

SAINT JOAN OF ARC

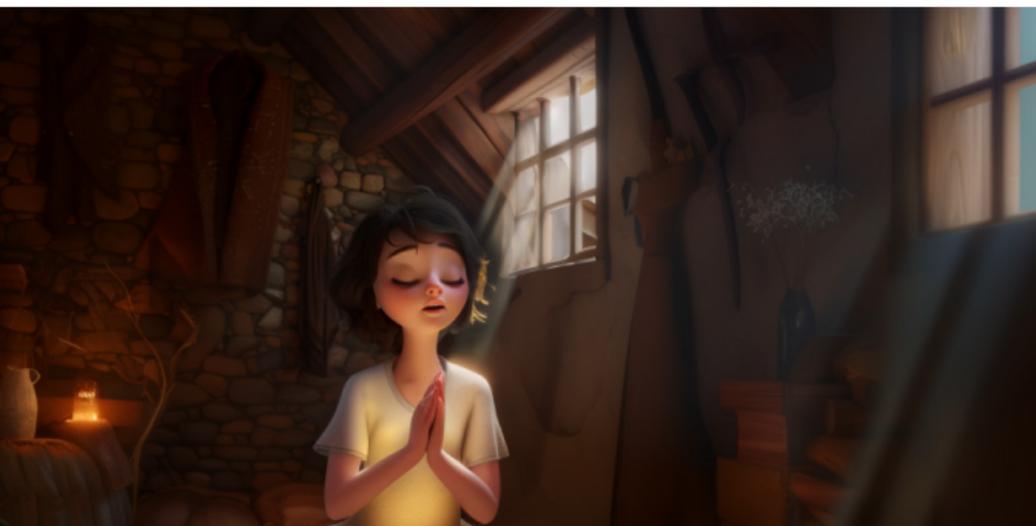
Joan was born in 1412. Here she is at 13 years old in her modest room in Domrémy.



The Archangel Saint Michael, Saint Catherine and Saint Margaret speak to Joan of Arc.



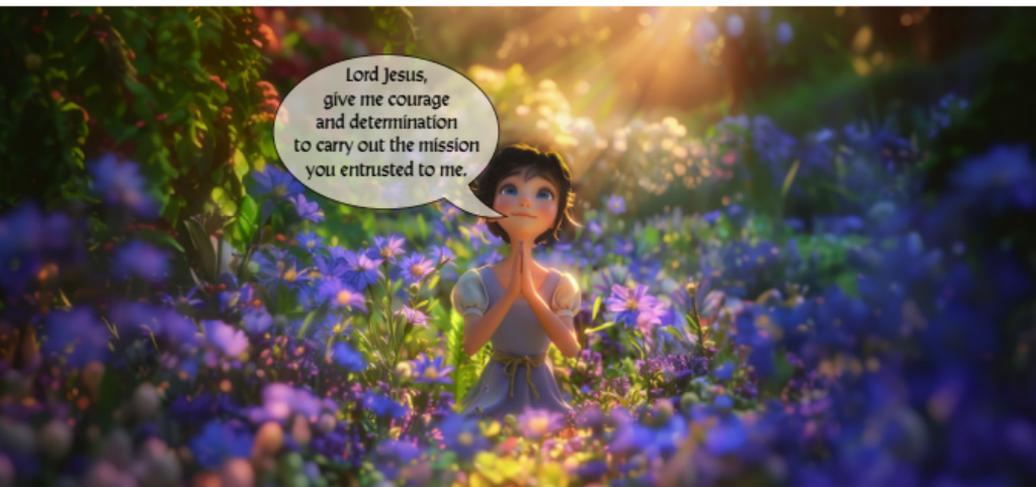
We will entrust you an important mission: free France and lead the Dolphin to the throne!



Joan of Arc's parents are farmers and live on the agricultural estate.



Lord Jesus,
give me courage
and determination
to carry out the mission
you entrusted to me.



With moving farewells, Joan leaves her family and her native village...



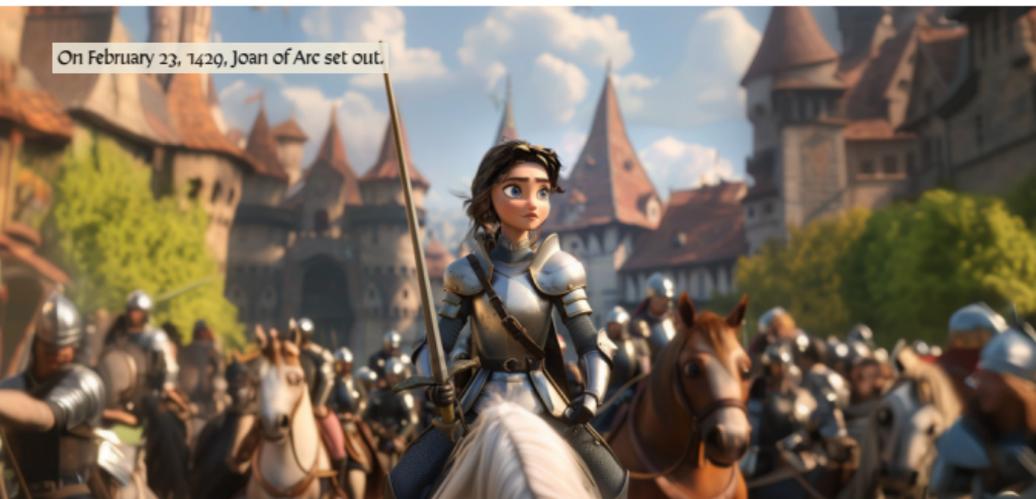
She is ready to undertake her perilous journey into the unknown.



In Vaucouleurs, Joan, determined, speaks with her voices and convinces Captain Robert de Baudricourt of the need to liberate France from English occupation...



On February 23, 1420, Joan of Arc set out.



On February 25, 1429, in the great room of the Château de Chinon, Joan demonstrated her legitimacy by identifying Charles VII disguised among his courtiers. This scene highlights her intuition and divine connection.



Charles VII places all his hopes in entrusting an army to Joan.



On April 29, in Orléans, a city besieged by the English for months, Joan is in a command shelter. With her military advisors, she studies the maps and plans the strategy to liberate the city.

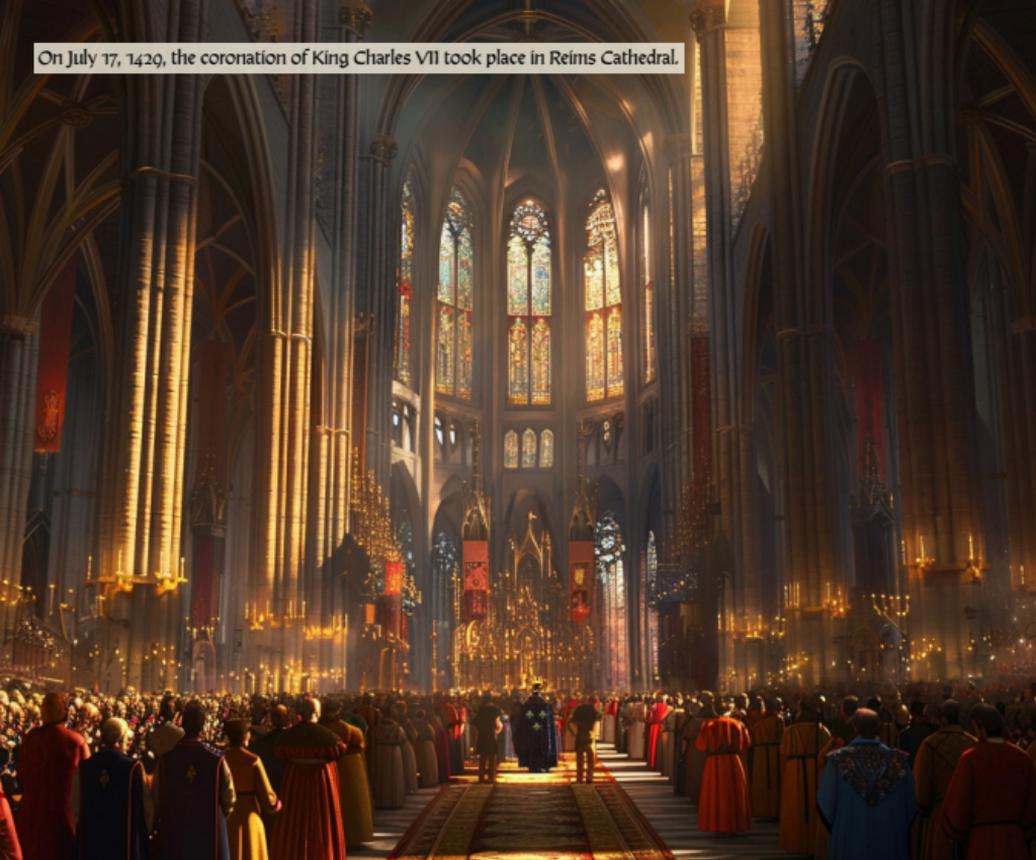


On the ramparts of Orléans, Joan leads the decisive assault. The soldiers are galvanized by his presence and the city is about to be liberated!



On May 8, 1429, Orléans is liberated, the people is acclaiming Joan of Arc.

On July 17, 1429, the coronation of King Charles VII took place in Reims Cathedral.



On May 23, 1430, Joan of Arc was captured by the Burgundians, allies of the English.



Joan of Arc is taken to Rouen, a city under English occupation, where she was imprisoned for several months in the castle dungeon while awaiting her trial.



Lord Jesus,
in difficulty
of the ordeal bring me
your support and love.

On May 30, 1431, Joan of Arc was burned at the stake.
As the flames rise, Joan prays intensely, accepting her fate with faith.

She cried out for Jesus more than six times! and especially in her last breath, she cried out with a loud voice Jesus! so much so that everyone could hear it; almost all of them cried with pity.



Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus!

In 1455, Pope Calixtus III, at the initiative of Joan's mother, established an ecclesiastical tribunal in Rouen intended to re-examine the conditions of the first trial. On July 7, 1456, hundreds of witnesses, childhood companions and comrades-in-arms of Joan, came to testify before the judges who concluded that Joan was innocent and completely rehabilitated her.

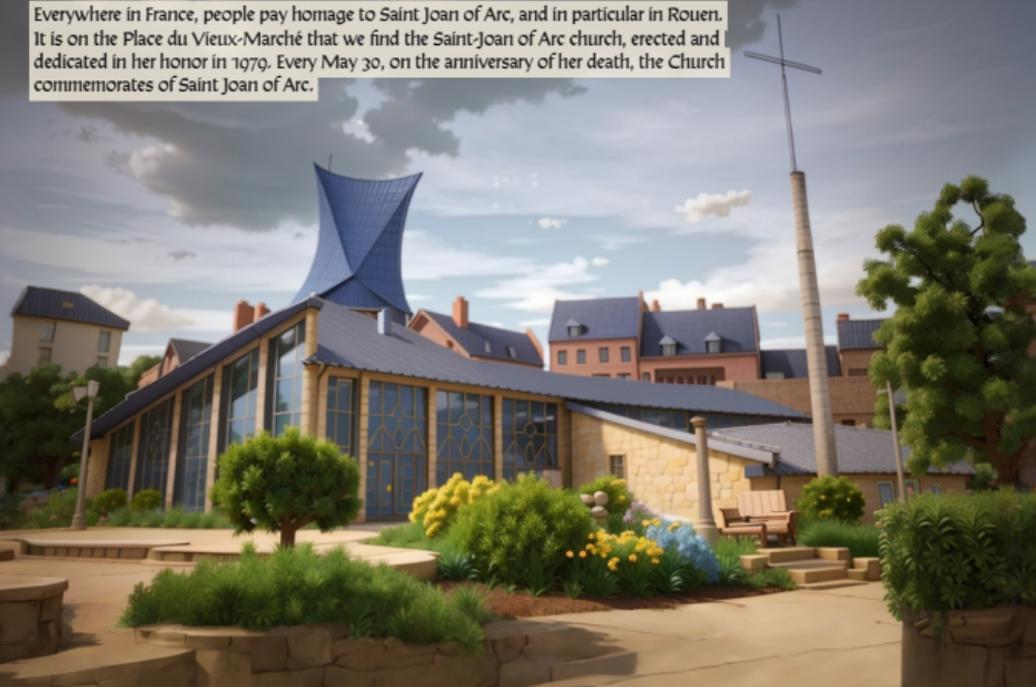
Nearly 500 years after her death, the holiness of Joan of Arc was recognized by the Church.

In 1909, Pope Pius X beatified her. Then, in 1920, Pope Benedict XV canonized her, thus consecrating her holiness.



Since 1920, the National Day of Joan of Arc has been celebrated each year on the second Sunday of May, anniversary of the liberation of Orléans on May 8, 1429 by the French army, under the command of Joan of Arc.

Everywhere in France, people pay homage to Saint Joan of Arc, and in particular in Rouen. It is on the Place du Vieux-Marché that we find the Saint-Joan of Arc church, erected and dedicated in her honor in 1979. Every May 30, on the anniversary of her death, the Church commemorates of Saint Joan of Arc.



You too, listen to your soul.
Pray God to serve without counting!



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