

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum,"
which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!"

Mk 5:41

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

JUNE 27, 2021

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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



FROM THE PASTOR

We welcome Father Josh Weaver to our parish. I know that we will give him a great welcome. It has been a long time since we have had a “seasoned” priest (Father Josh has been ordained two years!) and so we look forward to the gifts and talents that Father Josh has accumulated as a young priest. May his time at Saint Joan of Arc be a fruitful one both for himself and for the people whom he will serve.

Today we honor Susan Robison at the 11:30 AM Mass for her nearly 39 years working as our parish secretary. A reception will follow the Mass. I encourage as many as people as possible to attend and give thanks for Susan’s many years of service at Saint Joan of Arc.

If you have noticed, most restrictions at Mass because of the coronavirus pandemic have been lifted in the past month or so. Some people thought that these restrictions would go on for a much longer time and so we are glad that we can get back to some type of normalcy. Although Bishop Gainer is still giving a dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice, I encourage as many of our parishioners to return to in-person Mass. It is good to come together for public worship as the Catholic Community in Hershey. We will continue livestreaming the 9:30 AM Sunday Mass and 9 AM weekday Masses. I have come to believe that this is a great benefit to our shut-ins, our sick parishioners and a tool of evangelization to many away from the Church but it is not meant to be the norm. come on back. We have done a great job in keeping the virus away!

Our Liturgy Committee will be meeting this month to talk about some possible changes in how we do liturgy here at Saint Joan of Arc. When some decisions are made—communion lines, number of liturgical ministers, etc.—I will get back to you. Thanks for your patience.

Speaking of liturgical ministries here in the parish, a number of people will not be returning to serve at Mass. I would like to put a call out to anyone who would like to be a lector, an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, an altar server, an usher, and drop me a note. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are to be called by me, the pastor, but I am certainly open to those who might be interested in serving in this special ministry. Let me know.

Finally, have a good, relaxing, enjoyable, and holy summer!




SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of **James Curry, husband of Joanne Curry**, who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathies to his 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: **Joanne Jacaruso, Mort Kayser, Mary Beth Sheehan, Barbara Kayser, Jeff & Lori Sotack, Rose Zaccagnini, Bill Lutz, Pat Nestico, Kathleen Wertz, the Grubb, Kokenzie, Schindler, and Demore Families and Tom Searer.**

✠ ALTAR FLOWERS

MAIN ALTAR: Vase 1

In loving memory of Ronald Frate from his Family.

MAIN ALTAR: Vase 2

In loving memory of Richard Cappelli from Sandy and Family.

BLESSED MOTHER and SAINT JOSEPH

In Thanksgiving and Celebration.

RESPECT LIFE ROSE 1 and 2

In Thanksgiving and Celebration of all life.

AVAILABLE DATES

Dates are available in July, August, and September 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:

TREFZ & BOWSER FUNERAL HOME INC.





MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 28:

**MEMORIAL OF SAINT IRENAEUS,
BISHOP AND MARTYR**

Gn 18:16-33; Mt 8:18-22

6:45 AM People of the Parish

9:00 AM Ed Bott

TUESDAY, JUNE 29:

**SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL,
APOSTLES DAY**

Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

6:45 AM David Frasher

9:00 AM Scott and Brianna Gambello

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30:

**THE FIRST MARTYRS OF THE HOLY ROMAN
CHURCH**

Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Mt 8:28-34

6:45 AM Linda Garver

9:00 AM Paul Cramer

THURSDAY, JULY 1:

SAINT JUNÍPERO SERRA, PRIEST

Gn 22:1b-19; Mt 9:1-8

6:45 AM Marguerite A. Caso

9:00 AM Marion & Salvador Bilotta

FRIDAY, JULY 2

Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Mt 9:9-13

6:45 AM Estelle Saxton

9:00 AM Deceased Members of the Davis and
Yakstis Families

SATURDAY, JULY 3:

FEAST OF SAINT THOMAS, APOSTLE

Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29

9:00 AM Thomas Carney

5:00 PM People of the Parish

SUNDAY, JULY 4:

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus is met with misgivings and rejection by his own relations. Like them, we often resist the prophetic word because of an obstinacy of heart, rooted in self-pride which must give way to weakness and powerlessness.

Ez 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a

7:30 AM Clara Covage

9:30 AM Albert & Rosalba Weir

11:30 AM Rob Hamilton

5:00 PM Special Intention for Dr. Larry Sinoway

✠ YOUTH NEWS



Life Teen (High School)

Beginning July 11th, Life Teen will meet in person either in the youth room or outside depending on the weather. Safety protocols will be followed. When meeting outside, if you are fully vaccinated, you will not be required to wear a mask. If you have not been fully vaccinated, we ask you to continue wearing a mask. When meeting indoors, everyone will be required to wear a mask and practice a safe physical distance. We ask teens who have been around anyone with COVID-19 or have symptoms to stay home. 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: No Life Teen. Life Teen will return July 11th following our annual June sabbatical. Keep an eye on the schedule below to see what's happening in Life Teen this Summer.

Next Week: No Life Teen next week. Have a happy and safe Fourth of July.

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

☎ (717) 533-7168 Ext.128

EDGE (Middle School)

EDGE is for all 6-8th graders and meets on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month from 7:00-8:15 pm. We will return in September. Have a great summer!

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✠ ADULT FAITH

Young Adults (21-39)

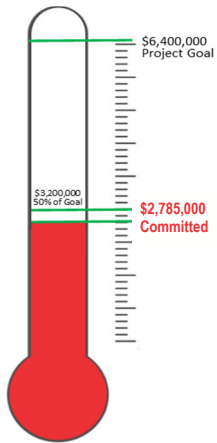
Calling all young adults between the ages of 21-39, married or single! We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 7:00-8:00 pm via Zoom. Young Adults will gather next on July 14th as we begin our series of the Deuterocanonical books with "Baruch."

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† THE CENTENNIAL PROJECT

A week from now we celebrate Independence Day, and the birth of our nation. It was the beginning of a bold plan of self-government, with its success far from certain. “We must, indeed, all hang together or, most assuredly, we shall all hang separately,”. were the cautionary words of Benjamin Franklin on the decision to break with Mother England. Many of the colonists were ready to die for the cause, but there were also many loyalists who still swore to the king.



As it turns out, not all of the British hearts were in the fight either. Many influential British were more concerned with the interruption of trade rather than the need for these colonial upstarts to bow to the throne. In some circles, the colonist’s demands didn’t seem that unreasonable. Acting in their economic self-interest, British leadership decided instead to punish these “recalcitrant children” with military occupation of their major cities. As it was, they had no long-term strategy to address the countryside where ninety percent of the colonists resided and tended their farms. This led to a protracted seven-year war with regional skirmishes. They believed

they could restore order and establish reconciliation through their mere presence. Instead, their entrenched, freeloading armies drained the financial and the emotional energy of the cities, ultimately alienating most of the remaining loyalists.

To be successful with an idea, we must first win the battle of the hearts and minds. Thomas Paine crystalized the revolutionary cause in his timely release of *Common Sense*. He continued writing and inspiring the Continental troops as he traveled with them throughout the war. The struggle of ideas is no less important in our current society. If we do not win the hearts and minds of the next generation, our culture and beliefs will tend toward randomness.

Our educational system is so vital to our children’s future. A faith-based curriculum recognizes the importance of all the educational disciplines in the context of a loving Christ-centered environment. Providing that environment is the mission of St. Joan of Arc School.

A special thanks this week to all of the Centennial Project 2020 benefactors who have made additional donations over and above their original pledge. Your continued generosity will help us reach our goal.

For more information, please visit our website:
www.stjoanhershey.org/thecentennialproject.html

† DAUGHTERS OF OUR LADY OF MERCY

Raffle Tickets

3rd Week Drawing Winners:

1. \$100.00 – Jeanette Santos, Newtonville, NJ
2. \$ 50.00 – Lauren Johnson, Bridgeton, NJ
3. \$ 50.00 – Lucille Sainsott, Newfield, NJ
4. \$ 50.00 – Leo & Clark Darmstadter, Vineland, NJ
5. \$ 50.00 – Lou & Florence Castro, Mays Landing, NJ



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 (717) 533-2864.

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† KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Monthly Food Collection

The monthly food/money collection will take place on the last full weekend of each month at the Saturday evening and Sunday Masses 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.



† REP (RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM)

Seeking Catechists and Aides

REP is looking for some help. You don't have to be a theologian, only a passion for our faith and a desire to help our youth in their journey of faith. Contact Earl Tropp by email etropp@stjoanhershey.org or calling (717) 533-7168 x122 if interested.



STEWARDSHIP

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

Weekly Tithing: \$19,404
Weekly Budget: \$26,442
Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$1,087

Week of June 13, 2021

✚ CAELORUM

Caelorum is now LIVE at St. Joan of Arc Church in Hershey on Wednesday, July 7, 7:00 pm. 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. We look forward to seeing everyone. For more information, call (717) 215-4175.

✚ GIRL SCOUT PATCH WORKSHOP

Join us for an exciting afternoon outdoors promoting faith in girls on Saturday, July 31st from 2:00-4:30 pm followed by Mass at 5:00 pm. We will meet in the Education Center. Highlights of the afternoon include the Life Story of Saint Joan of Arc, an Outdoor Scavenger Hunt, and a Service Project for Veteran's (please bring a pair of new men's white socks). Register at www.hbgdiocese.org/youth-and-young-adults/catholic-scouting/girl-scouts by July 23. The cost to attend is \$8.00 each. For more information, call (717) 657-4804 ext. 327 or email oyyam@hbgdiocese.org



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VOCATIONS CORNER

“Do not be afraid; just have faith.”

There is nothing to be afraid of in following Christ. Could he be calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

Contact Fr. Jonathan Sawicki
frjsawicki@hbgdiocese.org
 (717) 657-4804 ext. 282

✚ MINISTRY NEWS

Respect Life

10 Reasons to Choose Life

1. Because at conception, YOUR BABY'S CURLY HAIR, GREEN EYES, 5'6" FRAME, AND FEMALE SEX have already been determined.
2. Because at 21 days, HER HEART IS BEATING.
3. Because at 43 days, SHE HAS BRAIN WAVES.
4. Because at 8 weeks, SHE HAS FINGERS AND TOES.
5. Because at 12 weeks, SHE CAN SUCK HER THUMB.
6. Because at 15 weeks, SHE CAN FEEL PAIN.
7. Because at 4 months, SHE CAN LISTEN TO MOZART.
8. Because at 5 months, SHE CAN DREAM.
9. Because at 7 months, SHE CAN REGOGNIZE HER MOTHER'S VOICE.
10. Because at 9 months, YOU'VE GOT A FRIEND... FOR LIFE.

Road to Kindness

This week we want to share a wonderful story about Camp Kindness Counts, a nonprofit organization that believes in the power of kindness to transform existing communities into happier, healthier, and stronger ones. "The Mission of Camp Kindness Counts is to empower young people, adults, and families to embrace their authentic selves through character development and mindfulness, encourages them to positively impact their communities through kindness, and inspires them to shape an empathetic world as courageous, compassionate global citizens."

Camp Kindness Counts programs have the capacity to reach families globally through both virtual and in person platforms. They offer enrichment and summer camps that provide a supportive peer environment and empower and inspire kids to lead with kindness. They connect families and communities through family service events. They engage schools and caregivers with youth focused character development resources and services in our Kind World Explorers program. Camp Kindness Counts has grown from working with 16 elementary students in 2012 to impacting more than 9,000 youth, caregivers, and educators during the past 8 years.

Camp Kindness Counts is a wonderful story of how a caring founder, board members, and advisors can bring God's Way – "The Road to Kindness" alive!

✠ EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL

Assistant Principal

Applicant must be a Catholic in good standing with the Church and meet the following four requirements: 1. Hold a valid and active Pennsylvania Instructional II Teaching Certificate. 2. Hold a valid and active Pa. Admin. Certificate (or in process) 3. Catechetical Certification (or in process) 4. FIVE Years Teaching Experience. Clearances required.

Teachers/Classroom Aides

Middle School Language Arts teacher, Middle School Religion Teacher, Kindergarten Teacher. Candidates must possess academic excellence and a dedication to educating the whole child. Teachers in our school work cooperatively to meet the needs of our students through differentiated instruction in a Christ-centered environment. We are in need of several classroom aides from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm. Clearances required.

Director, After-School Program

Seeking an after-school program director, 3:00-6:00 pm, Monday-Friday responsible for supervising assistant directors as well as students, providing snacks for students, planning and supervising afternoon activities that include outdoor recess, homework time, arts and crafts, socializing, etc., for students. Duties also include responding to basic emergencies and looking out for the welfare of the students, taking attendance of students present, and having parents sign out their children as they leave. The position will ensure student-adult ratio is appropriate, tuition is paid in a timely manner, and be apprised of state laws on child safety procedures and create a safe environment for the students. Clearances are required.

After-School Care Assistants

Seeking afterschool care assistants, 3:00-6:00 pm, Monday-Friday. Days and hours may be negotiated. Duties include supervising students as they participate in activities such as snacks, arts and crafts, outdoor recess, homework, socializing, etc., responding to basic emergencies, and looking out for the welfare of the students. Clearances are required.

To apply or for more information, contact Sister Eileen at sreileen@stjoanhershey.org or (717) 533-2854 x118.

✠ CCW

Save the Date: Sept. 17-18

Flea Market/Rummage Sale

The CCW Flea Market/Rummage Sale will be held in the St. Joan of Arc Parish Social Hall on Friday, September 17 from 8 am to 3 pm and Saturday, September 18 from 8 am - 11 am. Donations will be accepted at the shed on the parking lot of the former school beginning Thursday, July 9 from 8 am - 5 pm and continuing through September 8. Please observe the following exceptions that cannot be accepted: No textbooks, encyclopedias, dictionaries, furniture, baby equipment, large appliances, VCR tapes and sheets.

Tuesday Prayer

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.

✠ PARISH FESTIVAL AUGUST 12-14



Save the Dates for the 47th Annual Parish Festival: August 12, 13, 14. *Do you have a vacation home or timeshare you would be willing to donate for a week?* Please visit www.SJAFestival.com to see everything we have planned and how you can help!

Volunteers Needed

As you can imagine, it takes a lot of volunteers to run our Parish Festival. We need your help!! Volunteer spots are available at Sign Up Genius. You can access it either by going to our Festival website: SJAFestival.com and search for Volunteer, or by going to this link directly: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0a45aeaa2ba6fb6-stjoan> Any questions can be directed to Karen Willey at karencwilley@gmail.com.

Jewelry Committee

The Festival Jewelry Committee is collecting new, used, heirloom, costume, or anything in between in any condition. Please drop off at the parish office. To help prepare or sell jewelry pieces call Aura Hill Bunn at (717) 533-6317.