

# The Good Shepherd

## ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

APRIL 25, 2021

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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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 (livestream),  
11:30 am

#### MONDAY - FRIDAY

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

#### SATURDAY

9:00 am (livestream)

### 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

*A Good Shepherd  
lays down  
his life for  
the sheep.*

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Jesus as Good Shepherd  
Josef Kastner, 1906-1911



# FROM THE PASTOR

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday. On the Fourth Sunday of Easter, the Church always gives us a gospel in which Jesus is spoken of as the Good Shepherd. The age in which most of us live is so very distant from the agrarian society of the past. We are not used to and, therefore, don't understand the images of farming and shepherding that the people of Jesus' time took for granted.

We often have these bucolic images of sheep and shepherds. We don't realize that sheep in the pasture are often dirty and smelly and unkempt. We forget that shepherds were considered outside of the community, often thought of as not being part of "good" society. Jesus gladly takes on this image for himself and came to shepherd the smelly, unruly sheep. That means you and me! He shepherds us because he loves us.



Some shepherds were only in it for the money and I am sure there were many who treated the sheep poorly. Jesus is the GOOD SHEPHERD who loves the sheep and cares for their needs. He knows our sins, our faults, our defects, and still he wants to be part of our life. He knows and calls each of us by name. Let us respond to the voice of the Good Shepherd and know that we are precious in His eyes!

*Father Al*

## ✠ CCW

The ladies of the CCW will gather Tuesdays at 3:00 pm in the church 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 for those touched by COVID-19, as well as other illnesses. Feel free to join us.



## SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of **Patrick Pronio** who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathies to his 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 Kayser, Jeff & Lori Sotack, Rose Zaccagnini, Bill Lutz, Pat Nestico, Muside "Mary" Rende & Family, and Audrey J Devine.**

## ✠ HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

### 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass

Were you married in 1971? In honor of your 50th Wedding Anniversary, there will be a special Mass and reception on Sunday, July 11, 2021, 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.



## ✠ ALTAR FLOWERS

### Main Altar Vases 1 and 2

In loving memory of Anthony Bosak from Deborah & Greg Catherine.

### AVAILABLE DATES

Dates are available in May and June to memorialize or dedicate for a loved one. Please call the parish office (717) 533-7168.



## *With Much Gratitude...*

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

**RICK YAZINKSKI, DMD**





## MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

### MONDAY, APRIL 26

Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

6:45 AM Marilyn Cole

9:00 AM James McNaul

### TUESDAY, APRIL 27

Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30

6:45 AM Robert Damiani

9:00 AM Philip Tomko

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28:

**SAINT PETER CHANEL, PRIEST AND MARTYR;  
SAINT LOUIS GRIGNION DE MONTFORT,  
PRIEST**

Acts 12:24—13:5a; Jn 12:44-50

6:45 AM Donald E. Hennigan

9:00 AM Harold T. Fogarty

### THURSDAY, APRIL 29:

**MEMORIAL OF SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA,  
VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**

Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20

6:45 AM Christopher M. Frauenhoffer

9:00 AM Hubert & Ruth Bernard

### FRIDAY, APRIL 30: SAINT PIUS V, POPE

Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

6:45 AM Antonietta Cini

9:00 AM Hal Hoffman

### SATURDAY, MAY 1:

**SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER**

Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

9:00 AM Maria A. Rossi and Deceased Capone Family

5:00 PM Assunta, Roberto and Nicholas Plebani

### SUNDAY, MAY 2: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Saul witnesses the risen Jesus and boldly proclaims his Lordship. We proclaim our belief in Jesus by our love for one another. He is the vine and we the branches. Together let us praise his name in our assembly of worship.*

Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:30 AM Hector Lopez

11:30 AM Daniel Jude Stuart

5:00 PM Rose Del Giorno

## ✠ YOUTH NEWS

### Life Teen (High School)

*Life Teen will meet in person (in the parish social hall or outside depending on the weather). Everyone will be required to wear a mask and practice a safe physical distance. We ask that teens who have been around anyone with COVID-19 or have any symptoms to stay home and check in with their family physician. Also, if you have recently traveled outside of the Hershey area, we ask you stay home for at least a two week quarantine period. While we want to continue to minister to the teens, we also most importantly want to keep everyone safe. Thank you for understanding.*

**This Week:** “What Happens Next?”-This week we will take a Scriptural look at the life of the Apostles up to Pentecost following the Resurrection of Jesus. We will meet outside of the youth room so bring a lawn chair and a Bible. If you don’t have a Bible, I’ll have one for you. Also, if the weather is not great, we will meet in the parish social hall.

**Next Week:** “Senior Banquet”-Next week we celebrate The Class of 2021 with a banquet in their honor in the parish social hall from 6:15-7:30 pm. All high school students are invited as we pray for them and wish them well on their future endeavors. Please RSVP to John via text or email.

📧 **John Triscik:** [jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org](mailto:jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org)

☎ (717) 533-7168 Ext.128

### 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 via Zoom. The last EDGE of the school year will be in-person on May 5 outside of the youth room.

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## ✠ ADULT FAITH

### Young Adults (21-39)

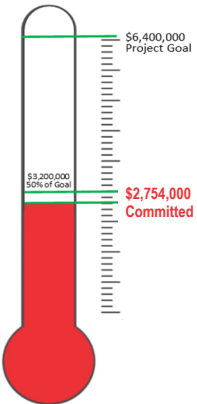
Calling all young adults between the ages of 21-39, married or single! We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month from 7:00-8:00 pm via Zoom. Young Adults will gather next on April 28 as we continue our study of the “Gospel of St. Mark.” We do not have Young Adults on April 14th.

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## ✦ THE CENTENNIAL PROJECT

Today's Gospel depicts Jesus as the Good Shepherd. "I am the Good Shepherd...I know mine and mine know me." The readings over the past few weeks seem to tell a little different story from the perspective of His followers. Living in fear and anxiety after His death, the disciples of Jesus had great difficulty in recognizing him-whether on the road to Emmaus or when He appeared to them in the locked upper room. Only through the "breaking of the bread" did they realize who He was. The Good Shepherd reassures us that His love and protection for us is unwavering, even if we fail to see him.



His presence is revealed to us each time we receive the Eucharist (breaking of the bread). It is vital that we make this the center of our lives. This is the foundation of our Catholic faith. The Religious Education Programs at St. Joan of Arc prepare the students with the knowledge and guidance of these core Catholic principles. A Catholic education cannot replace the role of the parent as educator of the faith, but it can provide a strong complement.

This year, we are celebrating the 100th Anniversary of founding of St. Joan of Arc Parish. Just six years from now, the St. Joan of Arc School will also celebrate this centennial milestone. The growth of our faith community is the legacy of the hard work and commitment of our parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents. When investment was needed, they answered the call.

We find ourselves at a crossroads with Catholic education in the area. Parochial schools are struggling to be viable. The need for well-educated, well-rounded, compassionate, and ethically centered youth has never been greater. With the opening of its new campus, St. Joan of Arc is poised to meet that challenge. Demand for enrollment is so strong that the third floor expansion has taken on a new sense of urgency. Your financial support is required to make that possible, so please consider a sacrificial gift to the Centennial Project 2020.

For more information, please visit our website:  
[www.stjoanhershey.org/thecentennialproject.html](http://www.stjoanhershey.org/thecentennialproject.html)

## ✦ SCHOOL NEWS



### Chicken BBQ: May 7

The St. Joan of Arc School PTO is hosting a Chicken BBQ Drive-Thru Event!

Meal includes:

- 1/2 Chicken
- Baked Potato
- Dinner roll with butter
- Applesauce



Pick up Friday, May 7, between 3:00-6:00 pm in the Church Parking Lot. Tickets are \$10 and available at school office (Sandhill Road campus), at the parish office or online <http://school.stjoanhershey.org/> through the school website.

## ✦ LIVESTREAMING

Find us on Facebook @stjoanhershey

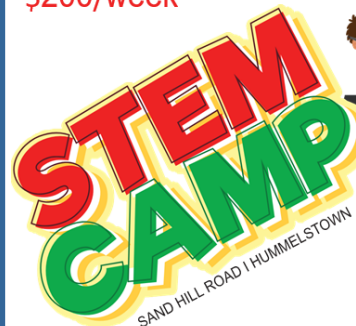
Find us on YouTube St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church



St. Joan of Arc Summer Camps  
 ONE GREAT ORGANIZATION  
 TWO LOCATIONS

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

\$200/week



June 7 - August 13

Monday - Friday

8 am - 5 pm

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Monday - Friday

7 am - 6 pm







## STEWARDSHIP

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

**Weekly Tithing:** \$24,451  
**Weekly Budget:** \$26,442  
**Weekly Heart of the Parish:** \$3,431

*Week of April 11, 2021*

## ✚ MINISTRY NEWS

### Respect Life

*"An openness to new life, and a reverence for all life, from conception to natural death: these are the glue of the human community, sources of hope and expressions of faith in the future. By contrast, in the words of John Paul, 'a civilization inspired by [an] anti-birth mentality is not, and cannot ever be, a civilization of love.' Yet that's exactly what we've created. And we needn't look far for proof. Most of the nation shut down during the 2020 coronavirus pandemic. Most abortion clinics stayed open."*



-Archbishop Charles J. Chaput,  
 Things Worth Dying For, p. 164.

## ✚ DONATIONS NEEDED

### Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families

Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families (a Catholic charities residential program in suburban Harrisburg) is in need of the following donations: powdered drink mixes, gravy mixes (chicken, turkey, pork, beef), pancake mix, and Season-All Seasoned Salt. Donations can be taken to the Diocesan Center (4800 Union Deposit Road) or to the shelter (120 Willow Road) in Harrisburg. Please call in advance if bringing items to the shelter (717) 652-8740. Thank you for your generosity!

## ✚ BANNINGS ANNOUNCEMENT

### Order of Deacon

Thomas L. Meinert, a seminarian of the Diocese of Harrisburg, is being considered for the Order of Deacon. This announcement is made in accordance with the law of the Church. If anyone knows of any reason why this person should not be ordained, they have an obligation in conscience to contact the pastor of this parish or Father Jonathan P. Sawicki, Director of Vocations in the Diocese of Harrisburg, as soon as possible.



## VOCATIONS CORNER

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese.

**Contact Fr. Jonathan Sawicki**  
[frjsawicki@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:frjsawicki@hbgdiocese.org)  
 (717) 657-4804 ext. 282

### Road to Kindness

This week we focus on Five Random Acts of Kindness for Older Adults. Recently, *Home Instead Senior Care* published an article on how to engage our elderly community and show them Kindness. The article suggests performing a Random Act of Kindness for each day of the week. Here are some suggestions:

**Monday** Lend a hand on a project that a senior neighbor has to complete.

**Tuesday** Write a letter. A letter to an older adult is a simple gesture that bears great meaning. For isolated seniors, it may even be the one interaction they've had in a long time.

**Wednesday** Deliver dinner. Surprise a senior friend by treating them to a home-cooked meal or an entrée from their favorite local restaurant.

**Thursday** Pick up the tab. The next time you see a senior at the grocery store, drive-thru, or car wash, consider picking up the bill.

**Friday** Create a kindness jar. Fill a jar with ideas and inspiration for thoughtful acts. Once a week, select one idea from the jar to complete.

At the end of the year, think back on the difference you made in the lives of others. By giving your Kindness, you are following God's Way—"The Road to Kindness" and you are making a difference!



✠ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**Zoom Presentation: April 29**

All members of the Parish are invited to participate in a Zoom presentation on Thursday, April 29, at 7:00 pm by inspirational speaker and behavioral finance expert Joe Jordan. Joe will discuss “Building Intergenerational Wealth” and “Living a Significant Life.” Please visit the Parish website to see the complete brochure and to register.

**Hanging Basket Flower Sale**

The Knights are selling hanging 10” baskets for Mother’s Day in support of the charitable works of the council. We are offering eight (8) different varieties. Choose from: Begonia (tuberous), Geranium, Boston Fern, Calibrachoa, Fuschia, Ivy Geranium, New Guinea Impatiens, and Petunia. Order by April 25 and pick up the weekend of May 9. To reserve your baskets, contact a Knight of the Parish, visit our website [www.kofc6693.org](http://www.kofc6693.org), or call (717) 500-1398.



**Monthly Food Collection**

The Knights of Columbus monthly food/money collection will take place on the last full weekend of each month at the Saturday evening and Sunday Masses effective March through November 2021. All proceeds benefit the Hershey Food Bank. We have had great success in the past and appreciate your kind food and money donations.

✠ **HERSHEYPARK TICKETS**

**Last Chance to Purchase**

**Hersheypark Discount Tickets**

Discount tickets to Hersheypark are available to friends and families of the parish at a significant savings. Orders and payment must be received at the Parish Office by Wednesday, April 28.

Gate admission is normally \$75.80 (All ages 3+); our price is \$40.95 (All ages 3+). Hersheypark Meal Tickets are at a savings of up to 10% off retail prices- \$12.99 each and Snack Vouchers (Not available at the Park) \$4.50 each. Tickets purchased in 2021 are valid for any single day of operation throughout the 2021 calendar year, expiring on the final day of operations, January 2, 2022. Forms are available at the parish office or in the online bulletin.

✠ **PARISH DIRECTORY**

Help with the Parish Directory will be available on Sunday, April 25 after the 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am Masses in the Parish Social Hall.

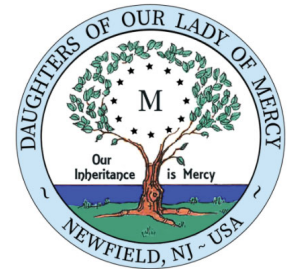
Please stop by if you need assistance with any of the following:

- Having trouble creating a login?
- Having trouble posting your family photo to the Directory site or need a photo taken?
- Bring your smart phone, tablet, or your laptop and we can help troubleshoot any issues.

Contact Peggy Schroeder at [oshenanigans@aol.com](mailto:oshenanigans@aol.com) with any related questions.

✠ **DAUGHTERS OF OUR LADY OF MERCY RAFFLE**

Purchase your ticket for the 2021 20-week raffle benefitting the Daughters of Our Lady of Mercy. Starting on June 6 and ending October 17, over \$10,000 in cash prizes will be awarded. Tickets can be purchased at the Parish and School offices for a \$20 donation. For more details, contact the Convent by calling (717) 533-2864.



✠ **EMPLOYMENT**

Are you looking to be part of something really special? Proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ, our Harrisburg Diocesan schools remain open to promote the spiritual, academic, social and physical development of students in an environment that is distinctly marked by the values of our Catholic Faith. Elementary Principal Opportunities for the 2021-2022 school year are as follows: Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Ephrata ([www.omphschool.com](http://www.omphschool.com)); Saint Joseph, Hanover ([www.sjshanover.org](http://www.sjshanover.org)); St. John the Baptist, New Freedom ([www.stjnschool.org](http://www.stjnschool.org)); Seven Sorrows BVM, Middletown ([www.sevensorrowsschool.com](http://www.sevensorrowsschool.com)).

For more information, visit the Diocese of Harrisburg website’s Employment listings: [www.hbgdiocese.org](http://www.hbgdiocese.org). Send resume and letter of interest to: Ann Everest, Dept. of Education; Diocese of Harrisburg; 4800 Union Deposit Road; Harrisburg, PA 17111-3710 or email [aeverest@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:aeverest@hbgdiocese.org).