

Veterans Day

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

A Grateful Nation Remembers.

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NOVEMBER 7, 2021

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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 MASS

7:30 am

9:30 am (livestreamed)

11:30 am

5:00 pm (1525 Sand Hill Rd.

Hummelstown, PA)

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday

6:45 am & 9:00 am (livestreamed)

Saturday

9:00 am (livestreamed)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday

5:00-5:30 pm

Saturday

4:00-4:45 pm



FROM THE PASTOR



We begin the month of November with the Solemnity of All Saints on the 1st and the Commemoration of All Souls on the 2nd and, thus, remember those souls that are with God in heaven and those souls in purgatory who are in

need of our prayers. This month is a traditional time to visit the cemetery where our loved ones are buried. Perhaps we go to the cemetery and are kind of at a loss for words. One of the most beautiful prayers that the Church gives us for the dead can be found in the Ritual for Anointing of the Sick. This ritual gives us the rites for Distributing Holy Communion outside of Mass, Anointing of the Sick, Viaticum, Prayers for the Commendation of the Dying, and Prayers after Death. The Church has always realized that the days and hours before a person's death can be a truly grace-filled experience of God's love and mercy. If you are at the cemetery this month or you would like a beautiful prayer to use when thinking of your deceased loved ones, here is one that is very touching and speaks of our profound faith in life after death.

I commend you, my dear [name] to almighty God, and entrust you to your Creator.

May you rest in the arms of the Lord who formed you from the dust of the earth.

May holy Mary, the angels and all the saints welcome you now that you have gone forth from this life.

May Christ who was crucified for you, bring you freedom and peace.

May Christ who died for you admit you into his garden of paradise.

May Christ, the true Shepherd, embrace you as one of his flock.

May he forgive all your sins, and set you among those he has chosen.

*May you see your Redeemer face to face, and enjoy the vision of God, forever.
Amen!*



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of **Dale Geib**, who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathies to his 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: **John Polto, Ken Schaffer, Bernard Ganse, Sandy Adamkowski, Tom Searer, Francis McCarthy, Abram Brandt, Mort Kayser, Barbara Kayser, Mary Beth Sheehan, Jeff & Lori Sotack and Kathleen "Kathy" Lewis.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

Main Altar Vase 1

In Loving Memory of Mary Bianchini from her family.



Main Altar Vase 2

In Loving Memory of Father Andrew P. Marinak, Uncle of Heather, Parker & Aubrey Matchik.

World Mission Sunday

Thank you for your generous response to the collection for the **Society for the Propagation of the Faith**. Our parish raised \$3,376.00, a real blessing for the missions! Please continue to pray for the missionaries, and for the people to whom they bring the "Good News" of Jesus. May God Bless You!

National Vocation Awareness Week

Today begins Vocation Awareness Week~

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our vocations-and teaching young people how to discern God's call-is a serious duty, but also a joyful one.

During this week, please encourage the young people in your life: children, grandchildren, students and friends to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

Consecration to St. Joseph

The St. Joan of Arc Deacons will lead a 33 day consecration to St. Joseph starting on November 10 through December 12. In-person and virtual meetings will be held on Wednesday evening (location to be determined) from 6:00-7:00 pm for spiritual discussion and prayers. If you are interested in signing up, please contact the **parish office at (717) 533-7168** with your name and contact information.



MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8:

Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6

6:45 AM A.W., Elizabeth & Matthew Prang

9:00 AM Jim Grap

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9:

FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

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

6:45 AM Rodolfo Espiritu

9:00 AM Kathleen Marshall

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT LEO THE GREAT, POPE AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19

6:45 AM Rose & Donald Rippon

9:00 AM Stahl & Joyce Families

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS, BISHOP

Wis 7:22b—8:1; Lk 17:20-25

6:45 AM William McCann

9:00 AM Joseph P. Nocera

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT JOSAPHAT, BISHOP AND MARTYR

Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37

6:45 AM All Souls

9:00 AM Mathilda Durante

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI, VIRGIN

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8

9:00 AM Rosalba & Albert Weir

5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Koester Family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14:

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

At the end, the Son of Man will return with great power and glory, placing his enemies under his feet. Those whose names are in the Book shall live forever in light and joy

Dn 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:30 AM Lawrence & Josephine Maloni

11:30 AM William & Eleanor Lawler

5:00 PM Herman & Irene Rossi

YOUTH NEWS

Life Teen (High School)

This Week: “Lowkey Upset”—Next week we continue our Fall Series on the “Human Emotions of Jesus”. We will examine the emotion of sadness through the lens of Jesus Christ, His suffering, and ultimately, the hope of our redemption and resurrection.

Next Week: “Clap Back”—Next week, as we continue our series on the emotions of Jesus, we’ll lean into our experiences of righteous anger and call upon the grace of God to avoid occasions where anger will lead to sin.

2021 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

Nov 14 “Clap Back”—Anger is a valid emotion but it depends what we do with it.

Nov 21 “Life Teen Holy Hour”—Let us prepare our hearts in prayer of thanksgiving.

Nov 28 No Life Teen—happy Thanksgiving!

Dec 5 “Stan”—Love one another as I have loved you.

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EDGE (Middle School)

EDGE is for all 6-8th graders and meets on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month from 7:00-8:15 pm. EDGE will be on November 17, December 1 and 15. Masks are required.

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Donations Needed

Life Teen and EDGE are looking for donations of water, juice, soda, and snacks for our youth ministry gatherings. Donations are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the parish office.

Summer Mission Trip

The 2022 Catholic Heart Workcamp is gearing up for next summer. We are heading to Richmond from June 19-24 for our Summer Mission Trip. The cost of the trip is \$500 with \$100 due at registration.

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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 7:00-8:15 pm in the Youth Room. Young Adults will gather on November 10 for a social.

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✠ MINISTRY NEWS

Respect Life

Every day in America . . .
 100 people die in car accidents.
 1300 people die from smoking.
 And every day in America, 2363 children are violently killed by abortion.
 -Lila Rose
 Founder and President of Live Action

MONTHLY MEETING: SJA Respect Life will have their monthly meeting on November 10 – the second Wednesday of the month – at 7:00 pm in room 320 in the old school. All are welcome. Please join us in this important ministry.

Road to Kindness

Saturday, November 13 is “World Kindness Day!” A day to be Kind and to do Acts of Kindness. “World Kindness Day” was created in 1998 by the World Kindness Movement, a conglomeration of kindness organizations around the world. This unofficial holiday encourages people to be kind to each other and spread happiness, joy and peace through kindness.



Kindness is considered a virtue and valued in most societies and religion as an important quality. Kindness is the act of being considerate, compassionate, and empathetic towards other people and living beings. Being Kind is contagious! You may ask the question – Who should I be Kind to? The only response we can have to this question is.. EVERYONE! Kindness is the only way to be – it can bring meaning to our life, the lives of others and to the world!

In a recent book entitled, “Deep Kindness” by Houston Kraft, he says “Practicing kindness is an essential step in helping to repair a world that has grown to be more divisive, lonely, and anxious than ever.” But with quotes like, “Just be kind” or, “Throw kindness around like confetti,” we’ve oversimplified what it takes to actually demonstrate kindness in a world crying out for it.” “Deep Kindness” pairs anecdotes with actions that can make real change in our own lives, the lives of others, and throughout the world. Diving into the types of kindness the world needs most today, this book takes an honest look at the gap between our belief in kindness and our ability to practice it well—and shows us how to put intention into action. Exploring everything from the empathy gap to the skill of emotional regulation, “Deep Kindness is perfect for anyone who believes in a kinder world and recognizes that there is a lot of work to do before we achieve it.”

Let’s all make **November 13** the best **World Kindness Day!** God is watching over us and when we follow the “Road to Kindness” we can make a real difference. God bless you for sharing your kindness with someone today.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The **Christmas Giving Tree Program 2021**, sponsored by the **St. Vincent de Paul Society**, will continue this year; however, due to COVID 19, we will collect monetary donations and gift cards. The parishioners of St. Joan of Arc have been very generous in the past in creating a blessed Christmas for our neighbors in need and we are confident those of you who can donate this year will continue to help.

We will not have the trees decorated with ornaments listing recipients and suggested gifts as in past years. This year we are asking for donations to **St. Vincent de Paul Society by December 12** either **electronically on the St. Joan of Arc on-line giving page under St. Vincent de Paul Giving Tree** or you can place your monetary donation and/or **\$25 Walmart, Target or TJ Maxx gift cards in a separate envelope, marked St. Vincent de Paul Giving Tree and place in the collection basket in the church or drop off at the parish office.**

Gifts will be distributed to local families and organizations: Morningstar (pro-life pregnancy center), Catholic Worker House (alcohol & substance recovery) and various Catholic Charities: Lourdes House (home for pregnant women and infants), Interfaith Shelter (shelter for homeless families), Foster Care (children to be placed in foster care), Shalom House (shelter for abused women and children); Evergreen (substance abuse shelter) and the Hershey Food Bank. Thank you for your continued support.

Caelorum

We look forward to seeing everyone at Caelorum on Wednesday, November 10 at 7:00 pm at St. Joan of Arc Church. Join your Brothers and Sisters in Christ as we come together to adore, praise and worship our Lord and Savior. Feel the power of his presence and never-failing love as he attends to your needs and strengthens and blesses you with his abundant mercy. God Bless.
For more information, call Lou Felice at (717) 215-4175.

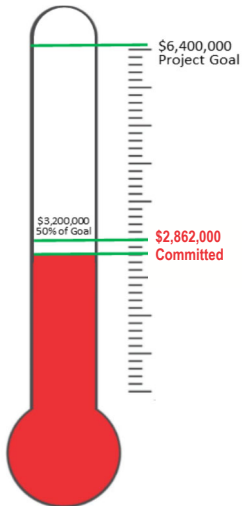
Pray & Play Group for Moms and Young Children

Interested in getting together with other Catholic moms to pray, chat, and share snacks while the kids play? Please join us for play dates on the first and third Mondays at 9:30 am. **For location and any questions, please email sarah.bonavia@gmail.com.**

Areba Club

The Areba Club will meet on Tuesday, November 16 at 1:00 pm in the Parish Social Hall. We will be collecting comfort items for the Lebanon VA patients. After a short business meeting, refreshments will be served. Contact **Yvonne Martin at (717) 838-1535** for detailed information.

THE CENTENNIAL PROJECT



Today's readings highlight the depth and intensity of sacrifice and trust in the Lord to provide. In the first reading from the Book of Kings, the poor widow sacrifices her last measure of flour at Elijah's request. Elijah encourages the widow with the words so reminiscent of Pope St. John Paul II's lifelong advice "Do not be afraid." Her trust was rewarded with abundance for the next year. In the second reading from Hebrews, Jesus is the perfect sacrifice, giving of Himself once, for all mankind, for the forgiveness of sins. In the Gospel of Mark, Jesus contrasts the selfless generosity of the poor widow with the status quo, and uses her example to set the bar for true fidelity to sacrifice.

St. Joan of Arc Parish is initiating a donor match program to raise \$1,500,000 to complete the construction of the third floor of the new school. About a dozen generous benefactors have already contributed \$585,000 toward the donor match reserve of \$750,000. These funds will be used to match each and every dollar of parishioner's and community's support. As we move forward with the general campaign, it is our hope that each parish family will prayerfully consider a gift, as did the widow, in the spirit of shared sacrifice. For those who cannot, please actively commit to the campaign with your prayers. Prayer works! For those who are able, please contemplate your gift in prayer and be as generous as possible. Remember that with the donor match program, every dollar donated will double in value to the campaign because of the kind support of our lead donors. Lead donors are still needed. Please contact the Parish Office if you are called to this worthy endeavor.

As part of the celebration of Catholic Schools Week (November 14- 20), Fr. Al will share his vision of the Phase II (third floor) construction. On Monday, November 15th at 6:30 PM and Friday, November 19th at 1:30 PM, he will update and answer questions, as well as petition the needed financial support.

Please continue to pray for the success of the Centennial Project.

For more on how you can help, please visit our website:
<https://www.stjoanhershey.orgthecentennialproject.html>



STEWARDSHIP

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

Weekly Tithing: \$21,072

Weekly Budget: \$26,923

Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$1,823

Week of October 24, 2021

Looking for ways to simplify a busy schedule? Try Online Giving! It's a secure and easy way to tithe and make other contributions. You can even set up automatic payments that will occur periodically so you don't have to worry about remembering when to give. It works just like online banking with 24/7 access to your account.

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🔗 **Stewardship - About Online Giving**

HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

Bishop McDevitt Information

Attention Current 8th Grade Families: Application to Bishop McDevitt High School for the 2022-2023 school year is now open.

Application, Open House & Financial Aid Info Night. Registration information at bishopmcdevitt.org.

Join us on **Sunday, November 7** from 1:00-5:00 pm. Register for one of the 4 one-hour time slots available. Get a taste of what Bishop McDevitt offers: a faith-filled education focused on you and your educational journey. This event is open to 8th Graders and upperclassmen transfer students! Masks are required. The deadline to register is Thursday, November 4.

The 8th Grade Financial Aid Information Night will be held on Tuesday, November 16 from 7:00-8:00 pm. Bishop McDevitt is committed to working with any family whose son or daughter could benefit from a Bishop McDevitt education.

Join Erin Davis '08, Director of Enrollment, for an in-depth look at the financial aid applications and financial assistance programs offered.

Annual Diocesan Catechetical Conference

All are invited to the Annual Diocesan Catechetical Conference on Saturday, November 13, at the Diocesan Center. The theme is Catechizing for Conversion. Great workshops with an outstanding lineup of speakers. Keynote speaker is Scott Sollom, Professor of Catechetics at Franciscan University. The day also includes Mass celebrated by Bishop Gainer, confessions, vendors, and lunch. In-Person and Virtual options available.

Register by November 10 at

www.hbgdiocese.org/event/catechetical-conference/

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (CCW)

Volunteers Needed For CCW Christmas Bazaar

All women of the Parish are invited to attend our next CCW meeting on Thursday, November 11, at 5:30 pm. Many ladies are needed to prepare for the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 13, 8:00 am - 2:00 pm in the Parish Social Hall. We need volunteers beginning on Friday, November 12 after the 9:00 am Mass.

We are now accepting new items for our raffle baskets in the parish office. Basket themes include: pasta, lottery tickets, money tree, gift cards and candy. Donations for the tables will be accepted from November 4 to November 10. Please drop off in the CCW shed, located in the parish social hall parking lot next to the loading dock, Monday through Friday from 8:30 am - 6:00 pm and Saturday from 8:00 am - 1:00 pm. We accept jewelry, crafts, religious items, new toys, Christmas decorations, attic treasures, and flea market items. Please NO Clothing, books, furniture, electronics, or baby items. Donations for our bake sale table can be dropped off Friday, November 12 or Saturday, November 13 in the morning.

CCW Nut Roll Sale

Varieties are nut, poppy seed, apricot, prune, raspberry, pumpkin cheese, apple and coconut cream. The cost is \$16.00 each. Be sure to order enough for Thanksgiving and Christmas as they freeze well. CCW will be selling nut rolls before and after Mass on November 6 and 7. This is the only weekend we will take orders at Mass, only a limited amount of each will be available to buy at pick-up. Pre-order at sjaccw@stjoanhershey.org or call Ruth (717) 533-3501; leave a message.

Deadline to order is November 11.

Pick-up is Saturday, November 20, 9:00 am-1:00pm & Sunday, November 21, 8:00 am-1:00 pm in the Parish Social Hall.

Box of Joy Thank You

Thank You, Box of Joy family, for your generous and compassionate support.

It is a special delight to share the news that you, as a supporter of a Cross Catholic Outreach mission, have received a blessing from His Holiness Pope Francis. Our Holy Father recently imparted his Apostolic Blessing to Cross Catholic Outreach and its benefactors in recognition of its 20 year history to global relief and development.

You may read more about the Papal Blessing at crosscatholic.org.

Historical Facts About St. Joan of Arc

In 1986-87, St. Joan of Arc sent money to Haiti. It was used for teachers, lunches for the school children, school equipment and to build and furnish a new school.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

MEMORIES

The Centennial Committee is looking to gather memories from your time as a St. Joan of Arc student or parishioner. We want to share these memories at our Centennial Celebration on December 5 at the Hershey Lodge. **Last minute reservations are still being taken!** Please send by email, subject: **MEMORIES** to broksandic@stjoanhershey.org or drop your envelope, marked **MEMORIES**, in the collection basket or at the parish office. Deadline is November 26.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Seeking afterschool care assistants, 3:00-6:00 pm, Monday-Friday. Days and hours may be negotiated. Duties include supervising students as they participate in activities such as snacks, arts and crafts, outdoor recess, homework, socializing, etc., responding to basic emergencies, and looking out for the welfare of the students. Clearances are required.

We are looking for a paid classroom aide for Pre-3 children, Monday through Friday from 8:00-3:00. Clearances are required. Tuition discounts will apply.

We are looking to hire a cafeteria helper from 11:00-1:00 pm Monday through Friday to serve and clean up afterwards. Clearances are required.

Interested applicants should contact Sister Eileen at sreileen@stjoanhershey.org or (717) 533-2854 x118.

✠ DONATIONS NEEDED

Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families

Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families (a Catholic charities residential program in suburban Harrisburg) is in need of the following donations: paper towels, Lysol spray, disposable masks, and Nitrile gloves (non-latex).

Donations can be taken to the Diocesan Center (4800 Union Deposit Road) or to the shelter (120 Willow Road) in Harrisburg. Please call in advance if bringing items to the shelter (717) 652-8740. Thank you for your generosity!

With Much Gratitude...

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