

THE JUST WALK IN INTEGRITY; HAPPY ARE THEIR CHILDREN AFTER THEM! ~PROVERBS 20:7 AS A FATHER HAS

COMPASSION ON HIS CHILDREN, SO THE LORD HAS COMPASSION ON THOSE WHO FEAR HIM. ~PSALM 103:11



ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JUNE 21, 2020

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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

We are live streaming Mass on Facebook and YouTube.

SUNDAY MASS: 9:30 AM

DAILY MASS: 9:00 AM


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FROM THE PASTOR

I don't do this very often but I need to come to you at this time to ask for your help. As you know, we have been going through very strange times with the stay-at-home order during the Coronavirus Pandemic. It has been three months since we have gotten together as a parish to celebrate not only Mass but also our many activities that make us the vibrant, growing parish that we are. During this time, we have done very well as far as keeping the finances of the parish stable. We had a wonderful Easter collection and, surprisingly, a very good March and April. In May, we saw a sizable drop in our ordinary income. I do believe that as more and more of us get back to Mass, the Sunday collections will get back to ordinary levels as parishioners start giving again. I really want to thank the many of you who have remembered us each week by sending in your offering via online giving, mailing it in, or dropping your envelope at our lock-box by the parish center. Your faithfulness to the parish is a great blessing. A number of parishioners have given extra gifts to make sure we meet our monthly budget. God bless all of you for your generosity!

But there is one area where we are seriously behind: the Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC). Formerly known as the Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal, this assessment from each parish goes to the diocese to fund the work that the Bishop and the diocese does on behalf of the parishes, things like Campus Ministry, the Tribunal, Lourdeshouse, Camp Kirchenwald, etc. Each parish is assessed a certain amount based upon the size of the parish and the amount of money we bring in each year. As you know, we are a big parish and also one of the more affluent. Therefore, our DAC goal for this year is \$281,000. A big number, I know! For the past couple of years we have had a shortfall for the DAC but those deficits were minimal and paid out of savings. We had the money and we paid our debts. Simple as that.

This year, we are way behind. So far, we have in pledges and actual gifts only \$115,000 toward our goal. That means that we owe \$166,000 toward the DAC. We really need to get that number closer to the goal. We have so many projects going on that \$166,000 out of savings is really going to hurt us. Yes, we have it, but we can really use that money in-house, toward our own campaigns and improvement initiatives.

What I am asking is that if you have not given to the DAC yet, please do so. If you have already given but can give another gift, that would be wonderful. Be as generous as possible. Give so we can meet our goal. Remember, if we go over our goal, we get that back to be used in the parish.

You have been so generous with your ordinary Sunday and Holy day giving, with our Centennial Project and with our school, REP, and youth programs, (and, to be honest, with anything I have ever asked you!), that I know you will come through at this time. If you have any questions or need help on how to give to the DAC, just call us and we will help you in any way we can. God bless and know that I wouldn't ask unless we really needed it!

Father Al



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of **Joan Carr**, former parishioner who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathies to her family and friends on their loss.

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of our parish, in your prayers: **David Lynch, Barbara Kayser, Ruben Lugo Acosta, Mary Beth Sheehan, Kayla Mintz, Vladimir R. Lugo and family, and Neil Ott.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

Main Altar Vases 1 & 2: In celebration and honor of Walter & Anne Severs on their 50th Wedding Anniversary from their children and grandchildren

Blessed Mother & Saint Joseph: In loving memory of Pietro & Maria Rossi from their daughters

Respect Life Rose 1: In loving memory of John E. Austin from wife Pam

Main Altar Flowers are available on June 28, and July 5, 12, 19 & 26.



ATTENTION

CHURCH

OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office
has re-opened
to the public.

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY

8:00 am to 12:00 pm

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm



With Much Gratitude...

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

ROZMAN BROTHERS INC



WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JUNE 22: SAINT PAULINUS OF NOLA, BISHOP; SAINTS JOHN FISHER, BISHOP, AND THOMAS MORE, MARTYRS

2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Mt 7:1-5

9:00 AM Jim Grap
Annarose Albanese

TUESDAY, JUNE 23

2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Mt 7:6, 12-14

9:00 AM Teresa Taraschi DiRuscio and deceased
Taraschi, DiRuscio, Rollins, Schaeffer and
Valerio Families
Millie Landis

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24: SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

9:00 AM Pete Bowman
Vincent Olaf

THURSDAY, JUNE 25

2 Kgs 24:8-17; Mt 7:21-29

9:00 AM Special Intention for Rev. Philip Burger
Dick Deiling

FRIDAY, JUNE 26

2 Kgs 25:1-12; Mt 8:1-4

9:00 AM Special Intention for Jim & Judy Dezagottis
on their 10th Wedding Anniversary
Judy Wuchterl

SATURDAY, JUNE 27: SAINT CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Mt 8:5-17

9:00 AM Mylene Cebalano
5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Dezabottis and
Vitiello Families

SUNDAY, JUNE 28: THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

If we have died with Christ, we believe we shall also live with him. He invites us to take up our cross and follow him, and to respond to those who are in need, as did the woman who extended hospitality to Elisha the prophet. Blessed is she who walked in the countenance of the Lord.

7:30 AM Mr. & Mrs. Bruno Tarsi
9:30 AM Nicholas & Rose Resanovich
11:30 AM David Pegher
5:00 PM People of the Parish

YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN (HIGH SCHOOL)

This Week: No Life Teen. Happy Father's Day to all dads and dads-to-be!

Next Week: "Picnic in the Field" We will have a picnic in the back field outside the youth room from **6:15-7:30 pm**. Bring a sack dinner and your bible. If you don't have a bible, let John know and he will get you one.

Virtual Meetings: Life Teen will meet via Zoom on **Thursdays from 2:30-3:30 pm** and on **Sundays from 6:15-7:30 pm**.

📞 **John Triscik:** jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org



EDGE (MIDDLE SCHOOL)

EDGE is continuing to meet via Zoom on the **1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 7:00-8:00 pm**.

Edge will return in September.

📞 **John Triscik:** jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

HELP WANTED

Do you want to enrich your own faith experience while helping our youth learn and grow in the faith? The REP program is looking for teachers and aides for grades 6 (Sunday morning) and 1, 4 & 5 (Wednesday afternoon).

📞 **Earl:** etropp@stjoanhershey.org | Ext. 122

ADULT FAITH

YOUNG ADULTS

The Young Adults group is meeting via Zoom on the **2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 7:00-8:00 pm**. We meet next on **June 24**, as we study the "Book of Zechariah."

📞 **John Triscik:** jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org

RCIA

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Do you know someone looking for a church home? If so, the RCIA could be what you are looking for. The Fall sessions of the RCIA are now forming. If you are interested please contact Earl Tropp.

📞 **etropp@stjoanhershey.org** | Ext. 122



We are grateful to reunite as a community of faith, and gather once again for in-person Mass. What we may have taken for granted just three months ago, is a blessing to be cherished. People may still be a little hesitant to come, but that is understandable. We would encourage those who want to take things slowly to attend one of the outdoor Masses held at 5:00 pm on Saturdays and Sundays on the grounds of the new Sand Hill School. The weather the past two weekends has been spectacular, and we can't help but marvel at the beauty of nature as a backdrop for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Join us if you are able.

Indoors at the new school, work is quickly progressing. Back to School will be here in two months and we are praying that the pandemic will significantly decline and allow full classroom participation. Enrollment has grown to 412 students, up from 355 this past year. Everyone is anxious to return and a magnificent facility awaits.

Our Capital Campaign needs your support to fulfill the promise to these students. Nothing is as important to their future and the future of our society as their faith and their education. Over 550 families have made a sacrifice to raise \$2,580,000. Please visit our website and learn how you can help. There is still much that is needed to make a successful financial transition. Please be as generous as you can with your gift. Thank you!



For more information on how you can help, please visit
www.stjoanhershey.org/TheCentennialProject



STEWARDSHIP

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

Weekly Tithing: \$22,721

Weekly Budget: \$30,385

Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$1,330

Thank you for your generosity during this unprecedented time. We greatly appreciate every and all contributions made to our parish, especially in times of financial strife. We appreciate your continued dedication to our parish.



Try Online Giving!

We know the current situation makes it harder for parishioners to give their tithes and offerings each week. For those who are able to continue to give to the church during this hard time that has fallen upon us, we greatly appreciate your contribution. Have you ever considered donating online? We can help you set up your account or even manage it for you!

Online giving is a secure and easy way to tithe and make other contributions. You can set up automatic payments that will occur periodically so you don't have to worry about remembering when to give. It works just like online banking with ²⁴/₇ access to your account.

☎ **Michelle:** Ext. 103 | mgutshall@stjoanhershey.org

🔗 [Stewardship - About Online Giving](#)

SCHOLASTIC

VIRTUAL BOOK FAIR

MAY 11 - SEPT 4

St. Joan of Arc School's Scholastic Virtual Book Fair is on! Now is a great time to stock up on summer reading books while helping our school library at the same time! Scholastic will give back 25% in rewards to our school!

[BROWSE THE SELECTION](#)

Link also available at school.stjoanhershey.org

✝ MINISTRY NEWS

VIRTUAL CAELORUM

Please join us **Wednesday, July 1** at 7:00 pm for the virtual Caelorum Facebook event with live praise, worship, and scripture reflection. A link to the live event will be available at the Caelorum Facebook page. We hope to see you there virtually! Blessings.

📞 **Lou Felice:** (717) 215-4175

RESPECT LIFE

Look for the Father's Day Tribute in the Patriot News on June 18, 21, and/or 23.

ROAD TO KINDNESS

Father's Day is a very special day of celebration. Take time to wish each and every father that you know and that you meet, a blessed Father's Day. Offer a special prayer for those fathers who have passed away – we miss them! God bless our fathers as they follow God's Way – "The Road to Kindness." We offer up a father's prayer!

A Father's Prayer

"I thank you, lord for giving me
the blessing of a family.

The greatest joy I've ever had,
the joy of being called a dad!

I ask your guidance each new day,
to help me know just what to say.

To answer all the how's and why's
when I look in their trusting eyes.

To be there for them when they fall,
to mend a glove, to fix a doll.

To hold a hand or sing a song,
to try to teach them right from wrong.

Their childhood flashes by so fast.

I yearn for ways to make it last!

So, when they go to bed each night,

I give a kiss and hug them tight.

Such timeless treasures sleeping there,

The answer to a father's prayer!"

VOCATIONS CORNER

God promises never to forget us. If you feel distant from God, who has moved? Seek a closer relationship with God and all that you need will be given to you.

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

**In re Diocese of Harrisburg
Case No. 1:20-bk-00599 (HWV)**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On February 19, 2020 the Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg (“Diocese”) filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”).

The Bankruptcy Court has established November 13, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the “bar date”).

If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date.

Please visit <https://dm.epiq11.com/RCDH> or call (866) 977-0992 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS MADE TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEBTOR’S CHAPTER 11 CASE.