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

**FEBRUARY 21, 2021**

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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

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Deacon Paul Koester  
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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**

**MORNING MASSES**

359 W Areba Ave, Hershey PA

**SUNDAY**

7:30 am, 9:30 am (live), 11:30 am

**MONDAY - FRIDAY**

6:45 am, 9:00 am (live)

**SATURDAY**

9:00 am (live)

**EVENING MASSES**

1525 Sand Hill Rd, Hummelstown PA

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY**

5:00 pm

**CONFESSIONS**

359 W Areba Ave, Hershey PA

Wednesdays: 5:00-5:30 pm

Saturdays: 3:00-4:00 pm

The Spirit  
drove Jesus  
out into the  
desert, and he  
remained in  
the desert  
for forty days,  
tempted by  
Satan.  
He was among  
wild beasts, and  
the angels  
ministered  
to him.

*Mark 1:12,13*

# FROM THE PASTOR

Rev. Mr. Paul Koester (pronounced “coaster”), a deacon from the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C., and his wife, Janet, have recently moved into our area and are registered members of Saint Joan of Arc Church. Bishop Gainer has given Deacon Paul faculties to serve in the Diocese of Harrisburg and has assigned him to our parish.



We welcome the deacon and his wife and look forward to having them as part of our parish family. You will begin seeing the deacon serving at Mass and preaching in the near future.

We are blessed to have four priests, three deacons, three religious sisters and two men in formation here at Saint Joan’s! That is quite a rarity in today’s world. The “monastery” is getting bigger! God is good! Please keep all of our clergy, sisters and seminarians in your prayers each day—and add an extra prayer for our newest deacon!

*Father Al*

## ✠ PARISH DIRECTORY

It is time to register online for the new Parish Directory. Each family will receive an email invitation to join the directory and create an account. Once you log in, you will enter your information and photograph. When all the information is gathered, the directory will be fully online and updated automatically. If you would like a paper copy, there is a PDF print out that can be automatically generated.



Online Parish Directory

Contact **Peggy Schroeder, Coordinator,** for questions or assistance:

[oshenanigans@aol.com](mailto:oshenanigans@aol.com)



## SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the souls of **Maryann O'Connell** and **Joan Varano, Mother-In-Law of Mike Davis** 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: **Mort Kayser, Mary Beth Sheehan, Barbara Mandes, Barbara Kayser, Jim Hackman, Jeff & Lori Sotack, Rose Zaccagnini, Richard "Larry" & Catharine "Kitty" Wright** and members of the **Wright family**, and **Carol Merlo-Knackstedt**.

## ✠ THANK YOU

We received a thank you letter to our parishioners from Father Beiting Appalachian Mission Center (Louisa, Kentucky):

*“Please send our thank you to the parishioners of St. Joan of Arc for their donations and in helping us to make Christmas a little happier for those in need. We are so blessed to have parishes like St. Joan of Arc who continue year after year in helping us keep Father Beiting’s legacy alive. Hope to see you all this year! God Bless!”*

Learn More: [www.fbamc-ky.org/](http://www.fbamc-ky.org/)

We received a thank you message from a fellow parishioner:

*“I would like to thank everyone for their prayers in 2020 while I learned to walk again. I plan to step surely withy God's good graces and hope you will too. Sincerely, Barbara Giuglianotti, RN, BSN*

*With Much Gratitude...*

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

**LISA'S CAFE**





## MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22:

**FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER  
THE APOSTLE**

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

6:45 AM Richard P. Spagnolo

9:00 AM Elizabeth Sherbine Frola

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23:

**SAINT POLYCARP, BISHOP AND MARTYR**

**Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15**

6:45 AM Special Intention of Lorraine Sorrentini

9:00 AM Carrie Francia

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

**Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32**

6:45 AM John Welsh

9:00 AM Dan Connolly

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

**Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12**

6:45 AM Deloma Bard

9:00 AM Tony Pala

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

**Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26**

6:45 AM Gemma Rose Macchioni

9:00 AM Gail Barrera

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

**Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48**

9:00 AM Donald DiClemente

5:00 PM Nicholas Resanovich

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28:

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

*Abraham offers the ultimate sacrifice of thanksgiving, the gift of his very son. This sacrifice prefigures the sacrifice of Jesus who died for us all. In his transfiguration, Jesus discloses a suffering messiahship.*

**Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34;  
Mk 9:2-10**

7:30 AM Mary Ann Trojanowski

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Bergloff  
and Saragosa Families

11:30 AM Maria Finestra

5:00 PM People of the Parish

# YOUTH NEWS

## LIFE TEEN (HIGH SCHOOL)

Life Teen will meet in the parish social hall. Everyone will be required to wear a mask and practice social distancing. If you have been around anyone with COVID-19 or if you have any symptoms, stay home and check in with your family physician. If you have recently traveled outside of the Hershey area, please stay home for at least a two week quarantine period.

*This Week:* We begin our Lenten Series on "Jesus, Our Savior." First, "Shattered" will help us reflect on our need for Jesus and His ability to transform our lives and world. We will meet via Zoom.

*Next Week:* "Eye Contact"-We will take a look at how the transformational love, salvation, and identity that Jesus offers excludes no one. Jesus is still alive and acting uniquely in everyone's life

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## EDGE (MIDDLE SCHOOL)

EDGE is for all 6-8th graders and meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month from 7:00-8:00 pm via Zoom. EDGE meets next on March 3, as we begin our Lenten series on "Prayer."

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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. Anything would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the parish office.

**Summer Mission Trip** The 2021 Catholic Heart Workcamp is now cancelled. Our hope is to try and do a service week over the Summer. Stay tuned for further details. I apologize for the inconvenience and we look forward to the trip in 2022.

# ADULT FAITH

## YOUNG ADULTS (21-39)

Calling all young adults between the ages of 21-39, married or single! We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month from 7:00-8:00 pm via Zoom. Young Adults will gather next on February 24 as we begin our study of the "Gospel of St. Mark."

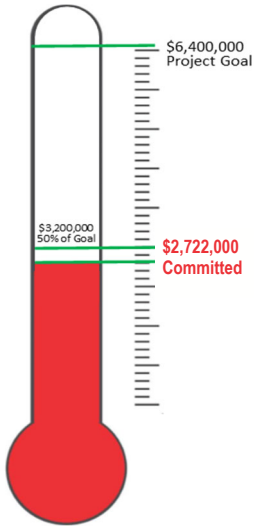
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✠ THE CENTENNIAL PROJECT

Please continue to pray for the Centennial Project 2020 Campaign.

Saint Joan of Arc School is a nationally recognized Blue Ribbon School with STEM certification. The success of our new facility would not be possible without your financial support. Your dollars are an investment in the mission of our Parish, that is, passing on our Catholic faith to the next generation through education and worship. If you haven't yet considered a sacrificial gift, there are several creative approaches to contributions that may be of interest, based on your current situation:



- Stock prices have recovered and appreciated significantly over the past few months. A gift of stock is exempt from capital gains tax.
- Gifts of real estate are deductible at appraised value.
- Pledges over time generally result in a larger total gift.
- In planning a budget, on-line giving enables recurring monthly debits that automatically end when the pledge is completed.
- Use the Centennial envelope in your monthly mailer for your convenience, and your donations will be recorded.

All gifts and proceeds are deposited in a restricted savings account that can only be used for the renovations of the St. Joan of Arc School or the Parish Social Hall improvements. Every dollar is important and very much appreciated. It is very difficult to raise enough money through cash donations alone. We also must rely on everyone that is able, to develop a personal goal of generosity and then accomplish it, whether through a one-time gift, or a pledge one step at a time. It is our hope, through fervent prayer, that the pledge is contemplated in the spirit of shared sacrifice in our commitment to the values of our faith.

For more information on how you can help, please visit [www.stjoanhershey.org/TheCentennialProject](http://www.stjoanhershey.org/TheCentennialProject)



## St. Joan of Arc Summer Camps

### ONE GREAT ORGANIZATION TWO LOCATIONS

Register today at [school.stjoanhershey.org](http://school.stjoanhershey.org)

**\$200/week**



**STEM CAMP**  
SAND HILL ROAD | HUMMELSTOWN

**June 7 - August 13**  
Monday - Friday  
8 am - 5 pm  
Week to Week Registration

**\$2,000**

**June 7 to August 13**  
Monday - Friday  
7 am - 6 pm  
Full Term Registration



**summer camp**  
AREBA AVENUE | HERSHEY



## STEWARDSHIP

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

**Weekly Tithing:** \$30,937

**Weekly Budget:** \$26,442

**Weekly Heart of the Parish:** \$2,459

*Week of February 7, 2021*

## ✝ EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### Holy Saviour Cemetery

The Diocese of Harrisburg, Cemetery Operations is seeking a team player with grounds keeping and maintenance experience for a full time position at Holy Saviour Cemetery, N. Susquehanna Trail.

✉ **Email Resume:** Joe Brlansky, Cemetery Manager  
JBrlansky@hbgdiocese.org

### Morning Star

Morning Star is seeking a part-time instructor to teach in the greater Harrisburg area. For questions or to submit a cover letter and resume, contact Leslie Moyer, Program Director.

✉ **Email Resume:** lmoyer@unfiltered-truth.com

✉ **Learn More:** [www.Unfiltered-Truth.com](http://www.Unfiltered-Truth.com)

### Diocesan CYO Director Position

The Diocese of Harrisburg is seeking an individual to fill the part-time position of Diocesan Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) Director.

✉ **Email Resume and Cover Letter:**  
employment@hbgdiocese.org

✉ **Learn More:** Diocese of Harrisburg  
Office of Evangelization and Catechesis  
jgontis@hbgdiocese.org

## ✝ FOSTER PARENTS NEEDED

In Pennsylvania, thousands of children and teens in foster care are in desperate need of a safe and nurturing home. A caring adult can make a huge difference in a child's life forever. To find out how to become a foster parent, please contact Catholic Charities Adoption & Specialized Foster Care.

**Contact Us:** ✉ [gpfeifer@cchbg.org](mailto:gpfeifer@cchbg.org)

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## ✝ MINISTRY NEWS

### Respect Life

"It is deeply disturbing and tragic that any President would praise and commit to codifying a Supreme Court ruling that denies unborn children their most basic human and civil right, the right to life, under

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Gospel of *Life*

the euphemistic disguise of a health service. I take this opportunity to remind all Catholics that the Catechism states, 'Since the first century the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion. This teaching has not changed and remains unchangeable.'

--USCCB, U.S. Bishops' Pro-Life Chairman Responds to President and Vice-President's Statement on Anniversary of Roe v. Wade, January 22, 2021.

### Road to Kindness

This past week started the beautiful Lenten Season with Ash Wednesday. The Lenten Season is the perfect time to reflect on God's love for us and to pass that love on by following God's Way - "The Road to Kindness!"

We are excited to kick off our fourth annual Lenten Kindness Program with our children and teens in our School, REP, The Edge and Life Teen classes.



This year due to COVID, we are making a slight modification. Red Hearts with Kindness Acts will be provided to each teacher and REP, The Edge and Life Teen Leaders. These Red Hearts of Kindness will be handed out to each student. The student will then perform the Kindness Act listed before Easter Sunday. Parents, please talk to your children about their Kindness Act. This discussion is so important. Please feel free to join them as they perform their Kindness Act.

This one Act of Kindness can impact someone's life. Let's all get inspired and share your RED HEART of Kindness with someone.

Continue to make a difference in our parish and community during this Lenten Season by following God's Way - "The Road to Kindness!"

