



31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example.

For they preach but they do not practice.

Matthew 23:3

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

NOVEMBER 5, 2017

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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: 5:15PM

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.

With this celebration we recommit ourselves to follow in the footsteps of Jesus through our baptism we too are commissioned to proclaim Good News with our lives. With this we recommit ourselves to follow through



VOCATION Awareness

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

Each year, in early November, the Church celebrates National Vocation Awareness Week. I have been blessed to be in my third year as the Vocations Director for the Diocese of Harrisburg, working closely in the formation of our seminarians for the priesthood as well as seeking to produce a “Culture of Vocations” in our parishes and schools where our young people readily ask the question: “What does God want for my life?”

I remember throughout high school being asked, again and again, “What do you want to do with your life?” My answer varied from teacher, to engineer, to astrophysicist. Then, my freshmen year of college, someone asked me in passing: “What do you think God wants you to do with your life?” Honestly, I never thought about that question! That, I think, is the point of this week: to realize that the God who loves us into existence and knows us better than we can even know ourselves created us for some purpose and we should be willing to ask Him what that purpose is.

Allow me to share some interesting numbers with you. Did you know that the number of priestly ordinations in the U.S. has been steadily climbing, 440 in 2010 and 590 in 2017? In our own Diocese, we may have seven men ordained to the priesthood in 2018 (the last class of seven was 1983). In fact, by summer of 2017 approximately 1/3 of our active diocesan priests will have been ordained less than 10 years! Young women also continue to enter formation in consecrated life. This past year, I know of two ladies from our diocese who have entered the Capuchin Sisters of Nazareth in Williamsport and the Sister Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matara in Washington, D.C.

WHAT CAN I DO AS A PARISHIONER?

That’s the question I get a lot when traveling. Allow me to offer three suggestions anyone can do:

- Encourage teens: the average age a young man or woman first considers a religious vocation is 16, so encourage those high school students you feel might have a calling to priesthood or consecrated life.
- Invite, invite, invite: 82% of the men ordained priests this past year said they were encouraged to consider the vocation by at least four people.
- Promote prayer in your parish: 3/4 of new priests, and even more religious, regularly attended Eucharistic Adoration before entering formation.

This article originally appeared in the Catholic Witness (October 27th Edition). To read the full article, or to learn more about our vocation efforts, visit the parish website.

☞ “Sacraments” Menu, “Holy Orders & Vocations”



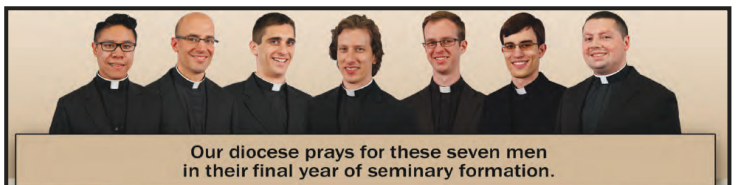
FROM THE PASTOR

Once again, congratulations to Rev. Mr. Matthew Morelli, our parishioner, who was ordained to the diaconate this past Saturday at Saint Patrick’s Cathedral. We are blessed to be having seven ordinations to the priesthood next spring. Please keep all of our seminarians in your daily prayers.

This past week we celebrated the wonderful Solemnity of All Saints as well as the Commemoration of All Souls. These two days begin the month of November in which we remember in a special way all of our beloved dead and also those who have been forgotten. We remember (with sobriety, not morbidity) the fact that all of us must die one day but it is our Christian hope that one day we shall see the Lord face to face. It is truly a Christian sentiment to “Remember death!” (Memento mori)

The month of November is truly the month of the dead but also the time of changing weather. Please be patient as we move from cooling to heating the church. It is hard enough to negotiate “thermostat wars” at home, much less for such a big space as ours! Wear layers if necessary. It is in things like this that we learn patience.

Father Al



IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Do you have a deep love for Christ and His Church?
 Do you want to help others grow closer to Christ?
 Do you desire to live a life of virtue and prayer?
 Have other people mentioned to you that you would make a good sister or priest?
 Has God placed in your heart a desire to become a sister or priest?

IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO ANY ONE OF THESE QUESTIONS, PERHAPS GOD IS CALLING YOU.

www.hbgdiocese.org/vocations

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**MASS SCHEDULE,
READINGS & INTENTIONS**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Rom 11:29-36; 14:12-14

- 6:45 AM Anna Charnick
- 9:00 AM Deceased Carron and Clark Families

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Rom 12:5-16b; Lk 14:15-24

- 6:45 AM Alma & Aldo Modesto
- 9:00 AM Robert Dobroski

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33

- 6:45 AM Dorothy A. Graybash and deceased members of the Kambic Family
- 9:00 AM Divo DiClemente

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9: THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22

- 6:45 AM All Souls
- 9:00 AM Frank Ferguson

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10: ST. LEO THE GREAT

Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8

- 6:45 AM Lucy & Nicholas Bellezza
- 9:00 AM Ed & Mary Smith

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11: ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15

- 9:00 AM Rosalba & Albert Weir
- 5:15 PM Joseph P. Nocera

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thes 4:13-18; Mt 25:1-13
 We seek many things in this life, but we should seek first the Lord and his wisdom. By so living, we will keep vigil for the Lord as we await his return in glory.

MASS INTENTIONS:

- 7:30 AM People of the Parish
- 9:00 AM James Ross
- 10:30 AM Mathilda Durante
- 12:00 PM Vincent Pronio
- 5:30 PM William Starsinic



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES:

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

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Blessed Mother: In loving memory of Anna Lepere from Steve & Mary Ann King

Saint Joseph: In loving memory of Frank Gilbert from Pete Foschetti.

There are several dates available for altar flowers. Please call the parish office or visit the parish website.

THE PILGRIM CROSS:

If you would like to take the Pilgrim Cross into your home for one week a year and pray for vocations, please call the parish office. The Pilgrim Cross will be in the home of:

Nov. 6 - 13: Gloria Eline

Nov. 13 - 20: Eugenie Gangl

MASS ATTENDANCE: October 28 & 29 Total: 1816					
<u>5:15pm</u>	<u>7:30am</u>	<u>9:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>	<u>Noon</u>	<u>5:30pm</u>
208	157	336	490	212	413



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

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

Weekly Tithing: \$25,836

Weekly Budget: \$29,615

Year to Date Budget Variance: -\$24,220

Weekly Heart Of The Parish: \$1,886



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

- Vincent Savini, David Liddy, Kaitlin Buser,
- Lily Carney, Ashley Tatangelo, John Hines,
- Doris & Frank Bolduc, Agnes McCarty,
- Rose Marie Smith, Tiffany Fagnani, Joseph Fagnani,
- Richard Settino, Barry Boyer, Carol Merlo-Knackstedt,
- Glenn Knackstedt, Tillie Stover, Meghan Johnson,
- Alma Hopstetter, John McCormick, Tony Ferrar,
- Edward Klimovsky, Weston Hoffman,
- Amanda Dennis, Denise Mastro, Jade Benco,
- Jadon Kalp, Tara Mastro

With Much Gratitude...

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

CREEKVIEW LAWN & LANDSCAPES

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 11 & 12, 2017

	5:15 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 Noon	5:30 PM
Lector	A. Gould	P. Graybash	D. Dix	M. Isherwood	C. Gassert	A. Raugh
EMHC	B. Hasson	C. Eimer	E. Frauenhoffer	K. Harbaugh	T. Mayan	B. Frola
	J. Larkin	S. Sheehan	T. Kilcoyne	K. Samson	J. Nolan	J. Frola
	J. Larkin	M. Spaeder	W. Lutz	P. Mooney	J. Phillippy	J. Triscik
	D. Morgan			C. Mortel		A. Reeves
Servers	M. Tice	M. Tressler	S. Yurich	A. Samson	S. O'Hara	L. Ruiz-Velasco
	O. Strader	B. Tressler	T. Abraham	G. Harbaugh	M. O'Hara	C. Edwards
	D. Bagatta	J. Katzenmoyer	R. Abraham	L. Hamilton	M. O'Hara	D. Matas
MC	M. Bagatta	J.P. Katzenmoyer	M. Abraham	L. Hamilton	D. O'Hara	M. Matas

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

YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN - HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH



This Week: "Grateful Beggar"

During the month of November we will be looking at the vocation stories of a few saints. This week we will take a look at the life of St. Francis of Assisi and his dedication to the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

Next Week: "Unexpected Gift" Next week we will take a look at the life of St. Gianna and what it means to be a gift to one's family, in one's profession, and in all aspects of one's life.

EDGE - MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH



EDGE is for grades 6-8th and meets on Monday nights in the Youth Room (Mtg. Room C) from 7-8:15. EDGE nights will be **November 6, 13, 20**. Invite your friends!

SCHOOL & P.T.O. NEWS...

SAVE THE DATE! St. Saint Joan of Arc School, will hold it's Annual PTO Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, **November 18th** in the school cafeteria. The evening will be filled with live entertainment, fabulous basket raffles, delicious food & fellowship. Dinner includes a tossed salad, Italian bread, spaghetti and meatballs, dessert and choice of beverage. Tickets are \$9 for adults, \$5 for children, ages 3-14, and free for children under 3. Meatballs To-Go will be available, 6/\$6 or 12/\$10. Dine-in (4 pm - 8 pm) or Take-Out (4pm-7pm). Tickets available in the school office or by contacting, Heather Tressler at: hmtressler@comcast.net

✠ PARISH NEWS & REMINDERS ✠

PARISH CALENDARS NOW AVAILABLE:

2018 Parish calendars are now available on the tables at the back of the church.

REQUEST FOR ALTAR FLOWERS:

We recently added a feature to our website that allows you to view and request dates of available altar flowers instantly online. Click on the "**Contact Us**" menu and select "**Request Altar Flowers**".

✠ MINISTRY NEWS ✠

Full information regarding these items can be found on our parish website by visiting the page listed below each article.

CCW CHRISTMAS BAZAAR:

Saturday, November 11 from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm the Council of Catholic Women will hold their annual Christmas Bazaar in the Cafeteria. Plan to join us in support of our parish. Breakfast, Lunch & baked goods will be available for purchase.

☞ "**CCW Christmas Bazaar**" [Upcoming Events](#)

HAITI COMMITTEE MEETING - NOV. 7:

Please join us for our next Haiti Committee meeting where we will discuss planning a trip to Haiti in January. We will meet on Tuesday, November 7th, 7:00 pm, at 760 Eby Road, Palmyra (just a mile from Milton Hershey's Founders Hall.)

☞ "**Haiti - Sister Parish**" [Ministry Page](#)

"DINNER FOR DOLLARS" BENEFITS SCHOOL:

Eat at Pizza Hut in Hummelstown or Palmyra on November 7th or 8th from 11AM to 10PM and up to 20% of the cost of your meal will benefit our kids through the St. Joan of Arc School PTO.

Find vouchers in the back of the church.



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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Blood Pressures - Before these Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00

- 9:00 AM REP: K - Gr. 6
- 11:30 AM Reception for Deacon Matthew Morelli
- 1:00 PM Baptisms
- 2:00 PM Graveside Service: Hershey Cemetery [CHR]
- 6:45 PM Life Teen [MRC]
- 7:00 PM REP: Confirmation Prep
- 7:30 PM REP: 7th Grade Parent Meeting [CAF]

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- 9:45 AM Legion of Mary [SLC]
- 3:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 11535 [SLC]
- 7:00 PM EDGE [MRC]
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop Meeting [CAF]

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- 9:30 AM Little Rock Scripture Study [SLC]
- 6:30 PM Cub Scouts [CAF]
- 7:00 PM Haiti Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

- 7:15 AM Wednesday Morning Coffee [SLC]
- 7:45 AM Gospel Reflection Group [SLC]
- 4:15 PM REP: K - Gr. 6
- 6:30 PM RCIA [PC-M]
- 7:00 PM Caelorum [CHR]
- 7:30 PM Respect Life Meeting [LIB]

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

- 6:30 PM CCW Meeting [SLC]
- 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal [CHR]

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

- 3:00 PM Jr. Legion of Mary [SLC]

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

- 6:30 AM That Man Is You [MRC]
- 8:00 AM Annual Christmas Bazaar [CAF]

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

- 9:00 AM REP: K - Gr. 6
- 6:45 PM Life Teen [MRC]
- 7:00 PM REP: Confirmation Prep

- [CHR] Church [CAF] Cafeteria [CHP] Chapel
- [GYM] Gymnasium [LIB] Library [PC] Parish Center
- [MRC] Meeting Room C (Youth Room) [SLC] St. Lucy Center

BULLETIN REMINDER: Requests for information to be included in the parish bulletin are due **Mondays by 9:00 am**. Forms are available on our parish website under the "contact us" menu. All requests must include the date(s) of the bulletin(s) in which you would like your information included and be submitted exactly as you would like the information to appear.

CCW NUT ROLL SALE:

The sale has begun! Rolls are available in the following flavors: Nut, Poppy Seed, Apricot, Lekvar (prune) and Raspberry (seedless). Each are \$15. Nut rolls can be frozen and make great Christmas gifts. To place an order, call Janet Polto at (717) 533-3368 or see any CCW member to by 11/13. Pick up will be 11/20.

☞ ["CCW" Ministry Page](#)

CCW NOVEMBER MEETING - 11/9/2017:

The CCW Monthly Meeting Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017. This will be a hands on working meeting to prepare for the Christmas Bazaar. Come anytime after 5:30 to the cafeteria and help us get set up for the bazaar.

☞ ["CCW" Ministry Page](#)

LIFE TEEN CLOTHING DRIVE THANK YOU:

Every year, I'm blown away by the generosity of the people of St. Joan of Arc. Last week Life Teen had our annual clothing drive to support the ministries and missions of Harrisburg. We collected over 140 bags of clothes and that was awesome.

The weekend and the week that follows is always a rush, physically and emotionally. Parishioners don't get to see the teens work really hard sorting the clothes and bagging them up to get them ready for delivery. Teens don't get to see the fruit of that labor as I deliver the needed items to the Catholic Worker House, Silence of Mary, Downtown Daily Bread, Shalom House, and Shining Light.

A couple of these places, it's a drop and go with little to no interaction with anyone. With Downtown Daily Bread and Shining Light, I was able to sit and talk with 10 gentleman and 4 women who would be getting these much needed warm clothes and coats. They were eternally grateful. Being able to sit and talk with these men put a face on why we have this clothing drive every year. With that I thank you for your continued support of this yearly event. Without you this wouldn't be possible. I pray for God's peace and grace to all.

Pax, John

ADULT INDOOR SOCCER:

We are currently looking for adults to play in an informal soccer game one night a week. You must be a registered parishioner. For more information, please contact John Wetherhold at wetherspoon@yahoo.com.

☞ ["Athletic Association" Ministry Page](#)