

# FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

It is written,  
"One does not live  
by bread alone."

Lk 4:4

## ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

### MARCH 10, 2019

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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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, 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:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

Today is the First Sunday of Lent. May this Lenten Season be a time for each of us, individually and as a Church, to turn away from sin, be open to the light of God's grace, and walk in the ways of holiness! May we all be transformed into what God wants us to be!



This weekend and next weekend we will be having our In-Pew Commitment Weekend for the Diocesan Annual Campaign. In my talk today at all Masses, I spoke of all the good work the Diocese of Harrisburg does to further the Kingdom of God within the diocese. The Church really depends upon your help and generosity to do the work of Christ that cannot be done by an individual parish. Please be generous this year. And remember that no monies collected for the Diocesan Annual Campaign will go to the Victim's Compensation Fund or to pay any legal fees associated with the Clergy Sexual Abuse Crisis.



On **March 21 at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria** we will have a **presentation by Janet McNeal, Coordinator of Safe Environment** of the Diocese of Harrisburg. Janet is a wife, mother, grandmother, former Captain and sex-crimes investigator in the Pennsylvania State Police, and former head of Megan's Law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Janet is the wife of a Methodist minister and is a Methodist herself. She will be talking about the following at her presentation:

- ✠ **Recognizing and responding to sexually offending contact**
- ✠ **Types of sexual offenders (predatory and opportunistic)**
- ✠ **Finding a path toward healing**

I met with Janet for a number of hours this past week and learned so much about this topic. I encourage all those who wish to know more to come to this meeting. Just a reminder that this talk is for adults only. This is the beginning of a series of talks and events that our parish is hosting as a follow-up to our listening sessions in the fall. Let us all be a part of the solution to this terrible scourge in our Church and our society!

*Father Al*


<b>MASS ATTENDANCE: March 2/3 TOTAL:1453</b>					
<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>
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## BAPTISMS

*Our parish community welcomes these newly baptized children of God:*

**LAUREN GRUDI**  
**CLARA LESHER**



*With Much Gratitude...*



We wish to thank the sponsor of the week for advertising in our parish bulletin:  
**PALMYRA ANIMAL CLINIC**



## WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, MAR 11

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

6:45 AM Margaret Anderson

9:00 AM Joseph Holubek

### TUESDAY, MAR 12

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

6:45 AM Robert Lynn Abel, Jr.

9:00 AM Bill Sr., Peggy, Bill Jr. "Bumper," and Jack Owens

### WEDNESDAY, MAR 13

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

6:45 AM Dorothy Everest

9:00 AM Katie Savini McGowan and Anna Savini Tucci

### THURSDAY, MAR 14

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

6:45 AM Jim Grap

9:00 AM James Rafferty

### FRIDAY, MAR 15

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

6:45 AM Fred & Irene Czarny

9:00 AM Laurence H. Demers Jr.

### SATURDAY, MAR 16

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

9:00 AM Josephine Mingione Testa and deceased of the Mingione Family

5:15 PM Joseph, Margaret and Martin Stahl

### SUNDAY, MAR 17: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

*Abram's faith is sealed with a covenant initiated by God, our light and our salvation. The transfiguration of Jesus prefigures the transformation in glory to which we are called by our sharing in the paschal mystery - the dying and rising of Jesus.*

7:30 AM Pat Carter

9:00 AM People of the Parish

10:30 AM Donat & Claire Brosseau

12:00 PM Michael Hallinan Sr.

5:30 PM Carol Meridionale

## This Week In Our Parish

❖ MONDAY, MARCH 11		
3:00 PM	Girl Scouts	SJC
6:30 PM	Pastoral Council	PC
7:00 PM	St. Vincent de Paul	LIB
7:00 PM	Bible Study	SJC
7:00 PM	Edge	MRC
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts	CAF
❖ TUESDAY, MARCH 12		
9:30 AM	Little Rock Scripture Study	SJC
9:45 AM	Legion of Mary	SJC
12:00 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	SJC
6:00 PM	Liturgy and Worship Meeting	PC
❖ WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13		
7:15 AM	Wednesday Morning Coffee	SJC
7:45 AM	Gospel Reflection	SJC
4:15 PM	REP: Grades K-6	-
7:00 PM	Caelorum	CHR
7:00 PM	Young Adult Ministry	MRC
7:00 PM	Respect Life	SJC
❖ THURSDAY, MARCH 14		
10:00 AM	Faith Enrichment	PC
4:00 PM	CCW Meeting	CAF
7:00 PM	Adult Choir	CHR
❖ FRIDAY, MARCH 15		
3:00 PM	Junior Legion of Mary	SJC
6:00 PM	Soup & Stations	CAF
7:00 PM	Parish Stations	CHR
❖ SATURDAY, MARCH 16		
6:30 AM	That Man is You	MRC
❖ SUNDAY, MARCH 17		
9:00 AM	REP: Grades K-6	CAF
1:00 PM	Baptisms	CHR
6:45 PM	Life Teen	MRC
7:00 PM	Confirmation Prep	CAF



## ✝ SCHOOL NEWS

### DINNER FOR DOLLARS

The Tanger Outlets **Subway** will host a Dinner for Dollars event on **Monday, March 11** from 4:00 - 8:00 pm.

**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 (Subway: 40%; 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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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

Tuesday evening Faith Enrichment is canceled for March 12. Classes will continue on March 19.

The Thursday morning Faith Enrichment series will continue on **March 14** at 10:00 am in the Parish Center. This series will feature a study of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

🔗 **Education - Faith Enrichment**

## ✝ ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MARRIAGE PRESENTATIONS

The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving two presentations about marriage, divorce, and annulment, according to Church teaching. The presentations will be held on **March 21 at St. Joseph Parish in York at 7:00 pm** and **March 25 at the Diocesan Conference Center in Harrisburg at 7:00 pm**. These presentations will be helpful for divorced Catholics, those who are divorced and wish to marry Catholics, parish leaders involved in the RCIA process, and any others who may have a vested interest because of family or friends. No prior registration is required.  
☎ **(717) 657-4804; 304 | tribunal@hbdiocese.org**

## ✝ MINISTRY NEWS

### SOUP AND STATIONS

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

### MADE FOR MORE

Made For More, an evening of inspiration that blends presentation, live music, and artful beauty, will be hosted by our parish at Bishop McDevitt High School on **April 2**. We assure you that you'll walk away from this experience like no other with a new and refreshing outlook on the relationship between the human body, the Spirit, the Church teachings, and our ultimate human destiny. Come for an evening of enlightenment, to unfold the blessings that await you when you truly discover God's plan for you, when the Spirit and human body unite within. Made For More has transformed the lives of many individuals; don't miss your chance to be included. Tickets are available in the parish office or online. Buy them as a gift for your family, friends, or loved ones.



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with **CHRISTOPHER WEST** MUSIC BY **MIKE MANGIONE**

**APRIL 2, 2019 7-9:30 P.M.**

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### 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**

✠ MINISTRY NEWS

**CCW LENTEN CHALLENGE**

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invites parishioners of the Diocese to join them in a 40 Day Lenten Challenge. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 6, add one item from the following list to a box each day: clothing, food, \$1, or another item of your choice. At the end of Lent, donate your items to your favorite charities. If you wish, take a picture and email it to us; we want to share your Lenten works of mercy!

📧 [hbghdccw@gmail.com](mailto:hbghdccw@gmail.com)

**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

**ROAD TO KINDNESS**

As we highlighted in last week's kindness article, the Lenten Kindness Program commenced on Ash Wednesday for the children in our school, REP, Edge and Life Teen programs. We wanted to share a picture of the beautiful cross filled with over 700 red hearts of kindness!



It was great to see how excited our children and teens were to participate in our Lenten Kindness Program and to be able to share an act of kindness with someone in our community. Our Lenten Kindness Program fits perfectly into the words our dear Pope Francis said *"No act or virtue can be great if it is not followed by advantage to others. So, no matter how much time you spend fasting, if you do no good to others, you do nothing great!"* Each act of kindness done during our Lenten Kindness Program will be for the good of others and will impact someone's life! We thank our children and teens for their inspiration and excitement!

This week, we are asking each member of our parish to also do at least one act of kindness during the Lenten Season! This could be over 2,000 caring acts of kindness; just imagine the impact this could have on our community! We can make a difference this Lenten Season! Get inspired and share your red heart of kindness with someone!!

✠ MINISTRY NEWS

**RESPECT LIFE**

There are several recommendations to help end abortions: (1) Pray: [www.PrayerCampaign.org](http://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 to them regularly.

**HARRISBURG CCW SCHOLARSHIP**

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to a female, Catholic, high school senior for her freshman year at an accredited college, university, or trade school. Applicants must be sponsored by a mother, grandmother, or guardian who is a member of a Parish Council of Catholic Women, must reside in the Harrisburg Diocese, and must meet all conditions established by the scholarship committee. Contact Joyce for an application. The application deadline is May 1.

📞 Joyce Scott: (717) 737-0927 | [joynbob10@aol.com](mailto:joynbob10@aol.com)

**MARCH 29**  
**APRIL 12**

✠ 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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