

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

AUGUST 1, 2021



SAINT JOAN OF ARC 47th Annual Festival

AUGUST - 12 - 13 - 14
Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 5-10 pm

GREAT FOOD

- Pork BBQ
- Pronio's Italian Sausage Subs
- Homemade Meatball Subs
 - Hand Cut French Fries
 - Burgers • Hot Dogs
 - Pierogies
- Chicken Caesar Salad
- Funnel Cakes • Bake Sale • Ice Cream

GREAT FUN

- Cash Raffles
- Restaurant Tour of Hershey Raffle
- Christian Pulisic Jersey Raffle
- Basket Raffles • Silent Auction
- Kids Games • Games of Skill
- Face Painting • Bounce House
- Crafts • Jewelry Sales • Bingo
- Plants & Bounties from Your Garden

HOMEMADE DINNERS in the Cafeteria - 4 pm - 7 pm

Take Out Available

THURSDAY – Chicken Cacciatore
FRIDAY and SATURDAY – Italian Lasagna with Meatballs

ENTERTAINMENT

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12 – DJ, Dave Willey
FRIDAY, AUGUST 13 – Crossing Abbey Road
SATURDAY, AUGUST 14 – Happy Slovenes

359 W. Areba Ave., Hershey, PA 17033 ♦ 717-533-7168 ♦ www.sjafestival.com

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS**Monday - Friday:** 8:00 am-12:00 pm & 1:00-4:00 pm**Sunday:** Closed**Phone:** (717) 533-7168 **Fax:** (717) 520-0526**Email:** office@stjoanhershey.org**Website:** www.stjoanhershey.org**PARISH OFFICE****(717) 533-7168**

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Deacon Joseph Gusherowski

Deacon Paul Koester

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Ext. 127

Michael Davis, Director of Music

Ext. 109

Earl Tropp, Director of Religious Education

Ext. 122

Parish Secretary

Ext. 100

Betty Roksandic, REP Secretary

Ext. 124

REP Program

Ext. 306

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Deb Rizzotto, Development Director

Ext. 123

HOSPITAL EMERGENCIES**(717) 857-5695****CONVENT****(717) 533-2864****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.



FROM THE PASTOR

This weekend we will hear a letter from the Superior General of the Missionaries of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary (MSSCC) as part of our Missionary Cooperative Appeal. Their work throughout the world helps great numbers to hear the Good News of the Gospel and to come to know Jesus in their Hearts. We have the MSSCCs serving in our diocese at Immaculate Conception Church in Fairfield and Saint Rita's in Blue Ridge Summit. Please be generous!

For more than a year now, we have been having the Distribution of the Blessed Sacrament in the parking lot in front of the old school every Sunday between 1:00 and 2:00 pm. Since the dispensation to attend Mass is being lifted by Bishop Gainer for August 15, the last time for this outdoor distribution of Holy Communion will be next week, August 8. The priests and deacons have been very impressed by the devotion shown by many over these past few months. If you would like to be put on the Communion Call list, please call the Parish Office and we will begin to visit you on a monthly basis.

On August 15, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a joy to mark this feast day on a Sunday!

Monthly First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will return on September 6. Following the 9:00 am Mass in the church, exposition will take place in the Saint Lucy Chapel until 7:00 pm when there will be Evening Prayer and Benediction. Please take time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Remember the Festival! This is our largest and most profitable fundraiser for the parish! Come and support our parish and get together with fellow parishioners whom you haven't seen for a while! It is always good food, good fun and good fellowship!

Father Al



Happy Sunday, everyone, I wanted to send my thanks to the people of St. Joan of Arc for all their help and support over the past two months. I had a beautiful time helping at the parish and, although my time with all of you was short, it did a great deal to form me into the priest I hope to one day become. I look forward to serving the people of this parish, as well as the rest of the diocese, in my future ministry. Thank you and God bless!

Drew Tanguay



MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, AUGUST 2:

**SAINT EUSEBIUS OF VERCELLI, BISHOP;
SAINT PETER JULIAN EYMARD, PRIEST**

Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:31-21

6:45 AM For the Intentions of all our Parish
Volunteers
9:00 AM Robbie Damiani

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3

Nm 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36

6:45 AM John McKenna
9:00 AM Living and Deceased Members of the
Meyers and Deaven Families

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT JOHN VIANNEY, PRIEST

Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-35; Mt 15:21-28

6:45 AM Larry Gaydos
9:00 AM Rose Griffin

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5:

**THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF SAINT
MARY MAJOR**

Nm 20:1-13; Mt 16:13-23

6:45 AM Emil "Pappy" Drobnock
9:00 AM Carl Robinson

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6:

FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Mk 9:2-10

6:45 AM Edwin Asu
9:00 AM Deceased Bixler Family

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7:

**SAINT SIXTUS II, POPE, AND COMPANIONS,
MARTYRS; SAINT CAJETAN, PRIEST**

Dt 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20

9:00 AM Irene Sabina Taylor
5:00 PM David Carpenter

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8:

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

To strengthen him for the journey, God provides Elijah with cake and water, reminiscent of his ancestors' Pasch. Thus he experiences the goodness of the Lord Jesus, the bread of life, strengthens us for our journey, following his way of love.

1 Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30—5:2; Jn 6:41-51

7:30 AM Norma McManus Dean
9:30 AM Paul Bixler
11:30 AM Thomas R. Sotack
5:00 PM People of the Parish



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the souls of **Mary Anne Wells** who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathies to her 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, Pat Nestico, Kathleen Wertz, the Grubb, Kokenzie, Schindler, and Demore Families, and Jim Heckman.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

MAIN ALTAR Vases 1 & 2

In celebration of Bernie Ganse's 104th birthday by The Ganse Family

AVAILABLE DATES

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



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (REP)

REP Registration is Now Open

Classes will be held on Sunday Mornings at 11:00 am and Wednesday afternoons at 4:15 pm for grades 1 thru 6. Classes for 7th and 8th grade are Sunday evenings at 6:30 pm. All class sessions will be held at the Sand Hill Campus.

With Much Gratitude...

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

ADVENT COUNSELING SERVICES, LLC



✠ MINISTRY NEWS

Respect Life

**A New Hope: Dobbs v. Jackson
What Has Changed Since Roe v. Wade?**
(Third in the 10-part series)

Viability. When Roe v. Wade was decided in 1973, viability-the age at which a premature baby can survive outside the womb-was understood to be at 28 weeks gestation,⁵ the third trimester. Now almost 50 years later, with improved neonatal medical advances, infants born much earlier-at 22 to 23 weeks-have survived.⁶

Roe utilized a trimester framework for gestational age, declaring that only in the third trimester did states have a compelling interest in protecting the life of the fetus. But as the medical definition of viability slid progressively into the second trimester, the legal definition remained stagnant. The trimester system as a marker for abortion was finally abandoned in the case of Planned Parenthood vs. Casey (1992) in favor of a viability model, itself in constant flux. Justice Sandra Day O'Connor disparaged the idea of viability as a marker when she wrote in Akron v. Akron (1983) that viability "is no less arbitrary than choosing any point before viability or any point afterward."⁷ Yet, that is the legal line of demarcation still in use today.

⁵ Fetal viability - Wikipedia

⁶ March for Life: revisit abortion decision based on medical discoveries (usatoday.com)

⁷ Revisiting 'Roe': Why the Supreme Court Decision on Mississippi Case Will Likely Ditch Viability| National Catholic Register (ncregister.com)

Pray & Play Group for Moms and Young Children

Interested in getting together with other Catholic moms to pray, chat, and share snacks while the kids play? Please join us for play dates on the first and third Mondays at 9:30 am. For location and any questions, please email sarah.bonavia@gmail.com.

Road to Kindness

We hope that everyone is having a nice summer. We are all looking forward to our 47th Annual Festival! This week's message is all about showing gratitude and always being KIND! Some questions to think about each day: What do you do when you wake up in the morning? Do you start your day by saying thank you for all that you have in your life? By saying thank you to God? By saying thank you to your family and your friends? How important is it to be kind and to show kindness to those that are having challenges? These are all important questions and it all starts by showing gratitude – your life can change and you can impact another person's life by being KIND!



St. Michael's Guard

The St. Michael's Guard at St. Joan of Arc is seeking new members. St. Michael's Guard is a Diocesan-wide brotherhood of adult men serving at the altar of the Lord during mass and other liturgies. St. Michael's Guard at St. Joan of Arc assists with events such as Sunday Mass, Confirmation, Forty Hours Devotion, Christmas, and Easter Mass. Guardsmen can also serve larger Diocesan events, such as Solemn Vespers, the "Unite Pennsylvania" Mass, and the Eucharistic Procession at the Cathedral. No prior altar serving experience is necessary. For more information, please contact John Shiffler by emailing john@stmichaelsguard.com or calling (717) 395-8004.

Save the Date: Sept. 17-18 Flea Market/Rummage Sale

The CCW Flea Market/Rummage Sale will be held in our Areba Avenue Social Hall Friday, Sept. 17 from 8 am until 3 pm and Saturday, September 18 from 8 am to 11 am. We are accepting items at our shed located on the parking lot by the loading dock. The shed will be open from 8 am to 5 pm until August 7. Please do NOT bring any donations from August 7 until August 16 as this will interfere with our Festival set-up. Do not let items outside the shed during this time. We will begin collections again August 17. We regret we cannot accept textbook, dictionaries, encyclopedias, baby equipment, large appliances, furniture, VCR tapes or sheets. Thank you for your cooperation.

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.

Vocations Ministry

The Vocations Ministry will partner with the Support Our Seminarians Project of Corpus Christi Parish to collect books of postage stamps for our Harrisburg Seminarians after all masses the weekend of August 7 & 8. Why do seminarians need postage stamps? Seminarians occasionally receive cards and small gifts from across the diocese especially on their birthday and holidays. Seminarians need stamps to send thank you notes and other letters all during the school year. Providing stamps is a small way our parish can help our Harrisburg seminarians cover this expense.

First Saturday Devotion

On Saturday, August 7, we will be starting with the First of the Five First Saturdays, praying the Rosary after the 9:00 am Mass.



STEWARDSHIP

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

Weekly Tithing: \$25,318

Weekly Budget: \$26,442

Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$1488

Week of July 18, 2021

DAUGHTERS OF OUR LADY OF MERCY

Raffle Tickets

8th Week Drawing Winners:

1. \$100.00 – Tom Corwonski, Newfield, NJ
2. \$ 50.00 – Robert Chagnon, Enfield, CT
3. \$ 50.00 – Conny Joy Pratt, Vineland, NJ
4. \$ 50.00 – Richard Goldstine, Millville, NJ
5. \$ 50.00 – Madeline Forcinito, Vineland, 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. Purchase tickets at the Parish and School offices for a \$20 donation. For more details, contact the Convent (717) 533-2864.

PARISH FESTIVAL AUGUST 12-14

The 47th Annual Parish Festival will take place August 12, 13, 14. Please visit www.SJAFestival.com to see everything we have planned, how you can help, or to volunteer. Please direct any questions to karencwilley@gmail.com.



VOCATIONS CORNER

"Do not work for food that perishes, but for food that endures for eternal life."

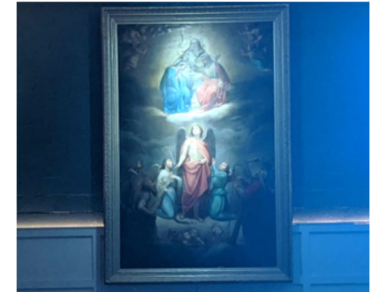
Are you being chosen to help feed and give life to the people of God as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

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

THE CENTENNIAL PROJECT

Please pray for the success of the Centennial Project 2020 Campaign.

This week the Centennial Project highlights the renovations to our Parish Social Hall. All of the work done to date was completed by January of 2020. The improvements included new flooring, wainscoting, and paint. Father Al was able to obtain and refurbish three exquisite paintings from St. Charles Borromeo in Philadelphia, which bring striking beauty to their new setting.



There were a few parties scheduled that were very successful, but unfortunately the parish could not take advantage of the facilities as the pandemic shut down everything in March 2020. When things began to open up earlier this year, strict capacity limits still remained in place until they were finally lifted this past Memorial Day.

The social hall is a multipurpose room. The auditorium and stage make a stunning venue for wedding receptions, birthday parties, banquets and other family celebrations. The adjacent kitchen provides flexibility for food preparation or catering. The wall perimeter is outfitted with background LED "mood lighting" that can enhance the atmosphere of the event. Its robust sound system and digital projection make it an ideal meeting space.



The hall is also a work in progress. There are future plans to expand and modernize the kitchen, transform the ceiling and lighting, acquire more tables and chairs, and improve the storage space to facilitate smooth setup.

If you would like to learn more about scheduling your upcoming event in the new social hall, please contact Jerry Crawford at the Parish Office (717)533-7168 ext. 107.

For more information on how you can support the Centennial Project 2020, please visit our website.
www.stjoanhershey.org/thecentennialproject.html



YOUTH NEWS



Life Teen (High School)

This Week: “Pizza and Psalm 78”-Life Teen will have a picnic in the back field outside the youth room from 6:15-7:30 pm. If the weather is poor, we will meet in the youth room. I’ll bring the pizza and you bring a Bible, a lawn chair, and a mask if you have not been vaccinated. If you don’t have a Bible, let me know and I will get one for you.

Next Week: “Life Teen Service Project”-Next week Life Teen will help set up for the parish festival. We’ll meet in the youth room. Also, don’t forget to sign up to volunteer for the festival which will be August 12-14. You can do so at www.sjafestival.com.

2021 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

August 8 Life Teen-Who’s ready for the festival?
 Aug 12-14 Parish Festival
 Aug 15 No Life Teen
 Aug 22 Life Teen-Burritos and the Bible

📞 **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. EDGE will return September 15. Have a great summer!

📞 **John Triscik:** jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org
 📞 (717) 533-7168 Ext.128

Volunteers Needed

EDGE and Life Teen are always in need of some help from Core Members with Food Preparation. Please pray about volunteering with the High School or Middle School Youth Ministries. If you are interested, please call John at (717) 533-7168 ext. 128 or email jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org.

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 August 11th as we continue our series of the Deuterocanonical books with “Tobit.”

📞 **John Triscik:** jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org
 📞 (717) 533-7168 Ext.128

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Middle School Religion 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. Clearances 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.

Cafeteria Assistant

9:00 am-1:00 pm to help in food preparation, serving, and clean up.

Interested applicants should contact Sister Eileen at sreileen@stjoanhershey.org or (717) 533-2854 x118.

EMPLOYMENT

Catholic Charities Executive Director

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Harrisburg, PA, has an immediate opening for a full time Executive Director. Catholic Charities is a non-profit 501(c) (3) organization and provides social services to the residents of the 15 counties that comprise the Diocese of Harrisburg. The Agency has a \$7 million budget and has approximately 160 full time equivalent employees. The Executive Director reports to the Bishop of Harrisburg and is guided by the Catholic Charities Board of Directors. Responsibilities include Leadership, Administration, Program Review, Budgeting, Fundraising, Contract Administration and Community Outreach. Candidate must be a Catholic in good standing. Additionally, ChildLine, State Police and FBI clearances are required. Catholic Charities provides a competitive salary, excellent benefits and a company matching 401(k) program. For more information visit <https://www.hbgdiocese.org/job/executive-director-position/> Interested candidates should submit a resume and cover letter indicating salary requirements to CCEDsearch@hbgdiocese.org.

✠ LIVESTREAMING

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