

Celebrate! Catholic Schools Week



ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JANUARY 30, 2022

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Eucharistic Community of St. Joan of Arc Parish, by the grace of God and through our participation in His Word, the Church's sacraments, and prayer, seek our eternal salvation.

We live out the doctrines and traditions of our Faith in communion with the holy, catholic, and apostolic Church, established by Our Lord Jesus Christ.

With courage, we follow the example of our patron saint and invoke her intercession as we strive to know God, love God, and serve God which moves us to actively promote and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the midst of our every day life.



MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL

5:00 pm

SUNDAY MASS

7:30 am

9:30 am (livestreamed)

11:30 am

5:00 pm (1525 Sand Hill Rd.
Hummelstown, PA)

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday

6:45 am & 9:00 am (livestreamed)

Saturday

9:00 am (livestreamed)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday

5:00-5:30 pm

Saturday

4:00-4:45 pm



FROM THE PASTOR



I mentioned in my past columns that Pope Francis has announced a “Synod on the Synod” for 2023. This “synodal process” is a way for the Church to listen to the voices of laypeople, priests, deacons, bishops, and

religious brothers and sisters to hear about new ways of evangelizing the world in today’s culture. Each generation has to find ways of transmitting the eternal truths of our Catholic Faith to the world in which we live. The methods to spread the faith used in the early Church, the Middle Ages, and after the Protestant Reformation, are going to look different than how we pass it down today. The advent of modern technology, social media, and the widespread decline in the practice of the faith (at least in the West) makes it even more important to find new ways of evangelizing.

This “synodal way” is taking place on a parish, diocesan, regional (in our case, through the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, USCCB) and on a world-wide level when the synod takes place next year. I plan on having two townhall meetings to discuss the questions the diocese has provided for us as we move forward in this process. I encourage all of you to be part of this discussion. The dates for our parish-phase of the Synod will be the following:

- ✠ Tuesday, February 8 at 7 pm in the Parish Social Hall
- ✠ Saturday, February 12 at 10 am in the Parish Social Hall

If we have lots of excitement, I can certainly have other dates and times available. Evangelization of the Good News of Jesus Christ is the responsibility of all Baptized Christians. Be part of this process. Who knows? At the “Synod on the Synod” next year we might hear the words: “We got a great idea from the good people of Saint Joan of Arc in Hershey, Pennsylvania!” To be included in this process is an honor and not something we should take lightly!



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the souls of those who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathies to their family and friends on their loss.

✠ Parish - Parishioner Milestones - Eternal Life

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of our parish, in your prayers: **John Miller, Jennifer Hazelbaker, John Sceski, Rosemarie Marone, Joanne Kayser, Tony Mayan, John Polto, Abram Brandt, Mort Kayser, Barbara Kayser, Mary Beth Sheehan and Jeff & Lori Sotack.**

Thursday, February 3 is the Feast of Saint Blaise:

The Blessing of Throats will take place at all masses that day.

Please join us for First Friday Adoration:

February 4 from 9:30am-7:00pm in the St. Lucy Chapel.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

JANUARY 30 - FEBRUARY 5

2022-2023 Registration Opens

Monday, January 24

8:00 AM

Register online at school.stjoanhershey.org

Tours are available by contacting Deb Rizzotto at drizzotto@stjoanhershey.org.



Note: Children must be 3, 4, or 5 on or before September 1 to enter Pre 3, Pre 4, or Kindergarten.



MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, JANUARY 31:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT JOHN BOSCO, PRIEST

2 Sm 15: 13-14, 30; 16:5-13/ Mk 5:1-20

6:45 AM Rev. Louis P. Ogden

9:00 AM Eugenia Mulhall

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1:

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/ Mk 5:21-43

6:45 AM Marie Rafferty

9:00 AM David Scherbarth

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2:

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Mal 3:1-4/ / Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40

6:45 AM Charles Cole

9:00 AM Mark Adams

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3:

SAINT BLAISE, BISHOP, MARTYR;

SAINT ANSGAR, BISHOP

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/ 1 Chr 29:10, 11 ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/ Mk 6:7-13

6:45 AM Paula Romano

9:00 AM Eloise Ungvarsky

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4:

Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29

6:45 AM Ruth Tierney

9:00 AM Joseph Kunetz

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT AGATHA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

1 Kgs 3:4-13/ Mk 6:30-34

9:00 AM Lynn Hare

5:00 PM People of the Parish

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6:

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah, a man of unclean lips, beholds the Lord's glory in the temple and is sent on mission. Simon, a sinner, responds to the mission of Jesus by becoming a disciple. Paul, the persecutor, speaks of his call to preach nothing but Christ crucified and risen.

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11/ Lk 5:1-11

7:30 AM Thomas Carney

9:30 AM Living & Deceased Members of the T. J. Murphy Family

11:30 AM Stephen Butsko

5:00 PM John & Marian Lang

YOUTH NEWS

Life Teen (High School)

This Week: Racism is a sinful and institutional reality and Christ invites us to work for its eradication. We will look for ways to recognize racism in our own lives, in our community and how to eradicate it.

Next Week: "Laudato Si"- Pope Francis gives us a beautiful encyclical on how to care for our environment. We will take a look at how climate change is a pro-life issue.

2022 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

- Feb 6 "Climate Change is a Pro-Life Issue-God gives us the earth and we should care for it.
- Feb 13 "Super Bowl & Bingo"- Our tradition continues!!
- Feb 20 No Life Teen-President's Day Weekend
- Feb 27 Life Teen Social-Let's have some fun before Lent begins!

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EDGE (Middle School)

EDGE is for all 6-8th graders and meets on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month from 7:00-8:15 pm. EDGE will meet on February 2 & 16. Masks are required.

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Donations Needed

Life Teen and EDGE are looking for donations of water, juice, soda, and snacks for our youth ministry gatherings. Donations are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the parish office.

Summer Mission Trip

The 2022 Catholic Heart Workcamp is gearing up for next summer. We are heading to Richmond from June 19-24 for our Summer Mission Trip. The cost of the trip is \$500 with \$100 due at registration. **Registration is due February 1.**

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ADULT FAITH

Young Adults (21-39)

Calling all young adults between the ages of 21-39, married or single! We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 7:00-8:15 pm in the Youth Room. **We will meet via Zoom for the months of January & February.** Young Adults will gather on February 9 & 23 as we finish our study of the "Book of Sirach".

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✠ MINISTRY NEWS

Respect Life

"If there be anyone suffering . . . from past or present problems, past or present sins, if we fear that we are not pure and holy before Almighty God, if our sense of unworthiness so overcomes us that it separates us from Christ, [know] that Mary is beckoning us toward Christ by way of the confessional, telling us where we can find the lost Christ. Mary found him in the temple. We find him in the confessional where in an instant those words of the Scriptures come true: 'though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.' (Is 1:18)."

-Cardinal John O'Connor,
Founder of the Sisters of Life

Caelorum

We look forward to seeing everyone at Caelorum on Wednesday, February 2 at 7:00 pm at St. Joan of Arc Church. Start your new year with your Brothers and Sisters in Christ as we come together to adore, praise and worship our Lord and Savior. Feel the power of his presence and never-failing love as he attends to your needs and strengthens and blesses you with his abundant mercy. God Bless. We look forward to seeing everyone!

For more information, call Lou Felice at (717) 215-4175.

**Knights of Columbus
Super Bowl Sub Sale**

The Knights of Columbus will be taking orders for R&K Subs after all Masses over the next several weekends. Subs are \$7 and the pretzel sandwiches are \$6. Plan to pick up your order on Sunday, February 13 in the parish social hall from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Order forms are available in the parish office.

**Council Of Catholic Women**

Attention all soup makers and eaters! The CCW will be selling homemade soup after Masses on *SOUPER* Bowl weekend, Saturday, February 12 and Sunday, February 13 to benefit the Catholic Charities- Homes for Healing. We will be collecting soup at the SJA kitchen on Friday, February 11 from 5:00-6:00 pm or at the Diocesan Center on Saturday, February 12 from 9:00 am to Noon.

Anyone interested in making soup, please contact karencwilley@gmail.com with types and number of quarts you can provide. Containers are provided and can be picked up at the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity!!

**Bulletin Requests**

Requests MUST be received by 9:00 am the Monday prior to that weekend's bulletin, submitted as they are to appear in print, made through the designated electronic form.

Road to Kindness

January has flown by, and we hope that you had a good start to your year! As we look to February, we want to start the month with a Kind and Caring suggestion. We all know that February 14 is Valentine's Day. This year let's make this loving holiday even more special for our children!

A website, www.skiptomylou.org, provides this suggestion: "Starting on February 1st until Valentine's Day put a new heart on your child's door telling them why you love them!" They have a Free Heart Template that you can use from their website. Here are a few suggestions on what to put on these Valentine's Day hearts include:

- You are beautiful inside and out!
- I love your smile!
- You are special!
- You are fun to be with!
- You are just right the way you are!
- You are loved!
- You are Kind!

Have Fun and make it special!

You can also extend this fun activity to everyone in your family! It is an opportunity to share your kindness and caring with those you Love! Every day we can make a difference and brighten up the lives of those around us and those that need our kindness. Keep following God's Way—"The Road to Kindness!"

**That Man Is You**

The Spring session of That Man Is You is underway. We will meet from now until April 30 every Saturday morning from 6:30 to 8:00 am in the Knights of Columbus room #319 on Areba Avenue. Come join your brother parishioners for enlightening videos and lively discussion. **Contact Jim Mulvey (717) 503-7542 or jmulvey0929@yahoo.com for additional information.**

Faith Enrichment

The program will continue on Tuesday, February 1 at 6:30 pm and Thursday, February 3 at 10:00 am. We will be presenting the "Epic Journey Through Church History (Early Church)" program. The cost of the materials is \$30.00. Sessions will be in the Adult Education Rm #321 on the Areba Campus (Old School). Come and explore the early foundations of the Catholic Church.

For more information please contact Earl Tropp at etropp@stjoanhershey.org or (717) 533-7168 Ext.122.

**Pray & Play Group for
Moms and Young Children**

Interested in getting together with other Catholic moms to pray, chat, and share snacks while the kids play? Please join us! **For location and any questions, please email sarah.bonavia@gmail.com.**

2022 Parish Festival News!

We had an amazing Festival in 2021 and raised nearly \$70k for our parish ministries! Come join us in the planning of another successful Festival! We need your ideas and energy! We will meet on the third Wednesday of the month in Feb., Mar., Apr., and May at 6 pm in the Sr. Rossello Room in the Parish Office. For more information, contact karencwilley@gmail.com.



STEWARDSHIP

We Are A Tithing Parish Following God's Plan For Giving

Weekly Tithing: \$32,979
Weekly Budget: \$26,923
Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$1,730

Week of January 16, 2022

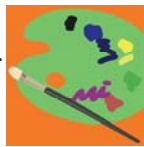
HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

Harrisburg Diocese CCW Scholarship

High school senior girls are invited to apply for a \$1000 scholarship to be used for post-secondary education. Applicants must be sponsored by a relative who is a member of a parish CCW, and both applicants and sponsors must reside in the Harrisburg Diocese. The deadline to submit a completed application is March 31. Contact **Joyce Scott at (717) 737-0927** or hdccwscholarship@gmail.com for more information or to secure an application packet.

Harrisburg Diocesan CCW Art Contest

Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women are sponsoring an Art Contest for girls in grades 9-12 in the Diocese of Harrisburg. Put your artistic talent to work and design an original artwork for a 9x12 cover, using the theme of the CCW Convention. The cover will be used by the participants at the 96th Annual Convention of the Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women to be held on April 23. The Theme for the Convention is "Be God's Hands on Earth". **The Deadline to enter is February 1, submit your entry to hdccw1@gmail.com.**



Sacred Heart Perpetual Adoration

The Sacred Heart Perpetual Adoration Chapel is the adoration chapel for the Dauphin Deanery. Adorers are needed from all the parishes in the deanery. Sacred Heart Chapel is under the guardianship of St. Margaret Mary Parish and you can find the chapel at 2836 Herr St., Harrisburg across from School. Are you looking for peace and inner joy? Come and spend time with Christ in His chapel. You can stop in for a few minutes, become a committed adorer for a weekly hour, join an adorer as a prayer partner, or offer to be a substitute adorer. Whatever your availability there is a place for you at the chapel. **For more information, contact Betsy Schaedler at (717) 756-4897** or theway46@hotmail.com. Jesus is waiting for you.

SJA SCHOOL

Saint Joan of Arc Track and Field will begin in March. Practices will be Monday and Thursday in the evening. Children in grades 3-8 are welcome. Track meets will be some Saturdays or Sundays. **For more information contact amydewittstoffel@yahoo.com**

Upcoming Special Collections

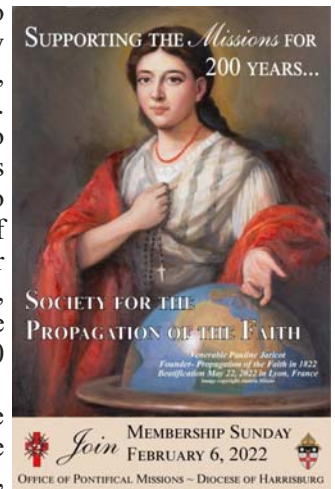
February 6, 2022
*Society for the Propagation of the Faith
 Membership Appeal-See Below*

February 13, 2022
Black and Indian/Poor Missions

Society for the Propagation of the Faith Membership Sunday-February 6

By our baptism, we are called to share our faith with our family and friends, with our neighbors, indeed, with the whole world. Next Sunday, we are invited to make a special commitment as missionaries. We are invited to join in the worldwide mission of Jesus by joining the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, reaching out to the people of the world in more than 1,150 mission dioceses.

In making this commitment, we pledge to... **PRAY** daily for the missionary work of the Church, offering our personal crosses for missionaries and those they serve. **OFFER REGULAR FINANCIAL HELP** in support of those who bring the "Good News" of Jesus to our brothers and sisters in the missions. Please say "yes" to this special missionary call next weekend.



With Much Gratitude...

We wish to thank the sponsor of the week for advertising in our parish bulletin:

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