

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY *in Ordinary Time*

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

OCTOBER 11, 2020

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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



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As Catholics, we are called to bring our faith and beliefs into the public square.

Most often, we do this through the act of voting. A right that has been won and defended through the countless lives of our brothers and sisters, the freedom to vote is not just a privilege, but also a moral obligation that, if taken lightly, can have grave consequences.



This letter is not an endorsement of one candidate over another, or one party over the other. Rather, it is a reminder of our obligations as Catholics to vote with a “formed conscience.”

As Pope Francis said in Rejoice and Be Glad [Gaudete et Exsultate], “Your identification with Christ and his will involves a commitment to build with him that kingdom of love, justice and universal peace. . . You cannot grow in holiness without committing yourself, body and soul, to giving your best to this endeavor.” The Holy Father adds that through this call to holiness, a “firm and passionate” defense of “the innocent unborn” is required. As are “the lives of the poor, those already born, the destitute, the abandoned and the underprivileged, the vulnerable infirm and elderly exposed to covert euthanasia, the victims of human trafficking, new forms of slavery, and every form of rejection.”

As we enter the final weeks leading up to our elections in November, it is important to remember that we are called to vote in a manner that is consistent with Catholic teaching. In their statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the U.S. Catholic bishops urge Catholics to form their consciences through being open to truth, studying Scripture and Church teaching, examining facts and background information, and prayerful reflection.

Our Holy Father and the body of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops also recently re-affirmed that abortion and euthanasia are the “preeminent” issues when determining how to vote. As voters, and especially as Catholic voters, we must always be mindful of the teachings of our Faith, especially the teachings about protecting the sacredness of human life at every stage.

To assist your reflection and preparation for Election Day, the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference has prepared state and federal voting guides. These guides report the voting records or positions of those running for public office on many key issues of concern to our Catholic faith.

I recognize that some of you reading this letter may feel that I am intruding on your freedom to choose those serving in public office. On the contrary, as your Bishop and chief teacher of the faith I am obligated in conscience before God to inform the Catholic faithful and all people of good will of the Church’s teachings and the moral obligations that flow from those truths. This is not a partisan appeal but a plea to recognize that every human person is made in the image and likeness of God, the Creator.

I pray you will seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit and reflect on the teachings of our Faith as you prepare to cast your vote this November. May God bless you and all those who continue to protect this most precious freedom.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer

This letter and picture were originally published on The Diocese of Harrisburg’s website in September 2020.



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

Main Altar Vases, Blessed Mother, and Saint Joseph: In celebration of the 1st Wedding Anniversary of Sarah Marie Bruno & Steven Lun Li



Upcoming Availability

Main Altar: October 18; November 22, 29

Blessed Mother: October 18, 25; November 15, 22, 29

Saint Joseph: October 18, 25; November 1, 15, 29

Respect Life Rose 1: November 1, 15, 22, 29

Respect Life Rose 2: October 18, 25; November 1, 15, 22, 29



With Much Gratitude...

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

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MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12

Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Lk 11:29-32

6:45 AM Norma & Enrico Susi
9:00 AM Frank Bolduc

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41

6:45 AM Jane Kuklish
9:00 AM Martha Mundie

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14: SAINT CALLISTUS I, POPE AND MARTYR

Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46

6:45 AM Pete Bowman
9:00 AM Jeanne M. Spagnolo

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15: MEMORIAL OF SAINT TERESA OF JESUS, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54

6:45 AM Beth Frola
9:00 AM John & Mildred Tapparo

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16: SAINT HEDWIG, RELIGIOUS; SAINT MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE, VIRGIN

Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7

6:45 AM Deceased members of the Souchak Family
9:00 AM For the intentions of all our parish volunteers

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17: MEMORIAL OF SAINT IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, BISHOP AND MARTYR

Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12

9:00 AM John Luke Nantz
5:00 PM Deceased Polto & Scamuffa Families

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18: TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

The Lord is king and there is no other. We are to render to God, therefore, fitting praise and service, as is God's due. God's word to us, in turn, is a matter of power and strength, to be lived with conviction of heart.

7:30 AM Kathryn Spang
9:30 AM Rose Resanovich
11:30 AM Herman & Irene Rossi
5:00 PM People of the Parish



YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN (HIGH SCHOOL)

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

This Week: No Life Teen

Next Week: Winter Clothing Drive: Let's clean out those closets and donate to those in need. We will be collecting winter clothes and coats before and after all Masses on **October 17 & 18** to serve missions in Harrisburg. To help us with safety protocol, we ask only for winter clothing at this time. We will try to have another one in the Spring.

**** During Life Teen, everyone is required to wear a mask and to practice 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. ****

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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 meets next on October 21** with a night on the Rosary. We will meet via Zoom for the month of October.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

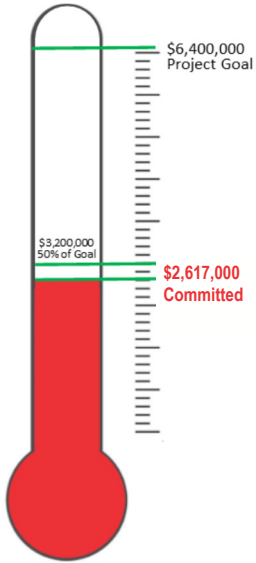
📧 **Earl:** etropp@stjoanhershey.org | Ext. 122

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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It's hard to believe but school has been in session for over a month. It had been a sprint since May to get the renovations completed. A special thank you goes out to Matt Dunkle, the Facilities Director. He worked tirelessly to get the school ready—day and night—weekday and weekends. St. Joan of Arc Parish is grateful for his skill and his work ethic. Thanks to him the school was able to get off to a great start!

Donations have been trending up again. In September we were able to realize the sale of donated property from an anonymous benefactor. Although commissions, taxes, and fees were expended, it was quickly offset with the generous gifts of many parishioners in the past two weeks. Your gift or pledge is needed as well. End of year is coming so please consider the tax benefits of supporting academic excellence in a Catholic environment. With all the chaos in our country and in the world, we must invest in the formation of values in our children. They are the future. Keep them in your prayers.

We have also purchased new kitchen equipment for the Social Hall, courtesy of the Council of Catholic Women. Thank you CCW!

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



Clearances are required.

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

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



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

Weekly Tithing: \$22,915

Weekly Budget: \$26,442

Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$1,782

Week of September 27, 2020

VOCATIONS CORNER

You are invited to a rich feast. Don't ignore the invitation. Perhaps you are called to service through ordained ministry or the consecrated life. Trust that you will receive the grace you need.

Matthew 22:1-14

✝ 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

CENTENNIAL ORNAMENTS

St. Joan of Arc Centennial Committee is selling Centennial Anniversary Ornaments to celebrate our centennial year! Bring your money to the parish office to purchase!

Centennial Ornaments will also be sold at OctoberFest on **October 10** from 3:00-7:00 pm. Cost is \$5.00 per ornament.

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.org

✝ MINISTRY NEWS

RAFFLE WINNERS

George Bongiorno—Vineland, NJ
Catholic Harvest Food Pantry—York, PA
Marie Yori—Drums, PA
Arlene Angela Baruffi—Vineland, NJ
James Bassetti—McAllen, TX

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.

① 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.

① Susan Petrina: sip1@psu.edu

RESPECT LIFE

"The threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed."

-Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship,
Introductory Letter, USCCB, 2019

For help with an unexpected pregnancy, contact MorningStar Pregnancy Clinics.

① www.morningstarclinics.com | 717-901-2799

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.

① Jim Mulvey: jmulvey0929@yahoo.com

✦ MINISTRY NEWS

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

The 2021 Mass Book is open. Due to pandemic restrictions, we ask that you submit your Mass Intentions in writing. You can schedule up to 4 intentions for the year and they are \$10 each. Forms are available in the on-line bulletin, on the website or you can pick one up at the parish office. If you choose to write them on plain paper, please include your address and phone number. We will contact you if there are any issues. A post card confirming your dates will be mailed to you.

ROAD TO KINDNESS

We are approaching many special days in the upcoming months. It is time to build goodness and kindness into our daily and weekly activities! With that said, this week we want to revisit an article that was published by Ralph Marston in “The Daily Motivator.” Excerpts from “Leave a little goodness!”

“Wherever you go, leave a little bit of goodness there. Whatever you undertake, do it in a way that beneficial to life. Life is extremely difficult and challenging, but it doesn’t have to be void of meaning or joy. Goodness is possible, available to give, in any situation. Make it your intention every day, to spread that goodness!”

Can you imagine the impact if everyone shared a little goodness and kindness this week and every week through the rest of the year! We would impact our community in so many good ways! Let’s always remember the blessings that we have and how one small act of kindness can impact a person’s life! That is God’s Way – “The Road to Kindness!” God bless you for your kindness!

✦ SCHOOL NEWS

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!

✦ 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*

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

✦ BULLETIN REQUESTS

- 1) Requests MUST be received by 9:00 am the Monday prior to that weekend’s bulletin. Exceptions cannot be made for late requests.
- 2) Requests must be submitted as they are to appear in print. Please be brief due to space limitation.
- 3) Requests must be made through the designated electronic form to ensure all necessary information is received prior to the deadline.

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