



**"To be Christ for Others as Christ is for Us."...** Learn it, Live it!



2601 San Ramon Valley Blvd. San Ramon, CA 94583-1630

APRIL 21, 2024

PASTOR Rev. Johnson Abraham

## DEACON

Rev. Mr. John Durden Rev. Mr. Fred Seril Rev. Mr. Brendan Coffey (transitional)

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE Bob Cummings

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: M-Th: 8:30 a.m.– 4 p.m. Closed on Friday, Saturday and Sunday

EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS Weekday Mass 9:00 AM Vigil Liturgy Saturday, 4:30 PM Weekend Masses Sunday, 8:00 , 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM

Daily 9 AM Mass and Sunday 8 AM Mass are livestreamed on our Parish website at <u>www.sjasr.org</u>

**CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER** M-Th: 8:30 a.m.—4 p.m. Church office closed on Friday Chapel also open for private prayer

**EUCHARIST TO SICK OR HOMEBOUND** Arranged with Homebound Ministry

**RECONCILIATION** Saturday, 3– 4 p.m. or by appt.

PRAY THE ROSARY Monday - Friday after the 9 AM Mass

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT 1st Friday of the month, after 9:30 a.m.-12 Noon. Closes w/ Benediction

# 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again." - Jn 10:17

## Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. ©LPi



Adults: Where do you most clearly recognize Jesus in your life? What makes your heart stir with recognition that your are known and loved?

Children: What does the image of Jesus as a good shepherd mean to you? 
~Questions from Liturgical Press

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## OUR CONTACT INFORMATION

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# PARISH RESOURCES AND GROUPS AVAILABLE FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE

#### **Pastoral Council Leader:**

Lisa Roberts Contact: <u>lrr1@sbcglobal.net</u>

## **Divorce and Separated Support**

Sue Pieraccini 925 819-1809 smc9@sbcglobal.net

# Financial Needs and/or donations:

St. Vincent de Paul Leave message at office: 925-830-0600, X246

#### General Social Service Needs

Addiction, Domestic Violence, Education and more. Visit Faith in Action Catholic Social Services at faithinactionoakdiocese.org

#### Job Support

Rosemarie McKenney 925 830-0600 rmckenney@sjasr.org

#### Marriage Trouble - Get Hope

HelpOurMarriage.com (Connects to Retrouvaille—A lifeline for married couples)

## SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM** Private baptisms are now available on Saturdays. To make an appointment, please send an email to the parish office at <u>baptism@sjasr.org</u>

**CONFIRMATION** Preparation for teens begins in grade nine. Contact the Youth Ministry Office. Adults, over 18, contact Maureen Tiffany at 830-0600.

**MARRIAGE** The bride, the groom or their parents must be registered parishioners of St. Joan of Arc. The couple must also meet with a priest at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** For anyone experiencing chronic illness or preparing for medical treatment, surgery, long-term care, etc., please call the Parish Office to arrange an appointment with a priest.

### CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

For individuals interested in becoming Catholic, and for adult Catholics who have not received Eucharist or Confirmation, contact the Parish Office.



"The Sacraments are the manifestation of the Father's tenderness and love towards each of us." ~Pope Francis

## PREPARE FOR MASS

### Read the readings before you come to

**Mass.** The daily readings can be found in many places, including:

- page three of the bulletin
- online at www.usccb.org
- on the Catholic phone app Laudate

#### **RESOURCES FOR YOU**

**SJASR.FORMED.ORG** - free Catholic movies and books.



Join Realm, our parish communication system for the latest parish news, group and ministry updates,

and service opportunities. If you'd like to join Realm, please contact Ministry and Communications Coordinator Raymond Figueroa at <u>rfigueroa@sjasr.org</u> or send your your request via the parish website.

## ST. JOAN OF ARC CHURCH

#### SAN RAMON, CA

#### MASS SCHEDULE, READINGS AND INTENTIONS *If the priest or lector inadvertently fails to mention the name* of the Mass intention, be assured that the celebrant will remember your loved ones during the Liturgy of the Eucharist. add a name, please email: parishoffice@sjasr.org Saturday, April 20: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69 Edna Aguadera Brendan Igwe 4:30 PM Mercedes Valtiendas +, Freddie Baltonado Mary Jabari & Jabari Family Dometila Acenas +, Denise Laplace Chan Belloso Tom Johanson Lois Belmessieri Jeremiah Jones Sunday, April 21: Shirin Blessi Owen Kong Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/ Fr. John Boettcher Ronald and Robert Kopas Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18 Viola Cleo Bradshaw George Landavaso Carina Besana Bucu William Lim 8:00 AM Juan Alcazar +, Marianne Eulner + Frank Canova Ron Lommori 10:00 AM Joel Benjamin + Connie Ma and Jeremy Ma Elma Capisen 12 Noon Members of St. Joan of Arc George Chacon Charlotte Machi Ken, Mary Lou & Steven Clovee Dorothy Mariscal and Family Monday, April 22: See Siu Bi Co Jeanne Mazy Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10 Fran Coit Joan McCormack Kay Collins Irmgard Witzke McMillan 9:00 AM Ted Hoffnam, Jr. +, Don and Paula Coloppy George Mifsud **Ray and Annette Altamirano** Agnes Cosgrove **Bill Moore** Missie Cruz Angel Moreno **Tuesday, April 23:** Naff Davis Joy Muyco Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30 Maria DeBenedetti **Robert Poole** 9:00 AM Ha Mien + Ramon de Guzman Barbara Pinto-Choate Patrick DeLiegro Judy Quadraccia Rev. Jenito Delos Santos Sandra Ramos Wednesday, April 24: **Gregory Dimmling** Victor Raziano Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50 Danton Dizon Laurie Rembaugh 9:00 AM Vicente Sia +, Lilia B. Duldulao + Cosmo and Patrick Diliegro Karen Rivera **Diane Duggs** Pat Rosecrans Thursday, April 25: Michael Dunkel Paisley Royer 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20 Leandro Duran Sean Salvatin Rita and Bob Edwards **Rick Santi** 9:00 AM Malcolm Nunn + Ella Empleo Jason Scher Sherry Escorcio John Schnaidt Friday, April 26: Coleen Franklin Jimmy and Doug Smith Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6 Kaleo Gabriel **Charlie Stanton** 9:00 AM Deniz Pimentel +, Jerry Horgan + Mary Gallagher Camden Stefanik & Family Suselyn Gamotion Katherine Stupak Saturday, April 27: Jim Ganser **Betsy Sullivan** Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14 Michael Geib Ashleigh Talbott Judith Geib Francis Villamil 4:30 PM Members of St. Joan of Arc Mary Ann Gibbs Arildo Villon Ronald Gibson Phil Volta Sunday, April 28: Gina and Tom Hajduch Sean Wilske Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/ Connie Hann Sheryl Wingard 1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8 Connie Heim Frank Williams 8:00 AM Marcial Laplace David and Robbie Hiduk Carol Wortham Colleen Holmolka Christine Zafra 10:00 AM Angela Volta +, Danilo Africa +, Glynnis Hubbard

Gene Guaraglia + 12 Noon William Chua +.

**Brandon & Rebecca DaValle** 

## ARE YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE IN NEED OF PRAYER?

+ Request a Prayer Shawl The EDGE Prayer Shawl ministry makes & prays over Prayer Shawls for recipients. To make a request, please contact Gina at 830-4720 or gcamp@sjasr.org

PRAYERS

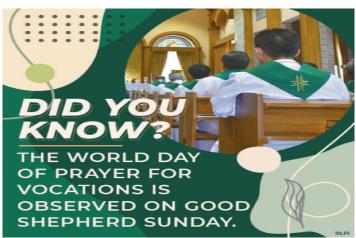
We add new names to the sick list weekly (generally, names remain on the sick list for three months). To

### LOVED ONES WHO ARE SICK (recently added are in red).

LOVED ONES WHO ARE DECEASED: DAVID SHELL CATHY SCOFIELD JULIE RICHARDSON

## 4th Sunday of April 21, 2024

"The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone." Ps. 18:22



## Weekly Programs:

## Monday

6:50-8:30 p.m.:	LIGHT
5 p.m.	RCIA (Conference Rm)
7 p.m.:	When You Pray Study (Classroom 1)

## **Tuesday**

10 a.m. Peacemakers Group 7 p.m. Jesus Bible Study

## Wednesday

9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
9:30 a.m.	Meditation Group (Classroom 1)
6:50-8:30 p.m.	EDGE (MPR and Classrooms)
7 p.m.	Choir rehearsal (Church)

## Thursday

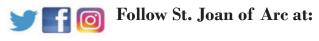
6:00 p.m.	Cantor Rehearsal
7:00 p.m.	Bible Study (Lower Conference Room)

**Friday** 

#### 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening Mass Preparation (LCR) 7:30 p.m. Friendship Group

## Swing for Charity Golf Tournament

There's still room to participate in the Knights of Columbus Swing for Charity golf tournament on Monday, June 17; register at https://tinyurl.com/KOFCGolf2024



Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/stjoansr Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/stjoansr Twitter: https://www.twitter.com/stjoansr

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INISTRIES APPEAL 2024

## **2024** Bishop's Ministries Appeal

The Annual Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2024 kicked off last week-

end. Our theme for 2024, Many Ministries, One Church, is a reminder that each of us is an essential member of the Body of Christ that is our Church. Our charitable works are strengthened when we work together and when we work toward heaven.

This year, our Parish goal is the same as 2023: \$98,000. Last year, we reached 88.97% of our goal. This year, I am confident we can reach 100% of our goal.

Through our collective support of the Bishop's Ministries Appeal, we strengthen the Body of Christ and sustain her many charitable works that serve the spiritual and other needs of all those within and beyond our parish boundaries. ~ Fr. Johnson Abraham

## Laying His life down for us...

Recently I was with my little dog Libby at a retreat center in the Arizona desert. I sat in a chair near a ravine filled with shrubs. Unbeknownst to me, Libby wandered down there and disappeared. Suddenly an animal's wild shriek erupted from the area. Without thinking, I bolted down into the ravine fully expecting to see coyotes, javelinas, or rattlesnakes. I didn't care. I desperately wanted to get Libby out of there, without any self-regard. Before I could face whatever danger lay hidden, my dog blissfully trotted out from an entirely different area, utterly unaware that I had (quite heroically) just placed my life on the line.

When the adrenaline wore off, I thought to myself: how far would I have been willing to go to save her? I don't know, but I do know if I had literally died, my friends and family would have certainly thought me insane for dying for a dog (no offense Libby).

How passionately Jesus wants us to know Him and His willingness to die for us! This week He says, "I know my own and my own know me," and "I lay down my life for the sheep." Here we encounter an insanely excessive love for us. Christianity is a relationship and not simply a religion or ethical code. In Jesus, God rescues and saves us. He laid down his life for you and me — and He has taken it up again. So often we are like Libby — blissfully ignorant of the reality of both our spiritual danger and His saving love. This Easter season, the risen Jesus calls us to be more conscious than ever before about His love. He never ceases to lay down His life for us.

~Fr. John Muir, ©LPi

## St. Vincent de Paul Conference thanks you!



The members of the St. Vincent de Paul conference of our parish are very grateful to all St. Joan of Arc parishioners for your generous contributions to our April 4, 5th Sunday

collection. Because of your strong financial support, we're able to assist our Neighbors in Need with food, gasoline, utilities, and other necessary expenses. They join us in our prayers of thanksgiving for you.

We also thank you for donating your gently used clothing and household items on our "Bundle Sunday" weekend. Your donations have been taken to our thrift stores in Pleasant Hill and Brentwood where they will be sold to benefit our works of charity.

## Congratulations to those who made their First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 14 at the Noon Mass:

Luca Adornato, Alexander Espejo, Ava Espejo, Zoey Medel and Ashlynn Suby

## **Creation Care Corner:**

Family Creation Activity (EarthFest this Sunday!)

Out of God's love for us comes the gift of creation. Each part of creation is connected to every other part. To help children begin to understand this complex concept, the Peacemakers suggest this family activity:

1. Each family member should select one of God's creatures (i.e. A bird, an insect, a mammal or a fish.)

- Do research on this creature.
- What kind of food does it require?
- Does it sleep at night or during the day?
- How does it survive predators, weather extremes, food supply issues, etc.?
- How does it find shelter?
- How does it care for its young? Do the "parents" stay with the young to feed and teach them at first or are they on their own from the very beginning?
- How is it connected to other members of God's creation?
- What do you think its most unique are characteristics?

2. At a family meeting, share your findings with each other.

3. End with a prayer of thanksgiving for all of God's creation and perhaps a pledge to protect and care for it in your life.

## Next Blood Drive: Saturday, May 11

Our next Red Cross/Knights of Columbus Blood Drive is on Saturday, May 11, 8am-2 pm. To make an appointment, log on to RedCrossBlood.org; enter code: KCSANRAMON



You're invited to attend our next Caring Circles meeting for our Caring Circles™ for Dementia/Alzheimer's group on Friday, April 26 from 11 a.m. to 12

Noon in the Lower Conference Room. Please note change of location, from MPR to Lower Conference Room—look for the welcome banner.

*Caring Circles*<sup>™</sup> provides a safe space for sharing experiences, exchanging resources, and offering emotional support, and aims to enhance the quality of life for those caring for loved ones through understanding, empathy, and education. All are welcome!



## **Pray for the recently baptized**

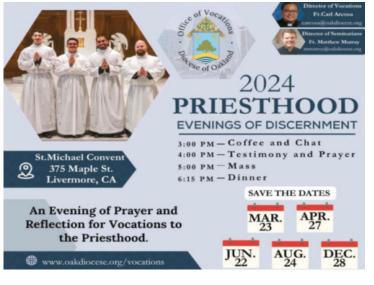
We recently welcomed to our parish community the newly baptized:

Rafael Benjamin Becerra

We ask that you pray for Rafael, his parents and godparents, as they grow in faith together.

## Saints and Special Observances

Monday:	Earth Day
Tuesday:	St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert,
	Bishop and Martyr
Wednesday:	St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and
	Martyr; Administrative Professionals' Day
Thursday:	St. Mark, Evangelist
Friday:	Arbor Day
Thursday:	Martyr; Administrative Professionals' Day St. Mark, Evangelist





# St. Joan is a sponsor of this important celebration of EarthDay

**Pre-Event tasks:** <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0945AAAA2B0-47435649-isrv</u> **Event Day volunteers:** <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0945AAAA2B0-47435973-isrv</u>

## Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> 12:30 to 4:30 at Peace Lutheran Church Created by I-SRV Learn more: InterfaithSRV.org

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual All Peoples are Invited Fun & Learning for the Entire Family Ritual • Art • Music • Activities • Speakers • Booths

We will spotlight our eco-success stories, draw hope from one another, and inspire ongoing local commitment to action! This Town of Danville community event is a collaborative celebration of Bahá'í, Buddhist, Jewish, Muslim, Sikh, Sufi, Hindu, Taoist, and Christian friends, with acknowledgement to our Indigenous relations.

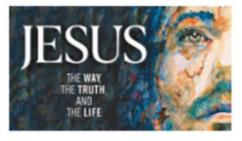
# **Adult Faith Formation Office**

**Programs and Services : Rosemarie McKenney** RMcKenney@sjasr.org 925 830-0600, x248 Adult Sacraments: Maureen Tiffany MTiffany@sjasr.org, 925 830-0600, x222

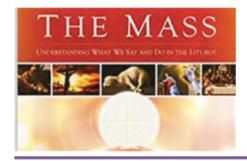
Adult Faith Formation's mission: to form joyful disciples who know, love and serve Jesus ... through prayer, learning, community and service

# JOIN ONE OF OUR SPRING BIBLE STUDIES

## RSVP to <u>RMcKenney@sjasr.org</u>







## JESUS: THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE

## Tuesdays at 7pm in the Lower Conference Room (began April 9)

Anchored in the life of Christ as presented in the Gospels ... and filmed in the Holy Land ... we will explore the entirety of Jesus' life — Who He is, what He is really like, what He taught, what He did for us and our salvation ... and what all of this means for us as Catholics today. This study has an optional workbook and companion book that can be purchased at Ascension Press: <u>https://ascensionpress.com/products/jesus-the-way-the-truth-and-the-life-workbook</u>

## WHEN YOU PRAY: A CLEAR PATH TO A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD Mondays at 7pm in Classroom 1 and Saturdays at 8:30am via zoom: (began Monday April 8) and begins again on Saturday, May 3

Prayer is important...but it can be challenging! Inspired by the real example of the saints, we will learn how to pray with the same consistency, trust, peace, and passion that led to deep transformation in their souls. This study has an optional workbook and companion book available: <u>https://ascensionpress.com/products/when-you-pray-a-clear-path-to-a-deeper-relationship-with-god-workbook-only</u>

## A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS

## Thursdays at 7pm in the Lower Conference Room began, April 4

The Mass is nothing short of amazing. Through it, we encounter God in the most intimate way possible as we hear Him speak to us in the Liturgy of the Word and as we receive His Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist. This study has an optional workbook and companion book that can be purchased at Ascension Press: https://ascensionpress.com/products/a-biblical-walk-through-the-mass-study-set -10th-anniversary-edition

# HELP US PREPARE FOR OUR UPCOMING SPEAKER SERIES



Are there topics that you'd like to learn more about? Are there speakers you'd like to hear? Are there everyday challenges you'd could use help dealing with?

We are preparing for a new Speaker Series beginning at yearend, focused on the realities of the world we live in ... to be offered at different days and times to accommodate our varying schedules. Give us your ideas and suggestions for topics and speakers: write to RMcKenney@sjasr.org.

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## ST. JOAN OF ARC CHURCH

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# ST JOAN OF ARC CHURCH

Simbang Gabi Ministry, SJA Youth Ministry & Knights of Columbus 9206



celebrating

Santacruzan

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024 @ 6:00PM St Joan of Arc Gymnasium 2601 San Ramon Valley Blvd San Ramon, CA 94583



## FOR TICKETS, CONTACT

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General Admission \$50 Adult \$25 High School & under

6:00 PM Registration 6:30 PM No Host Cocktails 7:00 PM Dinner

Proceeds to help fund the following :

- 2024 Simbang Gabi Novena Masses
- St Joan of Arc Outdoor Environment
- 10% for Youth Ministry Programs

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# SPOTS ARE FILLING UP FAST! SCAN THE QR CODE AND REGISTER NOW!!!



**Preschool Program**: for children 4 - 5 years old who have NOT yet started Kindergarten

<u>Campers</u>: for children who have completed Kindergarten thru 5th grade

<u>Teen Leaders</u>: for teens who have completed 6th grade thru 12th grade and Confirmation teens. (*Teen leader spots are limited. Register now!*)

<u>When</u>: June 17-21, 2024 / 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM <u>Fee</u>: \$80 for Preschool and Campers \$20 for Teen Leaders

> SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER





ST. JOAN OF ARC CHURCH MASS AT 4:30PM

# **PROCESSION AFTER MASS**

LIGHT RECEPTION TO FOLLOW @ ST. JOAN OF ARC STATUE

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