

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH
359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

FEBRUARY 17, 2019

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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: 5:15 pm

Sunday Masses: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, Noon, 5:30 pm

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday: 6:45 am & 9:00 am, Saturday: 9:00 am

Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Monday - Friday: 6:00 pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 9:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Wednesday: 5:00 - 5:30 pm, Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Sacrament of the Sick: Call the office.


Sacrament of Baptism: 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month. Parents are required to attend one class. Call the office to register.

Sacrament of Marriage: Call the office 9 to 12 months prior to the proposed wedding date.

And raising his eyes toward his disciples he said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours."

Luke 6:20





FROM THE PASTOR

I hope all of you have been as horrified as I was at the passage of the extremist abortion law in New York State. New York had the most liberal abortion laws in the country but now it is even worse. Proponents of the law accuse Pro-Lifers of exaggerating the law in order to place greater restrictions upon abortion but the reality is the law lifts restrictions in such a way that it is not hyperbole to speak of last-minute abortions and infanticide. The fact that a governor who claims to be Catholic would not only sign this bill but celebrate its passage is beyond the pale. If this can happen in New York, why can it not happen in Pennsylvania or throughout the country? We must be constantly vigilant against the total disregard for human life in our society. To be Pro-Life means to support life from the moment of conception to natural death. This means the poor, the marginalized, the disabled, the elderly, and all persons who have life. But to be Pro-Life means that we have to have a special concern for the child within the womb because it is within the womb that life is most vulnerable, and looking at the numbers (60 million plus since 1973), it is where life is snuffed out the most in this country. Yes, we have to be vigilant against discrimination and euthanasia, and caring for the poor, but if we defend life only after a human being is born, what good is that? Perhaps it is the passage of barbaric laws like we see in New York State that will get our ire up and really make us into the Pro-Life Catholics that we know we are called to be! At least I hope so!



Father Al

With Much Gratitude...

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

MANGIA! MANGIA!



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES:

Please pray for the soul of **Henry Albright, brother of Jeanie Vey and Jim Grap** who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathy to his family and friends on their loss.

✠ [Parish - Parishioner Milestones - Eternal Life](#)

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Main Altar Vases: In loving memory of John "Gus" Davis from Mike and Terri Davis

✠ [Contact Us - Request: Altar Flowers](#)

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS:

The following parishioners or family members are ill and have recently been added to our parish prayer list. Please remember them, and all the sick of our parish, in your prayers: **Dan Connolly, Marie Sotack, Justin Baker, Joseph DeFluri, Carl Robinson, and Judith Ann Tennant.**

✠ [Parish - Prayer Intentions](#)

MASS ATTENDANCE: February 9/10 TOTAL: 1580					
<u>5:15 PM</u>	<u>7:30 AM</u>	<u>9:00 AM</u>	<u>10:30 AM</u>	<u>12:00 PM</u>	<u>5:30 PM</u>
244	153	288	310	258	327

The Parish Office will be closed

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18

In observance of Presidents' Day

LISTENING SESSIONS WITH BISHOP GAINER

The next listening sessions will be held on February 20 at Immaculate Conception Parish in Berwick at 6:30 pm and February 21 at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish in Elysburg at 7:00 pm.

Anyone with questions regarding the Grand Jury Report, the Diocese's response to abuse, or our path forward is encouraged to attend.



WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, FEB 18

Gn 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13

6:45 AM Norma L. Moore

9:00 AM Irene Petrina

TUESDAY, FEB 19

Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21

6:45 AM Mary McCune

9:00 AM Regina Pronio

WEDNESDAY, FEB 20

Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Mk 8:22-26

6:45 AM Rev. Louis P. Ogden

9:00 AM Joseph & Effie Butch

THURSDAY, FEB 21: SAINT PETER DAMIAN, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Gn 9:1-13; Mk 8:27-33

6:45 AM Special Intention for Ruzel Lago and Family

9:00 AM Richard P. Spagnolo

FRIDAY, FEB 22: FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER, APOSTLE

1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

6:45 AM Marie Boyd

9:00 AM Bud Macha

SATURDAY, FEB 23: MEMORIAL OF SAINT POLYCARP, BISHOP AND MARTYR

Heb 11:1-7; Mk 9:2-13

9:00 AM Elizabeth Hayes

5:15 PM Jeff Hahn

SUNDAY, FEB 24: SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

In baptism we are called to mirror and image the mercy and forgiveness the Lord has won for us. As David would not harm Saul, his enemy, so we are challenged to love and pardon those who wrong us.

7:30 AM John Welsh

9:00 AM People of the Parish

10:30 AM Ed Maloy

12:00 PM Rosanne Claypoole

5:30 PM Jack Allegrini

This Week In Our Parish

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Parish Office Closed

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

9:30 AM	Little Rock Scripture Study	SJC
9:45 AM	Legion of Mary	SJC
4:00 PM	Areba Club	CAF
6:30 PM	Cub Scouts	-
7:00 PM	Faith Enrichment	PC

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

7:15 AM	Wednesday Morning Coffee	SJC
7:45 AM	Gospel Reflection	SJC
4:15 PM	REP: Grades K-6	-
7:00 PM	I Thirst	CAF

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

10:00 AM	Faith Enrichment	PC
6:00 PM	CCW Meeting	CAF
6:30 PM	Girl Scouts	SJC
7:30 PM	Knights of Columbus	MRC

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22

3:00 PM	Junior Legion of Mary	SJC
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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

*Food collection before and after
5:15 pm Vigil Mass*

6:30 AM	That Man is You	MRC
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Food collection before and after all Masses

9:00 AM	REP: Grades K-6	CAF
6:45 PM	Life Teen	MRC
7:00 PM	Confirmation Prep	CAF

MEETING ROOMS & LOCATIONS

CAF: Cafeteria	CHP: Chapel (PC)
CHR: Church	LIB: Library
MRC: Meeting Room C	PC: Parish Center
REC: Rectory	SJC: Saint Joseph Center



LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE: FEBRUARY 24, 2019

	5:15 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 PM	5:30 PM
Lector	J. Gusherowski	M. Isherwood	A. Gould	G. Holobetz	D. Hennigan	J. Zaprazny
EMHC	L. Drayer N. Chandler Sr. Salvatoris	T. Crum-Ewing R. Barry K. Willey	S. Cordaro C. Yakstis M. Stamilio	M. DeAngelis T. DeAngelis M. Rothermel	K. Burkhart G. Bixler M. Waiter	C. Evans J. Evans Sr. Eileen
Altar Servers	G. Gurney M. Coyle J. Wilson	M. Dugan A. Dugan J. Katzenmoyer	V. Foley A. Shiffler S. Yurich	E. Kopp G. Kopp S. Loser	J. Costello E. Hoffman T. McInerney	C. Chardo R. Abraham T. Abraham
MC	D. Kreiss	J.P. Katzenmoyer	N. Silvis	A. Aluquin	J. McInerney	M. Abraham

Money Counters: P. Bixler, B. Deiling, H. Horstman, M. Rogers



In three weeks, we will kick off the **2019 Diocesan Annual Campaign**, formerly known as the Bishop’s Annual Lenten Appeal with the in-pew solicitation. Faith Forward is the theme for the 2019 Diocesan Annual Campaign. Letters have been mailed from Bishop Gainer and you should also be receiving a letter from Father Al asking for your support. We have been asked by Bishop Gainer to prayerfully consider a pledge to this effort. As a parish we benefit in a number of ways: shared administrative services like payroll and accounts payable, Human Resources, and outreach ministries that are led by the Diocese and implemented at the parish level. By our collective efforts from parishioners and parishes throughout the Diocese, a multitude of programs and ministries are offered to those in need. We are relying on your generous support to ensure that these programs and ministries continue. I thank you in advance for your loyal and steadfast support.

YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH)

This Week: No Life Teen. Presidents’ Day Weekend.

Next Week: “One Moment” While not an entirely tough and polarizing conversation, we will take a look at how to care for the poor and homeless, not only in our area, but around the world as a whole.



SUMMER MISSION TRIP

We will be heading back to Mishawaka, IN and Notre Dame on **June 8-14. Only 2 female spots left!**

Cost: \$550 (\$100 due at registration)

YOUTH CONFERENCE

On **July 19-21** we are heading to Franciscan University for a weekend of prayer, fun, and spiritual growth. **Only 5 spots left!**

Cost: \$275 (\$75 due at registration)



EDGE (MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH)

Are you not in high school but want to be a part of a youth ministry? EDGE is for grades 6-8 and meets on Monday nights from 7:00 - 8:15 pm in the youth room (Meeting Room C).

*EDGE Nights: Feb 25, Mar 4, 11, & 25

📞 **John Triscik:** Ext. 128; youth@stjoanhershey.org



Vocations Cross

Feb 18-25: Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Frola
Feb 25-Mar 4: Tillie Stover

The Vocations Cross is taken into the home of a parish member each week to pray for religious vocations. If you would like to join this rotation, please contact the parish office or visit the website.

📖 **Sacraments - Vocations Cross**



VOCATIONS CORNER

That men and women will hear the call to proclaim the gospel “not of human origin” through their vocation, we pray to the Lord.

YOUTH NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (R.E.P.)

Registration for 2019-2020 begins on March 1. No new registration form is needed. A discount rate will be in effect until May 1.

☎ **REP Office:** Ext. 306; rep@stjoanhershey.org

✚ SCHOOL NEWS



MARCH MADNESS RAFFLE

Please help support St. Joan of Arc School by purchasing tickets for the March Madness Raffle. Drawings will be held every day during the month of March. Prizes are \$50 and \$100 daily! Each ticket sold is eligible to win 2 times per day during the month of March. You have 62 chances to win per ticket! Winners do not need to be present to win. **Tickets are \$10 each** and are on sale now at the parish and school offices.

☎ **School Office:** (717) 533-2854

DINNER FOR DOLLARS

Primanti Bros. in Hershey will host Dinner for Dollars **EVERY DAY, ALL DAY from February 1 through April 30**. Show your Primanti Bros. Hometown Edge team card when you dine.

Au Bon Lieu Bistro has generously agreed to continue Bistro **Mondays** for the rest of the year! If you haven't tried their authentic savory and sweet French crepes, it's not too late! Enjoy a complete meal and dessert and support our school.

A percentage of your bill (Primanti Bros.: 10%; Au Bon Lieu Bistro: 20%) will support students at St. Joan of Arc School through the PTO. Flyers are available at the back of the church.

✚ ADULT FAITH FORMATION

YOUNG ADULTS (AGES 21 - 35)

Calling all young adults of the parish between the ages of 21-35, married or single!!! Young Adults meet on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in Meeting Room C. We will gather next on **February 27** as we travel to Palmyra Bowling for a night of fun and laughter.

☎ **John:** Ext. 128; jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org

☎ **Parish Ministries - Young Adults**

✚ ADULT FAITH FORMATION

FAITH ENRICHMENT

Faith Enrichment continues on **February 19** at 7:00 pm. This week will feature a biblical walk through the mass.

The Thursday morning Faith Enrichment series will continue on **February 21** at 10:00 am in the Parish Center. This series will feature a study of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

☎ **Education - Faith Enrichment**

✚ MINISTRY NEWS

AREBA CLUB

The February meeting of the Areba Club will be held on **Tuesday, February 19** at 4:00 pm in the cafeteria. Doors will be opened at 3:30 pm. We will have a special presentation by Tax Consultant, Ron Hickson. Refreshments will be served. Hope to see you there!

CCW SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Elyse Szurgot, YWCA Director of Violence Intervention and Prevention will present on Human Trafficking on **Thursday, February 21** at 6:30 pm in the cafeteria. Please come and see what is happening right here in our very own community and how we can each help.

The YWCA can always use small personal care items to give to victims of trafficking who usually have nothing but the clothes on their back when rescued. The YWCA has recently assisted one rescued victim with finding an apartment. If you have any items that would be good for someone setting up a new home (small furniture, appliances, etc.) that would be appreciated.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY

Save the dates for the upcoming Lenten Fish Fry on both **March 29** and **April 12**. Details are to be announced.

MADE FOR MORE

Tickets will be on sale this week after Mass for the exciting new event on **April 2**, called *Made For More: Visions of the Promised Land* with Christopher West and Mike Mangione. Seating is limited so get your tickets if you want to ensure a spot. Have you ever wanted to share your faith with someone, a family member or friend, but wasn't sure how to do it? This is the event to experience with them. Buy your tickets after Mass this weekend. **Tickets are \$20.**

✠ **MINISTRY NEWS**

LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION

The Harrisburg Diocesan Guild of the Catholic Medical Association and the St. Thomas More Society of Central Pennsylvania invite all Catholic physicians, lawyers, judges, healthcare workers, mental health professionals, medical students, and law students to a Lenten Day of Reflection: *Mental Illness or Demonic Attack?*

Guest speaker Revered John A. Szada, Jr. will present on **Saturday, March 16** from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm at the Diocesan Conference Center. The morning will include a penance service with confession, fellowship, reflection, a Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, and a free will offering. **RSVP by March 8.**

☎ **RSVP: kneri@hbgdiocese.org**

I THIRST SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Please join the I Thirst Prayer Group in the cafeteria on **Wednesday, February 27** at 7:00 pm to hear a special presentation by Feather Dwight Schlaline, Pastor of Our Lady of the Visitation Parish in Shippensburg and Campus Minister at Shippensburg University.

Father Schlaline will be speaking on the difference between 7 books of the Old Testament, which are found in the Bible used by Catholic and Orthodox Christians, but not in the Bible used by most Protestant Christians. Come and learn why the differences matter and what they can tell us about the Word of God.

☎ **Lou Felice: (717) 215-4175**

ROAD TO KINDNESS

This winter has been very hard on many people within our parish community. This week, we are asking you to share your kindness with someone who is having a difficult time. These people may not ask for assistance. If you know someone who is having a difficult time, share your kindness with them! You could make a dinner for someone who has not been able to get out of the house due to the weather or illness. You could offer to go shopping at a nearby grocery store, or you could take a neighbor shopping. You could offer to drive an elderly person to Mass.

There are so many acts of kindness that it is only left to your imagination. This week, please do an act of kindness for someone in our parish community! We can make a difference!

☎ **Tony Bellezza: kindness@stjoanhershey.org**

☪ **Parish Ministries - Road to Kindness**

✠ **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

TRACK AND FIELD

Do you like to run, jump, and throw? Join us for St. Joan of Arc Track and Field! Grades 3-8 are welcome. Track and Field is open to parishioners and St. Joan of Arc students. Contact Carie for more information.

☎ **Carie Burke: carieburke@comcast.net**

FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETING

Please come to a Parish Festival Planning Meeting on **Tuesday, February 26** at 6:30 pm in Meeting Room C. We have a lot to talk about and plan; we need your help!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Morning Star Pregnancy Services is seeking advocates to counsel the men and women who use their services. Becoming a pregnancy center advocate is tremendously rewarding. The sessions are being held at the Harrisburg office from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. The dates are: **February 25** and **March 4**. There are opportunities at all 3 locations: Harrisburg, Middletown, and New Cumberland.

☎ **Diane: (717) 901-2799;**

ddevan@morningstarclinics.com

✠ **BULLETIN REQUESTS**

- 1) Requests **MUST** be received by 9:00 am the Monday prior to that weekend's bulletin. Exceptions cannot be made for late requests.
- 2) Requests must be submitted as they are to appear in print. Please be brief due to space limitations.
- 3) Requests must be made through the designated form (*paper or electronic*) to ensure all necessary information is received prior to the deadline.

☪ **Contact Us - Request: Bulletin Content**

LISTENING SESSIONS WITH BISHOP GAINER		
Date	Location	Time
Wednesday, Feb 20	Immaculate Conception Parish 1730 Fowler Avenue, Berwick, PA	6:30 pm
Thursday, Feb 21	Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish 599 West Center Street, Elysburg, PA	6:30 pm
Monday, Feb 25	Corpus Christi Parish 320 Philadelphia Avenue, Chambersburg, PA	6:30 pm
Tuesday, Feb 26	Saint Rose of Lima Parish 950 West Market Street, York, PA	7:00 pm