

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

MARCH 3, 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.

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

Luke 6:40



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 pm

Sunday Masses: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm, 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.



FROM THE PASTOR

After the Grand Jury Report was released last August, we here at Saint Joan of Arc held our own listening sessions early on to talk about our thoughts and feelings over this deep crisis in the Church. After the initial 3 listening sessions, we had a follow-up session in November to discuss some concrete actions we as a parish could do to bring healing and understanding to those who are hurting. There was a desire on the part of those involved to look at the subject of healing from a spiritual, educational and catechetical approach. As part of our parish follow-up, I am glad to announce the following activities for our parish during 2019. The whole series will be called "Toward Healing." (All events will take place in the cafeteria unless otherwise noted):

- ✠ **March 21**—"An Evening with Janet McNeal", the coordinator of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg's "Safe Environment" program. A retired captain in the PA State Police, Janet ran the Megan's Law Section of the State Police.
- ✠ **April 19** (Good Friday, 12:30PM)—Outdoor Stations of the Cross for the Healing of Sexual Abuse Victims
- ✠ **May 2**—"The Church's Teaching on Human Sexuality: An Overview" (Adult Religious Education)
- ✠ **May 23**—"Building Bridges Between Estranged Members in the Christian Family: A Family Therapy Perspective" led by Dr. Joseph Dreiss, PhD, clinical psychologist
- ✠ **September 12**—"Saints who have Endured Sexual Abuse" Presentation and Prayer Service
- ✠ **September 26**—"Prayer as a Way Toward Healing" (Adult Religious Education)
- ✠ **October 10**—Day of Fasting and Prayer for Healing of those Sexually Abused by Clergy—All day fast followed by Evening Prayer Service and Reflection
- ✠ **October 24**—"Domestic Violence: A Catholic Perspective" by Susan Kelly-Dreiss, founder and former Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- ✠ **November 14**—Exposition and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Holy Hour for those who have suffered Clergy Sexual Abuse

There will be more information in the coming months on these presentations/prayer services. Mark your calendar now! May we as a parish, Church, and society find a way "toward healing".

Father Al



PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of our parish, in your prayers: **Justin Baker, Joseph DeFluri, and Carl Robinson.**

✠ **Parish - Prayer Intentions**

SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES:

Please pray for the souls of **Dan Connolly, Barbara O'Toole, Francis Cottonaro, mother of Joseph Cottonaro, and former parishioner Charles Everson.** who died recently.

MASS ATTENDANCE: February 23/24 **TOTAL:** 1617

5:15 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 PM	5:30 PM
257	129	301	360	228	342



As we begin Lent on Wednesday, we ask that we be mindful of the many gifts and blessings which have been bestowed on us by our loving Father. We are reminded that in giving to others, our lives are greatly enriched. May our Lent be one of reflection and inspiration, service and generosity to others, and going beyond rather than doing without. As we are asked to support the Diocesan Annual Campaign during our in-pew commitment weekend, may God guide us toward a successful campaign. Bishop Gainer has prepared a video message for us that can be found on the homepage of our parish website. Father Al will be speaking at all of the Masses next weekend (March 9 & 10), the first of two weekends of in-pew commitment.



With Much Gratitude...



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

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WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAR 4: SAINT CASIMIR

Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27

6:45 AM Deceased Kolovich and Wydra Families

9:00 AM David Cunningham

TUESDAY, MAR 5

Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31

6:45 AM Karen Coates

9:00 AM Robert Rafferty

WEDNESDAY, MAR 6: ASH WEDNESDAY

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

6:45 AM Gene Duckart

9:00 AM John McCormick

7:00 PM Henry Albright

THURSDAY, MAR 7: SAINTS PERPETUA AND FELICITY, MARTYRS

Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

6:45 AM John "Sparky" Sachette

9:00 AM Ezio & Lina Bigalli

FRIDAY, MAR 8: SAINT JOHN OF GOD, RELIGIOUS

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

6:45 AM Stanley Stewart

9:00 AM Matthew R. Prang, Sr.

SATURDAY, MAR 9: SAINT FRANCES OF ROME, RELIGIOUS

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

9:00 AM Dick Mann

5:15 PM Deceased Members of the Restak Family

SUNDAY, MAR 10: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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

Moses recounts great events of salvation history which find their fulfillment in Jesus Christ. We confess him to the 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.

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:00 AM Matthew Pritchett and Elsie Marcucci

10:30 AM Francis Flannelly III

12:00 PM Robert W. Coyle

5:30 PM Ronald Geller

This Week In Our Parish

❖ MONDAY, MARCH 4		
3:00 PM	Girl Scouts	SJC
7:00 PM	Edge	MRC
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts	CAF
❖ TUESDAY, MARCH 5		
9:30 AM	Little Rock Scripture Study	SJC
9:45 AM	Legion of Mary	SJC
6:30 PM	Cub Scouts	-
7:00 PM	Faith Enrichment	PC
❖ WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6		
7:15 AM	Wednesday Morning Coffee	SJC
7:45 AM	Gospel Reflection	SJC
12:10 PM	Ecumenical Lenten Service	CHR
12:45 PM	Ecumenical Lenten Luncheon	CAF
4:15 PM	REP: Grades K-6	-
7:00 PM	Mass	CHR
❖ THURSDAY, MARCH 7		
10:00 AM	Faith Enrichment	PC
6:30 PM	Girl Scouts	SJC
7:00 PM	CCW District Meeting	CAF
7:00 PM	Adult Choir	CHR
7:30 PM	Knights of Columbus	MRC
❖ FRIDAY, MARCH 8		
3:00 PM	Junior Legion of Mary	SJC
6:00 PM	Soup & Stations	CAF
7:00 PM	Parish Stations	CHR
❖ SATURDAY, MARCH 9		
6:30 AM	That Man is You	MRC
10:00 AM	First Penance	CHR
❖ SUNDAY, MARCH 10		
9:00 AM	REP: Grades K-6	CAF
6:45 PM	Life Teen	MRC
7:00 PM	Confirmation Prep	CAF




LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE: MARCH 10, 2019

	5:15 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 PM	5:30 PM
Lector	Sr. Salvatoris	M. Spaeder	M. Gette	K. Shovlin	D. Dix	A. Zimmerman
EMHC	J. Traini	N. Chandler	K. Burkhardt	A. Gould	S. Cordaro	J. Larkin
	R. Barry	E. Frauenhoffer	M. DeAngelis	B. Hasson	C. Evans	J. Larkin
	G. Bixler	P. Mooney	T. DeAngelis	G. Holobetz	J. Evans	V. Felice
Altar Servers	M. Coyle	A. Shiffler	S. Brickley	V. Yee	L. Hamilton	E. Kopp
	V. Foley	A. Zaccaria	J. Costello	M. Jones	L. Hamilton	G. Kopp
	D. Bagatta	J. Katzenmoyer	J. Wilson	E. Jones	T. McInerney	E. Hoffman
MC	M. Bagatta	J.P. Katzenmoyer	C. Edwards	D. Kreiss	J. McInerney	A. Aluquin

Money Counters: J. Traini, J. Banks, T. Kilcoyne, J. Storm, D. Ryan, J. Thomas

MARCH 6, 2019 MARCH 8, 2019

	6:45 AM	9:00 AM	4:15 PM	7:00 PM		
Lector	J. Gusherowski	Students		B. Meinert	Lector	F. Ruggiero
EMHC	W. Lutz	J. Nolan	B. McCarthy	B. Frola		
	M. Spaeder	Sr. Eileen	J. Triscik	J. Frola		
	K. Willey	Sr. Salvatoris	M. Duval	T. Crum-Ewing		
Altar Servers	A. Gusherowski	Students		B. Seesholtz	Altar Servers	M. O'Hara
	L. Gusherowski			D. Matas		M. O'Hara
MC	E. Gusherowski			J. Matas		
				D. Kreiss		



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Weekly Tithing: \$25,472
Weekly Budget: \$30,385
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YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH)

This Week: "Life Teen Social" It's the Sunday before Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent, so we'll have a night of fun and games, and snacks that we normally give up for Lent. Invite your friends to a night of "Minute to Win It."

Next Week: "Surfer Jesus" We begin our Lenten series on the person of Jesus by looking at who He really is to help us deepen our relationship with Jesus, the Song of God and Savior of the World.



EDGE (MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH)

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



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (R.E.P.)

Registration for the 2019-2020 year has begun. A discounted rate will be in effect until May 1.

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



VOCATIONS CORNER

That men and women will answer the call of their vocations, denying themselves, taking up their crosses, and following Christ, we pray to the Lord.



Vocations Cross

Mar. 4-11: Filomena Cramer

Mar. 11-18: Joyce Nolan

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**

† SCHOOL NEWS

DINNER FOR DOLLARS

Primanti Bros. in Hershey will host Dinner for Dollars **EVERY DAY, ALL DAY** now 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 **March 13** as we begin our Lenten Bible Study on the Gospel of St. John.

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

🏠 **Parish Ministries - Young Adults**

FAITH ENRICHMENT

The Thursday morning Faith Enrichment series will continue on **March 7** at 10:00 am in the Parish Center. This series will feature a study of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

🏠 **Education - Faith Enrichment**

† 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 Reverend 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@hbdiocese.org**

† MINISTRY NEWS

SOUP AND STATIONS

Save the dates for the upcoming Soup and Stations on **March 8, 15, & 22** at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria.

MADE FOR MORE

Tickets will be on sale this week after Mass for the exciting new event on **April 2** at Bishop McDevitt High School, called *Made For More: Visions of the Promised Land* with Christopher West and Mike Mangione. 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.**

WEDNESDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

If you love sharing ideas, insights, and heartfelt reflections with other Catholics, you will enjoy our Wednesday Morning Gospel Reflections. Following the 6:45 am Mass and a light breakfast buffet at 7:15 am in St. Joseph Center, a small group will gather for a prayerful reflection on the Gospel reading for the coming Sunday's Mass.

📞 **Tom DeAngelis: tom@stewardshipmission.org**

FESTIVAL JEWELRY BOOTH

Festival planning has begun. That means the jewelry booth is actively collecting jewelry. So it's time to do some early spring cleaning of your jewelry boxes. Bring new, used, and even broken jewelry to the parish office.

📞 **Aura: (717) 533-6317**

LENTEN FISH FRY

Save the dates for the Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, **March 29** and Friday **April 12**.

Are you a practicing Catholic male 18 years of age or older? Consider joining the Knights of Columbus.

📞 **Don Sickler: 717-418-4650**

CCW FUNDRAISER

On **Thursday, March 14** at 5:30 pm in the cafeteria, the CCW will hold a fundraiser dinner for St. Jeanne D'Arc in Haiti (our sister parish's school). Currently, the children only receive 3 meals per week and our goal is to raise the funds to increase that to 4 meals per week. It will cost \$3,500 to feed these children one extra meal per week. This homemade dinner of various international delights will be open to men also, so bring your spouse and/or a friend. **Reservations are required by March 8.** There will be a presentation about our sister parish. **Suggested donation: \$20 per person.**

📞 **Julie: (717) 566-5838; sjaccwpres@gmail.com**

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✠ MINISTRY NEWS

ROAD TO KINDNESS

This Week starts the beautiful Lenten Season with Ash Wednesday on March 6! The Lenten Season is the perfect time to reflect on God's love for us and to pass along that love.

In our research on the best way to kick off this Lenten Season's Kindness Program, we found these words in a Guidepost article that referenced Pope Francis and John Chrysostom (an early Eastern church father and archbishop of Constantinople).

"No act of virtue can be great if it is not followed by advantage for others. So, no matter how much time you spend fasting, if you do no good to others, you do nothing great."

With these words in mind, on Ash Wednesday, we are kicking off our 2nd Annual Lenten Kindness Program with our children and teens in our school, REP, Edge, and Life Teen. We have prepared a beautiful cross and placed over 700 red hearts on it. Each red heart has a kindness act listed on it. We are asking each child to take one red heart off the cross and perform the kindness act listed before Easter Sunday. This one act of kindness can impact someone's life! The cross will be placed in the cafeteria.

Parents, please talk to your children about the kindness act they selected and feel free to join them as they perform their kindness act.

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.

✠ MINISTRY NEWS

RESPECT LIFE

There are several recommendations to help end abortions: (1) Pray: www.PrayerCampaign.org has daily prayers; (2) Get to know the pregnancy center nearest you (e.g. Morningstar Pregnancy Center). (3) Communicate with your state and federal lawmakers about abortion; (4) Participate in some form of public witness against abortion; (5) Connect with a pro-life group and donate regularly to them.

I THIRST PRAYER GROUP

Extra prayers get you through the week...

Join the I Thirst Prayer Group in praise and music to our Lord and Savior and commune with the Holy Spirit! When two or more are gathered in His name, He is there. So, enhance your Lenten season by spending extra time praying, giving thanks, and spending more time with God! Come on **Wednesday, March 20 at 7:00 pm** to the cafeteria. It will make a difference in your life.

☎ Lou: (717) 583-0240

✠ 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.

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