

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FEBRUARY 27, 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

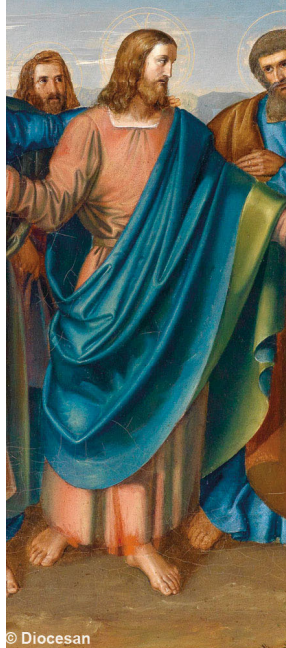
5:00-5:30 pm

Saturday

4:00-4:45 pm

"No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher."

Luke 6:40





FROM THE PASTOR

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Just a few reminders as we begin these six weeks of spiritual growth:

- ✠ The Distribution of Ashes will take place at all Masses on Ash Wednesday.
- ✠ A collection will be taken up on Ash Wednesday for our Sister- Parish in Haiti. Please be generous.
- ✠ Each Friday of Lent (except Good Friday), we will have Soup and Stations. The soup part will be at 6 PM with a short presentation by either Father Josh or me on a Lenten topic. This will take place in the Social Hall. Stations of the Cross will follow at 7 PM in the church led by either a priest or deacon.
- ✠ Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fasting and Abstinence. All Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

The Holy Week schedule will be published in a few weeks.

As we know, Lent is marked by prayer, fasting and almsgiving. May we spend more time in prayer to come to know the Lord more deeply. May we fast from food to make us aware of our hunger for God and that only He can satisfy that hunger. May we give to the poor so that we can be aware of the many good gifts we have been given and so recognize our own poverty before God. I hope and pray that this Lent will be a time of grace and mercy for each and every one of you!



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of **Louis Santangelo** and **William Parker** 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: **Sharon Veet, 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.**



*Please join us for
First Friday Adoration
 On March 4 following the 9:00 am Mass
 with Benediction at 5:00pm
 in the St. Lucy Chapel.*

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 March, April, and May at 6 pm in the Sr. Rossello Room in the Parish Office. For more information, contact karencwilley@gmail.com.



SOUP & STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us for Soup and Stations of the Cross:



- Fridays starting March 4 through April 8 at 6:00 pm in the Social Hall
- Stations at 7:00 pm in the Church



MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28:

1 Pt 1:3-9/ Mk 10:17-27

6:45 AM Debbie O'Cathey

9:00 AM Joan Spandra

TUESDAY, MARCH 1:

1 Pt 1:10-16/ Mk 10:28-31

6:45 AM Thomas Lawrence Carney

9:00 AM Annarose Albanese

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2:

ASH WEDNESDAY

Jl 2:12-18/ 2 Cor 5:20-6:2/ Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

6:45 AM Gloria Falconeri

9:00 AM Nancy Belgado

7:00 PM John Verrazzani

THURSDAY, MARCH 3:

Dt 30:15-20/ Lk 9:22-

6:45 AM Deceased Members of the Peter J. McCarthy Family

9:00 AM Edward Kelly

FRIDAY, MARCH 4:

Is 58:1-9a/ Mt 9:14-15

6:45 AM Ezio and Lina Bigalli

9:00 AM Caroline Seyer

SATURDAY, MARCH 5:

Is 58:9b/ Lk 5:27-32

9:00 AM Special Intentions of Walter Morris

5:00 PM Richard Cappelli

SUNDAY, MARCH 6:

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Moses recounts great events of salvation history which find their fulfillment in Jesus Christ. We confess him to be Lord, for God raised him from the dead. He is ever faithful, resisting temptation to forsake his Father's mission, trusting in God's love.

Dt 26:4-10/ Rom 10:8-13/ Lk 4:1-13

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:30 AM Mary & Samuel Fazzini

11:30 AM Mr. & Mrs. Leo Berzinski, Sr.

5:00 PM Stanley Stewart

YOUTH NEWS

Life Teen (High School)

This 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.

Next Week: "The Evidence"-Next week we begin our Lenten series on the life of Jesus and the reality of the Resurrection. The story of Jesus is not a myth or false hope that we hold onto but, rather, a historical, verified event.

2022 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

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

Mar 20 "Credible Witness"-During Lent, we prepare to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection

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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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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.

Volunteers Needed

Please pray about volunteering with the High School or Middle School Youth Ministries. We are always in need of some help from Core Members to Food Preparation.

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. Young Adults will gather next on March 9 as we begin our Lenten/Easter series on "Fratelli Tutti," an encyclical by Pope Francis.

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✠ **MINISTRY NEWS**

Respect Life

Choosing Life: “A young mother, [Darby], shares the story of finding herself pregnant at just sixteen years old, . . . taking the at-home pregnancy test, and being in a state of disbelief. ‘But then I went into the doctor’s office to get the official “yes, you are for sure pregnant.” That was when the tears kind of came flooding in and the emotions were suddenly heightened.’

“That’s when her physician said something that made her decision easy. ‘I’ve had a lot of people sit in that chair you’re sitting in now, and regret their abortions,’ her doctor told her. ‘But not once have I ever met a single mother who has regretted having their baby.’

“Darby says she took those words to heart and decided not to have an abortion.”

-LifeNews.com, 2/16/15

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.

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. The Saint Joseph Icon will be on display through March 2.



For more information, please visit:

www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/faith-in-action-programs/faith/pilgrim-icon.html

Special Needs Ministry

Can you help? A SJA parishioner is in need of transportation to/from doctor's appointments in the Camp Hill area. **If you are able to help and/or become involved in the Special Needs ministry, please email lisakronmuller@gmail.com or call (717) 443-8523.**

Road to Kindness

This Week brings in the beautiful Lenten Season with Ash Wednesday on March 2. The Lenten Season is the perfect time to reflect on God’s love for us and to pass that love on!



To share a very special quote from Mother Teresa:

“God has created us so we do small things with great LOVE.

I believe that in great LOVE, that comes, or should come from the heart, should start at home; with my family, my neighbors across the street, those right next door.

And this LOVE should then reach everyone.”

Enjoy this week and the beauty of the Lenten Season by bringing Kindness to every day and by following God’s Way – “The Road to Kindness!”

GIRL SCOUT Sunday

Girl Scout Sunday will be celebrated on March 6 at the 9:30 am Mass. **Please contact Stacey Kosters at 717girlscouts@gmail.com** if you or your Girl Scout would like to participate. We will meet at the back of the church no later than 9:10 am. Please wear your Girl Scout uniform.



GIRL SCOUT Cookie Sales

Girl Scouts from the parish will be selling cookies before and after all morning masses on March 13. **Please contact Stacey Kosters at 717girlscouts@gmail.com with any questions.**

Catholic Creative Writer’s Group

Interested in creative writing? Share your faith through creative writing. Open to parishioners of all skill levels. The group will meet beginning Tuesday, March 8 at 5:30 pm 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.

CENTENNIAL PROJECT

Ash Wednesday and the Lenten season begin this week. Lest we forget, it was just two years ago when our church was closed and remained closed for two months. The locking of the doors felt a little Cromwellian. The stress of being separated from the Eucharist was an enormous deprivation that was difficult to bear.

The ensuing months were riddled with uncertainty. Schools were closed, but thankfully St. Joan of Arc was prepared for remote learning. Small businesses were forced to shutter based on inconsistent and nebulous criteria. Sadly, many never reopened. Hundreds of thousands of lives were lost, and more still suffered life altering infirmities.

Lent provides us the opportunity for introspection and renewal. Let us re-examine our lives now in comparison to what we felt back then. Suffering is part of the human condition, but so is resilience. The future appears much brighter now with the waning of the epidemic. Lent is a reflective time of self-sacrifice and penitence, yet it is a necessary step of our preparation to experience the triumphant glory of the Resurrection. During this holy season, let us take the time to evaluate our relationship with the Lord and give thanks for all the blessings He has bestowed upon us.

The mission of St. Joan of Arc Parish is to worship, to educate, and to serve our community- especially our future generations. Providing our children with the opportunity to grow in faith, love, and charity is our prime responsibility as members of Christ's Church. Their spiritual and emotional development is equally as important as their financial success. It is our duty as parents and guardians to provide the proper guidance. St Joan of Arc supports this effort by providing rigorous instruction in a nurturing Christ-centered environment. If we are truly committed to the mission, we must make it a priority.

Please prayerfully consider a gift to support the investment in the infrastructure of our Parish and the future of our children.

To learn more, please visit our website:

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

View informative video and virtual walkthrough:
<https://www.stjoanhershey.org/centennial1.html>

With Much Gratitude...

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

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ENCLOSURE - COMPLETE!



RECTORY - IN PROGRESS



In 2021, your donations funded two major projects: the completion of the enclosure and the start of the rectory. This year has been especially challenging for our sister parish with political and economic turmoil in Haiti. Nevertheless they persevered and continued to make progress on the building projects.

“Our Sister Parish in Haiti needs your help. March 2, Ash Wednesday, offers a great opportunity to make a difference, since 100% of the collection will benefit our Sister Parish in Haiti. **Donations can also be made at the parish office or online by visiting:** <https://www.stjoanhershey.org/store/p68/donations-haiti.html>. **For more information about our Sister Parish or to join the Haiti Committee visit:** <https://www.stjoanhershey.org/haiti-sister-parish.html>

Thank You! The Haiti Committee
haiti-ministry@stjoanhershey.org



Hershey Ministerium Lenten Services will be held at 12:10 on the following days. Due to Covid-19, we will not have a luncheon following the services. The Hershey Ministerium also requests that masks be worn at all services. All services will be live-streamed via hosting Church's website.

Ash Wednesday, March 2

Hosted by St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church
www.stjoanhershey.org

March 26

Hosted by Derry Presbyterian Church
www.derrypres.org

April 6

Hosted by All Saints Episcopal Church
www.allsaints38.com

HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

Perohi & Fish Wednesdays in Lent

At St. Ann Byzantine Catholic Parish, 5408 Locust Lane, Harrisburg, there will be hot fish dinners, frozen perohi and kielbasa for sale. The takeout only dinners will be available from 4 to 6:30 p.m. The fish dinners will be \$12 and includes baked haddock, 2 perohi's, haluski and green beans. The perohi is sold frozen by the package for \$6, fillings available are potato & cheese, cabbage, sauerkraut, prune and farmer cheese. Smoked kielbasa will be available in rings for \$6 each. These will be available March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 & April 6. St. Ann Knights of Columbus are hosting the dinners. **For more information please visit www.stannbyz.org or call (717) 652-1415.**

Diocese of Harrisburg's Men's Conference ~ Save the Date

Becoming Champions for Christ, on April 2 at the Diocesan Center, Harrisburg. Keynote speaker Adam Janke headlines a panel of excellent speakers that will focus on standing firm as men of faith among the challenges of today's faith-less society. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction, Confession, and Mass celebrated by Bishop Ronald Gainer are also part of this annual event. Registration is \$35 for in-person (includes light breakfast fare and lunch) and \$20 for virtual. **Register today or learn more at www.hbgdiocese.org/men.**

Regulations for Fasting and Abstinence

During the season of Lent, Catholics are obliged to practice days of fasting and abstinence in order to spiritually prepare for our celebration of Easter. The following is a refresher on what the Church expects of us during the Lenten Season.

Days of Fasting:
Ash Wednesday and Good Friday

Days of Abstinence:
Fridays in Lent, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday

But what do the Days of Abstinence and Days of Fasting entail?

Days of Abstinence: No meat is to be consumed on days of Abstinence. This applies to those 14 years old and older.

Fasting: Catholics are permitted to have one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. This applies to those from the ages of 18-59.

Those who have medical conditions that make it imprudent or dangerous to follow these obligations are exempt from them.

Summary: On Fridays in Lent, we are to follow the rules for days of Abstinence (no meat). On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, we are to follow BOTH the rules for Fasting and Abstinence (no meat and one full meal with two small meals).



STEWARDSHIP

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

Weekly Tithing: \$20,585
Weekly Budget: \$26,923
Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$1,699

Week of February 13, 2022

SJA SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Distinguished Honors	First Honors	Second Honors
Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 8
Carolyn Frey	Jackson Bowman	Madison Jones
Margaret Harrison	Matthew Clark	Evana Stoffel
Peighton Magruder	Patrick Denisco	Grade 6
Ella Moore	Gianna Lentini	Bailey Carnecchia
Ryan Swallow	Alessandra Luna-Marengo	Joseph Clark
Charlotte Wuenche	Morgan Silber	Robert Ferris
Grade 7	Nora Waning	Brooks Kennedy
Ethan Angelo	Avery Wolfe	Alexis Kosters
Ian Coates	Grade 7	Lillian Moore
Sevrin Dion	Judah Brooks	Genevieve Pena
Michael Dugan	Alexander Carl	Henry Wyckoff
Kiera DyReyes-Wuite	Sophia Chardo	
Juliana Heinz	Aurelia Donaldson	
Katherine Maitrejean	Cassidy Dunn	
Niyanta Patel	Claire Gidusko	
Grace Reider	Brandt Hazard	
Angelika Virabyan	Vivian Kaiser	
Savannah Wheeler	Eleanor McCormick	
Sebastian Williams	Schuyler Willi	
Grade 6	Grade 6	
Clare Corona	Jacob Clark	
Jack Costello	Anna Harrison	
Beatrice Harbaugh	Ethan Jones	
Chase Katchmore	Jackson Judd	
Sofia Quianzon	Ella Katchmore	
Frances Stafford	Lauren Libhart	
Maire Sheehan	Andrew Moore	
Harper Wolfe	Peyton Morris	
	Elijah Reider	
	Isabel Zulli	