

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

359 West Areba Avenue • Hershey, PA 17033
The Epiphany of the Lord January 3, 2016

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Sundays 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
Monday thru Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM (closed 12:00-1:00 PM)

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ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL

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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Wednesday - 5:00 to 5:30 PM, Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 PM

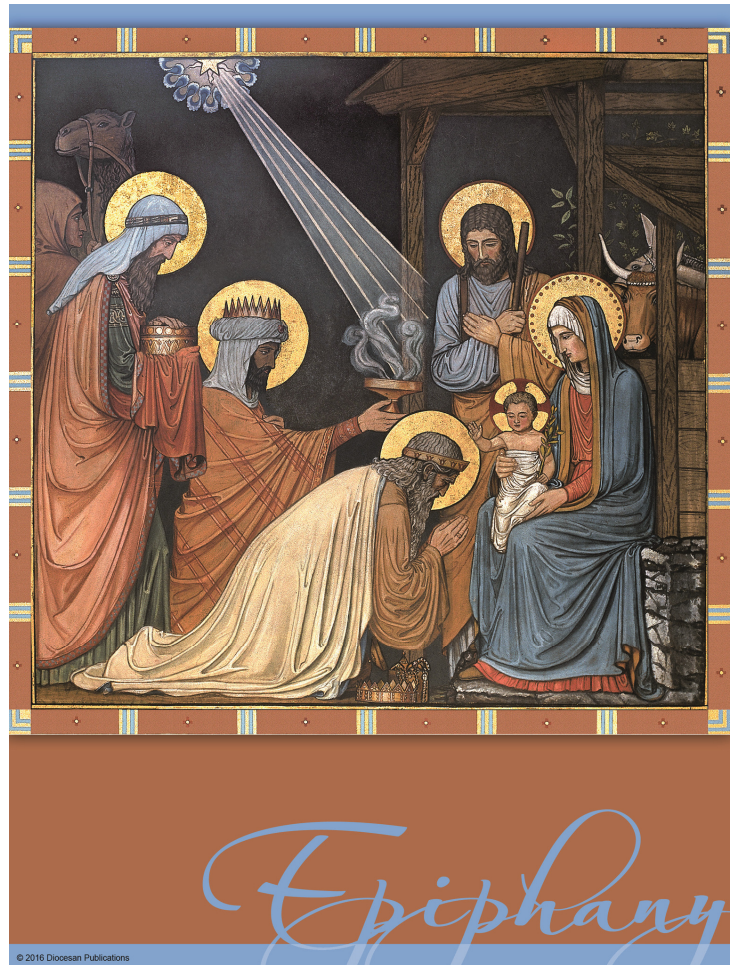
Sacrament of the Sick: Call the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Baptism: 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month
Parents are required to attend one class. Please call the parish office to register.

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

Parish Membership: Welcome to St. Joan of Arc Parish. Please register on our website or stop in the Parish Office.

Bulletin Deadline: Monday before publication date by 9:00 AM.
Bulletin email: bulletin@stjoanhershey.org



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 PM

Sunday Masses:

7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12:00, 5:30 PM

Holy Days: 6:00 PM Vigil;

6:45, 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday: 6:45 & 9:00 AM

Saturday: 9:00 AM

Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 6:30 PM everyday

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 9:30 AM everyday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on First Friday of each month from after 9:00 AM Mass until 9:45 PM closing with Benediction.

Prayer Service at 7:00 PM during Exposition on First Friday.

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

Monday, January 4-St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

6:45 AM Sarah Lutz
9:00 AM Dorothy Graybash

Tuesday, January 5-St. John Neumann

6:45 AM Daniel Schwalm
9:00 AM Bernice Carroll

Wednesday, January 6-St. André Bessette

6:45 AM Guillermina Castillo
9:00 AM Lily Capitani

Thursday, January 7-St. Raymond of Peñafort

6:45 AM John Luke Nantz
9:00 AM Donald Rhine

Friday, January 8

6:45 AM Mike Waugh
9:00 AM Peter Gasper

Saturday, January 9

9:00 AM Suffering Souls in Purgatory

The Baptism of the Lord January 10, 2016

Readings: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29 or
Ps 104; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14, 3:4-7;
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Jesus is the beloved Son of the Father. He is the light of the nations and Lord of all creation. To him be all glory and praise!

Vigil, January 9

5:15 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, January 10

7:30 AM Sarah Lutz
9:00 AM Heart of the Parish & Church Memorials
10:30 AM Rochelle Modica
12:00 PM Deborah Dubinsky
5:30 PM Richard Coates

Readings for the Week of January 3, 2016

Monday 1 Jn 3:22—4:6; Ps 2; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25


Tuesday 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72; Mk 6:45-52

Thursday 1 Jn 4:19—5:4; Ps 72; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149; Jn 3:22-30

 If you would like to take the Pilgrim Cross into your home (for one week per year) and pray for vocations, please call the parish office at 533-7168.

This week **January 4-January 11** the Pilgrim cross will be in the home of Mr. & Mrs. Hans Gangl.

Next week **January 11-January 18** the Pilgrim cross will be in the home of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Malloy & family.



FROM THE PASTOR

Happy New Year! We all make resolutions at this time of year (even if our resolution is to NOT make resolutions). Here are some resolutions to strengthen our Catholic Faith:

Attend Daily Mass—Schedules are crazy, I know, but we have Mass Monday through Friday at 6:45 and 9:00 AM. What a wonderful way to begin your day!

Deepen your prayer life—Prayer is essential in the life of a Christian. Talk to God throughout the day and spend some quiet time each day listening to God. It changes your life!

Go to confession once a month—It is amazing how frequent confessions helps you realize the need for God's mercy and grace in your life! It is a great discipline.

Read the Bible—One of the great ways to stay connected to Scripture is to read the readings for Mass each day. You can find these at USCCB.org (there is also an audio version).

Get involved in your parish—Join an organization or ministry! Volunteer! Get involved!

Pray the Rosary—The rosary is a powerful prayer and is a must for Catholic wishing to grow in their spiritual life! It calms you down and helps you meditate on the mystery of Christ.

Spiritual Reading—Read one spiritual book along with all your reading material. You can borrow some wonderful books from our Lending Library. Or download one to your tablet!

Spend some time in front of the Blessed Sacrament—Make a "visit" to the church each week and just spend time in front of the tabernacle. You will find healing—and rest!

Consider any or all for 2016. Believe me, they can change your life! God bless you all!

Father Al



A big thank you from Fr. Al, Fr. Sahd and Fr. Pius for the many cards, gifts and delicious treats that they received this Christmas. May God bless you for your kindness and generosity!



The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them and all the sick of the parish in your prayers.

Vincent Savini, David Liddy, Kaitlin Buser, Jo Anderson, Terry Singer, Rose Marie Smith, Diane Holubek, Abram & Margaret Brandt, Phil Gergen, Edward Nerino, Ralph Keller, Frank Savini, Mae Piconi

Reminder: Names will remain on the list for six weeks. Please call to have them placed back on the prayer list.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule for January 10, 2016

	5:15 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 Noon	5:30 PM
Lector	N. Stewart	M. Gette	G. Duval	B. Hasson	Sr. Salvatoris	E. Abraham M. Abraham
EMHC	A. Gould W. Lutz R. Meinert D. Morgan	K. Willey M. Spaeder D. Sheehan	J. Pantalone L. Rogers M. Rogers M. Wetherhold	C. Mortel K. Robinson M. Rothermel M. Waiter	L. Drayer J. Phillippy A. Reeves	V. Saplala V. Ruiz-Velasco J. Gusherowski S. Susi
Altar Servers	M. Gould L. Gould M. Yee V. Yee	D. O'Hara M. O'Hara M. O'Hara D. Matas	B. Seesholtz L. Ruiz-Velasco M. Tice Z. Rebarchak	D. Palmer D. Kreiss A. Samson L. Hamilton	St. Michael's Guard	L. Gusherowski E. Gusherowski C. Roche J. McInerney
MC	J. Yee	M. MAtas	M. Rebarchak	L. Hamilton		K. Zachary

Money Counters: C. Eimer, D. Willey, H. Susi, P. Bowman, R. Hoffman



This Week in our Parish

SUNDAY, January 3

1:00 PM Baptisms
6:45 PM Life Teen

MONDAY, January 4

9:45 AM Legion of Mary
6:00 PM Daisy Troop 11291
7:00 PM EDGE
7:00 PM Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, January 5

9:30 AM Little Rock Scripture Study
6:30 PM Cub Scouts

WEDNESDAY, January 6

7:15 AM Wednesday Morning Coffee
4:15 PM REP K-Gr 6
5:00 PM Confessions
6:30 PM RCIA
7:00 PM Caelorum

THURSDAY, January 7

6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 12171
7:30 PM Knights of Columbus mtg

FRIDAY, January 8

3:00 PM Jr. Legion of Mary

SATURDAY, January 9

4:00 PM Confessions

SUNDAY, January 10

Blood Pressure Screening
Second Sunday Social

9:00 AM REP K-Gr 6
1:00 PM Baptisms
6:45 PM Life Teen
7:00 PM Confirmation Prep

We wish to thank the sponsor of the week
Innovated Fitness
for advertising in our bulletin.

MASS ATTENDANCE

December 19 & 20, 2015

5:15 - 318 7:30 - 217 9:00 - 421
10:30 - 600 12:00 - 315 5:30 - 396

TOTAL - 2267

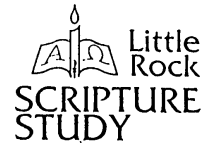
ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIALS AVAILABLE FOR:

MAIN: Jan 10, 24, 31; April 3, 10, 17, 24; May 1, 8, 15
BLESSED MOTHER: Jan 10, 17, 31; April 3, 17, 24
SAINT JOSEPH: Jan 10, 17, 24, 31; April 10, 17, 24
RESPECT LIFE ROSE: Jan 10, 17, 24, 31, April 3, 10
Please call the Parish Office for all available dates.

Caelorum will be held on Wednesday, January 6 at 7 PM. Father Pius will preside. Come and adore Jesus through prayer, praise, worship and music. A reception will be held immediately following the Caelorum in the Cafeteria.

Little Rock Scripture Studies

The Letter to the Hebrews
Tuesday, January 5 after 9:30 AM Mass
St. Lucy House
Books are available at the Parish Office
Contact: Jeanie Vey at 533-2246



Parish Nurse Ministry Parish Nurses will be taking Blood Pressures next weekend after the Saturday 5:15 PM and Sunday 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30AM Masses. Look for them in the School library, except after the 9:00 Mass, they will be in the cafeteria. It takes only a few minutes. All are welcome.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

YOUTH AND EDUCATION NEWS

REP

We are in need of 2 catechists immediately.

Wednesday - 6th grade 4:15 - 5:30 PM

Sunday - 8th grade 7:00 - 8:30 PM

If interested, please contact the REP Office at
rep@stjoanhershey.org



This Week - It's movie night!!!! Life Teen is back so invite your friends for our annual after Christmas movie night at the youth room theater.

Next Week - "Morningstar Pregnancy Center"- Every year the parish collects baby bottles with loose change for Morningstar Pregnancy Center. Next week we will here where that money goes and how it is used to serve those in need. Don't miss this life-giving week.



EDGE

EDGE is for grades 6-8 and meets on Monday nights in Meeting Room C from 7-8:15. We will meet on January 4, 11, and 25.



Calling all Young Adults of St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church between the ages of 21-35, married or single!!! We will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 7-8:30 in Meeting Room C. We continue the series, "Catholic Apologetics-How to Explain our Faith" on January 13 with a look at "The Sacraments."

If you have any questions about any of the above items, please call John, through the Parish Office, at 208-0157 or email him at stjoanofarclifeteen@gmail.com.

Check out the youth ministry webpage
www.stjoanhershey.org/youth.html

LIFE TEEN YOUTH MINISTRY LEADING TEENS CLOSER TO CHRIST

SCHOOL

SCRIP GIFT CARDS

The parish is participating in the SCRIP program as a no cost way to raise money for our parish school. Grocery gift cards will be sold at face value for Pronio's, Giant, Karns, Weis Markets, and Redner's. They will be available every Sunday at the parish office, at the Second Sunday Social, and at the school during school days from 8am-4pm. Other gift cards are available via the school. Please contact scrip@stjoanhershey.org or Deb Rizzotto at 533-2854 for more information. Thanks for your support!



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

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

Weekly Tithing: \$29,832

Weekly Budget: \$27,308

Year to Date Budget Variance: \$10,498



2016 has arrived! People have already chosen what changes or goals they personally wish to accomplish in this new year. We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to enroll in our parish's Online Giving program. Taking advantage of Online Giving can save you and the parish time and money. Please consider joining the 231 parishioners who are already enjoying the benefits!

If you are not currently giving to the Church, this is a great way to start, with minimal effort! It does not take much of a financial commitment - even a small amount is appreciated and adds up quickly over the course of the year.

Everything you need to get started is on our parish website at www.stjoanhershey.org or call the parish office. Creating an account only takes a few minutes. If you do not have access to a computer or prefer to automate your giving even more, it would be our pleasure to manage your account for you.

43rd annual MARCH for LIFE

Washington, DC

Friday, January 22nd

Buses: Depart from SJA: 8:45 AM \ Return: 8:00 PM

Carefully consider attending this peaceful and inspiring demonstration. The U.S. Supreme Court in 1973 voted in the case of Roe v Wade to legalize the killing of innocent and helpless human beings while still in their mothers' wombs. They based this decision on not knowing when life begins. This absurdity has resulted in the deaths of millions of babies by abortion.

Our Political Representatives will speak out loudly about the many injustices perpetrated against humans worldwide but are ominously silent about the killing of the unborn. Unfortunately, this represents the position of the majority of their constituents. Speak up and do not be afraid to let them know how you feel and believe about this inconceivable and unconscionable injustice!

If you choose to attend, please let us know by Friday, January 8. If not enough participate we must cancel the bus by that date. Thanks and let us not forget the innocent and helpless.

COST: Adults \$25

Students \$15 -with signed permission

Can't go; Donations greatly appreciated

Contact: Dr. Gerry Kaiser 533-6608
Delores Euker 566-1092
Mary McInerney 533-4846



Intentions of Pope Francis for the month of January



Universal: That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

Evangelization: That by means of dialogue and fraternal charity and with the grace of the Holy Spirit, Christians may overcome divisions.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

We all need a concerned, caring friend at difficult times in our lives. A Stephen Minister can listen and care for you or for someone you know who is going through a personal crisis. If you feel a need for someone to be there for you while you work through a difficult time in your life, call Diane Sheehan 717-533-2285 or Casey Sheehee 717-579-7871. If your needs can be best served by a Stephen Minister, you will be matched with someone who will support you through this tough time. Confidentiality is the foundation of the Stephen Ministry.

2015 STATEMENTS

FOR THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL LENTEN APPEAL

STATEMENTS WILL BE MAILED THE WEEK OF JANUARY 13, 2016
FOR GIFTS OF \$250.00 AND ABOVE.

IF YOU ARE NOT SCHEDULED TO RECEIVE A STATEMENT
AND WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST ONE CONTACT THE

OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT
(717) 657-4804 EXT 336

OR EMAIL YOUR REQUEST TO
DEVELOPMENT@HBGDIocese.ORG



SCRIP Fundraising Program

**You can help fund St. Joan of Arc School
just by using SCRIP gift cards for your everyday purchases.
This is a small effort, no cost way for you to support our school.**

What is SCRIP? Scrip fundraising is a no-selling program that enables people to raise money for their non-profit organization. Scrip is just another way to pay for everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks, and credit cards. Over 17,000 nonprofit organizations all over the country are taking advantage of the program. Our school has been using the SCRIP program successfully for about 15 years.

How funds are raised using Scrip. You purchase gift cards at face value, and our school coordinator orders those cards from Great Lakes Scrip Center at a reduced price. The difference is an instant rebate for our school. It's really that simple!

How to use the gift cards. For example, use the gift cards to buy your regular groceries. Treat them like cash. When you pay with your gift card, the cashier will deduct the amount from your card. If there is a balance left on your card, you keep it to be used the next time you shop. (For Pronio's, the full amount must be used because it is a paper certificate and no unused credit can be issued.) It is important to note that using your gift card **does not** affect your gas point accumulation/usage or any rewards/discounts.

Where to buy the gift cards. Grocery gift cards for Giant, Redner's, Karns, and Weis Markets (\$100 denominations) and Pronio's (\$10 certificates) will be available **every Sunday in the parish office** and every second Sunday of the month at the **Second Sunday Social**. You may also purchase these grocery gift cards at the school office during schooldays from 8am-4pm.

You can make a difference!

The more individuals and families participating, the bigger the earnings for our school.
If 100 SJA Church families purchased \$100 of Giant, Redner's, Pronio's, Karns, or Weis gift cards to do their shopping each week for a year, the school would earn \$25,000! Think of what would happen if even more parishioners participate!

Interested in Purchasing other Gift Cards?

You can also participate in the SCRIP program through the school to order gift cards from many major retailers. It is a great way to support our school by doing your general shopping with SCRIP. There are over 400 retailers available. Paper SCRIP orders must be placed at the school by 9am on Monday to get gift cards on Friday of that same week. For those who are technologically savvy, the SCRIP program also offers online ordering, electronic certificates and a mobile SCRIP wallet, so SCRIP can be ordered and redeemed from a smartphone by debit from a linked bank account. See GLS Scrip webpage, with video tutorials at www.shopwithscrip.com

For more information, please contact our school SCRIP Coordinator: Deb Rizzotto
at 717-533-2854 scrip@stjoanhershey.org

~ Thanks for your support! ~