

SAINT JOAN OF ARC



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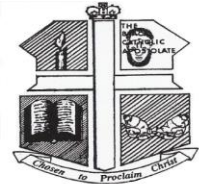
Father Kofi Ntsiful-Amissah, Pastor

Black Apostolate Mass – Sunday, 10:15am

St. Joan of Arc Masses: Saturday, 4:00pm, Sunday, 9:00am

Daily Mass, Monday-Friday, 8:00am

THE BLACK CATHOLIC APOSTOLATE



EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 20, 2025

LITURGY OF THE WORD - April 20, 2025

First Reading: Acts of Apostles 10:34a, 37-43

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

LITURGY OF THE WORD – April 27, 2025

Acts of Apostles 5:12-16

Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 John 20:19-31



Whether this is your first visit, or you have been coming on a regular basis to St. Joan of Arc for any of our Masses - 4:00pm Saturday, 9:00am Sunday or the Black Apostolate Mass at 10:15am Sunday - we invite you to become a member of the church.

If you are receiving collection envelopes in the mail each month, you are already a member. If you are not receiving collection envelopes, please call the Church office at 518-463-0378, or send us an email: sjoa@nycap.rr.com to get a membership form. We encourage you to make this your church "home" and become a member of our church community.

COLLECTION REMINDER

Suggested weekly donation is \$20 per adult.

EASTER MESSAGE – 2025

The Church welcomes the Easter season with abundant joy. It is the height of the liturgical year.

Christ has vanquished death. He has brought hope, light and new life to a people previously living in sin, darkness and death.

These are difficult times. The news of war and extreme violence are frequent enough to toss us into a wave of despair as we doubt there is any hope for humanity.

However, as Christians, we are called to be a sign of the resurrected Christ to the world. We must strive to be people of hope and joy. In our lives, when all hope seems gone, when we are tempted to give in to despair, it's important to recognize that this is where God is at work.

This takes an active faith — a trust in God and an understanding that His thoughts are not our thoughts, nor His ways our ways. We need to look to Jesus, hanging on the cross in the ultimate gesture of self-sacrifice, to know what it means to move forward in hope and love.

Our resurrected Lord is there to accompany us each step of the way. We can care for the needy, vulnerable, sick, imprisoned and dying. We can model the Resurrected Christ to others through our interactions, our charity and our selfless acts.

Remember what Jesus says, "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." (Matthew 7:7-8).

May we ask the Lord for humility and may we look to the risen Christ for guidance during this Easter season of hope and promise.

Fr. Kofi



MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, April 19

4:00pm:

Sunday, April 20

9:00am:

10:15am:

Monday, April 21

8:00am:

Tuesday, April 22

8:00am:

Wednesday, April 23

8:00am:

Thursday, April 24

8:00am: Eleonore + & Anthony Solini + req. Family

Friday, April 25

8:00am:

Saturday, April 26

4:00pm:

Sunday, April 27: 2nd week of EASTER

9:00am: James Frechette + req. Thompson

Ronald J. Moore + req. Evelyne Moore

Arthur Clemenzi + req. Family

10:15am: Walterine Fraser-Hall + req. Prescott Family

Deceased +

Alleluia!

Christ is risen!

Give glory to God!

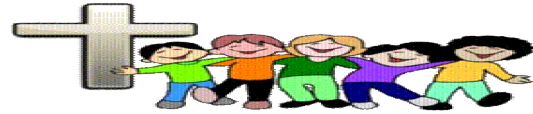
Let us join with all believers
in jubilant praise.

THE HOUSE OF THE LORD

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent



FAITH FORMATION



Faith formation/religious education classes are held every other Saturday from 9:30am-11:00am for children in grades 1-8.

Next class April 26, 2025

BCA Faith Formation is looking for volunteers to assist in our program. We meet for class approximately two Saturdays a month. The hours for volunteering are from 9:15am to 11:00am.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact **Dawn Hewitt** for additional information.

Call 518-463-0378 or sjoabcashfaith@gmail.com

IS SOMEONE IN NEED OF PRAYER?



Light a candle for that special person you promised to pray for. Candles are **\$5.00** each and are in the small Chapel behind the main Sanctuary. Please put your payment in the marked box by the church entrance.

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MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 4:00pm

SUNDAY MASSES: 9:00am

10:15am (Black Apostolate)

DAILY MASS: 8:00am (Monday-Friday)

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:30pm

BAPTISM: Every first Saturday of the month.
Please call for an appointment.

MATRIMONY: Arrangements should be made 6-8 months in advance and prior to scheduling a reception.

FUNERAL MASSES: Will be scheduled at 9:00am.

In the event of the death of a parishioner, please call the Funeral Home. The funeral director will notify the parish office and arrangements will be made for a funeral Mass and burial.

STAFF

Lucie Diomande, Parish Secretary

Dawn Hewitt, Religious Education Coordinator

Martin Amissah, Music Director, Black Apostolate