



Saint Joan of Arc Parish

2025 Christmas Edition

December 21, 2025



Christmas & New Years Day

Mass Schedule / Horario de Misas

**Christmas Eve
Wednesday, December 24**

**6:00 PM : English
Upper Church**



**11:15 PM:
Christmas Concert
Concierto Navideño
Upper Church**

**Christmas Day
Thursday, December 25**

**12:00 AM Midnight : English
Upper Church
12:00 AM Medianoche : Español
Iglesia Abajo**

**9:00 AM : English
Upper Church**

**10:30 AM : Español
Iglesia Arriba**

**12:00 PM : English
Upper Church**

**1:30 PM : Español
Iglesia Arriba**

**New Year's Eve
Wednesday, December 31
(Upper Church/Iglesia Arriba)**

6:00 PM : English

7:30 PM : Español

 **New Year's Day
Thursday, January 1
(Upper Church/Iglesia Arriba)** 

9:00 AM : English

10:30 AM : Español

12:00 PM : English

1:30 PM : Español



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Rev. Javier Renteria, Sch. P.

Deacons

Deacon Paulo Salazar
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Deacon Jorge Caastillo.



A Christmas Reflection: Humility, Light, and New Beginnings

Jesus enters the world not in a palace but in a stable. He is laid not in silk but in straw. Born not among kings, but among the poor and the forgotten. Similarly, our patroness, Joan of Arc enters history not as a noble or trained theologian, but as a poor, uneducated teenage peasant from Domrémy. But this is the story of Christmas!

It is the story of humility. A story of small beginnings that bring about great things. This truth lies at the very heart of our faith. God has made known, he chooses the lowly. His works are accomplished through ordinary people. He finds use of us in our simplicity to accomplish extraordinary purposes. And this is also true for us as a parish community. While we strive to do great things for the glory of God, we know that these things only happen through the generosity, faith, and commitment of countless individuals coming together: families, children, volunteers, societies, teachers, staff, and parishioners. It is in that shared spirit of humbleness that greatness is born. Jesus is described as the Light in the darkness. His birth breaks through a world clouded by sin, suffering, fear, and division. He brings hope to the hopeless, rest to the weary, freedom to those imprisoned not only physically, but in heart and spirit.



Our patroness, St. Joan of Arc, became, in her own time, a reflection of that same divine light. During the Hundred Years' War, a time of chaos, corruption, and despair, Joan brought hope when everything felt lost. Through her courage, purity, and obedience to God's call, she reminded her people that even in the darkest of times, God's voice and presence is known. As we celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord, we give thanks for the many blessings God has poured into our parish and school this past year. And as we look ahead to a new year, we do so with faith and confidence, trusting that the same Lord who came humbly into our world continues to walk with us today.

May we be inspired by the humility of the Child born in Bethlehem. May we reflect His light in our homes and community. And may the example of St. Joan of Arc encourage us to remain fearless in faith and generous in love.

I wish all of our parishioners, school families, societies, and my friends a very blessed and peaceful Christmas and a joyful New Year.

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Una Reflexión Navideña: Humildad, Luz y Nuevos Comienzos

Jesús entra al mundo no en un palacio, sino en un humilde pesebre. Así también nuestra patrona, Santa Juana de Arco, surgió no desde la grandeza humana, sino desde la sencillez de una vida humilde. Ambos nos recuerdan que Dios realiza cosas grandes a través de corazones sencillos y disponibles.

En este espíritu de Navidad, quiero expresar mi profundo agradecimiento a nuestra querida comunidad hispana por su fe viva, su entrega generosa y su constante presencia en la vida de nuestra parroquia. Su esfuerzo, su servicio y su amor por la Iglesia sostienen y enriquecen enormemente a nuestra comunidad de Santa Juana de Arco.

Jesús, Luz en medio de la oscuridad, sigue brillando a través de ustedes: en sus familias, en su trabajo, en sus ministerios y en su perseverancia. Su testimonio de fe, especialmente en tiempos difíciles, refleja la valentía y esperanza de nuestra patrona Santa Juana. Que el Niño Jesús bendiga sus hogares, renueve sus fuerzas y les conceda paz, esperanza y alegría en esta Navidad y en el nuevo año que comenzamos juntos.

¡Feliz y Santa Navidad!
Rev. Fr. Christopher Heanue



Dear Jesus, may the light of your love always shine in our hearts. As Christmas draws closer, we marvel at your great love for us. Let your love transform every aspect of our lives and touch everyone we encounter. Our hearts are open to you, Jesus. Amen.

Christmas Novena of Masses

Christmas Novena of Masses will begin on December 25th at the 9:00am mass. You may send in your intentions using the Christmas Novena envelopes which can be found in the church and in the parish office. Please include the names (feel free to add more names at the back) of your loved ones, living or deceased. Drop the envelopes in the collection baskets or in the parish Office.

What a wonderful Christmas gift, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass!

Novena de Misas por la Navidad

La Novena de Misas de Navidad comenzará el 25 de diciembre en la misa de las 9:00 am. Puede enviar sus intenciones utilizando los sobres de la Novena de Navidad que se pueden encontrar en la iglesia y en la oficina parroquial. Incluya los nombres (siéntase libre de agregar más nombres en la parte posterior) de sus seres queridos, vivos o fallecidos. Deje los sobres en las cestas de recolección o en la oficina parroquial.

¡Qué maravilloso regalo de Navidad, el Santo Sacrificio de la Misa!



Support the Mission of Our Parish This Christmas

Your Christmas offering helps us continue our mission of faith, service, and community.

Through your generosity, we are able to support parish life, outreach programs, Catholic education, and those who rely on our parish for hope and care.

Scan the QR code to make your Christmas contribution and help us build a stronger Church together.



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**The Altar Bread for the week of
December 22 is offered In Memory of:**

**Raul and Nena Perez
by: Teresita Perez**



**The Altar Candles for the week of December 22
is offered In Thanksgiving for the Birthday of:**

Estela Vergara

**The Altar Flowers for the week of
December 22
is offered in Thanksgiving to:**

**St. Joseph
by: Eva Tobias**



**The Sanctuary Light for the week of
December 22 is offered for:**

**Zofia Conrad by: Jozefa Conrad
and
Richard Weston by: Bertha Weston**



**The Altar Wine for the week of
December 22 is offered for:**

**Keane & Clark Families
by: Eileen and Bob Clark**





Weekly Mass Intentions

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| Monday December 22 | 7:30am 9:00am 12:00pm | Romualdo Monteclar Raquel Garcia Victor Misik |
| Tuesday December 23 | 7:30am 9:00am 12:00pm | Muscarella Family Zofia Konrad Sandra Plan |
| Wednesday December 24 | 7:30am 9:00am 12:00pm 6:00pm | Emiliano & Rosario Macaventa Casilda Beatriz Vargas Gilma Palacios James & Mari Rose Lee |
| Thursday December 25 | 12:00mn 12:00mn 9:00am 10:30am 12:00pm 1:30pm | For the people of the Parish Por los feligreses de la parroquia Christmas Novena Sr. Rosa Carrion Danuta Lisiewicz En agradecimiento a la sagrada Familia |
| Friday December 26 | 7:30am 9:00am 12:00pm | Aurelio Lopez Christmas Novena Sr. Mary of the Divine King Dreiss, RGS |
| Saturday December 27 | 9:00am 12:00pm 6:00pm 7:30pm | Christmas Novena Claudia Altamirano Jule Julia Sheilia McGuira Martha Quimbayo de Sandoval |
| Sunday December 28 | 7:30am 9:00am 10:00am 10:30am 11:30am 12:00pm 1:30pm 6:00pm | For the people of the Parish Christmas Novena Martha Quimbayo Maria Plan Stephanic Cardozo Satan Fernandes Misa Comunitaria Souls in Purgatory |

