THE PARABLE OF THE PERSISTENT WIDOW SUNDAY in Ordinary Time



"Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Luke 18:7-8

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St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

CONVENT

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: 5:15PM

Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30AM, 12:00 Noon, 5:30PM

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

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

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 9:30AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Wednesday 5:00 to 5:30 PM, Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 PM

Sacrament of the Sick: Call the office.

Sacrament of Baptism: 1st & 3rd 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.



MASS SCHEDULE, INTENTIONS, & READINGS

Monday, October 17

6:45 AM John Luke Nantz

9:00 AM Marygenevieve A. Saukaitis

Tuesday, October 18

6:45 AM Heart of the Parish & Church Memorials 9:00 AM Deceased Hoerner Family Members

Wednesday, October 19

6:45 AM Adam Harriman 9:00 AM Gilda Falkenstein

Thursday, October 20

6:45 AM Special Intention of Carm Urich

9:00 AM Philip Zaccagnini

Friday, October 21

6:45 AM Special Intention of Diane Holubek

9:00 AM Rachel Neves

Saturday, October 22

9:00 AM Anthony R. Bellezza

Vigil, October 22

5:15 PM Deceased Members of the O'Hazzo,

Peracchia, Cappelli & Stoudt Families

Sunday, October 23

7:30 AM Special Intention of William M. Bratina 9:00 AM Deceased Bergloff & Saragoca Families

10:30 AM Jill Golembewski 12:00 PM Nickolas Cavrich 5:30 PM People of the Parish

Readings for the Week of October 9, 2016

Monday: Eph 2:1-10; Lk 12:13-21 Tuesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9 Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12; Lk 12:39-48 Thursday: Eph 3:14-21; Lk 12:49-53 Friday: Eph 4:1-6; Lk 12:54-59 Saturday: Eph 4:7-16; Lk 13:1-9

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 23, 2016

Readings: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

Humility is the recognition that no matter what our accomplishments, we still stand in need of the Lord. God hears the cry of the poor and of the oppressed, especially those who acknowledge their dependency upon him. Having heard Paul's cries for help, the Lord crowned him with eternal salvation.

Bulletin Content: All bulletin announcements are due to the parish office by 9:00am on Monday. Please use the form on our website, email: communications@stjoanhershey.org or complete a paper request form in the Parish Office.



Welcome to St. Joan of Arc Church. We extend a warm greeting of welcome to all those visiting and hope that your time with us has been a time of spiritual renewal in God's Grace.

If you would like to register with our parish, please visit our website, or contact the Parish Office at 717-533-7168.





"America you are beautiful and blessed. The ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless. If you want equal justice

for all and true freedom and lasting peace, then America, *defend life!*"

- Saint Pope John



We wish to thank the sponsor of the week **Nestico Druby, P.C. - Attorneys At Law** for advertising in our bulletin.



Altar Flowers

Blessed Mother: In loving memory of Philip Zaccagnini from his three daughters; Tillie, Fil & Vera

Respect Life Roses: Rose 1 - In loving memory of Kathryn Spang from her family.

Rose 2 - In thanksgiving for 13 years cancer free.

| Liturgical Ministry Schedule for October 23, 2016 | | | | | | | | |
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| | 5:15 PM | 7:30 AM | 9:00 AM | 10:30 AM | 12:00 Noon | 5:30 PM | | |
| Lector | B. Hopstetter | D. Hennigan | B. Hasson | F. Lenker | L. Kayser | A. Raugh | | |
| EMHC | C. Malloy | C. Yakstis | M. DeAngelis | P. Mooney | L. Demers | J. McGruder | | |
| | R. Meinert | M. Rothermel | T. DeAngelis | K. Robinson | T. Mayan | A. Reeves | | |
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| | J. Phillippy | | J. Pantalone | M. Wetherhold | | M. Rogers | | |
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| | M. Brooks | A. Samson | B. Seesholtz | C. Edwards | J. Larkin | L. Hamilton | | |
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| Money Counters: M. Rothermel, C. Frank, S. Boova, V. Peracchia, C. Yakstis, G. Zemba | | | | | | | | |

MASS ATTENDANCE

October 8 & 9, 2016

7:30 - 2169:00 - 3335:15 - 387 10:30 - 350 12:00 - 236 5:30 - N/A

TOTAL - 1522



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

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

Weekly Tithing: \$31,015 Weekly Budget: \$28,462

Year to Date Budget Variance: -\$20,250 Weekly Heart Of The Parish: \$2,521

ETERNAL REST, GRANT TO THEM, O LORD



Please pray for the soul of John Adamczyk & Rev. Msgr. Vincent J. Topper.

The parish community of St. Joan of Arc Church extends its deepest sympathy to their families and relatives on their loss.



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

Vincent Savini, David Liddy, Kaitlin Buser, B.J., Jessica Harris, Marguerite Caso, Ethna Shank, Joan Ott, Amy Ott Hatfield, Frank Bolduc, C.J., David Harris, Lily Carney, Roseanne Ayala, Ken & Diane Kolovich, Nancy Stewart, Edward Nerino, Ashley Tatangelo, Jeanne Spagnolo, Joseph Fagnani, Bob Swartz, Rose Marie Smith, Terrence Singer, Barbara Harlacker, Julie Hoffman, Mary Frances McAndrews

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



Parish News & REMINDERS

Details for each of these items can be found in the following pages of the bulletin and/or by visiting our parish website at: www.stjoanhershey.org

- **2017 Mass Intentions:** May be scheduled beginning Tuesday, November 15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the parish office. NOTE: Up to 4 intentions may be scheduled.
- **2017 Parish Calendars:** Are available at the back of the church beginning this weekend.
- ALL SOULS ENVELOPES: Please return your envelopes to the parish office by Thursday, October 27.
- Volunteers Needed!!! EDGE and Life Teen are in need of some help. Please pray about volunteering with the High & Middle School Youth Ministries and if you are interested, please contact John Triscik.
- Please remember to contact the parish office to update your registration record if you:
 - 1) Change your: address, phone number or email
 - 2) Welcome a new child to your family
 - 3) Are a young adult and move out of your parent's residence.

*Your parish registration can also be updated via the parish website by selecting "Registration"





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.

The Pilgrim Cross will be in the home of:

Week of Oct 17 - 24: James & Judy Dezagottis

Week of Oct 24 - 31: Sue Ittleson



This Week in our Parish

SUNDAY, October 16: Blood Drive

9:00 AM REP K-Gr 6 1:00 PM **Baptisms** Mass of Healing 2:30 PM Life Teen 6:30 PM

7:00 PM Confirmation Prep

Confirmation Parent Meeting *Gr. 7&8 7:00 PM

MONDAY, October 17

9:45 AM Legion of Mary

Girl Scouts: Cadette Troop #11026 3:00 PM

TUESDAY, October 18

9:30 AM Little Rock Scripture Study

WEDNESDAY, October 19

7:15 AM Wednesday Morning Coffee 7:45 AM Gospel Reflection Group

4:15 PM REP K-Gr 6 5:00 PM Confessions 6:30 PM **RCIA**

"I Thirst" - The "Wild Goose" Series 7:00 PM

THURSDAY, October 20

Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus 7:30PM

FRIDAY, October 21

Junior Legion of Mary 3:00 PM

SATURDAY, October 22

4:00 PM Confessions

SUNDAY, October 23

9:00 AM REP K-Gr 6 6:30 PM Life Teen

7:00 PM Confirmation Prep



Newly Married

We congratulate & rejoice with these couples of our parish community whom recently united in marriage:

Chad Whiting and Elyse Andrews Keith Fuller and Alicia Patt Kevin Leiss and Samantha Jo Hall



Newly Baptized

Our parish community welcomes these newly baptized children of God:

Nolan Shaffer, Aviana Banchs, Conner Harris, Dylan Powell, Julia Capitani

YOUTH & EDUCATION NEWS

LIFE TEEN & EDGE ...



This Week - "The Persecuted Christ"- Jesus tells us that, if we follow Him, we will also encounter persecution and hatred. Come this LIFE **TEEN** week as we discover on why this should not discourage us but give us great hope.

Next Week - Oct. 23: "Christ the King"-When we decide to accept the authority of Jesus we become truly free. Come next week how we find our true fulfillment in Christ.



EDGE - All 6th graders- 8th graders are invited to EDGE on Monday nights from 7-8:15 in the Youth Room (Meeting Room C).

Our next EDGE night will be on October 24th.

SJA SCHOOL NEWS...

American Girl Fashion Show - Beginning on the evening of Friday, October 21st, St Joan of Arc School will be hosting one of the final American Girl Fashion Shows!

The American Girl Fashion Show is a fun-filled event for girls and their families, friends and favorite dolls! Celebrate the experience of being a girl, whether vesterday or today. through a colorful presentation of historical and contemporary fashions. Enjoy elegant refreshments, enter to win door prizes, and learn how clothing has changed over the years to reflect history, culture, and girls' individual styles.

SAVE THE DATE! Saint Joan of Arc School will hold its Annual PTO Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, November 19th from 4pm-8pm in the school cafeteria. The evening will be filled with live entertainment, fabulous basket raffles, delicious food and fellowship. Dinner includes a tossed salad, Italian bread, spaghetti and meatballs, dessert and choice of beverage. Tickets are \$9 for adults, \$5 for kids 3-14, and free for kids under 3. Dine-in or Take-Out. Contact the school office for tickets.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS...

All parents of St. Joan of Arc parish second graders are reminded of the important meeting for this year's sacramental preparation. You may choose to attend on Wednesday, November 2 at 4:45pm or Sunday, November 6 at 7:00pm. Each child MUST be represented at one of these meetings by a parent or guardian.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY NEWS...

Calling all Young Adults between the ages of 21-35. married or single! We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 7-8:30 in Meeting Room C. We will continue our new series "The Marian Dogmas."

If you are interested in anything above or have questions, please call John at 717-533-7168 ext. 128 or email him at stjoanofarclifeteen@gmail.com.

PARISH MINISTRY NEWS, MEETINGS, & EVENTS



"I THIRST" PRAYER GROUP

Please join us as we continue "THE WILD GOOSE" series on Wednesday evening October 19th. Please note our location change for this week. We will meet in the church.

Our topic will be Gifts of the Holy Spirit. The video presentation will be followed by small group discussion and reflection. Come quench your thirst for God.

Follow us on Facebook at: ITHIRSTSJA

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Fall is here and the weather and leaves are changing. The Prayer Shawl Ministry changes yarn into beautiful prayer shawls and lap robes to provide warmth and comfort for those in need. Beginners are always welcome.

We meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 1:00 to 3:00 at St. Lucy's Hall. Questions contact: Kathy Palmer at 566-1481 or Norberta (Bert) Curran at 302-228-9735.



This Sunday begins our church-wide effort to support Greater Harrisburg's largest pregnancy center, Morning Star. Please take a bottle from one of the containers at the entrances to the church and bring it back the

weekend of November 19th with your change, bills or a check. 94% of Abortion-vulnerable women change their mind after seeing their baby on ultrasound. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Attention Men of St. Joan of Arc:

Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better THAT MAN IS YOU! husband? Become a more loving father? Build friendships with other

like-minded men? And seek to be the best man you can be? Then Come Join Us...

Saturday Mornings, 6:30 - 8:00 am in the cafeteria Contact: Chad Brickley, chadabrickley@gmail.com or call the parish office.



The purpose of the Areba Club of Hershey is to promote the spiritual, physical, mental and emotional well being of the mature citizens of our community and to provide appropriate activities and service to our members and to promote sociability along with low-cost travel opportunities.

Aladdin, Broadway's New Musical Fantasy

Date: Sunday, November 20, 2016 Time: Departure at 8:30am Cost: \$255/Person

For more information, visit the Areba Club's ministry page on the parish website.

All ladies of our parish are invited to attend the next **Lebanon District Council of Catholic Women's meeting** on Sunday, November 13 at 2PM at St. Joan of Arc in the Cafeteria. The program promises to be extremely rewarding and is a "Mission of Comfort" - a way for us to help those in need. Also highlighted will be a project to support our Diocesan seminarians. Our visiting speaker will be Barbara Trittle from Corpus Christi parish in Chambersburg. Mark your calendar and plan to join us. Refreshments will be served.

The St. Joan of Arc Council of Catholic Women will hold their **Annual Christmas Bazaar** in the Cafeteria on Saturday, November 5, 2016 from 8 AM to 2 PM. Mark your calendar and plan to join us in support of our parish. Breakfast and Lunch will be available for purchase.

Donations are requested to be dropped off in the Lobby of the Parish Office from Monday October 17 to Tuesday, **November 1**. A full list of requested items for donation can be found on the CCW page of the parish website.



Our Catholic Faith and the Death **Penalty** is a free seminar that will be held on Tuesday, October 25 at 7 p.m. at the Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg.

We will examine the need to balance punishment, respect for human life and the call for justice. Speakers include: Mr. Sean McCormack, Esq., Dauphin County Chief Deputy District Attorney; the Reverend Paul C.B. Schenck, MÂ, EdD, Director, Office of Respect Life Activities and Mr. Francis Viglietta, Director, Social Concerns Department, PA Catholic Conference.

The event is free but registration is requested at: HbgDiocese.org/deathpenalty. Contact Pete Biasucci at 657-4804 ext. 285. Parishioners interested in car pooling are welcome to contact: Anne Searer 533-9636 or email Asearer@Comcast.net

DAUGHTERS OF MERCY 20-WEEK RAFFLE

\$100 - Mike Fischer, Clayton, NJ

\$ 50 - Mary Alimenti, Richland, NJ

\$ 50 - Elizabeth M. Strangarity, Steelton, PA

\$ 50 - Sharon Cesare, Buena, NJ

\$ 50 - Bob McCormick, Vineland, NJ

We are grateful for your support. May God bless you with His peace.

Diocesan Announcements & Reminders

Mass Celebrating the Gifts of People w/ Disabilities

The annual Mass Celebrating the Gifts of People with Disabilities will be held on **Saturday, November 12, 2016** at 5 p.m. at St. Margaret Mary Church, 2800 Paxton Church Rd., Harrisburg, PA 17110. Bishop Gainer will celebrate the Mass, which will be interpreted in sign language. All are welcome to attend. Please Note: The Mass for Persons with Autism & Families originally scheduled for November 12 at St. Catherine Laboure Church is now cancelled.

Bishop McDevitt High School:

- 1. Bishop McDevitt athletics seeking a head freshman Boys Basketball Coach; volunteer track & field hurdling coach. Interested applicants should contact Tommy Mealy, athletic director, at tmealy@bishopmcdevitt.org, 236-0204 with full background clearances.
- 2. Bishop McDevitt High School will host a Prospective Student and Family Fall Preview on Sunday, November 13, 2016 at 2:00pm. This open house allows interested students and parents to meet and talk with our esteemed McD faculty regarding academics, friendly students representing our clubs, dedicated coaches and student-athletes at hand for sports, and tours of our state of the art school. Details on their website at www.bishopmcdevitt.org

Caregivers Day of Prayer & Care

The 3nd Annual Day of Prayer and Care to honor the men and women whom provide care for a family member, neighbor or friend will be held on Saturday, October 22, 2016 at the Saint Patrick Church Parish Activity Center, Carlisle. There is no cost for the day, but registration is required: www.2016dayofprayerandcare.com

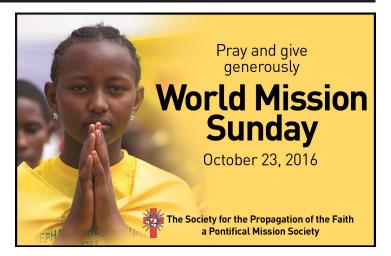
ATTENTION YOUTH - "Fan The Fire"

Fan the Fire is a one-day retreat for teens (grades 8-12) on **November 19, 2016** in York at St. Joseph Catholic Church. The day is filled with great speakers, time for Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, and other ways to grow in your faith. The cost of the Fan the Fire is \$20 buts it's truly a priceless retreat. Mark your calendars, grab your friends, and let's go.

Interfaith Shelter: Assistance for Homeless Families

The Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families (located in suburban Harrisburg) is in need of the following donations: silverware (especially teaspoons), laundry detergent, blankets (twin size), towels and washcloths, personal care products, and air mattresses (or small cots). If you can help, please contact Yvette Dick, Interfaith Shelter House Manager at 717-652-8740. Thank you for your generosity!

*A very generous parishioner has offered to transport any items collected at our parish to the shelter. If you would like to donate items, you may bring them to the lobby area outside of the parish office door. Please be careful to place them in the bin marked "Interfaith Shelter" to ensure they are not mistakenly placed with items being collected for the Annual CCW Christmas Bazaar.



"THE BITTERSWEET SEASON"

Forever in Our Hearts Ministry is offering a grief workshop for families that have lost a child due to miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, or infant death. This event will take place Saturday, October 22, 2016 at 9:00AM at the Diocesan Center in Harrisburg. Please join us as together we prepare for the upcoming challenging season. Our speaker will be Leslie Delp, Founder of Olivia's House and Bereavement Specialist.

There is no registration fee for this event but we ask you to please register by visiting www.hbgdiocese.org/respectlife or contacting Jaclyn Curran (717) 657-4804 ext 313 or email jcurran@hbgdiocese.org.

OPPORTUNITY: Part-Time Hotline Operator

Are you solidly pro-life? Looking for a way to support the pro-life mission while utilizing your skills as a Hotline Operator? If so, this part-time position may be for you!

Real Alternatives administers government-funded programs in multiple states that assist pregnant women who are experiencing unexpected pregnancies. We are seeking a pro-life individual with experience and/or skill sets as a hotline operator, to fill an available part-time position.

Primary responsibilities include: (1) answering telephone hotline, (2) providing limited basic counseling (training provided) to women who are experiencing unexpected pregnancies, and (3) connecting them to pregnancy support counselors in our network. The position also involves considerable administrative and secretarial tasks on a daily basis. A variety of other program and project tasks not directly related to the primary position are also common.

Position first requires dedication and full-support of our pro-life mission. Ability to also converse in Spanish is a plus. Experience with counseling women in unexpected pregnancies is a very big plus. Basic knowledge of Apple computers, as well as Microsoft Office for Mac is required. Competitive wages. Individuals who are currently receiving welfare/cash assistance are welcome to apply. Equal Opportunity Employer.

If you are truly dedicated to our pro-life mission, and also open to ever-changing assignments, send confidential cover letter including your pro-life philosophy/experiences, resume, and salary requirements to: ra-operations@comcast.net. All items must be included for consideration.