

CHRIST THE KING

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

NOVEMBER 24, 2019

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm (Closed 12:00 - 1:00 pm)

Sunday: 9:00 - 11:30 am

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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



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, Joan Spandra, Rose Marie Smith, Geraldine Ingaglio, and Clara Hissick.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

Main Altar Vases: In loving memory of Don Fox from his family

Blessed Mother: Special intentions for Jordan Warfield on his birthday

Saint Joseph: In thanksgiving from Lisa Balanda

Respect Life Rose 1: In loving memory of Don Fox from his family

Respect Life Rose 2: In loving memory of Don Fox from his family

MASS ATTENDANCE: November 16/17 TOTAL: 1685

5:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM	5:00 PM
281	207	576	304	317



With Much Gratitude...

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

DAFNOS ITALIAN GRILL

Happy Thanksgiving
WE ARE BLESSED & GRATEFUL



The Priests of the parish wish you a Happy and Holy Thanksgiving!

Thank you for your continued love and support throughout the years.

Enjoy your time spent with friends and family.

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING
AND HIS COURTS WITH PRAISE;
GIVE THANKS TO HIM & PRAISE HIS NAME.

Psalms 100:4



ALTAR FLOWERS

AVAILABLE DATES

	January	February
Main Altar Vase 1	26	2, 9
Main Altar Vase 2	26	2, 9
Blessed Mother	12, 19	9, 16
Saint Joseph	12, 19	9, 16
Respect Life Rose 1	26	2, 16
Respect Life Rose 2	12, 19, 26	2, 9, 16

Call the Parish Office at (717) 533-7168 Ext. 100 to request.

Updated 11/18/2019



WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25: SAINT CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4

6:45 AM People of the Parish
9:00 AM All Souls

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11

6:45 AM James B. Cech
9:00 AM Orville Lamirande

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19

6:45 AM Donald Fox
9:00 AM Frank Bolduc

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28: THANKSGIVING

Dn 6:12-28; Lk 21:20-28

9:00 AM Deceased Priests, Sisters and Religious who served at St. Joan of Arc Parish

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33

6:45 AM All Souls
9:00 AM Mary E. Lewis

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30: FEAST OF SAINT ANDREW, APOSTLE

Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

9:00 AM Lydia Ocamb & Joan Bennett
5:00 PM Christopher Angelo


SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

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 Nan Yakstis
9:30 AM Hal Hoffman
11:30 AM Bill, Peggy, Bumper and Jack Owens and deceased members of the Owens Family
5:00 PM Frank Ferguson, Sr.

This Week In Our Parish

❖ MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25		
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts	-
7:00 PM	Bible Study	SJC
❖ TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26		
9:45 AM	Legion of Mary	SJC
12:00 PM	Prayer Shawl	SJC
❖ WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27		
7:15 AM	Wednesday Morning Coffee	SJC
7:45 AM	Gospel Reflection	SJC
❖ THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28		
		<p><i>Happy</i> THANKSGIVING!</p> <p><i>Parish Office Closed</i></p>
❖ FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29		
<p><i>Parish Office Closed</i></p>		
❖ SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30		
<p><i>Parish Office Closed</i></p>		
❖ SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1		
<p><i>Parish Office Closed</i></p>		
12:30 PM	Baptisms	CHR



ARE YOU READY FOR SOME TURKEY?

HAPPY Thanksgiving

Parish Office Schedule

CLOSE AT 12:00 PM
Wednesday, November 27

CLOSED ALL DAY
Thursday, November 28 - Monday, December 2

The office will re-open on
Tuesday, December 3 @ 8:00 am

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 1, 2019

	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM	5:00 PM
Lector	B. Williams	M. Gette	J. Gusherowski	C. Gassert	M. Waning
EMHC	M. Stamilio M. Waiter C. Yakstis	D. Sheehan M. Spaeder K. Willey	T. Samson D. Bogrette S. Cordaro	K. Robinson J. Traini M. Wetherhold	Sr. Eileen Sr. Salvatoris R. Barry
Altar Servers	L. Hamilton L. Hamilton E. Roche	S. Loser O. Strader J. Katzenmoyer	A. Dugan M. Dugan A. Gusherowski	St. Michael's Guard	V. Foley R. Abraham
MC	C. Roche	J.P. Katzenmoyer	E. Gusherowski		T. Abraham

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



STEWARDSHIP

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

Weekly Tithing: \$22,868

Weekly Budget: \$30,385

Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$1,948

Stewardship numbers for November 9 & 10

Special Collection Today

November 24—Matthew 25

The second collection this 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 this 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: 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.

Next Week: No Life Teen—Have a blessed Thanksgiving with your family and friends.

☎ **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: 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. 25-Dec. 2: Frank Wetherhold Family

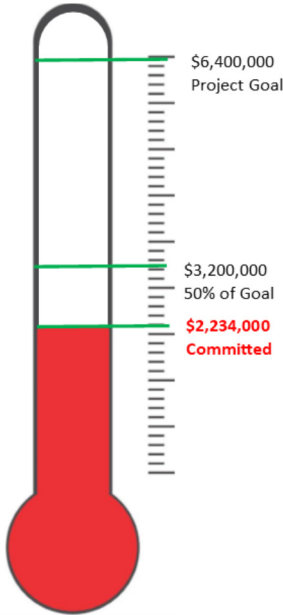
Dec. 2-9: Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Pavone

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.

† **MINISTRY NEWS**

LITURGICAL MINISTER REFLECTION

A morning of reflection for Liturgical Ministers will be held on **Saturday, December 14** after the 9:00 am Mass. Details to be announced next week.



Pledges for the past week amounted to \$10,580, bringing our total committed to over \$2,234,000. We are grateful for the generosity of our parishioners!

This week, we end our liturgical year and celebrate our national Thanksgiving holiday. It is a time to reflect on the abundant gifts we have received. Most important are the spiritual gifts of our faith, our loved ones, our community, and our nation. God is the source of all goodness, and He has blessed us.

It is fitting that we are filled with anticipation as we approach the season of Advent, for this is also the time we will be deciding on the future home of St. Joan of Arc School. Our “due diligence” period comes to a conclusion in the second week of December, and we ask for your prayers for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

We also need your financial support, regardless of the building we either occupy or expand. Three hundred ninety families have participated to date. We ask the help of the remainder of our families for this investment in our future. St. Joan of Arc is a vibrant parish endowed with physical beauty and communal energy. The possibilities for service opportunities with our existing school and the new school are boundless if we acquire the adjunct campus. Already there has been great interest in establishing a daily senior activity center in the current school building. With over sixty parish ministries serving our community, space is much needed and in great demand.

Please consider a tax-deductible pledge. We are asking for an additional \$1.2 million in pledges to enable the most cost effective long term financing of this project. Through the generosity of many benefactors with gifts of five and six figures, our average commitment is over \$5,700. Naming opportunities in honor of, or in memory of, a loved one are still available. For more information on the ways you can donate or finance a pledge over time, please 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. *We will not meet on November 27.*

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

🔊 **Parish Ministries - Young Adults**

✝ MINISTRY NEWS

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

If you would like to memorialize flowers for a loved one on Christmas, please pick up a form at the back of the church, from the parish office, or on the parish website. Return the form by **Friday, December 6, 2019** at 4:00 pm.

ROSARY PRAYER

Starting on December 1, the Rosary will be prayed as a group on Sunday after the 9:30 am Mass. We will use the pews in the front of the church, near the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please join us and bring your family and friends.

☎ (917) 346-8157 | george.holobetzjr@gmail.com

Christmas & New Year Deadlines



Upcoming Bulletin Deadlines

December 22 - Due Thursday, December 12

December 29 - Due Monday, December 16

January 5 - Due Monday, December 16

Articles due at 8:00 AM

Early deadlines for the Thanksgiving Holiday (Nov 24 & Dec 1) bulletins were not published in the bulletin as they usually are. The early deadlines were only published on our website homepage, the bulletin article submission page, and our Facebook page. We sincerely apologize for this mistake and any inconvenience this may have caused. Because of this mistake, we did our best to include any late submissions. But, unfortunately, the December 1 bulletin has already been printed and any articles submitted after November 21 are not included. Again, we apologize for this oversight.

† MINISTRY NEWS

FOOD COLLECTION

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting non-perishable food and personal care items **before each Mass this weekend, November 23 & 24.**

JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Are you a practicing Catholic male of age 18 years or older? You are invited to join the Knights of Columbus.

🔗 **More info:** kofc6693.org/what-we-do

🔗 **Apply online:** www.kofc.org/join

THAT MAN IS YOU

We will not meet on Saturday, November 30, due to Thanksgiving. We will complete the Fall Session with December 7 & 14. We meet in Meeting Room C. A light breakfast will be provided. All men are invited to attend.

PRAY & PLAY

Are you interested in getting together with other Catholic moms to pray, chat, and share snacks while the kids play? Join us for play dates on **November 19, December 2, and December 20** from 9:30–11:30 am.

📧 **Sarah Bonavia:** sarah.bonavia@gmail.com

CCW SAVE THE DATE

Because of the many Christmas activities, the Council of Catholic Women will hold their Christmas celebration on **Sunday, January 5, 2020** in the afternoon at Lisa's Café. The menu, price, and registration details will be announced.

INDOOR SOCCER

We are looking for adults to play in an informal soccer game one night a week. You must be a parishioner. Contact John Wetherhold.

📧 **John:** wetherhold@gmail.com

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.

📧 **RSVP:** (717) 533-2007

I THIRST PRAYER COMMUNITY

Begin your Advent Season with us as we review Luke 3:1-20, *Expecting Jesus In Us*. We will meet on **Wednesday, December 4** at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria. All are welcome, bring a friend.

📧 **Lynn Shuck:** (717) 503-1600

† MINISTRY NEWS

GIFT WRAPPING FOR MINI-THON

Support local children with cancer by getting your Christmas presents wrapped by Bishop McDevitt Elves on **December 8 & 22** from 7:00 am - 1:00 pm in the St. Joseph Center. For a free-will offering, you will get a break from the holiday madness! The McDevitt Mini-Thon supports the Four Diamonds Foundation at Penn State Children's Hospital.

Bring your loose change to support the McDevitt Mini-Thon. Canners will be on-site **after morning Masses on December 8 & 22** to collect donations.

📧 **Delani Kulina:** delanikulina@gmail.com

GIVING TREE PROGRAM

The Christmas Giving Tree Program, sponsored by the St. Vincent de Paul Society, is underway! St. Joan of Arc parishioners have been very generous in the past in creating a blessed Christmas for our neighbors in need!

Trees are decorated with ornaments that list recipients and suggested gifts will be placed in the church on **Saturday, November 30 and will remain until December 13.** If all ornaments are taken before December 13 and you have not gotten one, you can make a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society or the Hershey Food Bank and bring it to the cafeteria during gift collection times.

Gifts and donations will be collected in the cafeteria before and after Masses on the weekend of December 14 (5:00 pm Mass only) and until 12:30 pm on Sunday, December 15. Gifts will be distributed to local families in need. Thank you for your continued support.

ROAD TO KINDNESS

We wish everyone the very best Thanksgiving holiday! We are so thankful for everyone in our parish! We are also thankful for the way that you have embraced our kindness program! We are helping to change the world by following God's Way – The Road to Kindness. Thanksgiving is a special time for sharing – sharing our food, sharing our time, sharing a hug, and sharing a smile! We hope that you took some time in preparation for this Thanksgiving, as we discussed in last week's article. We have so much for which to be thankful. Let's share our time this Thanksgiving with those who need it! Many members from our parish have told us that they plan to do a special family kindness act this Thanksgiving! This is so wonderful to hear! Thank you and let your hearts be filled with kindness this Thanksgiving! Blessings to you! Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and a week filled with kindness!