September 6, 2015 ~ Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

~Jesus Invites... St. Joan of Arc Welcomes~

Jesus put his fingers in the deaf man's ears and, with his face lifted toward heaven, groaned and cried out, "Ephphatha!" ("Be opened!") Those words are repeated at each baptism when the presider prays that the ears of the newly baptized will be opened to hear the promises of Jesus in the words of sacred scripture. As Jesus touched the man's tongue, the presider touches the lips of the newly baptized, and the new disciple is charged to proclaim the Gospel of the Lord to all nations. The command "Ephphatha!" challenges each of us today to hear the word and to share it by becoming a living example of the Gospel.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

131: Is 50:5-9a Ps 116:1-6, 8-9 Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35

PRAY.....FOR OUR SICK

Penny Adam, Linda Adams, Georgette Bachman, Gilbert Bowers, Wanda Bowers, Lillian Butkiewicz, Rose Callahan, Brian Connors, Tom Dee, Grayce Faries, Donnie Feldt, Helen Fernholz, George Hardy, Kim Herud, Kerry Hubbard, Mary Johnson, Alexandria Kuster, Sheila Manara, Stephanie McArthur, Martha McCollum, Isabelle Matty, Ottille Neary, Nancy Rakaczky, Deborah Brown Rose, Cecelia Slack and Barbara Webster.

FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF Loretta Javra (Sr. Gloria)

THE PASSING OF LORETTA JAVRA (Sr. Gloria)

We are saddened by the passing of Loretta Javra (Sr. Gloria), who was principal at St. Joan of Arc School from 1965 until 1971. Loretta Javra passed away in St. Paul on August 10th. The St. Joan of Arc Community and Sisters of Casmir, with whom she served, has been truly blessed by her ministry. A liturgy was held in her honor. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family and loved ones.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Call Eileen 9AM-9PM @ 410-734-4373 or send email requests to: eileenmcvey@hotmail.com. Please call the parish office to add or remove persons from the sick list. 410-272-4535, ext. 110.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE POOR AS YOU LEAVE MASS EACH WEEKEND. NEXT WEEKEND the Poor Box will be for those coming to the office door seeking assistance.

MASS ATTENDANCE

Date	5:00PM	9:30AM
Aug. 29 th &	159- 31%	219- 43%
30 th	of capacity	of capacity

SAVE THE DATE!

The Parish Picnic is schedule for Sunday, September 27th. Registration forms have been mailed home. Please remember to volunteer to help during the day if you can. Especially set-up and clean up!

The Offertory Collection for August 23 rd		
Offertory Regular	\$5,768.56	
Weekly amt. needed	\$7,212.00	
Poor Box	\$134.00	

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a loved one, living or deceased, honored or remembered at one of our scheduled Masses, please contact the parish office.



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day

MASSES FOR WEEK Sept. 7 th – Sept. 13 th		
<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intention</u>
Mon.	8:30 AM	Mrs. Pat Michael †
Tues.	8:30 AM	Rev. John Snyder †
Wed.	8:30 AM	Communion Service
Thurs.	8:30 AM	John R Andrighetti †
Fri.	8:30 AM	Victoria Mc Allister †
Sat.	5:00 PM	Antoinette Romanelli †
Sun.	8:30 AM	The People of St. Joan of Arc
	11:15AM	Raymonda Obias †
		† - Deceased

ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 7 School Closed Labor Day

Sept. 11 B-T-S Picnic

FREEDOM WALK

Join us for our annual Freedom Walk to commemorate 9/11 on Friday September 11th at 8:30 AM. Weather permitting; we will be walking to Festival Park for the program. Students will be singing patriotic songs and reading essays. We will also have some guest speakers. This is a wonderful opportunity to remember this important day in our country's history.

SJA SCHOOL GOLF OUTING

Sept. 25th - If you have not signed up to play or sponsor a hole please do so. We are also accepting donations for a silent auction. Please contact Lauren Hayden lhayden@stjoanarc.org or call 410-272-1387 ext. #122.

SCHOOL OPENINGS

We are still accepting new students! Want to schedule a tour? Contact Lauren Hayden @ lhayden@stjoanarc.org or call 410-272-1387 ext #122.

SJA SCHOOL ON FACEBOOK

Want to know the latest and greatest happenings at SJA School? Like us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/school.SJA.org.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

We've had a very good response and interest for a Men's Fellowship Group at St. Joan of Arc. The purpose of this group will be for men to share their faith, learn about Catholicism, and continue to build community in our parish. We will meet for an information and brainstorming session on Tuesday Sept. 8th 2015 at 7PM. Location for this meeting will be the Parish Office Conference Room. If you are interested in attending this meeting please talk with Deacon Ray Van Pelt after Mass or call him at the parish office, extension #111.

PARISH REGISTRATIONS

If you are a parishioner that is not receiving mailings from our office it may be because you are not "officially registered". Registering your family is very simple. Please contact Mindy in the parish office at 410-272-4535 Ext. #110 for more info.

FAITH FORMATION

Fall registration for grades K-5 begins this month. Students who attended Faith Formation last year are automatically re-registered. Parents are asked to complete one family re-registration form and submit the appropriate tuition payment. Children who were not enrolled last year in grades K-5 may be registered by completing a new registration form for each student, submitting a baptismal certificate copy and the appropriate tuition. Both re-registration and registration forms are available on line at www.stjoanarc.org, and in the gathering space of the church.

FAITH FORMATION FOR K&1

Children in kindergarten and first grade will attend either the 8:30 or 11:15 Mass and participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW).

FAITH FORMATION FOR GRADES 2 - 5

Students in grades 2-5 will celebrate the Children's Liturgy of the Word at either the 8:30 or 11:15 Mass. Students will also meet for a Sunday school session at 9:30-10:15 or 10:30-11:15 on the scheduled Sundays.

We will begin the Faith Formation year on September 13, 2015 with a family revival in the church and adjacent spaces. Children's Liturgy of the Word and Sunday school sessions will begin on September 20th.

Saint Joan of Arc Parish Revival
Sunday September 13, 2015
8:30am-12:15pm

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Calling all families to a renewal of faith
Liturgy Hospitality Prayer Singing
Witnessing

- Welcoming all families joining or returning
- Hearing the call to family discipleship
- Enrolling youth and their parents in Sunday Formation
- Inviting candidates to prepare for the grace of the sacraments
- Launching adult faith sharing

Meet our staff, school and pastoral council members Come to experience the revival of the Holy Spirit in the life of our parish! Special guest speaker Mr. Craig Gould Director of Youth and Young Ministry for the Archdiocese of Baltimore

> *Mass times are 8:30 and II:15, Parish revival 9:30-II:15.