

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY

in Ordinary Time

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

OCTOBER 4, 2020

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm & 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Sunday: Closed

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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

INDOOR MASS

SUNDAY

7:30 am, 9:30 am (live), 11:30 am

MONDAY - FRIDAY

6:45 am, 9:00 am (live)

SATURDAY

9:00 am (live)

LOCATION

359 W Areba Ave, Hershey PA

OUTDOOR MASS

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

5:00 pm

LOCATION

1525 Sandhill Road, Hummelstown PA



FROM THE PASTOR

This month of October is Respect Life month. During this month, I plan on addressing the various life issues, especially abortion, and how the Church's teaching on the sanctity of all human life must inform us as we are called to be faithful citizens in the United States. I want to start with the words of Saint John Paul II to the Church in the US during his pastoral visit in 1987. His words set the framework for what it means to be pro-life. He begins by speaking of all the great resources we have in this country but he moves into what really makes us great as a nation:

Yes, America, all this belongs to you. But your greatest beauty and your richest blessing is found in the human person: in each man, woman and child, in every immigrant, in every native-born son and daughter.

For this reason, America, your deepest identity and truest character as a nation is revealed in the position you take towards the human person. The ultimate test of your greatness in the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless ones.

The best traditions of your land presume respect for those who cannot defend themselves. If you want equal justice for all, and true freedom and lasting peace, then, America, defend life! All the great causes that are yours today will have meaning only to the extent that you guarantee the right to life and protect the human person:

- feeding the poor and welcoming refugees;
- reinforcing the social fabric of this nation;
- promoting the true advancement of women;
- securing the rights of minorities;
- pursuing disarmament, while guaranteeing legitimate defence; all this will succeed only if respect for life and its protection by the law is granted to every human being from conception until natural death.

Every human person – no matter how vulnerable or helpless, no matter how young or how old, no matter how healthy, handicapped or sick, no matter how useful or productive for society – is a being of inestimable worth created in the image and likeness of God.

This is the dignity of America, the reason she exists, the condition for her survival – yes, the ultimate test of her greatness: to respect every human person, especially the weakest and most defenceless ones, those as yet unborn.

With these sentiments of love and hope for America, I now say goodbye in words that I spoke once before: "Today, therefore, my final prayer is this: that God will bless America, so that she may increasingly become - and truly be - and long remain one Nation, under God, indivisible. With liberty and justice for all."

May God bless you all.
God bless America!"



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of **Marie McGowan** 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: **David Lynch, Drew Fischer, Michael Fleming, Tracy Habacivch, Don Hennigan, Larry & Sharon Shindel, Margaret Brandt, Grubb Family, Kokenvie Family, Barbara Kayser, and Schilnder Family.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

Blessed Mother: In celebration and thanksgiving for the marriage of Ken & Ann (Espenshade) Epler

Saint Joseph: In loving memory of Rob Hamilton from his loving parents

Respect Life Rose 1: For all Mothers, especially those in difficult circumstances, who have chosen life for their babies

Upcoming Availability


Main Altar: *October 18, 25*

Blessed Mother: *October 18, 25*

Saint Joseph: *October 18, 25*

Respect Life Rose 1: *October 11*

Respect Life Rose 2: *October 11, 18, 25*



OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY
8:00 am to 12:00 pm
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm



With Much Gratitude...

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

ANNE F. ADAMS, DDS



MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5: BLESSED FRANCIS XAVIER SEELOS, PRIEST

Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37

6:45 AM Heart of the Parish and Church Memorials
9:00 AM Anthony Louis Costanza

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6: SAINT BRUNO, PRIEST; BLESSED MARIE ROSE DUROCHER, VIRGIN

Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42

6:45 AM Jean Burkhart
9:00 AM Edward Stoffel

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7: MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4

6:45 AM Paul Potosky
9:00 AM Anna Collura

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13

6:45 AM Special Intentions for Deacon Joe Gusherowski
9:00 AM Deceased members of the Sherbine and Frola Families

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9: SAINT DENIS, BISHOP, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS; SAINT JOHN LEONARDI, PRIEST

Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26

6:45 AM David Marks
9:00 AM Joseph Weiss

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28

9:00 AM James Youngman
5:00 PM Frances Nucci DiClemente and Maddalena & Attilio Nucci

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11: TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14

The Lord invites us to a banquet, one of the favorite images of messianic times. This banquet is spread before us and can fully satisfy our needs, yet how often have we refused the Lord's invitation to share in the riches prepared for us?

7:30 AM Neil Gruber
9:30 AM Harold Fogarty
11:30 AM People of the Parish
5:00 PM Damian & Olga Camacci



YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN (HIGH SCHOOL)

We will meet in the parish social hall from 6:15-7:30 pm.

This Week: "Movie Night" It's time to relax and watch a movie. I'll bring the movie, food, and snacks. Bring your friends, a blanket or chair, and a mask. We'll meet in the social hall.

Next Week: No Life Teen

*** During Life Teen, everyone is required to wear a mask and practice a social distancing. Teens who have been around anyone with Covid-19 or have had any symptoms, please stay home. If you have recently traveled outside of the Hershey area, please stay home for at least a two week quarantine period. ***

John Triscik: jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org



Clothing Drive: Life Teen will collect winter clothes and coats before and after all Masses on October 17 & 18 to serve several missions in Harrisburg. Winter clothes only please.



EDGE (MIDDLE SCHOOL)

Edge is for grades 6-8 and meets on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month from 7:00-8:00 pm in Meeting Room C.

Edge returns October 7. We will meet via Zoom for the month of October.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

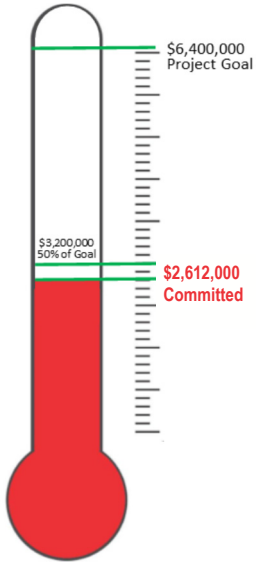
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ADULT FAITH

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 7:00-8:30 pm in Meeting Room C. We meet next on October 14 via Zoom, as we continue our study of New Testament Letters with Hebrews.

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CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Our most gracious heavenly Father, as You bless us continually with the knowledge of Your abundant gifts, grant us especially the gift of a grateful heart. Help us to respond sacrificially to the challenge before us so that our Church family may move forward in its ministry of worship, education, and service. Give us the faith, courage, and the desire to support this Centennial Project in our Church as we grow for tomorrow. In Jesus' Name. *Amen.*

For more information on how you can help, please visit www.stjoanhershey.org/TheCentennialProject

St. Joan of Arc School



WE'RE HIRING



Due to increasing enrollment, St. Joan of Arc School is looking to hire for several positions.

Long Term Substitute, Kindergarten	Full Time—8:00 am-3:00 pm
Support Aide	Full Time—8:00 am-3:00 pm
After School Care Aides	Part Time—3:00-6:00 pm

Send resume or questions to

Sister Eileen
sreileen@stjoanhershey.org
 717-533-2854 x 118

Clearances are required.



STEWARDSHIP

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

Weekly Tithing: \$20,710

Weekly Budget: \$26,442

Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$2,183

Week of September 20, 2020

✝ MINISTRY NEWS

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The 6th Annual Harrisburg Diocesan Women's Conference will be held on **Saturday, October 17** from 9:00 am - 12:15 pm. It will be virtual but a registration fee of \$10 is required to cover expenses. The title is "Catholic Women: A Place at the Table." Register and see the full schedule of events online. For those who register and would like to see the conference via big screen, the Parish Hall on Areba Avenue will be available. Please notify Barb McCarthy if you plan to come to our cafeteria. Light refreshments will be provided.

① To Register: www.hbgdiocese.org/women

① FranBarbMc@aol.com | 717-534-1858

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

Today is Respect Life Sunday. Flyers regarding our upcoming display ad in the Patriot News will be distributed after Masses. At 2:00 pm we will take part in the Life Chain at Holy Name of Jesus Church on Route 22, Jonestown Road, in Harrisburg. Please look for information at the parish on line web sites for the Public Square Rosary Rally being held at Chocolate town Square on **Saturday, October 10** at 10:00 am.

CCW—BOX OF JOY

Box of Joy is an annual Christmas gift ministry in which participants pack toys and other gifts to bless children suffering from extreme poverty by sharing the joy of Christmas. The CCW is excited to be participating at our parish. Boxes will be available in October. A \$9 fee for shipping and ministry is required.

① For more information visit: www.boxofjoy.com

VOCATIONS CORNER

Let go of worry. Go to God in prayer. Then the peace of God will dwell in your heart and mind. Ask God to show you how to follow Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-9

✝ MINISTRY NEWS

RAFFLE WINNERS

Laura Costa—Berlin, NJ

George Shorb—York, PA

Mr. & Mrs. Everett Brogan—Rosenhayn, NJ

Mary L. Gruccio—Vineland, NJ

Arlene Smith—Vineland, NJ

SPAGHETTI DINNER

SAVE THE DATE! In lieu of our annual PTO Spaghetti Dinner this year, St. Joan of Arc School PTO is hosting a Kauffman's BBQ Chicken Drive-Thru Event!

Meal includes: half Chicken, Baked Potato, Dinner roll w/butter & Applesauce. Pick up **Friday, October 30** between 3:00 - 6:00 pm in the church parking lot (enter from Valley Road near parish office).

Tickets are \$10 each and are available at the school office on Sand Hill Road. We accept cash or check payable to St. Joan of Arc PTO. Bring your tickets to the drive-thru and pick up your delicious chicken BBQ dinner!

RESPECT LIFE PRAYER

This prayer has been prayed daily at St. Joan of Arc Church since 1988.

Father, we pray today for all preborn babies whose mothers are considering abortion.

Protect all expectant mothers and the babies they carry in their wombs.

Grant them grace and wisdom, courage and strength – that the gift of life you have granted will be welcomed and sustained.

Guide our actions too, Oh, Father, that we may restore in the hearts of all your people respect for the Sanctity of all human life as we ask these things through Jesus' name.

Amen.

CAELORUM

Please join us on **Wednesday, October 7** at 7:00 pm for the live, virtual Caelorum event. A link is provided on the Caelorum Facebook page.

① [Lou Felice: \(717\) 215-4175](tel:7172154175)

✠ MINISTRY NEWS

FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

The Parish Festival Committee is sponsoring a 50/50 cash raffle with numerous winners and a Tour of Hershey PLUS raffle. Winning tickets will be drawn on **Saturday, October 10** at the Areba Avenue property where you can come out and purchase homemade meatball subs and Pronio's sausage subs from 3:00-7:00 pm.

THAT MAN IS YOU

The new year of That Man Is You is underway. We meet via Zoom on Saturday morning from 6:45-8:00 am and the virtual sessions are working great! We have many new, exciting speakers this year that you don't want to miss. If you would like to join us please contact Jim Mulvey.

📞 **Jim Mulvey: jmulvey0929@yahoo.com**

CCW

The CCW will have a meeting on **Thursday, October 15** at 6:00 pm in the church. We will begin with the recitation of the Rosary, followed by installation of our new officers for 2020-2022. President: Ruth Zemba; Vice-President: Donna Testa; Secretary: Mary Parsons; Treasurer: Jane Cottonaro. A business meeting will follow. To join us via Zoom, e-mail Diane Noto. Social Distancing will be followed and we will collect a food item to be donated to the Hershey Food Pantry.

📞 **Diane Noto: dianenoto@yahoo.com**

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

The Centennial Committee was appointed by Fr. Al to plan activities related to our 100th Anniversary. We are looking for volunteers (parishioners, students, Scouts) to collect and organize recipes for a cookbook. We will solicit parishioners and former parish priests and religious who have a recipe they would like to include. Contact Susan to volunteer.

📞 **Susan Petrina: sip1@psu.edu**

ROAD TO KINDNESS

This week we want to continue focusing on the special people in our life, our children! We want to reference and ask you to take some time to look at a new book – children’s book for raising loving individuals. It is the new alphabet for humanity! Please go to the website www.alphabetforhumanity.com. There is a heart-warming video outlining “a book of heart-based values for raising kind, confident and caring kids!”

As the creator of this book states, “I have always believed that our thoughts and words have the power to shape our lives. Can you imagine how different the world would be if children were taught words like compassion, empathy, and diversity at an early age!” Let’s all teach our children what it truly means to have kindness and gratitude (and we can also reflect on the impact of these words in our life). This is God’s Way – “The Road to Kindness!” Blessings to you! Have a wonderful week filled with kindness!

✠ SCHOOL NEWS

WISH LIST ITEMS

St. Joan of Arc School is currently in need of the following wish list items. To make a contribution, please contact Sister Eileen (x118) or Deb Rizzotto (x123).

Thank you to those who have so generously contributed to our wish list items. We greatly appreciate every contribution.

Item	Cost	Qty.	Total
Classroom Projectors	\$2,000	4	\$8,000
Student Chromebooks (Grades 4-8)	\$300	22	\$6,600
Samsung Tablets (Grades 1-3)	\$245	14	\$3,430
License Renewals for Tablets (Grades 1-5)	\$25	25	\$625
Seat Sacks (Grade 7)	\$11	30	\$330
Computer Speakers (Grades K, 2, & 7)	\$20	3	\$60
Chromecast (Middle School)	\$42	3	\$126
Teacher iPad (New Teachers)	\$500	4	\$2,000
Apple TV (Pre3)	\$149	1	\$149
Learning Toys (Pre3)	\$108	1	\$108
Art & Music Toys (Pre3)	\$106	1	\$106
Playground Toys (Pre3)	\$700	1	\$700
Misc. Toys (Pre3)	\$260	1	\$260
Printer Ink (Pre3)	\$46	1	\$46

**Some items above are grouped together, to view a full list of individual items, please visit school.stjoanhershey.org/wishlist*

📞 **Deb: drizzotto@stjoanhershey.org**

📞 **Sister Eileen: sreileen@stjoanhershey.org**