We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope.

Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.

On May 14, 2022, I was in Santa Fe, New Mexico when my dear friend Eric rushed over to tell me a White shooter had racially targeted and killed 10 Black people and injured three other individuals at a Buffalo, N.Y. supermarket.

I cried for those callously killed or hurt; I cried for their families, friends, and their community. I cried for the young man who was in such anguish that he believed his only recourse was to gruesomely kill others with a heart filled with hate. My heart was breaking, and my head was screaming, "God, how long?"

Our world is filled with daily shootings of our fellow human beings, the destruction of Mother Earth, the continued government sanctioned removal of individual rights concerning healthcare, voting, employment, and one’s right to love and marry who one chooses, the erasure of racial and gender injustices in American history, and the continued devastation of COVID. My prayer was that God would be seen in each person here on earth. And when I again asked the question, “God, how long?” I was able to hear the answer that God in her infinite wisdom always shares with me, “As long as it takes. Go deeper.”

I need to immerse myself in our beloved community of St. Joan of Arc where I belong; where I am seen, listened to, and affirmed. Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. reminded us that, “Church is not a place you go to; it is a place you go from.” Our beloved community is a place that intentionally strives to welcome everyone wherever they are on their journey by honoring God’s presence in one another, and where we share our struggles with living out the gospel in the ways Jesus requires which may conflict with Church rules. We come together in SJA’s physical space and ministries to share sacred encounters with each other in joy and sorrow, to decide how we are called to serve others in love and to sustain and nourish one another and ourselves in the challenging work of being hopeful despite the daily disappointments and tragedies in our lives.

So, let us come together on Tuesday, July 26, 7 - 8:15pm, for a Zoom gathering of Sacred Encounters to surround ourselves in God’s loving presence as we share our thoughts, concerns, and feelings about the state of our world. Together we will experience and share hope, unity, and reconciliation as God’s beloved, healing community. Please sign up for the Zoom Link at www.stjoan.com.

Weekend Masses are Celebrated at:
5pm Saturday & 7:45am Sunday in the Church
9am & 11am Sunday in the Gym
Family Masses will resume in September

Visit: www.stjoan.com  4537 Third Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55419  612.823.8205  Fax: 612.825.7028
Scripture Readings:
Mon, July 25: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28  
Tue, July 26: Jeremiah 14:17-22; Matthew 13:36-43  
Wed, July 27: Jeremiah 15:10,16-21; Matthew 13:44-46  
Thu, July 28: Jeremiah 18:1-6; Matthew 13:47-53  
Fri, July 29: Jeremiah 26:1-9; John 11:19-27  
Sat, July 30: Jeremiah 26:11-16,24; Matthew 14:1-12  

Gluten-free Communion is available upon request. Please see any of the Sunday sacristans in the gym before Mass.  
Enhanced Hearing Devices are available in the church and gym. They are located in the back of the church and the welcome center.  
SignUpGenius for Eucharistic Ministers is available online. It is simple, user friendly and a reminder is sent 3 days before your scheduled volunteer day. FFI contact Marcia at mkurtz@stjoan.com.  

Looking Ahead...  
8am Mass on Tuesday and Thursday in the Church  

Sunday, 9 and 11am Gym Masses  
July 31: Presider: Fr. Jim DeBruycker  
Dean Magraw, guitar wizard, and our own singer, Carin Vagle, will add their special music to today’s gym worship. Welcome and thank you!  
August 7: Presider: Fr. Jim Cassidy  
August 14: Presider: Fr. Jim DeBruycker  
August 21: Presider: Fr. Jim Cassidy  
August 28: Presider: Fr. Jim DeBruycker  
September 4: Fr. Jim Cassidy  

Presider Schedule for Saturday, 5pm Masses in the Church  
July 30: Fr. Peter Nosbush  
August 6: Fr. Jim DeBruycker  
August 13: Fr. Peter Nosbush  
August 20: Fr. Jim DeBruycker  
August 27: Fr. Peter Nosbush  
September 3: Fr. Jim DeBruycker

The 5pm Saturday Mass is Recorded and Available on our YouTube Channel Sunday afternoon.  
Our Sunday Pre-mass Speakers can be heard on the SJA YouTube channel as well.

Prayer Corner: Please remember in your prayers those who are in need of healing:  
Kathy McGonagle, Connie McMullen, Phyllis McQuaid, Kate Meany, Josie Meyer, Kate Meyer, Tiffany Michels, Connie Miller, Larry Moloney, Ted Mueller, Mari Jo Mundahl, Dan Murray, Nate, Trent N, Rita Nelson, Terri Olsen, Dale Olson, Paul Olivera, Mike O’Rourke, Colette Ott, Patty, John Palmer, Joan Pare, Jacques Parent, Jesse Patten, Tom Pieper, Jim Peter, Alice Pirola, Kurt Podner, Jeanne R, Ahlayia Rash, Royce Reese, Carol Reiland, Reggie Reyes, Jean Ricek, Teresa Roberts, George Rota, Joanne Routzahn, Pat Russell, Don Schaefer, Linda Scherer, Carter Schmidt, Jim Schoeller, Bev Schreiner, MaryAnn & Dick Seekamp, Nate Shaw, Alileen & David Sheppard, Mark Solstad, Zachary Sonnek, Teddy Sparrman,  
Jim Spensley, Pat Spriggs, Margaret Stewart, Richard Streng, Elizabeth Swanson, Michael T, Vi T, Ranjana Thukral, Matthew Tomlinson, Glo Tonskemper, Arturo Torres, Martha Utz, Abby V, Mary Sue Vanbeeen, Dave Velasco, Mary W, Marlee Walker, Floyd Ward, Katheryn Watkins, Karina Watne, Jennifer Weaver, Marlys Weber, Marilyn Weiss, Jim Widfeldt, Brenda Williams, Kathleen Williams, Mike Williams, Sandy Wilson, Phil Wixsten, Alan Wolf, Kathy Wohnoutka, Morley Woodruff, John Wozniak, Patrick Wyman, Jo Youngren, Bridget Zvirin

Prayer Corner Requests: To keep prayer requests current, names will be included in the bulletin for four weeks and then removed. To add a name or to renew your request, please call the Parish Center at 612.823.8205.
St. Joan of Arc Volunteer Choir! Do you love to sing? Can you carry a tune? Do you want to be part of a lively music community? The SJA choir will be back starting rehearsals in September. Adults and teens are welcomed! Watch for details in the bulletin or contact Anna Vagle avagle@stjoan.com. Let’s make a joyful noise!!

Job Openings at St. Joan of Arc:
- **Youth Ministry Director:** We are looking for a talented individual with a commitment to lead a program for youth in grades 6-12 that is structured around relational ministry and service programs in a parish that is committed to Catholic Social Teaching, a welcoming spirit and diversity. We are looking for someone who is enthusiastic and creative, as well as someone who will be a strong supporter of a vibrant Youth Ministry program in our parish. In addition, we want someone who is good at recruiting and working with volunteers. Qualified candidates should have a Bachelor’s degree in theology, education or related field as well as experience working with middle school and senior high students. They should be self-motivated and good at working collaboratively with other staff. Please send a letter of interest and a resume to Dennis Heaney at the Parish Center or dheaney@stjoan.com.
- **PT Maintenance Position:** 15 - 20 hours weekly with weekend hours. Contact Steve F Sfriedrichs@stjoan.com or call 612.823.8205 ext. 236.

Catholic Social Teaching: The Foundation of Our Faith and Our Shared Future. The principles of CST offer us a powerful lens through which to see and love the world as God does. They are a blueprint for us in overwhelming times:
- **Human Dignity:** Every one of us is created in the image and likeness of God.
- **Common Good:** We realize our human dignity in relationship and community.
- **Option for the Poor:** The moral test of our society is how we treat our most vulnerable.
- **Rights and Responsibilities:** We all have a fundamental right to what is needed to live in dignity - life, food, shelter, health care, education, employment. We also have a responsibility to participate in our public life together.
- **Role of Government:** The state has a positive moral function to promote human dignity, protect human rights and build the common good.
- **Economic Justice:** All workers have the right to decent and fair wages and safe working conditions. No one is allowed to amass excessive wealth while others lack the basic necessities of life.
- **Stewardship of God’s Creation:** We are called to live in right relationship with the earth.
- **Promotion of Peace and Disarmament:** Peace is not just the absence of war. Peace is the fruit of justice.
- **Global Solidarity:** We are called to work together globally in an interdependent world.

SJAWeb site: Our new St. Joan of Arc website is up and running! Go to www.stjoan.com and take a look. Special thanks to Pam Oleson Kremer and the communications team for all their hard work.

Marketing Expertise Needed: The SJA Concert Series Board seeks to fill an open volunteer board position to lead marketing strategy for upcoming concert seasons. If you have experience with marketing and wish to share your talent with our community in a meaningful way, contact Anna Vagle at 612.823. 8205 x 235.

Parish Center Information: Our Parish Center Summer Hours are: Monday, 9am - 4:30pm, Tuesday - Thursday, 9am - 8pm, Friday, 9am - 3pm, Saturday, closed, Sunday, 8am - 12:30pm. We look forward to seeing you! We are also scheduling ministry group meetings on-site for groups dependent on group size and available room size, continuing to use Zoom and online options for larger groups. We will keep you posted as we go forward.

Food Shelf Donations Needed: We continue to accept non-perishable food items for Sabathani Community Center. Most needed items are cereal, water & sports drinks, laundry detergent and toilet paper. All items can be dropped off Sundays or Monday thru Friday, in the bins in the Parish Center during regular hours (see above). Thank you for your willingness to help those in need.

Mobile Loaves Twin Cities needs new socks, for men, women and children, washcloths, toiletry size soap, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste and toothbrushes. Please place your donations in the brown collection hamper in the Parish Center. FFI contact info@mobileloavestc.com.

Wills: Every adult should have a will, whatever the size of the estate. In addition to being a legal document, a will is an ethical document that conveys your values and priorities from which organizations and causes important to you may benefit. We hope that in preparing your will you consider including St. Joan of Arc as a beneficiary. If you already have, please let us know so we can thank you. Our legal title is Church of Saint Joan of Arc, Minneapolis.

Summary of contributions for the week and fiscal year. Includes plate, envelopes and estimated Sustaining Member payments

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Thank You for your continued generosity!
**Pastoral Ministries**

**FFI on Pastoral Ministries** contact the Parish Center 612.823.8205.

**Minnesota Joined the 988 Network:** The 988 Lifeline is a national network of over 200 local, independent crisis centers equipped to help people in mental health-related distress or experiencing a suicidal crisis via call, chat, or text. The 988 Lifeline provides free and confidential support to people in suicidal crisis or mental health-related distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, across the U.S.

**Did You Know?** Social connections can decrease anxiety and depression, increase self-esteem and empathy, and improve physical, emotional, and mental health.

**The TRUST Grocery and Errand Transportation Program** provides rides to and from the grocery, hardware store, post office for riders age 60+ or those living with a disability. Contact 612.721.5786.

**The TRUST Chore Program** offers household cleaning, snow removal, lawn care, and minor home repairs at a low cost rate. Do you know someone who could benefit from these services? Contact 612.827.6150.

**Peace and Justice**

**FFI on Peace & Justice** programs contact Julie Madden at 612.823.8205 ext. 228 or jmadden@stjoan.com.

**"Building A City for All of Us: Affordable Housing Action"**: Join our SJA Housing Ministry and other congregations with Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative this Thursday, July 28 at 6:30pm, either live at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, or on Zoom. We have great momentum in the collaborative to create and sustain affordable housing in our city, where it is reported that the income needed to rent an average priced 2 bedroom apartment should be around $91,600 or higher. Imagine how many families cannot sustain this, and help us be part of the solution. FFI to register go to beaconinterfaith.org and click on "events." Stop by our table in the Welcome Center for more info after mass!

**Housing Ministry Highlight:** Our partners at Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative have been in discussion with families on the North Side of our city as designs for Emerson Village take shape. Juxtaposition Arts has led the process, and it has included input from many community organizations and faith communities, as well as people who have experienced homelessness. Beacon hopes to receive the last pieces of necessary funding from the City of Minneapolis and the Met Council, and then break ground in 2023 on this development of 40 beautiful new apartment homes for families on our city's North Side. If you want to be a voice in support of Emerson Village, contact Julie Madden at the Parish Center.

**SJA Antiracism Event Today:** Join us for our ongoing discussion of White Supremacy Culture and the pervasive infection of White Christian Nationalism in our country. We will meet on zoom at 1pm - contact Julie Madden for the link, and we welcome everyone to this heartfelt conversation on dismantling racism and the structures that uphold it.

**SJA Antiracism Ministry Field Trip:** Join us in experiencing Human Toll: A Public History of 35W at the Hennepin History Museum (2303 3rd Ave S, Mpls), either on Saturday, July 30 at 10am, or on Friday, August 5, at 1pm. Questions? Contact Julie Madden.

**ISAIAH at SJA: No Time for Despair!** If you are inclined to disengage from public life and participation in these times, we encourage you to connect with our SJA ISAIAH core team. Discussions and decisions that lift up our shared values reinvigorate us, our faith, and our communities. FFI contact Julie Madden on our work to ensure a thriving democracy and a caring economy.

**Sister Parish Virtual Delegation: Sign Up Now!** For almost 30 years, we have journeyed with our Sister Parish in Guatemala in solidarity and friendship, and we have a perfect opportunity coming up for you to get to know our beloved family in Tierra Nueva Dos. From August 14 - 21, we'll share activities via Zoom with our Sister Parish family in TNII, and we will have activities live and in person with fellow SJAs. We will learn and pray and laugh a lot together, and we'd love to have you with us. Register for the virtual delegation at bit.ly/virtualdelegation.

**LGBTQ+ Group Happy Hour:** Next Saturday, July 30, all are welcome to join us at The Yard House, in the West End in St. Louis Park, at 3pm for fun and friendship - all are most welcome!

**SJA Outreach Fund Updates:** Twice a year, Justice Grants are awarded from our Outreach Fund to organizations in which our parishioners are dedicated volunteers and leaders. We're happy to highlight news from some recent grant recipients:

- L’Arche Twin Cities is hosting a “fun-raiser” on July 31 at Fat Pants Brewery in Eden Prairie, with great activities for families starting at 2pm. Go to larchetwincities.org for more info on this incredible global movement to bring people together in intentional communities, including people living with mental and physical disabilities.
- Mano a Mano collaborates with Bolivian communities and organizations in sustainable projects for health and education. Mano a Mano seeks donations of adult and pediatric medical supplies that otherwise may be discarded. If you have supplies at home that you are seeking to donate, learn more at manoamano.org.
- Our partners at the Interfaith Coalition on Immigration have many opportunities for you to stand in solidarity with immigrants and refugees. Please consider joining Courtwatch, a program in which volunteers observe immigration court in person to bear witness to the realities and cruelties of our immigration system. Reach out to Dianne at zdianne@msn.com to learn more, or go to mnicom.org.
Faith Formation and Adult Learning

We form the faith of our community through participation in prayer, liturgy, sacraments, education, community and works of justice.

Baptism: To have your child baptized at St. Joan’s you must be a registered member and participate in a 90-minute Baptism preparation class. FFI and to register call JP at the Parish Center.

Nursery/Preschool:
Nursery and Preschool: We have delayed the start of our Pre-K (and Nursery) program because of COVID. We’ll reach out when we have a start date and we will keep you posted in the bulletin and/or on the SJA website when we know more.

Grade School/Family Mass: FFI (Grades 1-6) contact Marie Bissonnette at 612.823.8205 ext. 229. Family Mass contact Gabrielle Dane at gdane.com.

Elementary Faith Formation: Online registration now open for 2022/2023 classes at www.stjoan.com. NEW CLASS TIME 10am - 11am, between the masses on Sunday mornings.

Youth Ministry: FFI contact Chris Smith at 612.823.8205 ext. 230 or csmith@stjoan.com.

Registration for 2022/2023 Youth Ministry Classes has begun. Register online - visit the parish website for details. Classes will meet Sunday mornings, 10 - 11am, September - May. FFI connect Chris at csmith@stjoan.com.

Adult Volunteers are Needed to lead and supervise grade-level small groups of 6-12th grade youth in our Sunday morning faith formation program for the 2022-2023 program year. Adult leaders will gather with youth the first three Sundays of the month, 10 - 11am, from October through April, here on the SJA campus (teaching resources are provided)!

Adult Learning: FFI contact Cynthia Bailey Manns at 612.823.8205 ext. 226 or cmanns@stjoan.com.

SAGES sponsors the Last Tuesday for July this Tuesday, July 26 at 4pm Central via Zoom. The theme will be: What To Do with Conflicts? Presented by Mark Scannell. To receive the link please connect Mark at gascann@bitstream.net

Parish Book Club meets on the second Wednesday of the month, 6 - 8pm. FFI and a list of future dates and books, check the SJA website under Ministries, Parish Life and click on the Parish Book Club button.

Centering Prayer: Join us Sundays in the Arc, 10:15 - 10:45 am, for an in-person meditation. We will also be simultaneously Zooming it online. FFI connect Ray Spack at raymondpack@gmail.com.

July 26, Sacred Encounters, 7 - 8:15pm, Zoom: Let us come together to share our thoughts, concerns, and feelings in response to the continued deaths due to gun violence, concerns for women’s access to reproductive healthcare, LGBTQIA+ justice, the continued government sanctioned destruction of Mother Earth or any other threats to our democracy. May our time together help us remember God's loving presence so we can experience and share hope, unity and reconciliation in our work as God’s beloved, healing church. Go to www.stjoan.com for the Zoom link.

A Recipe for Resilience: Here are revolutionary love practices for this moment. Choose what you need. Share it.

GRIEVE: What is the shape of grief in your body? If you feel the primal scream in you, this is the time to make space for healing. Let yourself touch the sorrow, rest and breathe. Don’t isolate. Show up to a healing circle in your community. Organize one if needed. Go to vigils. Be with people who make you feel safe. Let in softness and love into the places that ache. Make space to just stop — and feel this together.

RAGE: What is the force of rage in your body? Notice where you are constricted, tense, or numb. Now, move that energy – curse, scream, shake, dance, run. Don’t choke down your rage. Or let it fester. Be with people who can honor this rage and process it in safe containers. Your rage carries information – what is it telling you? You have something to fight for. You have a role to play, and no role is too small.

FIGHT: What courageous step are you ready to take? Do not swallow the lie that nothing can be done. You have a sphere of influence. Every choice we make – every word, every action, every encounter – co-creates culture and shapes what happens next. Will you use your voice, your art, your story, your money, your power, your heart?

REIMAGINE: What is the world you want? What does beloved community look like, feel like? We can only live into what we imagine. Protect time and space to dream and dream big. Then take one step toward that dream.

LISTEN: What do you need to approach opponents with humanity? If you are safe enough, take one step toward a courageous conversation. Lead with your story, above all. Listen for theirs.

BREATHE: How will you breathe today? This is the work of a lifetime. Our lifetime. Take time to rest, step away from the news, nourish your body and your beloveds. Remember the wisdom of the midwife: Breathe, my love, then push. When joy comes, let it come. In joy, we presage the world to come. - Valerie Kaur - 2022
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