore, he said the he would gladly hand over the entire treasure of the Church to the Emperor, but he needed three days in order to collect it all together. He promised to deliver the treasure of the Church to the Emperor’s palace in three days.

Lawrence then went and gathered all the sacred vessels of the Church and sold them. He then distributed all that money, along with the treasury of the Church, to the poor and needy. Over the next few days, he went through the city of Rome and sought out all the poor that the Church had helped. He gathered together all the blind, the lame, the widows and the orphans that he could find. On August 10, he returned to the Emperor’s palace with this huge crowd of people and invited the Emperor to behold “the true treasure of the Church”. The enraged Emperor ordered that Lawrence die a slow, agonizing death. A large gridiron was prepared over a bed of hot coals. Lawrence was stripped of his dalmatic and clothes and roasted alive. It is said that he even joked during his suffering by saying: “You can turn me over. I’m done on this side.” He was only 32 years old. What is certain is that he forgave his persecutors, and with his dying breath, he prayed for the conversion of Rome. Many people who witnessed his death were converted to the Faith, including several Roman officials, and 55 years later, what he prayed for came to pass with the legalization of Christianity. The memory of St. Lawrence’s joyful witness for Christ with his life is still as fresh and alive in the Church as ever, and he is not only a model for Deacons, but for all of us. St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr, pray for all Deacons and us!
**DID YOU KNOW ...**

The chalice and paten the priest uses at Mass occupies the highest honor of the sacred vessels. The chalice holds the Precious Blood of Christ and on the paten the glorious Body of the Lord. The Church requires these vessels to be made of precious metals such as gold or silver. Why not other materials? Glass breaks easily, wood contains pores and would absorb the precious blood, brass and copper rust or change color, lead and iron are prohibited on account of their value. The chalice and paten that Fr. Connealy and I use were consecrated by Bishop Olmsted days before our ordination.

(Now you do!!)

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION...**

**CATECHISTS NEEDED!**

The RE Program is looking for experienced and enthusiastic teachers.

If you are interested in being a catechist for our upcoming school year, please call Eric Maschue at 602.867.9171x309 or emaschue@stjoanofarc.com

Registration for Sacrament classes is still open but some classes are almost full. Register at the office Monday thru Wednesday until August 12.

**VOCATIONS...**

If you think God is calling those who have been given so much in their vocations as priests, deacons and consecrated men and women will imitate the Lord’s generosity as they live that gift, we pray to the Lord.

you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, visit www.dphx.org/vocations/ or www.dphx.org/rated-life/ or 602-354-2006.

**LITURGY...**

Thursday, August 15, is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses are: Vigil Mass-August 14 at 6:00p (Bilingual).

Thursday: 8:30a & 6:30p. (English)

All Masses will be in the main church.

**MASS 101....**

"This Sacrament really contains You, O my God, You whom the Angels adore, in whose presence the Spirits and mighty Powers tremble. Oh! if we could only see You clearly as they do, with what reverence would we approach this Sacrament, with what humility would we receive You."

- St. Angela of Foligno

**EUCARISTIC ADORATION...**

ADORERS NEEDED:

THURSDAY—8:00AM

SATURDAY—7:00PM

602.502.2024 or
ckassick@catholicadoration.com

**Next Sunday, August 18, at the 10:30AM Mass – The Rite of Reception for a Baptized Christian into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church**

Those who were baptized in a separated Christian community and desire to come into the full communion of the Catholic Church celebrate this rite, for the fullest expression of baptism is found within the Catholic Church. Because they are already baptized and believe in Christ, they are never referred to as "converts,” a term that more strictly belongs to catechumens — those adults who, after encountering they mystery of Christ, are being apprenticed in the Christian life as they prepare for baptism and full initiation in the Church. The process for catechumens differs from those who are already baptized.

For the celebration of reception, we have one baptized candidate - Brandon Lefforge. Please pray for Brandon who will be received into the full communion of the Church next Sunday, August 18th, at the 10:30AM Mass. A reception will follow in Santa Maria immediately after this Mass – all are encouraged to stop by and welcome Brandon!

Contact Brian Hanson for all your questions:

602.867.9171x33 or bhanson@stjoanofarc.com

**UPCOMING RCIA GATHERINGS**

**ST. JOAN OF ARC ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**3801 E. Greenway, Phoenix**

**SUNDAYS 8:15-10:15AM**

**NEXT GATHERING DATE: AUGUST 18**

What happens during these gatherings:

- Food & fellowship
- Reflection on the Word of God
- Meet people from St. Joan of Arc

Who is invited:

- Inquirers into the Christian way of life
- Those interested in being baptized and/or confirmed
- Members of the St. Joan of Arc Community... old or new

Contact Brian Hanson for all your questions:

602.867.9171x33 or bhanson@stjoanofarc.com
**SJA ALTAR SERVERS**

The SJA Altar Servers would like to wish all students a Happy, Holy, and Safe back to school this 2019/2020 academic year. Please remember to always keep God first and foremost in your studies.

We are always looking for young men and women to join our wonderful ministry! Please contact Tracy Stofflet, Altar Server Coordinator at tasarizona@cox.net for more information and to set up an interview.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL...**

These are the pantry statistics for the month of July

- Number of families provided food boxes = 125
- Number of people in all families provided food = 512
- Number of food boxes provided = 377
- Number of families provided rent/ utility assistance = 11

We have had no spaghetti sauce in our pantry for the last few weeks and we have been purchasing them at the grocery store. If you remember, please buy ONE SPAGHETTI SAUCE for our pantry next week.

Thank you and God bless...

**Knights of Columbus Council**

UPCOMING August EVENTS

- Bingo – 8/22
- Council Business Meeting – 9/5

**Valued Vincentians for August...**

Olivia Meza, Gerri Castro, Margarita Lang, Lee Clugston

Olivia, Gerri, Lee and Margarita stepped up to be our Back to School committee. Because of their hard work and leadership our SJA Conference was able to help 73 children from 38 families this year. Each child received a $50 Target gift card for clothes/school supply shopping and a new backpack. Many thanks to each of you! Your combined efforts made this year’s program a great success!

**Small Christian Communities...**

We continue to have adult prayer meetings in which we prepare for the next Sunday’s Mass Scripture readings and homily. We have great publications to help you understand the readings. Please join our SCC prayer meeting that meets every Wednesday at 9:30 am in the Sr. Lounge. We welcome new members.

**The Gift Shop is Open**

Saturdays 4-6 pm & Sundays 8-2 pm

RED DOT ITEMS ARE 50% OFF REGULAR PRICE

VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED!!!
THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 11, 2019

Be Courageous
DEFEND THE TRUTH

August 23-25, 2019
DoubleTree Paradise Valley Resort | Scottsdale, Arizona

SPEAKERS

Dr. Edward Sri
Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT
Fr. Michael Barry, SSCC
Fr. Jozo Grbes, OFM
Fr. Jim Kubicki, SJ

MAIN CELEBRANTS

Fr. Sergio Muñoz Fita
Fr. Steven A. Kunkel
Most Reverend Thomas J. Olmsted

2. THE 5 WOUNDS OF CHRIST
THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 11, 2019

ST. JOAN OF ARC MINISTRIES

ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY: For more information, please email the Altar Server Coordinator, Tracy Stofflet, at tasarizona@cox.net.

ESTO VIR: SJA Mens Fellowship. For information, please go to www.stjoanofarc.com

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS/USHERS: Please contact Jean Green at 602.867.9171x308 or greenjeanaz@stjoanofarc.com

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION: Every First Friday of each Month in the St. Katharine Drexel Chapel after the 8:30a daily Mass until 6:00p ending with Benediction.

GABRIEL PROJECT: Pregnant? Need Help? Interested in helping? Please contact Mary LaGioia at 602-448-0143 or theconsecratedcradle@live.com

HEALING PRAYER AND DELIVERANCE MINISTRY: Meets in the St. Katharine Drexel Chapel on the 2nd/4th Tuesdays of the month at 6:30p. Prayer teams available to pray with you. For information, call Mary Jo Orkild at 602.956.6107.

HOSPITALITY: Arleen Clark or Barbara Matthews. Please call the church office.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP: 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month immediately after 8:30a Mass and Rosary. For more information, call Mary Jo Orkild at 602.956.6107.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Please contact Grand Knight Dan Currier at dnrcurrier@hotmail.com or 480-285-5380.

LECTORS: Robert Weidner

LEGION OF MARY: Our Lady of Joy Praesidium meets on Wednesdays at 3:00p. in the Senior Lounge. First Saturday devotion is held each month after the 8:30a daily Mass. Please contact Rosemary Rosenberger at 602-690-7702 or r.roselyn@comcast.net

MUSIC MINISTRY: For information regarding parish musical opportunities, please contact Jeffrey Morse at jmorse@stjoanofarc.com

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP: The Padre Pio Prayer Group meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month immediately after 8:30a Mass. For more information, call Josie Savino at 602-996-3887.

PASTORAL CARE: Jean Green at greenjeanaz@stjoanofarc.com

PARISH COUNCIL: Rich Newhouse 602-375-9000

PERPETUAL ADORATION: Carol Kassick (English) at ckassick@catholicadoration.com or Norma Ciani (Spanish) at donyaciani@hotmail.com

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY: i.e., spiritual adoption; Mantle of Hope, etc. please contact Linda Rizzo at lrizzomail@aol.com.

ST. DAMIEN’S HELPERS: Does varied charity works. For information, email mmhooks71@gmail.com

SJA PRAYER LINE: Need prayers or know someone who does? Send your intentions or names to 4prayeronly@gmail.com.

SENIOR MINISTRY: Please contact Barbara Matthews at 602.867.9171x312

SPIRIT OF HOPE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Meets in the Gomes Center on the 2nd Saturday of the month October thru May. For more information, please contact Jean Green at 602.867.9171x308 or Clarice Stauble at 630.377.7718.

UNION WITH CHRIST: The Confraternity of Christ’s Perpetual Heart meets the 4th Saturday of each month in the Gomes Center after 8:30am Mass. For more information, please call 602.312.3246.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Assists those in their time of need; i.e. food, utility bills, rent. Please call 602.867.2288

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES (SCC): We have adult prayer meetings on Wednesdays at 9:30am in the Senior Lounge in which we prepare for the next Sunday’s Mass Scripture readings and homily. We welcome new members.

REST IN PEACE

LENA DANDREAX
WILLIAM DI GIODANNI
STEPHEN STARK

“I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will not die.”

THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY...

Please pray for our men and women in the military. Pray also for their families.

WEWEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15
Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53
Calendar

MONDAY, AUGUST 12
- Daily Mass/Confessions 8:00a Chapel
- Daily Mass/Confessions 6:00p Chapel
- RCIA Rite of Reception 6:30p Church

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13
- Daily Mass/Confessions 8:00a Chapel
- Safe Environment English 6:30p Santa Maria

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14
- Daily Mass/Confessions 8:00a Chapel
- SGC 9:15a Sr. Lounge
- Legion of Mary 3:00p Sr. Lounge
- Daily Mass/Confessions 6:00p Church
- Safe Environment Spanish 7:00p Santa Maria

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15
- Daily Mass/Confessions 8:00a Chapel
- St. Damien Helpers 9:00a Gomes
- Summer Bible Class 10:00a Weidner Hall
- Holy Day Mass 6:30p Church
- SVDP Meeting 7:00p Gomes

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16
- Daily Mass/Confessions 8:00a Chapel
- AA Meeting 2:00p K of C Room
- Missioneros Servidores 7:00p Gomes

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17
- Daily Mass/Confessions 8:00a Chapel
- Music Practice 3:00p Music
- Confessions 3:00p Chapel
- Vigil Mass 4:30p Church

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18
- Contemp Music Practice 7:30a Santa Maria
- Catechetical Session 8:15a Santa Maria
- Mass 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm Church

SAFE ENVIRONMENT RENEWAL DATES
- TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2019 6:30P—FOUNDATION/ENGLISH
- WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2019 7:00P—RENEWAL/SPANISH

ALL SESSIONS WILL BE IN SANTA MARIA HALL

If you have any questions, please contact Jean Green at 602.867.9177x303 or greenjeanaz@stjoanofarc.com

DAILY PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES
- Daily Mass at 8:30am
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 24/7 in the Adoration Chapel
- Pray the Rosary Daily.
- Follow the religious presentation on EWTN

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday August 4, 2019
Plate $12,618.50
Save Our Parish $ 3,534.00
Thank you for your generosity.

HELP WANTED/SJA PRESCHOOL

SJA Preschool is currently interviewing for a PT (22-28 hours/week) Catholic Lead Teacher for Reggio-inspired program. If you have a true passion for working with children and have at least 6 months working experience within a preschool setting, our team would love to meet with you! ECE degree, CDA or minimum of 12 ECE credits highly preferred. For more information, please contact Debbie at 602.867.9179.

HELP OUR CHILDREN

SJA Preschool was awarded all of our Quality First scholarships to qualifying parishioners but we still have some families needing assistance who just missed the qualification requirements. Won’t you please pray about helping these children by making a donation to our Angel Scholarship Fund. Checks can be made out to SJA Preschool with “Angel Scholarship” written in the memo area. Cash or credit cards are also accepted in our preschool office.

Please call Debbie at 602-867-9179 if you have questions.

HALL USAGE...

St. Joan of Arc Parish has two halls available. For more information, please call Sandra in the Parish Office at 602.867.9171x304.

If you see something that needs attention on the church grounds, please email:
Iwanttohelp@stjoanofarc.com

CATHOLIC TRIVIA...
1. Is Peter the author of any of the epistles?
2. What do the five crosses on the altar represent?
3. Is it necessary to confess every sin while in confession?

The answers to these trivia questions are in this bulletin. GO FIND THEM!!!
La tradición dice que San Lorenzo nació el 31 de diciembre del año 225 dC en la España romana. Llegó a Roma y fue ordenado Diácono por el Papa Sixto II, obispo de Roma, en 257. Fue nombrado el primero de los siete Diáconos de Roma y fue llamado el Archidiácono de Roma. Era responsable del cuidado y protección de los vasos sagrados de la Iglesia, estaba a cargo del tesoro de la iglesia y era el supervisor de la distribución de limosnas a los pobres. En 258, el emperador romano Valeriano comenzó una cruel persecución de la Iglesia. El cristianismo fue ilegalizado bajo pena de muerte. El Papa Sixto fue arrestado mientras decía Misa bajo tierra en las catacumbas el 7 de agosto, junto con seis de los Diáconos de Roma. Fueron llevados ante el Emperador, y cuando rechazaron a negar su fe cristiana, fueron decapitados de inmediato. Lorenzo no estaba con ellos cuando fueron arrestados, pero se entregó al Emperador cuando escuchó lo que le había sucedido al Papa Sixto y a sus hermanos Diáconos. El Emperador descubrió que, como Archidiácono, Lorenzo estaba a cargo de todos los vasos preciosos y sagrados de la Iglesia, así como del tesoro, y pensó que podía confiscar lo que imaginaba que era la gran riqueza de la Iglesia. Lorenzo le dijo que tenía razón, que la Iglesia realmente era increíblemente rica. Además, dijo que con mucho gusto entregaría todo el tesoro de la Iglesia al Emperador, pero que necesitaba tres días para reunirlo todo. Prometió entregar el tesoro de la Iglesia al palacio del Emperador en tres días.

Lorenzo fue y reunió todos los vasos sagrados de la iglesia y los vendió. Luego distribuyó todo ese dinero, junto con el tesoro de la iglesia, a los pobres y necesitados. Durante los días siguientes, pasó por la ciudad de Roma y buscó a todos los pobres que la iglesia había ayudado. Reunió a todos los ciegos, los cojos, las viudas y los huérfanos que pudo encontrar. El 10 de agosto, regresó al palacio del Emperador con esta gran multitud de personas e invitó al Emperador a contemplar “el verdadero tesoro de la iglesia”. El emperador enfurecido ordenó que Lorenzo muriera una muerte lenta y agonizante. Se preparó una parrilla grande sobre una cama de carbón caliente. Lorenzo fue despojado de su dalmática y ropa y asado vivo. Se dice que incluso bromeó durante su sufrimiento al decir: “Puedes entregarme. Estoy bien cocinado de este lado”. Tenía solo 32 años. Lo que es seguro es que perdonó a sus perseguidores, y con su último aliento, rezó por la conversión de Roma. Muchas personas que presenciaron su muerte se convirtieron a la Fe, incluidos varios funcionarios romanos, y 55 años después, lo que él oró se cumplió con la legalización del cristianismo. El recuerdo del alegre testimonio de San Lorenzo de Cristo con su vida sigue siendo tan fresco y vivo en la Iglesia como siempre, y no solo es un modelo para los diáconos, sino para todos nosotros. San Lorenzo, diácono y mártir, ¡ñreza por todos los diáconos y por nosotros!
Las lecturas de la semana del 11 de agosto de 2019:

Lunes: Dt 10, 12-22/Sal 147, 12-13. 14-15. 19-20/Mt 17, 22-27
Martes: Dt 31, 1-8/Dt 32, 3-4. 7. 8. 9 y 12/Mt 18, 1-5. 10. 12-14
Miércoles: Dt 34, 1-12/Sal 66 1-3. 5 y . 16-17. 20/Mt 18, 15-20
Vigilia, 1 Cr 15, 3-4. 15-16; 16, 1-2/
Sal 132, 6-7. 9-10. 13-14/1 Co 15, 54-57/

Jueves: Dia, Ap 11, 19; 12, 1-6. 10/Sal 45, 10. 11. 12. 16/
1 Co 15, 20-27/Lc 1, 39-56
Viernes: Jos 24, 1-13/Sal 136, 1-3. 16-18. 21-22, 24/Mt 19, 3-12
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