

# THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

For three years now  
I have come in search  
of fruit on this fig tree  
but have found none.

Lk 13:7

## ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

MARCH 20, 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)

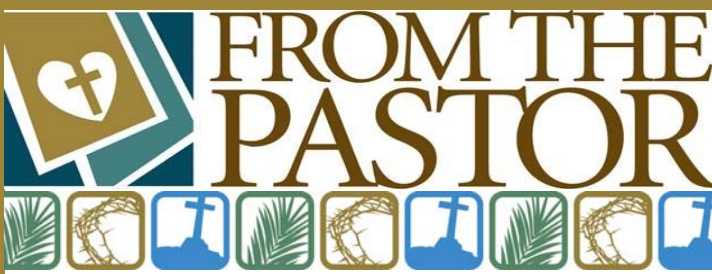
### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday

5:00-5:30 pm

Saturday

4:00-4:45 pm



## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### PALM SUNDAY –April 10

Regular Weekend Schedule  
(Procession with Palms at 11:30 am Mass)

### MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

Morning Masses-6:45 & 9:00 am

### TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK-April 12

Tenebrae-8 pm

### HOLY THURSDAY –April 14

Morning Prayer-8 am  
Mass Of The Lord's Supper-7 pm  
Adoration in the Church-until 10 pm  
(Confessions)  
Night Prayer-9:45 pm

### GOOD FRIDAY –April 15

Morning Prayer-8 am  
Office of Readings-Noon  
Outdoor Stations of the Cross-12:30 pm  
Good Friday Liturgy-2 pm  
Stations of the Cross-7 pm

### HOLY SATURDAY-April 16

Morning Prayer-8 am  
Blessing of Easter Food-10 am  
Easter Vigil-8 pm

### EASTER SUNDAY –April 17

Masses in Church 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am  
Mass at School on Sandhill 9:30 am  
(There will be no 5 pm Mass on Easter Sunday)



## SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of **Mary Beth Marschik, Fred Sontheimer and Barbara Tkaczyk** who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathies to their families 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: **Karly Majzlik, Larry Enders, Fred Bender, George Ambrose, Sharon Veet, Rosemary Connolly, Fran McCarthy, Shirley Triscik, Rosemarie Marone, Lisa Kayser, Abram Brandt, Mort Kayser, Barbara Kayser, Mary Beth Sheehan and Jeff & Lori Sotack.**



*Easter Raffle tickets MUST  
be returned by  
Wednesday, April 14.  
Thank you!*

**LENTEN PARISH PENANCE SERVICE  
SUNDAY, APRIL 3 @ 7:00 PM  
IN THE CHURCH**

Soup and Stations of the Cross:

- Soup every Friday through April 8 at 6:00 pm in the Social Hall
- Stations at 7:00 pm in the Church



## **HERSHEYPARK TICKETS**

Discount tickets to Hersheypark are available to the friends and families of our parish at a significant savings. One-day park tickets are 48% off gate price; pre-paid meal tickets are available at a savings of up to 30% off retail prices, snack vouchers are exclusive for \$4.50 each and prepaid parking passes are 20% off. Order forms are available at the back of the church, from the parish website or at the parish office.

**Orders and payment MUST be received in the parish office by Monday, April 25.**  
Please make checks payable to: St. Joan of Arc.



## MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

### MONDAY, MARCH 21:

**2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Lk 4:24-30**

6:45 AM Paul Bixler

9:00 AM Daniel McCarthy

### TUESDAY, MARCH 22:

**Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35**

6:45 AM David Szostak

9:00 AM Krystyna Gardyas

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23:

**MEMORIAL OF SAINT TORIBIO DE MOGROVEJO, BISHOP**

**Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19**

6:45 AM Donald Barnes, Eddie Wiest & Albert Rossi

9:00 AM Mary E. Lewis

### THURSDAY, MARCH 24:

**Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23**

6:45 AM Kerry Quirk

9:00 AM Andy Hricak

### FRIDAY, MARCH 25:

**SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**

**Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38**

6:45 AM Donald DiClemente

9:00 AM Jacqueline Salus

### SATURDAY, MARCH 26:

**Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14**

9:00 AM Phyllis Burkhart

5:00 PM John Polto

### SUNDAY, MARCH 27:

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

*Having arrived in the promised land, the Hebrews celebrated their deliverance from affliction and distress in the Passover. Christ, our Passover, has entrusted to us the message of reconciliation: let us forgive one another and celebrate the unconditional and abundant love of God our Father.*

**Jos 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32**

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:30 AM Lawrence & Doris Demers

11:30 AM Jerome & Marie Boyd

5:00 PM John Verrazzani

## YOUTH NEWS

### Life Teen (High School)

**This Week:** “Credible Witness”-We continue our Lenten series as we look at how our faith in Jesus leads us to have hope in His promise that we will live an abundant and eternal life.

**Next Week:** “Firsthand”-As we continue to pilgrimage through Lent, we will try to understand that even when we fail to recognize Jesus and His presence, he continues to reveal His love and promises to us.

#### 2022 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

*Mar 27* “Firsthand”-The reality of the Resurrection promises new life, even in our despair

*April 3* Reconciliation Service- Life Teen joins the parish for our Lenten Penance Service

*April 10* “Palm Sunday Movie Night”-May we prepare our hearts for Holy Week

*April 17* No Life Teen-Happy Easter!

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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 7:00-8:15 pm. EDGE will meet on April 6 & 20. Please bring \$1 and food items to support the Hershey Food Bank. 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. Thank you!

### 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 for 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month from 7:00-8:00 pm in the Youth Room. Young Adults will gather next on March 23 as we begin our Lenten/Easter series on “Fratelli Tutti,” an encyclical by Pope Francis.

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## ✠ MINISTRY NEWS

**Respect Life**

In honor of the Feast of the Annunciation on March 25, when our Savior, Jesus Christ, became incarnate in Mary's womb, St. Joan's Respect Life Ministry will be collecting funds for Lourdeshouse, Maternity Home. This will take place after the Masses on **March 26 and 27**.

"Lourdeshouse provides quality services to pregnant women and their babies who have nowhere else to turn. The residential program symbolizes the commitment of the Catholic Church to uphold the dignity and sanctity of all human life. All the residents at Lourdeshouse are provided with childbirth and parenting classes, case management, and transportation. In addition, case managers assist residents in obtaining employment, housing, education, and counseling. Women can stay at Lourdeshouse throughout the term of their pregnancy and up to six months after the birth. Mothers and infants continue to receive support through the baby's first year."

**Lourdeshouse has requested monetary donations, please place your envelope marked "Lourdeshouse" in the baby basket at church, in the collection or drop off at parish office.**

**CCW Communion Breakfast**

The CCW considers all ladies of St Joan of Arc Church as members of our Council of Catholic Women. We are holding our Communion breakfast Sunday, May 1 after the 9:30 am Mass in the parish social hall. The cost is \$12. Please buy your tickets early so we may plan accordingly. Reserve a table for your family and friends. Tickets available after all Masses April 2 & 3 or you can pick up at the Parish Office.

**CCW New Board Members**

The Council of Catholic Women here at St. Joan of Arc will be selecting new members this May. We have an opening for the Vice President and possible commissions. Is God calling you to serve in our church ministry? We support our church and school. Our ministry is open to all the ladies of the parish. **Please contact Ruth Zemba at sjaccwpres@gmail.com**

**Knights of Columbus**

The next Food and Money Collection for the Hershey Food Bank will be on **April 2 & 3** at all masses. The parish has always been very supportive, and we know you will be again. Thank you in advance for your support.

**Caelorum**

We look forward to seeing everyone at Caelorum on Wednesday, April 6 at 7:00 pm at St. Joan of Arc Church. Join 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. Please join us! **For more information, call Lou Felice at (717) 215-4175.**

**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 scheduled for **June 9,10,11**. We need your ideas and energy! We will meet on Wednesday, April 20 and May 18 at 6:00 pm in the Sr. Rossello Room in the Parish Office.

**For more information contact [karenewilley@gmail.com](mailto:karenewilley@gmail.com).**

**Festival Jewelry**

Festival jewelry committee is happily accepting any jewelry you are willing to part with-old, new, broken, classic or trendy. Bring your treasure to the parish office. Interested in working with the jewelry committee?

**Contact Aura at (717) 533-6317.**

**Road to Kindness**

The Lenten Season is underway and as we said in our last article, this is the perfect time to reflect on God's love for us and to pass that love on.

As you may have noticed, in our 40 Days of Lenten Kindness Program, we have five (5) common acts of Kindness that you can do. These include: Saying a prayer for someone; Saying "The Our Father" as a class or family; Lighting a candle in church and saying a prayer for someone; Praying a decade of the Rosary; Saying a prayer for a family member. The common theme in all of these is to Pray!

You might ask, why is Praying an Act of Kindness? We call this an Intercessory Prayer, which is the form of prayer where you pray for someone else's needs instead of your own needs. This is a demonstration of kindness for that person, and you can intercede in prayer for one person, for your brothers and sisters, family members, groups of people, for those that are ill, etc.

Praying is so powerful! When you say a prayer for someone, you are sending them your love and compassion. Prayers are always appreciated, even when they are said in private. Why... because God hears them! Also, as you know through our readings and in the Bible, Jesus prayed and performed many acts of Kindness. To wrap up this article, we want to share a prayer from Christian Community:

"Tender Jesus, so meek, so mild, teach us to be like You in all our ways.

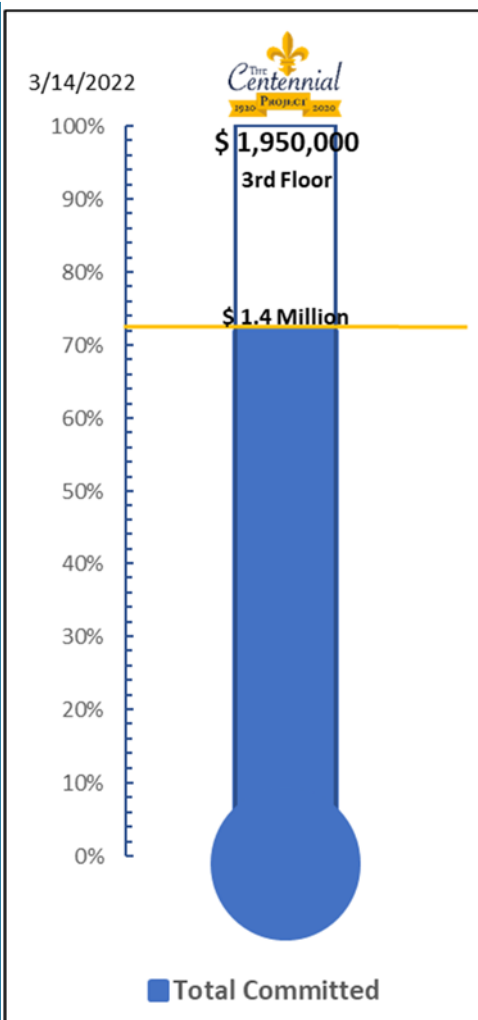
Teach us kindness, gentleness, generosity, and to be giving, forgiving, loving, and caring.

Teach us to Pray for every person that comes across our path or enters our mind today!"

Thank you for your prayers and for following God's Way – "The Road to Kindness" during these 40 days of Lent.



## THE CENTENNIAL PROJECT



We welcome daylight savings time and the arrival of Spring. The last two years have felt like ten, but it seems that the worst is over with the pandemic. For two years the frailty of the human condition has been fully on display. We assumed that once the virus subsided that stress would diminish and life would get back to normal. It would have been hard to imagine that things could possibly get worse.

Yet another crisis has overtaken the headlines. A powder keg has been lit in Eastern Europe and it could easily escalate into a holocaust. Its evil is rooted in hubris and is compounded by refusal to compromise. It's playing out on the world's stage with innocents bearing death and devastation. Please pray for a path to peace. Please offer your Lenten sacrifices for its resolution.

Pride is not just the province of despots and their sycophants. The sin of pride can severely damage our own interpersonal relationships. Whether at home, at work, or in social circles, a glitch in our emotional intelligence radar can often result in the lack of sensitivity to the perceptions of our behavior. We might even double down and try to rationalize our "assertiveness" as somehow an attention deficiency on the part of the listener. Maybe it's time to re-read Rev. Robert Fulghum's essays in *All I Really Need to Know I learned in Kindergarten*.

Please continue to pray for the success of the Centennial Project. Your dollars are an investment in the mission of our Parish, that is, the preservation of our Catholic heritage within the framework of an exceptional education.

All gifts and proceeds are deposited in a restricted 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 consequential and very much appreciated. We must also rely on those who are able, to develop ambitious goals and then accomplish them through a generous planned gift. If you haven't yet considered a contribution, please visit us and experience the value of a St. Joan's education. Our goal is to foster compassionate, mature, responsible, contributing, and intellectually curious learners, well-prepared for the next phase of their journey in life. Thank you so much for your support!

For more info... please visit our website: <https://www.stjoanhershey.org/thecentennialproject.html>

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

### Easter Flower Request Forms

If you would like to memorialize flowers for a loved one on Easter, please fill out a form and return it to the parish office by April 1. Forms can be found on the home page of the church website, on the tables in the back of the church or at the parish office. No phone calls please.



### Congratulations



to Katie Cole-White,  
Pre-K, SJA Teacher  
on receiving the  
**2022 Golden Apple**  
Award.

Katie is one of six teachers and one principal from the diocese of Harrisburg who were recently honored by the diocese to commend the educator's professional excellence, leadership, commitment to Catholic values, and devotion to teaching in a Catholic school.

## HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

### 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](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/men).**

### Annulment Presentation-March 22

The Tribunal Office of the Diocese of Harrisburg is hosting a presentation on March 22 at 7:00 pm at the Diocesan Center, 4800 Union Deposit Road, Harrisburg, concerning the Church's process of petitioning for a declaration of nullity (annulment) of a previous marriage. The presentation will cover the Church's understanding of marriage, types of annulments, the steps of the process and the grounds for marriage nullity. This presentation will also be available virtually.

Anyone wishing to attend the March 22 presentation by Zoom must preregister by sending an email to [tribunal@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:tribunal@hbgdiocese.org).

The invitation and link to the meeting will then be sent to you. There is no need to preregister if you will be attending the meeting in person.

### Spring Musical Bishop McDevitt

Come "be our guest" and join the Crusader Players as they present their spring musical, Beauty and the Beast! Show dates are Friday, April 1 and Saturday, April 2 at 7:00 pm and Sunday, April 3 at 3:00 pm. **Tickets are available online at [www.showtix4u.com/events/mcdmusical](http://www.showtix4u.com/events/mcdmusical).** Ticket prices are \$12 for adults online / \$15 at the door, \$10 for students and senior citizens.

### Harrisburg Diocese CCW Convention

All women of the Diocese are invited to attend the 96th Annual Convention. Our theme this year is "Be God's Hands on Earth." The convention will take place Saturday, April 23, at the Roman Catholic Diocesan Center, Harrisburg PA. **More details are available on our website: <https://hdccw.webs.com/hdccw-convention>**

### 50th Wedding Anniversary

Were you married in 1972? In honor of your 50th Wedding Anniversary, there will be a special Mass and reception on Sunday, July 10 at 2:00 pm at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill. Bishop Ronald W. Gainer will be the celebrant. **To receive an invitation, please contact the parish office at (717) 533-7168 Ext. 100.**



## STEWARDSHIP

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

**Weekly Tithing: \$33,174**

**Weekly Budget: \$26,923**

**Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$2,858**

*Week of March 6, 2022*

### Upcoming Special Collection

April 3, 2022

### *Catholic Relief Services*

"Your support of this collection gives aid to victims of persecution and natural disasters, provides legal services to poor immigrants, and advocates for the powerless. Through your generosity, six Catholic agencies reveal Christ's love to the vulnerable refugee, the immigrant family, and those who are poor and marginalized." Please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's Love to those most in need. **Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).**

## HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

### Girl Scout Patch Workshop

The Girl Scouts of the diocese are invited to attend a workshop to learn about Our Lady of Guadalupe in her appearance before St. Juan Diego on Saturday, April 2 from 2:00-4:30 at St. Joan of Arc on Areba Ave.

**Please register at [www.hbgdiocese.org/event/saint-juan-diego-our-lady-of-guadalupe-patch-workshop/](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/event/saint-juan-diego-our-lady-of-guadalupe-patch-workshop/) Deadline to register is March 25.**

### Springs in the Desert

If you struggle with infertility, you may feel like you're in a lonely, desert place. But you're not alone! The Diocese of Harrisburg and Springs in the Desert are partnering to support couples carrying the cross of infertility with a special Mass celebrated by Bishop Gainer at the Harrisburg Diocesan Center on Sunday March 27 at 9:00 am. Come with your spouse or on your own. Following Mass, we will share a light breakfast, hear inspiring, short reflections, and have opportunities to build community with those experiencing a similar season of life. **Register FREE at [www.springsinthedesert.org/hope](http://www.springsinthedesert.org/hope).**

*With Much Gratitude...*

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

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