



## **ST JOAN OF ARC PARISH**

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**Fr. Oliver Vietor, Parochial Vicar**

**MARCH 1, 2026**

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*Courageously following Christ by serving the community through Catholic liturgy, gospel values, charity and education.*

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St. Joan of Arc has EIGHT (8) AUDIO AIDS for use by those who are hearing impaired. Ask one of the ushers to sign one out for you before Mass and please return the device to the ushers after Mass.

Support the works and needs of the parish by accessing our St. Joan of Arc online giving portal with various accepted methods of payment. Instructions may be accessed at [www.stjoanofarc.com](http://www.stjoanofarc.com) and click on the GIVING button for detailed instructions found at the bottom of the page. THANK YOU for your generous offering!



**THE 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT—MARCH 1, 2026**



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**What is OCIA?**

The Order of Christian Initiation is designed for adults who, after hearing the mystery of God proclaimed, consciously and freely seek God and enter the way of faith and conversion as the Holy Spirit opens their hearts.

If you have questions about your Faith or feel that God is calling you to follow Him in the Catholic Church, please call Dcn. Jaime G. at: 602-867-9171x316 or email: dcnjgarcia@stjoanofarc.com

¿Qué es la OICA?

La Orden de Iniciación Cristiana está diseñada para adultos que, tras escuchar la proclamación del misterio de Dios, buscan a Dios consciente y libremente y emprenden el camino de la fe y la conversión, conforme el Espíritu Santo abren sus corazones.

Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre su Fe y siente que Dios le está llamando a seguirle dentro la Iglesia Católica, su casa, favor llame al Dcn Jaime G. al: 602-867-9171 o mandar un correo elect: dcnjgarcia@stjoanofarc.com

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Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 8:00 AM daily before Mass;  
Liturgy of the Hours at 8:10 AM.  
Rosary follows Mass Monday/Saturday.  
For more information of questions, please contact  
Mary Sitto at 602-561-4063.

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**Dear Parents, if you want to have your child baptized or have questions, please call at: 602-867-9171 x 316 or email: dcnjgarcia@stjoanofarc.com.**

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**Padres de familia, Si desean bautizar a uno de sus hijos, favor de comunicarse con el Dcn Jaime G. 602 867-9171 x316 o enviar un correo elect: dcnjgarcia@stjoanofarc.com para una reunion.**

**COMMUNION FOR THE HOSPITALIZED & HOMEBOUND  
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**COMUNION PARA LOS QUE ESTAN EN HOSPITAL O  
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**ANointing OF THE SICK &  
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**The Small Church Community meets every Wednesday at approximately 9:30am in the Senior Lounge in Weidner Hall following the morning Mass and recitation of the Rosary.**

## THE 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT—MARCH 1, 2026

Happy Lent!

As we continue this sacred journey of Lent, our Blessed Lord provides a glimpse of the promised resurrection glory He longs to share with each of us. Our first reading from Genesis reveals God's promise to Abram, a 75-year-old man called by God to leave the security of his homeland, his family, and all that was familiar. Without any hesitation, Abram obeyed and stepped into the unknown with faith. This is our reminder of our Lenten call, to detach from what holds us back. What holds us back? Oftentimes it is our comforts, habits or sins that prevent us from following where God leads. Lent is our own version of Exodus that provides a time for prayer, fasting and almsgiving, trusting that God will bless us and make us a blessing to others.

Our Savior, "*destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.*" (2 Tim 1:10). In our penances such as the hunger of fasting, the silence of prayer, the generosity of alms, we unite our weaknesses to Christ's power. Do not be discouraged by fatigue or temptation. God's grace, given eternally in Christ, sustains us. We are preparing in a similar way like the early catechumens, to embrace the new life of baptism and renewal.

The dazzling Transfiguration on Mount Tabor heightens our faith. Peter impulsively wants to build dwellings, but the Father's voice interrupts: *“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him!”* (Mt 17:5). Our Blessed Lord touches the fearful disciples by saying: *“Rise, and do not be afraid!”* (Mt. 17:7). Then he commands them to be silent until the Resurrection. The Transfiguration is God's reassurance amid Lent's climb toward Calvary that the Cross leads to glory. Our Lenten struggles prepare us to share in Easter's radiant life.

Let this second week of lent add fuel to your disciplines. Rely on the power of God in the small sacrifices that bear eternal fruit. Be attentive to the movements and themes of the season from repentance's seeds on the First Sunday, virtues now sprout toward the Cross and Resurrection. May the Lord strengthen and Mary our Mother intercede for you!

Father Cruz



¡Feliz Cuaresma!

Mientras continuamos este sagrado camino de Cuaresma, nuestro Señor nos ofrece un atisbo de la gloria prometida de la resurrección que anhela compartir con cada uno de nosotros. La primera lectura del Génesis nos revela la promesa de Dios a Abram, un hombre de 75 años llamado por Dios a abandonar la seguridad de su tierra natal, su familia y todo lo que le era familiar. Sin dudarlo, Abram obedeció y se adentró en lo desconocido con fe. Esto nos recuerda nuestra llamada cuaresmal, a desprendernos de lo que nos frena. ¿Qué es lo que nos frena? A menudo son nuestras comodidades, nuestros hábitos o nuestros pecados los que nos impiden seguir el camino que Dios nos marca. La Cuaresma es nuestra propia versión del Éxodo, que nos ofrece un tiempo para la oración, el ayuno y la limosna, confiando en que Dios nos bendicirá y nos convertirá en una bendición para los demás.

Nuestro Salvador, "*que destruyó la muerte y ha hecho brillar la luz de la vida y de la inmortalidad, por medio del Evangelio*" (2 Tim 1, 10). En nuestras penitencias, como el ayuno, el silencio de la oración y la generosidad de la limosna, unimos nuestras debilidades al poder de Cristo. No os desaniméis por el cansancio o la tentación. La gracia de Dios, dada eternamente en Cristo, nos sostiene. Nos estamos preparando de manera similar a los primeros catecúmenos, para abrazar la nueva vida del bautismo y la renovación.

La deslumbrante Transfiguración en el Monte Tabor fortalece nuestra fe. Pedro, impulsivamente, quiere construir moradas, pero la voz del Padre lo interrumpe: *“Este es mi Hijo muy amado, en quien tengo puesta mi complacencia; escúchenlo”* (Mt 17, 5). Nuestro Señor toca a los discípulos temerosos diciendo: *“Levántense y no teman”* (Mt 17, 7). Luego les ordena que guarden silencio hasta la Resurrección. La Transfiguración es la seguridad que Dios nos da en medio del camino de Cuaresma hacia el Calvario de que la Cruz conduce a la gloria. Nuestras luchas cuaresmales nos preparan para compartir la vida radiante de la Pascua.

Que esta segunda semana de Cuaresma avive vuestra disciplina. Confíen en el poder de Dios en los pequeños sacrificios que dan fruto eterno. Estén atentos a los movimientos y temas de este tiempo: desde las semillas del arrepentimiento del primer domingo, las virtudes brotan ahora hacia la Cruz y la Resurrección. ¡Que el Señor los fortalezca y María, nuestra Madre, interceda por ustedes!

Padre Cruz



**THE 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT—MARCH 1, 2026**

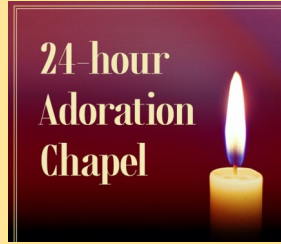
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In the Transfiguration, Peter, James, and John witness Jesus revealed in radiant light. What they had come to know little by little is made clear: Jesus is not only their teacher, but the beloved Son of the Father. In this moment of light and glory, they are reminded to listen to Him, even as He leads them toward the cross. This encounter strengthens their faith for the journey ahead.

Lent invites us into that same journey—to listen more closely to Christ and allow His light to guide our lives. When we live our faith through prayer, sacrifice, and generosity, faith lights the way for others. Through the Charity and Development Appeal, Christ's light reaches those who are burdened, frightened, or in need of care and compassion. As part of your Lenten walk with Christ, please prayerfully consider making a gift to the Charity and Development Appeal and helping share the promise of Christ's light with others.

**SJA Prayer Line**

The Mission of the SJA Prayer Line Ministry is to provide an opportunity to support others in our community with special prayer requests. Members of the SJA Prayer Line offer their own prayers on the requestor's behalf. Please contact Margo Enfield at [4prayeronly@gmail.com](mailto:4prayeronly@gmail.com).



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**Universal Manifestation:**

Epiphany (from the Greek for "manifestation") celebrates Jesus being revealed to the Magi—the first Gentiles to recognize him as the Son of God. For OCIA candidates (who are often coming from outside the covenant or other faith traditions), this symbolizes that Christ's salvation is universal and intended for all nations and races.

Please call Dcn. Jaime 602-867-9171 x316 or email: [dcnjgarcia@stjoanofarc.com](mailto:dcnjgarcia@stjoanofarc.com) for more information.

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*Have you considered making your Cursillo weekend?  
 We have weekends coming up at beautiful Mt. Claret!*

*Men's Weekend: April 9-12, 2026  
 Women's Weekend: April 23-26, 2026*

*Contact Cursillo Parish Reps:  
 Rhapsody Canepa (602)568-5286  
 or Nick Canepa (602)499-2096 or  
[azcanepas@gmail.com](mailto:azcanepas@gmail.com)  
 for more information and/or  
 to complete an application for an  
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*Additional information:  
[www.phoenixcursillo.com](http://www.phoenixcursillo.com)*

THE 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT—MARCH 1, 2026

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High School Youth Ministry



St. Joan of Arc

NO LIFE TEEN  
March 8th

MIDDLE SCHOOL

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**THE 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT—MARCH 1, 2026**

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**THANK YOU, THANK YOU**



We want to thank you so much for providing us food every week. On the average you donate about \$1,000 of food every week. Less food needs to be purchased at Safeway (save about \$4,000 per month on food purchases).

The food items that we need in the pantry this week are the following.

- Package of Mashed potatoes
- Can of Fruit
- Can of Spaghetti Sauce

--CAN OF FRUIT

Thank you for your donations & God bless...

**PANTRY HOURS**

Monday/Wednesday/Saturday  
9:00A-11:00A

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Monday/Wednesday Evenings  
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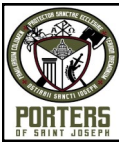
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1. What color is the cassock of the Pope?
2. Who is patron saint of authors?
3. Who is patron saint of housewives?

**GO FIND THEM!!!**

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**BEST YEARS FELLOWSHIP  
SENIOR MINISTRY...**



Due to scheduling conflicts, the March 19 Senior Luncheon is cancelled.

Please support the Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 20. Thank you.

**Senior Dessert Date at the Fish Fry is March 13.**

**Thank you for your support.**

Over 55 & want information about the Senior Ministry, please call Barbara Matthews at 602-867-9171x312.

**KNIGHT'S KORNER**



**WHO ARE THE KNIGHTS?**

We are an active Council with over a 100 opportunities to volunteer. Our meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month at St. Joan Of Arc Catholic Church.

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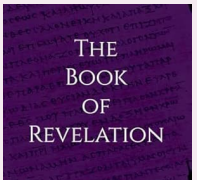
If you're interested in becoming a Knight at St. Joan of Arc, please contact: GK Darryl Bergstrom @ (602) 566-2989.

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As part of the Jeff Cavins GREAT ADVENTURE series, we are offering REVELATION—

THE KINGDOM YET TO COME

It will begin on Wednesday, February 25, at 9:30am in Santa Maria Hall and will run for 10 weeks. The book of Revelation, the last book of the Bible, has confused many readers. Now we have this opportunity to understand its message of hope,



For more information, please contact Clarice Stauble at 830-377-7718.

## THE 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 1, 2026

### GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

March 1, 2026

2nd Sunday of Lent—Matthew 17:1-9

When I sit down to answer emails or write a Gospel reflection or return a phone call, I sometimes wonder: Does any of this humdrum work matter? Maybe you ask the same thing about your daily labor. Today's Gospel, the Transfiguration, offers a surprising answer.

Jesus leads Peter, James, and John up a mountain. There, his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light (Matthew 17:2). That detail regarding his clothes is worth considering.

We know Jesus' body is inseparably united to the divine nature. But his clothing? That's something made by human hands. It's an artifact. And yet it shines with the same uncreated light. What does this detail mean? The early Church noted that Adam and Eve's first act after the Fall was to make clothing. This clothing symbolizes all human labor that supports our dignity. In Jesus' glorified garments, we see not just the redemption of our body, but of human effort to protect and uplift human dignity.

Parents, your family is your work. Baristas, plumbers, nurses, accountants — your labor, your emails, your phone calls, your spreadsheets — can all become radiant when offered to God in love. The question isn't just do I believe in Jesus' glory, but do I believe he can share it with the work of my hands?

**Lenten Challenge:** Identify the artifact you are making to uplift the dignity of others: your job, your home, your relationships. Consciously bring it to the Lord this Sunday at Mass. Offer it to share in His glory. It will begin to shine.

Father John Muir

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If you are interested in volunteering, the Hospitality Committee could use you. For more information about the Committee, please call Barb Matthews at 602-867-9171x312 or email her at [bulletin@stjoanofarc.com](mailto:bulletin@stjoanofarc.com)

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27-MAR-KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS


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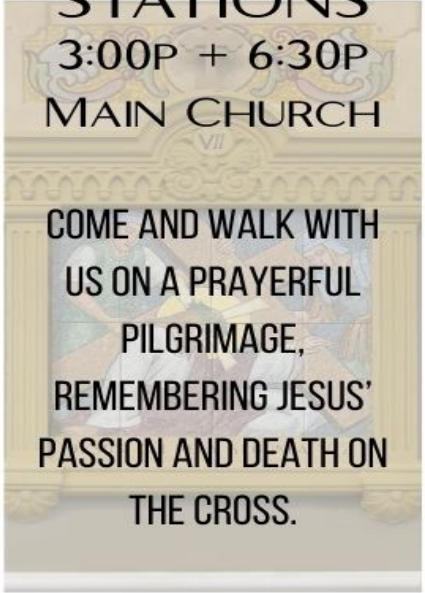


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**Siempre buscamos jóvenes que hayan recibido la Primera Reconciliación y la Primera Comunión para unirse a nuestro maravilloso ministerio de monaguillos. Los jóvenes deben tener una profunda**



**pasión por Jesús, el deseo de ayudar a nuestros sacerdotes y diáconos durante la Santa Misa y estar dispuestos a recibir instrucción de monaguillos mayores y con experiencia.**

Por favor de comunicarte con Carmen Zuno at Cyzuno@gmail.com

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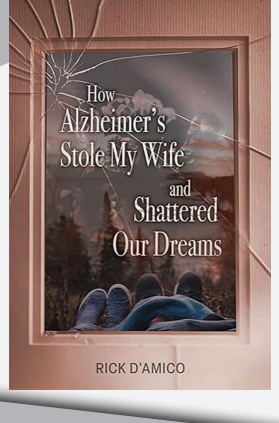
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