



With your fatherly blessing, Lord, strengthen these servants of yours in their resolve to dedicate themselves as catechists. Grant that they, by your grace, may be able to derive from pondering your word and studying the church's teaching. And let them gladly join those they teach in honoring and serving your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
*Amey, Book of Blessings*

# Catechetical Sunday

Parents are truly the primary catechists of their children.

## ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm (Closed 12:00 - 1:00 pm)

Sunday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Phone: (717) 533-7168 Fax: (717) 520-0526

Email: office@stjoanhershey.org

Website: www.stjoanhershey.org



### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 5:00 pm

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday: 6:45 am & 9:00 am, Saturday: 9:00 am

Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Monday - Friday: 6:00 pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 9:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Wednesday: 5:00 - 5:30 pm, Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 pm

Sacrament of the Sick: Call the office.

Sacrament of Baptism: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month. Parents are required to attend one class. Call the office to register.

Sacrament of Marriage: Call the office 9 to 12 months prior to the proposed wedding date.

They prepare the soil and plant the first seeds of faith. On Catechetical Sunday, we not only highlight the work of catechists in parishes and schools, but we also commend parents and guardians and encourage them to take seriously their role of making their Catholic households a place where faith is passed on to the next generation.

### PARISH OFFICE

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Susan Robison, Parish Secretary		Ext. 100
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REP Program		Ext. 306

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### HOSPITAL EMERGENCIES

(717) 857-5695

### CONVENT

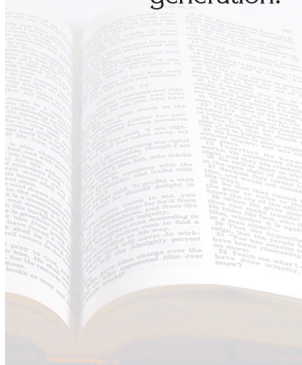
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### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

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.





# FROM THE PASTOR

On Tuesday morning I received a phone call. I have never received a phone call like this in 29 years of priesthood. It was a woman from Pittsburgh who was visiting Hershey over the weekend. She attended Mass with us on Sunday at the 11:30 am Mass. If I get a call like that, I usually think, “Uh-oh, what did I say in my homily... or, were we not welcoming enough... or, was the parking horrible...or, or, or...” But to my great delight, she wanted to call and tell us how impressed she was with Mass here at Saint Joan of Arc! She noticed that there were not a whole lot of people coming late for Mass; not many left before the closing hymn; the music was beautiful; there was reverence throughout the Mass (and before); people sang; they seemed engaged; she even liked my homily! The one thing she said that I agreed with completely is that we celebrated Mass as the Church wants us to: nothing more, nothing less! I told her that when I was ordained a priest, I remember Bishop Dattilo telling us young priests that the liturgy is not ours to do with what we want. It belongs to the Church! I can hear him saying in his own inimitable way, “So guys, don’t go changing words or prayers, don’t add your own stuff! Don’t add anything to the Mass and don’t take anything away! If you have options, use them, but always remember the Mass is not your own!” I always have tried to do that in my own priesthood. That is why I like traditional hymns and new music; vestments of all styles as long as they are beautiful and worthy; I like Latin but also love my English language; why I pray the prayers as they are written and try to follow whatever the Church tells me (although I admit to mistakes from ignorance all the time). I just think we need to hear this. We are a good parish, celebrating good liturgy, doing good things for the Lord. We don’t hear this often enough!

*Father Al*



## SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the souls of **Rich Cappelli**, **Stan Rossi**, and **Judith Yupcavage** 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: **James Traynor** and **Clara Hissick**.

☪ [Parish - Prayer Intentions](#)

## ALTAR FLOWERS

**Main Altar Vases:** In loving memory of Rosalie A. Filanowski from her family

**Blessed Mother:** In celebration of the 35<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Bob & Debbie Finger

**Respect Life Rose 1:** For an end to abortion

<b>MASS ATTENDANCE: Sept 7/8 TOTAL: 1662</b>				
<u>5:00 PM</u>	<u>7:30 AM</u>	<u>9:30 AM</u>	<u>11:30 AM</u>	<u>5:00 PM</u>
306	179	482	334	361



## With Much Gratitude...

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

**ANNE F. ADAMS, DDS**



## ALTAR FLOWERS

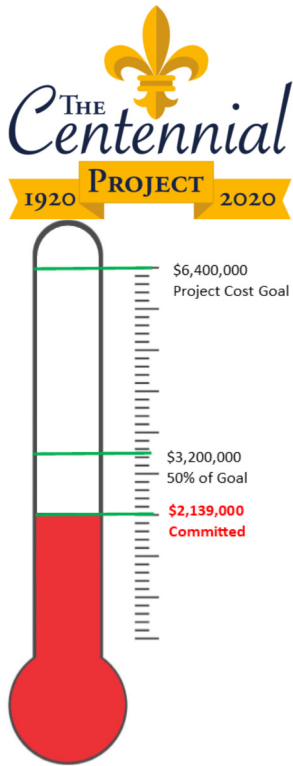
### AVAILABLE DATES

	October	November	December
<b>Main Altar Vase 1</b>	6, 20	10, 24	1, 15
<b>Main Altar Vase 2</b>	6, 20	10, 24	1, 15
<b>Blessed Mother</b>		3, 10	
<b>Saint Joseph</b>	20	3, 10	15
<b>Respect Life Rose 1</b>		3, 24	
<b>Respect Life Rose 2</b>	20	3, 24	1

Call the Parish Office at (717) 533-7168 ext. 100 to request.

Updated 09/10/2019





Regardless of whether your student has begun pre-k or college, or somewhere in between, hopefully the chaos of their transition has settled into a manageable routine. Daylight is waning and the mornings are cooler. Extra curricular activities are kicking into high gear.

Anxiety about our children’s future, however, understandably remains on our minds. As parents, their education and welfare is our prime responsibility. As people of faith, we must also nurture their spiritual well-being. In this world of instant communication and instant gratification, it is essential that we establish a moral compass for their formation. No one can do it better and there is no substitute for the loving environment found in the home.

Your Parish is here to support your efforts. No matter what school your children attend, religious education offers spiritual guidance in a world of consumerism and selfies.

Take the opportunity to learn how Saint Joan of Arc can assist in your children’s academic and religious development. We have been here for one hundred years. Our two thousand year old principles flow from an unconditional love of Christ, our Savior. Our Parish celebrates His presence in all our daily work as well as in our worship. Come and visit. You are welcome here.

For more information about The Centennial Project 2020, please visit our website.

[www.stjoanhershey.org/TheCentennialProject](http://www.stjoanhershey.org/TheCentennialProject)



*Forming hearts. Informing minds. Transforming lives.*

St. Joan of Arc School has several wish list items. These items will help to enhance classroom instruction at every grade level. The teachers have carefully created these lists with our students in mind. Any contribution to this special fund, in part or in full, is greatly appreciated.

If you would like to purchase any items on the wish list or make a contribution, please contact our Director of Development, Deb Rizzotto.

**Deb Rizzotto**

(717) 533-2854 | Ext. 123

[drizzotto@stjoanhershey.org](mailto:drizzotto@stjoanhershey.org)

## Wish List Items

Classroom	Item	Cost	Qty. Needed
Pre 3	Fisher-Price Laugh & Learn Smart Phone	\$7.88	1
Pre 3	Melissa & Doug Magnetic Car Loader	\$17.59	1
Pre 3	Melissa & Doug Latches Wooden Activity Board	\$20.99	1
Pre 3	Zoz Play 68 Pc. Gear Learning Construction Blocks	\$27.99	1
Pre 3	Melissa & Doug Number Peg Puzzle	\$7.99	1
Pre 3	Nativity Children's Wooden Puzzles	\$9.99	1
Pre 3	SmartMsx Magnetic Discovery Mega Ball Run Set	\$114.00	1
Pre 3	Alphabet Fish Catching Game	\$18.98	1
Pre 4	Trace & Write Alphabet Center	\$34.99	1
Pre 4	Tree Blocks Amazing Wooden Building Blocks	\$49.99	1
1A	CD Player with Cassette	\$36.99	1
1A	Podium	\$62.00	1
6 <sup>th</sup>	13.3 Trash Can for Science Lab	\$14.98	2
7 <sup>th</sup>	3 Sets of Privacy Folders	\$37.99	4
Computer	Micro Bit	\$19.99	9
Computer	Coder Z Cyber Robotics Coding Competition	\$550.00	1
Art	iPad Stands	\$16.00	6
Music	Music Stands	\$200.00	3
Music	Storage Cart for Music Stands	\$577.00	1
Technology	Samsung Tablet Classroom Set (1 <sup>st</sup> —3 <sup>rd</sup> )	\$129.99	40
Technology	Chromebook Classroom Set (4 <sup>th</sup> —8 <sup>th</sup> )	\$250.00	25
Technology	Chromebook Cart	\$1,500.00	2
Technology	Network Switches for Internet	\$1,000.00	2



## WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16: MEMORIAL OF SAINTS CORNELIUS, POPE, AND CYPRIAN, BISHOP, MARTYRS**

1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10

6:45 AM Zosimo Cadiz

9:00 AM Cathy Lalli

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17: SAINT ROBERT BELLARMINI, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**

1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17

6:45 AM John Spaeder

9:00 AM Sam DeAngelis

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**

1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35

6:45 AM Roy & Anna Hovis

9:00 AM James Youngman

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19: SAINT JANUARIUS, BISHOP AND MARTYR**

1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50

6:45 AM People of the Parish

9:00 AM Paulo Oliveira

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20: MEMORIAL OF SAINTS ANDREW KIM TAE-GŎN, PRIEST, AND PAUL CHŎNG HA-SANG, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS**

1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3

6:45 AM Marion Lang

9:00 AM Ernie Accorsi, Sr.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21: FEAST OF SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST**

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13

9:00 AM Rev. Myron E. Kochaba

5:00 PM Dionisio & Julia Castelli

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22: TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Am 8:4-7; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13

*Amos cries out against those who exploit the poor for the sake of extortion and greed. They seek to serve only themselves rather than the Lord. By giving ourselves to God rather than money, we can truly pray with blameless hands for all those in need, especially the poor whom the Lord will raise up.*

7:30 AM Bill Bratina

9:30 AM Living and Deceased Members of the T.J. Murphy Family

11:30 AM Donald Eline

5:00 PM People of the Parish

### This Week In Our Parish

❖ MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16		
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts	CAF
❖ TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17		
9:30 AM	Little Rock Scripture Study	SJC
9:45 AM	Legion of Mary	SJC
4:00 PM	Areba Club	CAF
6:30 PM	Cub Scouts	-
7:00 PM	Faith Enrichment	PC
❖ WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18		
7:15 AM	Wednesday Morning Coffee	SJC
7:45 AM	Gospel Reflection	SJC
6:30 PM	RCIA	PC
7:00 PM	Edge	MRC
7:00 PM	I Thirst	CAF
❖ THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19		
10:00 AM	Faith Enrichment	PC
6:00 PM	CCW	CAF
6:30 PM	Girl Scouts	SJC
7:00 PM	Adult Choir	CHR
❖ FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20		
3:00 PM	Junior Legion of Mary	SJC
❖ SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21		
6:30 AM	That Man Is You	MRC
❖ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22		
10:30 AM	REP (K-6 <sup>th</sup> )	CAF
6:00 PM	Life Teen	MRC
6:30 PM	Confirmation Prep	CAF

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LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM	5:00 PM
<b>Lector</b>	B. Williams	Sr. Salvatoris	D. Dix	J. Gusherowski	L. Phillippy
<b>EMHC</b>	T. Samson	D. Sheehan	K. Robinson	M. Stamilio	J. Phillippy
	M. Waiter	M. Spaeder	R. Barry	J. Nolan	A. Reeves
	C. Yakstis	M. Wetherhold	D. Bogrette	J. Traini	Sr. Eileen
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Matthew Coyle	S. O'Hara	G. Kopp	J. Costello	D. Stinson
	B. Tressler	M. O'Hara	A. Shiffler	S. Hanner	A. Dugan
	M. Tressler	B. O'Hara	D. Kreiss	A. Gusherowski	M. Dugan
<b>MC</b>	C. Edwards	D. O'Hara	D. Kreiss	E. Gusherowski	V. Yee

Money Counters: J. Traini, J. Banks, T. Kilcoyne, J. Storm, D. Ryan, J. Thomas



**STEWARDSHIP**

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

Weekly Tithing: \$26,175  
 Weekly Budget: \$30,385  
 Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$1,570  
 Peter's Pence: \$4,144

**SIMPLIFY WITH**



Looking for ways to simplify a busy schedule? Try Online Giving! It's a secure and easy way to tithe and make other contributions. You can even 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](mailto:mgutshall@stjoanhershey.org)  
 Stewardship - About Online Giving



*Vocations Cross*

Sept 16-23: Sandy Bianchini  
 Sept 23-30: Mr. & Mrs. Edward Weiss

The Vocations Cross is taken into the home of a parish member each week to pray for religious vocations. If you would like to join this rotation, please contact the parish office.

St Sacraments - Vocations Cross

**VOCATIONS CORNER**

For the holiness of all those called to be examples to those who would come to believe in Christ for eternal life as priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women, we pray to the Lord.

**YOUTH NEWS**

**LIFE TEEN (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH)**

**This Week: "Parallel Universe"** We will take a deeper look and try to understand the beauty of grace and how it impacts our lives. May grace transform us to live our lives more fully for Christ who dwells in us.

**Next Week: "Life Teen Social"** We'll have a great night with some fun and games, including kickball outside if it's nice enough. Invite your friends for a great night of fellowship.

John: Ext. 128 | [stjoanofarclifeteen@gmail.com](mailto:stjoanofarclifeteen@gmail.com)

**EDGE (MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH)**

EDGE is for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders and meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday from 7:00-8:15 pm in Meeting Room C. **EDGE nights: Sept 18, Oct 9 & 23**

John: Ext. 128 | [jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org](mailto:jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org)

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (R.E.P.)**

REP Office: Ext. 306 | [rep@stjoanhershey.org](mailto:rep@stjoanhershey.org)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TOWN HALL SESSION**

Join Father Al at the next Town Hall Session titled *Prayer As A Way Toward Healing* on **Thursday, September 26** at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria.

**DAUGHTERS OF MERCY RAFFLE WINNERS**

Michael & Genevieve Levari | Vineland, NJ  
 Peter Forcinito Sr. | Vineland, NJ  
 Dan Graiff Farms | Newfield, NJ  
 Marie Corcoran | Vineland, NJ  
 Jeannie Bassetti | Landisville, NJ

✠ ADULT FAITH FORMATION

**YOUNG ADULTS (AGES 21 - 39)**

Calling all young adults of the parish between the ages of 21-39, married or single!!! We will gather next on **September 25** from 7:00-8:30 pm in Meeting Room C as we continue our encyclical study of "Christus Vivit" by Pope Francis.

☎ **John: Ext. 128 | jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org**

📍 **Parish Ministries - Young Adults**

**FAITH ENRICHMENT**

The Fall session of Faith Enrichment will be held on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm and Thursdays at 10:00 am in the parish center. Sessions begin on **September 17 & 19**. We will present Bishop Barron's 10-Part "Catholicism" series.

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ANNUAL BLUE MASS**

St. Joan of Arc will hold its Annual Blue Mass to honor all Police, Fire, and EMS personnel on **Saturday, September 28** at the 5:00 pm Mass. A special blessing will be given to them in recognition of their service to our community.

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Blessing of the animals will take place on **Saturday, October 5** at 9:45 am in front of the parish center. Please bring water and clean-up bags for your pet. In case of inclement weather, the blessing will be held across the street from the church under the walkway at the entrance to the school.

✠ MINISTRY NEWS

**OCTOBERFEST**

Save the date for the upcoming Octoberfest on **Saturday, October 12** at 12:00-7:00 pm. We will have German food, live music, and Oktoberfest draft and root beer on tap. Eat in or take out.

**FR. BEITING APPALCHIAN MISSION**

Our Fall trip to Fr. Beiting Appalachian Mission Center is **the week of October 20**. Our assignment is restoring a woman's home in Charley, KY. The cost estimate is over \$3,000. Thank you for your continued support and prayers. Our volunteers provide their own tools and food. If you would like to join this trip, please call Jan and Larry. If you wish to donate, please mail your contribution to the Duckarts and write FBAMC on your check.

☎ **The Duckarts: (717) 367-1546 | 5455 Ridge Road, Elizabethtown, PA 17022**

✠ MINISTRY NEWS

**CCW COVERED DISH DINNER**

All women of the parish are welcome to join us for the CCW covered dish dinner on **Thursday, September 19** at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria. Bring something to share and learn about the Council of Catholic Women and the exciting year we have planned. CCW is a great way to get involved in our parish community!

☎ **Julie Groh: (717) 566-5838**

**WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

The 2019 Women's Conference will be held on **Saturday, October 12** at Bishop McDevitt High School. Registration materials will be distributed when received. Registration also available online.

📍 [www.hbgdiocese.org/women](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/women)

**THAT MAN IS YOU**

"That Man Is You, the Vision of Man Fully Alive" will be held on Saturdays from 6:30-8:00 am in Meeting Room C, starting on **September 14**. The program will help men become better husbands and fathers through an interactive program focused on developing male leadership in the modern world.

**CYO BASKETBALL**

Registration for boys and girls basketball will be held in the gym during the following times:

✠ Friday, September 20 & 27 | 6:00-7:00 pm

✠ Sunday, September 29 | 10:30-11:30 am

Forms are available online. Registrations will not be accepted after October 1. Participation is open to St. Joan of Arc students and parishioners and Holy Spirit parishioners who attend REP.

☎ **Mike Wolfe: mwrw4@comcast.net (Boys)**

☎ **John Polly: sjagirlshoops@yahoo.com (Girls)**

📍 [school.stjoanhershey.org](http://school.stjoanhershey.org) - Student Life - Athletics

**ROAD TO KINDNESS**

While September is a beautiful month as temperatures start to get more comfortable, it is also a month when hurricanes impact our coastal communities. We saw the impacts of Hurricane Dorian as it hit the Bahamas and then moved along the coast. Let's keep those families impacted by this hurricane in our thoughts and prayers. Take a few moments to offer a prayer for those families. There are also many ways you can show your kindness by sending support to any of these organizations: The Red Cross; Heart to Heart International; International Medical Corp.; The St. Bernard Project; and the Americares. The Americares is vowing to match every donation made to families impacted by the hurricane.