Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

359 West Areba Ave, Hershey, PA 17033

FEBRUARY 20, 2022

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am-12:00 pm & 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

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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



"Do to others



Congratulation to those who have been received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church this weekend. They are:

- 4 Marissa Aulenbach
 - **†** Todd Shipe
 - † Monica Meekins

Let us remember them in our prayers as they join us as fellow-parishioners and fellow-Catholics. A special thanks goes to Earl Tropp, our Director of Religious Education, for mentoring them through the RCIA process. One of the things that we are doing well here in the parish is working with individuals and families coming into the Church, meeting their needs by meeting them at times that are convenient for them. If you are considering becoming Catholic (whether you are already baptized or not), know that we will work with you around your busy schedules. Those to be baptized (catechumens) are normally baptized and receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Those who are already baptized in other Christian denominations (candidates) can be received into the Catholic Church at any time throughout the year. Their catechesis is tailored to their knowledge and practice of the Faith. For example, someone may have been baptized but was never raised in the practice of the Faith. Another, for example, may be an active member of a Lutheran or Episcopalian congregation and are drawn to becoming Catholic. Finally, perhaps there is someone who was baptized in a Protestant church but has been attending Mass with his or her spouse for years and thinks it is the right time to become Catholic. Each situation demands different catechesis and how long that catechesis takes is assessed individually. That is why, every once-in-a-while, you will come to Mass (in October or June or January) and someone will be received into the Church. In those situations, they are already baptized Christian. They make a profession of Faith and are confirmed and receive the Eucharist for the first time. We respect the spiritual journey of each person. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, talk to one of the priests, deacons, or Earl (or just call the office!) and we will help answer any questions you might have about this process!

















SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of Mary Beth Clark who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathies to her 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: Rosemary Connolly, Fran McCarthy, Shirley Triscik, Jennifer Hazelbaker, John Sceski, Rosemarie Marone, Joanne Kayser, Lisa Kayser, Tony Mayan, Abram Brandt, Mort Kayser, Barbara Kayser, Mary Beth Sheehan and Jeff & Lori Sotack.

















ALTAR FLOWERS

Main Altar Vase 1

In Loving Memory of Josephine Testa from Kathleen & Dick



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.

HOLIDAY HOURS





MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21:

Jas 3:13-18/ Mk 9:14-29

6:45 AM Beatrice Penn

9:00 AM Elizabeth Sherbine-Frola

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22:

FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER, APOSTLE

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

6:45 AM Paul Duggan

9:00 AM Richard P. Spagnolo

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT POLYCARP, BISHOP & MARTYR

Jas 4:13-17/Mk 9:38-40

6:45 AM Marie Rafferty

9:00 AM William Delinsky

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24:

Jas 5:1-6/ Mk 9:41-50

6:45 AM In Thanksgiving for our grandsons and In

Honor of Blessed Carlo Auctis

9:00 am John Welsh

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25:

Jas 5:9-12/ Mk 10:1-12

6:45 AM John Atella

9:00 AM For the Intentions of All Our Parish

Volunteers

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26:

Jas 5:13-20/ Mk 10:13-16

9:00 AM Rosdon Hendrix

5:00 PM Richard Gusherowski

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27: EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The fruit of our speech and actions will wither and die unless we first recognize the plank in our own eye. By humbly admitting our own sins, we can more fruitfully persevere in the work of the Lord.

Sir 27:4-7/ 1 Cor 15:54-58/ Lk 6:39-45

7:30 AM Gloria Newkam

9:30 AM Roseanne Claypoole and Gail Vogt

11:30 AM People of the Parish

5:00 PM Gemma Rose Macchioni

YOUTH NEWS

Life Teen (High School)

This Week: No Life Teen. Enjoy your President's Day Weekend.

Next Week: "Life Teen Movie Night"-Life Teen returns this week as we get back together to close out our series on "Love Your Neighbor" with a movie night in the Youth Room. I'll bring the movie and the food. Invite your friends.

2022 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

Feb 27 Life Teen Movie Night

Mar 2 Ash Wednesday-Lent begins!

Mar 6 "The Evidence"-We begin our Lenten series on the reality of Jesus being the Messiah

Mar 13 No Life Teen-Turn your clocks forward for Daylight Savings Time

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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 March 16, April 6 & 20. We will not have EDGE on Ash Wednesday, March 2. We will practice social distance and masks are required.

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Harrisburg Young Adult Catholics Mass and Brunch

Young Adult Catholics (20s-30s) from the Diocese of Harrisburg will attend the 11:30am Mass at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church on February 20 and go out for brunch as a group afterwards. Brunch location will be the Cocoa Diner. Anyone interested should meet in the church narthex at 11:15am on Sunday, February 20. For additional information or any questions contact Mike Rentschler at (717) 421-8696.

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 7:00-8:00 pm in the Youth Room. We will meet via Zoom for the months of January & February. Young Adults will gather on February 23 as we finish our study of the "Book of Sirach".

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サ MINISTRY NEWS

Respect Life

Choosing Life: "I got pregnant at 19 during the first semester of my sophomore year in college. I kept that baby and now I have a 6'3" 17 year old preparing to apply for West Point. He will change the world. Never kill your children."

-Response to ABC News' FiveThirtyEight "Do you have an abortion story?" tweet, December 2021.

For help with an unexpected pregnancy, contact: Morning Star Pregnancy Clinics www.morningstarclinics.com (717) 901-2799

Knights of Columbus-Saint Joseph Icon

Every few years, the Knights of Columbus selects an icon of a saint whose patronage is particularly inspiring to Knights and their communities. Each jurisdiction receives one or several of these



icons which travel from council to council and serve as the centerpieces for prayer services in parishes throughout the Order. Since the first traveling pilgrim icon of Our Lady of Guadalupe in 1979, more than 174,800 council and parish prayer services with some 22 million participants have been held. Spread devotion to St. Joseph and pray for the courage to stand up and carry out our mission of protecting, defending, and raising future generations. Please join the Knights for a prayer service on Wednesday, February 23 at 7:00 pm in the Church. The Saint Joseph Icon will be on display, February 23-March 2.

For more information, please visit: www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/faith-in-action-programs/faith/pilgrim-icon.html

Knights of Columbus

The Food and Money Collection for the Hershey Food Bank will begin monthly at all masses on the first weekend of the month, starting March 5 & 6. The parish has always



been very supportive, and we know you will be again. Thank you in advance for your support of this event. God Bless!

CCW Tuesday Prayer

The ladies of the CCW will gather on Tuesdays at 3:00 pm in the St. Lucy Chapel to pray the Prayer of the Faithful, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, as well as private prayers for all our parishioners. We invite other ministries to join us as we gather weekly to pray.

Road to Kindness

THANK YOU for making Random Acts of Kindness Week come alive in our parish and our community! We heard some wonderful stories of kindness this past week. It warms



our heart that our Kindness Mission is making a difference and you are making a difference!

This week, let's remember that there are many people that may not have a special person in their life or that special person may have passed away. We ask that you share a smile or if possible, even a hug with someone that you know is missing their special loved one. Your smile or hug could bring some joy into that person's day!

Let's all remember the verse from Corinthians: The Three Most Important Things to Have are: Faith, Love and Hope! But the greatest of them is LOVE!

Thank you for following God's Way – "The Road to Kindness!" We wish you a week filled with Love and Kindness!

Catholic Creative Writer's Group

Interested in creative writing? We are looking for parishioners to join in creative writing from beginner to published author. The group will meet beginning Tuesday, March 8 at 5:30 in Room 320 for 8 weeks. If interested or for more information, contact Karen Kier at kier.karen@gmail.com

Caelorum

We look forward to seeing everyone at Caelorum on Wednesday, March 9 at 7:00 pm at St. Joan of Arc Church. Kickstart your Lenten season 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!

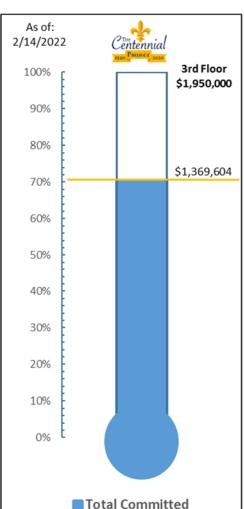
For more information, call Lou Felice at (717) 215-4175.



THE CENTENNIAL PROJECT

Centennial Project Status Update:

Spring is coming and the resumption of classroom renovations are just around the corner. March will be a very busy month obtaining permissions and permits. Approvals from the diocese and building code review of plans are the first steps before equipment and material can be ordered. We'll also have to anticipate one of the economy's most ominous and much-repeated phrase - "supply chain issues."



St. Joan of Arc School is experiencing tremendous growth. Already, plans for three classes of 4-year-old Pre-K, three classes of Kindergarten, and three classes of 1st Grade are confirmed. Two all day 3-year-old Pre-K classes are also in the works. Middle school classes are getting filled. Never has demand been this strong. It is well known that St. Joan of Arc is a National Blue-Ribbon School that has S.T.E.M. certification. St. Joan is also recognized for its extended day programs, such as WINGS, which accommodate today's families juggling busy schedules.

If you are able, the Wings after school program could also use your help. If you love working with children and have a few hours available in the late afternoon, give Deb Rizzotto a call at the school. (717-533-2854 ext.123) The program is the best in the area and we want to keep it that way. "Many hands make light work" and the work is rewarding. (Background clearances are required.)

As far as the Centennial Project, the immediate objective of the renovation plan is the creation of ample classroom space. The six classes being finished will provide instant relief to the lower grade enrollment increases and will at the same time fulfill the long-term goal of three classes each from preschool through 5th grade.

Your support is essential in making this project happen. Inflation is already increasing material and equipment prices by 20- 30%. That's another \$300,000 to \$450,000 added to our original fundraising goal (and the thermometer shown in graph at left) We are blessed to have very generous parishioners. We thank all of them for their gifts and pledges with special thanks to the many who continue to increase their gift. As your budget permits, please consider a sacrificial investment in our children's future. The sooner we can reach our goal, the sooner we can lock in prices. Thank you!

For more information, on how you can help, please visit our website:

https://www.stjoanhershey.org/thecentennialproject.html



"Love one another as I have loved you."

Are you discerning a call to follow the Lord?

Contact Fr. Jonathan Sawicki frjsawicki@hbgdiocese.org (717) 657-4804 Ext. 282

With Much Gratitude...

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

QUALITY DIGITAL OFFICE SOLUTIONS



HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

Everyone is invited to join the Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women to pray Mary's Way of the Cross every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. during Lent, beginning Ash Wednesday, March 2. In these Stations, we see and feel through Mary's perspective what Jesus was going through on the way to Calvary. We look forward to praying Mary's Way of the



Cross together! Please join us by Zoom or Phone using the same Meeting ID and Passcode for either way you connect. Choose the one that works for you!

Meeting ID: 875 9464 2343 Passcode: 198785

Join Zoom Meeting by using following link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87594642343? pwd=cXhKTjhpZ21vQTdsaUVTdjJGL2NzQT09

Or join by Phone: 1-301-715-8592 If you have a problem connecting, please contact Alycia at (570) 590-1116.

Truth, Beauty & Goodness Presentation

February 28, Mr. Louis Kratz will be presenting our monthly ZOOM series presentation from 7:00-8:00 pm, followed by 30 minutes of Q & A. This presentation will discuss the Basilica Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. It will include the consecration of the United States to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the initial planning and construction of the Shrine following WWII, and the completion of the Trinity Dome in 2014. The presenter, Mr. Kratz holds a BA and MA in Economics from Georgetown University. Registration deadline is February 24 at 12 noon and is free-of-charge. Registrants will receive the ZOOM link by February 25.

To register, visit https://hbgdiocese.formstack.com/forms/speaker series.

Matthew 25 Funding Available

Applications from organizations seeking funding from the Matthew 25 collection are now being accepted. Community and parish-based organizations who are working to alleviate hunger, provide suitable housing for the homeless and clothing for those in need are encouraged to submit an application for funding. For more information visit: www.hbgdiocese.org/giving/matthew25/

Deadline to submit applications is February 28.

Harrisburg Diocese CCW Scholarship

High school senior girls are invited to apply for a \$1000 scholarship be used post-secondary for 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 Jovce Scott **(717)** 737-0927 at or hdccwscholarship@gmail.com for more information or to secure an application packet.



STEWARDSHIP

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

Weekly Tithing: \$31,816 Weekly Budget: \$26,923

Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$2574

Week of February 6, 2022

Looking for ways to simplify a busy schedule? Try Online Giving! It's a secure and easy way to tithe and make other contributions. You can even set up automatic payments that will occur periodically so you don't have to worry about remembering when to give. It works just like online banking with 24/7 access to your account.

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* Stewardship - About Online Giving



March 6, 2022 Visit hbgdiocese.org for more information

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Afterschool Care Assistants

Help needed from 3:00-6:00 pm, Monday-Friday. Days and hours may be negotiated. Duties include supervising students as they participate in activities such as snacks, arts and crafts, outdoor recess, homework, socializing, etc., responding to basic emergencies, and looking out for the welfare of the students.

Cafeteria Help

Help needed from 11:00-1:00 pm, Monday-Friday to serve and clean up afterwards.

Clearances are required for each position. Interested applicants should contact Sister Eileen at sreileen@stjoanhershey.org or (717) 533-2854 Ext. 118.