



World Day of the Poor

Love not in word, but in deed

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

NOVEMBER 17, 2019

The poor save us because they enable us to encounter the face of Jesus Christ.

Pope Francis



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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

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: 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.

FROM THE PASTOR



This past week, the priests of the diocese had a “Clergy Day” at the diocesan center. Once or twice a year, we get together and receive updates on issues that pertain to our ministry in the parish. Most of the morning this past time was spent on learning about the Permanent Diaconate in our diocese. As you know (I hope you know!), **Joe Gusherowski** from our parish is scheduled to be ordained a deacon in June of 2020. The amount of academic work that Joe has done these past four years is really unbelievable. The theological and pastoral training he is getting is outstanding. When Joe is ordained a deacon (*Deo volente* or “God willing”), he will join with the other deacons in the diocese in serving the local Church. I hope that Joe will be assigned to our parish (assignments are based on need). He will join Deacon Mortel in serving in the parish. I am truly grateful for Deacon Mortel’s ministry and friendship and wisdom since my coming here as pastor. Sometimes we forget to thank the wives of our deacons and deacons-to-be. Cecile Mortel is a wonderful support to Rod, and to the parish, and to me. For this I am very grateful. Rhonda Gusherowski, Joe’s wife, has been supporting Joe through these years of training and I thank her for her goodness as well. Ordinations are special moments in the life of a parish. Keep praying for Joe Gusherowski and Rhonda as he comes down the “homestretch” toward diaconate. And keep praying for Rod and Cecile Mortel as well!

Father Al



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of **Mary Bianchini** who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathies to her family and friends on their loss.

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of our parish, in your prayers: **Annalise, William O’Connor, Joan Spandra, Rose Marie Smith, Geraldine Ingaglio, and Clara Hissick.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

Main Altar Vases: In loving memory of Debbie (Rogowski) Vandergrift from cousin Michael

Blessed Mother: In loving memory of Jim Grap from wife Mary and family

Saint Joseph: In loving memory of Jim Grap from wife Mary and family

Respect Life Rose 1: In honor of the life of Mary Ann Artz, O.S.F. from Lisa Kayser

Respect Life Rose 2: In honor of Lisa Kayser on her 65th birthday from her family

MASS ATTENDANCE: November 9/10 TOTAL: 1305				
<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>
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With Much Gratitude...

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

D. L. LITZELL AND SON



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

- † KENNETH SULLIVAN AND JULIA MATYAS
- † STEVEN LI AND SARAH BRUNO
- † STUART KOCH AND GABRIELLA DECARLI
- † KURT ALLEN AND RACHEL CULLARI



Our parish community welcomes these newly baptized children of God:

**BENJAMIN VACA | ELIZA DEMBO
EMMA CONNORS**



WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18: THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICAS OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES; SAINT ROSE PHILIPPINE DUCHESNE, VIRGIN

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43

6:45 AM Michael Lyons

9:00 AM Mae Piconi

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10

6:45 AM Heart of the Parish and Church Memorials

9:00 AM Richard Donoval

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28

6:45 AM People of the Parish

9:00 AM All Souls

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21: MEMORIAL OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44

6:45 AM Kenneth Hahn

9:00 AM Vince Chaverini

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22: MEMORIAL OF SAINT CECILIA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Lk 19:45-48

6:45 AM All Souls

9:00 AM Frank Macus

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23: SAINT CLEMENT I, POPE AND MARTYR; SAINT COLUMBAN, ABBOT; BLESSED MIGUEL AGUSTIN PRO, PRIEST AND MARTYR

1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40

9:00 AM Brock Foschetti

5:00 PM Deceased Nestico and Lavelle Families

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

2 Sm 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

In Hebron, David is hailed as king by all the tribes of Israel. Jesus is anointed king on the wood of his cross, a sign of paradox, of defeat yet final victory. Through his cross we have passed from darkness into the kingdom of light.

7:30 AM For the Living & Deceased of the Bratina and Shaffer Families

9:30 AM Colleen Dowling

11:30 AM Herman & Irene Rossi

5:00 PM James Ross

This Week In Our Parish

❖ MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18		
3:00 PM	Daisy Scouts	-
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts	-
❖ TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19		
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, NOVEMBER 20		
7:15 AM	Wednesday Morning Coffee	SJC
7:45 AM	Gospel Reflection	SJC
3:00 PM	Girl Scouts	SJC
4:15 PM	REP (K-6 th)	-
6:30 PM	RCIA	PC
7:00 PM	I Thirst	CAF
7:00 PM	Edge	MRC
❖ THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21		
10:00 AM	Faith Enrichment	PC
6:30 PM	Girl Scouts	SJC
7:30 PM	Knights of Columbus	MRC
❖ FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22		
3:30 PM	Junior Legion of Mary	SJC
❖ SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23		
<i>Hershey Food Bank collection before all Masses</i>		
6:30 AM	That Man Is You	MRC
4:00 PM	Spaghetti Dinner	CAF
❖ SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24		
<i>Hershey Food Bank collection before all Masses</i>		
10:30 AM	REP (K-6 th)	-
6:00 PM	Life Teen	MRC
6:30 PM	Confirmation REP (7 th & 8 th)	-



LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE: NOVEMBER 24, 2019

	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM	5:00 PM	5:00 PM Thanksgiving
Lector	F. Ruggiero	M. Spaeder	J. Nantz	K. Shovlin	N. Hamilton	J. Gusherowski
EMHC	J. Frola	T. Kilcoyne	B. Hasson	T. Crum-Ewing	V. Felice	J. Traini
	A. Gould	B. McCarthy	J. Larkin	G. Holobetz	R. Meinert	C. Yakstis
	D. Morgan	K. McCarthy	J. Larkin	A. Mayan	L. Rogers	W. Lutz
Minister of the Cup	C. Mortel	J. Pantalone	P. Mooney	W. Lutz	M. Rogers	
	J. Nolan	R. Plebani	A. Reeves	J. Phillippy	M. Stamilio	
Altar Servers	S. Weader	S. O'Hara	C. Chardo	A. Zaccaria	A. Dugan	A. Shiffler
	Matthew Coyle	M. O'Hara	S. Chardo	A. Kosters	M. Dugan	A. Gusherowski
	D. Bagatta	B. O'Hara	R. Abraham	M. Pegher	E. Hoffman	
MC	M. Bagatta	D. O'Hara	T. Abraham	J. Pegher	V. Yee	E. Gusherowski

Money Counters: C. Frank, T. Santeusanio, V. Peracchia, G. Zemba



STEWARDSHIP

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

Archdiocese for the Military: \$4,007

Upcoming Special Collection

November 24—Matthew 25

The second collection next week is the annual Matthew 25 collection that supports parish and Diocesan ministries focused on providing food, clothing and shelter for the needy within the 15 counties of the Diocese. Because of your generosity last year, more than \$231,000 was distributed to 34 agencies in the Diocese. Our parish benefited as well. Twenty-five percent of what was collected stayed here to support our ministries. Please be as generous as possible in next week's collection.

The following organizations in our deanery have received funding.

- Christian Churches United of the Tri-county Area, Harrisburg
- Healthy Steps Diaper Bank, Harrisburg
- Mary's Helpers, Steelton
- Morning Star Pregnancy Services, Harrisburg
- St. Francis Soup Kitchen, Harrisburg
- Shalom House, Harrisburg
- Silence of Mary Home, Harrisburg

YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH)

This Week: "Heaven Bound" We have many misconceptions about heaven and hell. We will take a look at those and the beauty of free will, which gives us the choice to be or not to be in a relationship with God.

Next Week: Life Teen Holy Hour With Thanksgiving coming up, let's spend some quiet time in prayer in form of the Eucharist. We will meet in the Parish Center this week.

📞 **John:** Ext. 128 | stjoanofarclifeteen@gmail.com



EDGE (MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH)

EDGE is for 6th-8th graders and meets on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month from 7:00-8:15 pm in Meeting Room C. Invite your friends!

EDGE Nights: Nov 20, Dec 4 & 18

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

VOCATIONS CORNER

That prayer, hard work and generous service will prepare many young men and women to answer the Lord's call to follow Him as priests, deacons, and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord.



Vocations Cross

Nov. 18-25: The O'Hara Family

Nov. 25-Dec. 2: Frank Wetherhold Family

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.

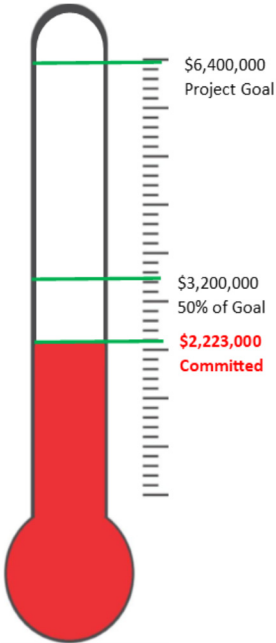


Father Al's guided tours of the Lancaster Mennonite School (LMS) on Sand Hill Road have generated a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of positive feedback. There is much to be excited about. Rooms and hallways are spacious and full of natural light. The school is 2.5 times the size of our present school, surrounded by acres and acres of grassy fields. It has extremely efficient thermal heating & cooling, where energy is exchanged as it is needed. It offers plenty of room to serve the needs of both the Parochial and the REP students, with plenty of room to grow.

Father Al has a vision for the existing school. The existing building will focus on the social, physical, and ministerial needs of the parish and the larger community. A beautiful social hall, library, gym, and more than a dozen meeting spaces will be programmed to serve the members of St. Joan of Arc and our neighbors in the surrounding Hershey area.

In order to make the vision a reality, we need the financial support of our parish family. The LMS School is insured for \$11.5 million, which is the indicator of its replacement cost. Our purchase price is less than half of that cost, which underscores the value proposition. This opportunity needs another \$1.2 million in funding in order to smooth the financing, as it is here now, a year earlier than anticipated. It also allows for needed renovations for the accommodation of 400 students and staff- double the number which previously attended the LMS School.

We have raised \$2.2 million towards a \$6.4 million project goal, which is remarkable in the six months since our kickoff reception. Please join the effort with your shared sacrificial gift or pledge. For more information on the LMS School and how you can help, we encourage you to take a tour of the school or visit our website.



www.stjoanhershey.org/TheCentennialProject

✠ ADULT FAITH FORMATION

YOUNG ADULTS (AGES 21 - 39)

Calling all young adults of the parish between the ages of 21-39, married or single!!! Young Adults meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 7:00-8:30 pm in Meeting Room C. We will gather next on **December 11** as we celebrate the Christmas season with a White Elephant Gift Exchange. *No Young Adults on November 27.*

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

📍 **Parish Ministries - Young Adults**

✠ MINISTRY NEWS

AREBA CLUB

The Areba Club will meet on **Tuesday, November 19** at 4:00 pm in the cafeteria. We will play BINGO with cash prizes. We will collect personal care items to be distributed to men and women patients at the Lebanon VA Hospital. We are also accepting new, unwrapped items (\$5-\$10) to be given out as gifts at our Christmas party in December.

BOY SCOUTS POPCORN SALE

Boy Scout Troop 108 will be selling popcorn and nuts after Masses on **November 17**. Please stop by to support your chartered troop.



ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. Joan of Arc School will hold its Annual PTO Spaghetti Dinner on **Saturday, November 23** in the cafeteria. The evening features live entertainment, fabulous basket raffles, delicious food, and fellowship.

Dinner includes a salad, Italian bread, spaghetti and meatballs, dessert, and a beverage. Meatballs to-go are available.

Dine in: 4:00-8:00 pm | Take out: 4:00-7:00 pm

Prices:

Adult: \$10

Ages 3-10: \$5

Senior: \$8

Ages 3 & under: Free

Purchase tickets in the school office or at the door.

† MINISTRY NEWS

KNIGHTS MEMORIAL MASS

A memorial Mass for deceased brother Knights will be held by the Knights of Columbus Council 6693 at 10:30 am in the church on **Saturday, November 23**. All are invited to attend to pray for our departed brothers. A brunch will be held after at Hoss' restaurant for fellowship and socializing.

① Steve Cordaro: (717) 512-1901

CONSOLATION/BEREAVEMENT

As we remember and pray for our deceased loved ones, it may be a good time to reflect on our own death. Members of the Consolation Ministry are available to help you with this planning. Call to contact a Consolation Minister.

① Parish Office: (717) 533-7168 | Ext. 100

CATECHETICAL AWARD

Congratulations to Jean Marie Fischer on receiving the Diocesan Catechetical Award. This recognized her 20 years of service to our youth in preparing for their First Holy Communion.

CCW BAZAAR THANK YOU

The St. Joan of Arc Council of Catholic Women thanks all of our wonderful parishioners who so generously donated items as well as those who came to purchase them at our Annual Christmas Bazaar. We also give a special thanks to those ladies who helped with the set-up and sales, as well as our Knights of Columbus who provided much needed manpower. Our bazaar was very successful thanks to everyone involved. Congratulations to our basket winners:

- Pasta Basket – Aylea Richardson
- Candy Basket – Emilie Ritrovato
- Money Tree – Fil Cramer
- Craft Basket- Mary Ann Ebersole
- Pottery Basket- Joanne Agostino
- Gift Card Tree – Kathy Black

CONSOLATION/BEREAVEMENT

The holidays are upon us and we know that this can be a difficult time for many who are feeling the loss of a loved one. We at St. Joan of Arc understand this loneliness and pain. We invite you to join us on **Saturday, December 7** in the Parish Center after the 9:00 am Mass for coffee and friendship. Please RSVP.

① RSVP: (717) 533-2007

I THIRST PRAYER COMMUNITY

I Thirst will meet on **Wednesday, November 20** at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria. Join us for prayer, music, and discussion about the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

① Lynn Shuck: (717) 503-1600

† MINISTRY NEWS

ROAD TO KINDNESS

Did you do something kind for someone on World Kindness Day? We heard of some wonderful acts of kindness being done by members of our parish family! This weekend's message is all about preparation. As you prepare for Thanksgiving on November 28, we ask that you also prepare to help someone in need. We often plan our schedules in advance. It takes time to get everything ready for special holidays like Thanksgiving. For this holiday, we have some suggestions for you to consider: help a family in need by giving them a turkey; visit the local senior living community and share your smiles and a pumpkin pie; go see someone who has to work on this holiday and bring them a Thanksgiving dinner; go to one of the local hospitals and talk to the patients. There are so many people that spend Thanksgiving alone. Make your plans and prepare to give some of your blessings to those in need! We have 11 days to get prepared.

† SCHOOL NEWS

St. Joan of Arc School has been given the STEM Program of Distinction Award by the Middle States Association (MSA)! We are only the 4th school in the nation to receive this award.

MSA accredited schools are eligible to apply for Program of Distinction recognition for outstanding programs in specific fields. The STEM Program of Distinction recognizes schools that show a commitment to ensuring graduates are prepared to succeed in STEM classes in college and are well-positioned to pursue a STEM-related career.

“This award attests to the fact that St. Joan of Arc School has been found, through a rigorous process of self-study and external evaluation, to exemplify the Criterion for PROGRAM OF DISTINCTION in STEM” the award letter states. It further reads “The school shows a commitment to ensuring that all of its students graduate with a readiness for college pursuit of STEM related content and a 21st century STEM related career.”

“We are proud to be recognized by MSA-CESS as a leader in STEM education” said Principal of St. Joan of Arc School, Sister Eileen Marie, D.M. “We are committed to preparing our students for college and 21st century careers and recognize that having a strong background in STEM education will be a key to their success.”