

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds'
with great power and glory...

Mk 13:26

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

NOVEMBER 14, 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



A number of reminders and updates for you this week:

- ✠ Thanks to all who filled up a **baby bottle** to support Morning Star Pregnancy Services. I know that Morning Star appreciates our efforts and God will bless us as we support mothers and babies—both born and unborn!
- ✠ On the weekend of November 20-21, I will give a presentation in the Social Hall about our **Centennial Project Capital Campaign**. Our goal is to finish the 3rd Floor at Saint Joan of Arc School and REP Center. I will update you on some amazing contributions already toward this and how you can be part of a Matching Campaign to make this a possibility. I will also show you a **Virtual Tour** of what we envision the 3rd Floor to look like. The whole presentation will take less than 15 minutes unless you have lots of questions!
- ✠ Last year we had a wonderful turnout for our **“Christmas at the Barn”**. This year, we will hold that celebration on December 17th from 6:00-8:00 pm at the barn on the grounds of our Sandhill Campus. We had animals (chickens and goats!), refreshments and music. I am hoping to make this an annual event. This event is free! Bring the kids! This year I would like to invite some of our **parish crafters** to sell goods at tables in the barn as well. If you are good at knitting, crocheting, woodwork, metalwork, etc., we will offer you a table to sell your crafts for \$25 per table. You can keep all the proceeds (or donate it to the parish if you like...you know I will always say that!). Your crafts do not have to be Christmas-themed but that is always nice. Remember, every *Christkindlmarket* had to start small! Call into the office if you are interested.
- ✠ Speaking of our **“Christmas at the Barn”**, on that night we will have the drawings for our **Annual Christmas Raffle**. Once again, tickets will be mailed to you and you have the chance to win a little money for Christmas. As we did last year, we will have five **\$500 winners**. We made a profit of \$20,000 last year!

Lots of good things coming up in the next two months!



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of **Angelo F. Paoletti**, 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: **Geneen Valentine, 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

Blessed Mother

In Loving Memory of Aaron David Vargo from your son, Cameron, Amanda and your Mom.



Fishers of Men

Please support the seminarians of the Diocese of Harrisburg through our Fishers of Men event. Although the diocese is not able to host this annual dinner again in 2021 due to the ongoing pandemic, the seminarians for the Diocese still need your support. In these challenging times, we must continue to provide a solid seminary formation for the abundant number of men responding to God’s call. Please pray for our men in formation and if you are able, please consider a gift to financially support our seminarians’ education. Gifts can be made securely online by visiting the Diocesan website, www.hbgdiocese.org. Thank you for your support.



Historical Facts About St. Joan of Arc

In June of 1988, Monsignor Bierster was invited by Bishop Emmanuel Constant of Haiti, to travel to Haiti and bless the new school which was named, St. Joan of Arc School.



MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15:

SAINT ALBERT THE GREAT, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

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

6:45 AM All Souls
9:00 AM Earl & Jean Long

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16:

SAINT MARGARET OF SCOTLAND: SAINT GERTRUDE, VIRGIN

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

6:45 AM Clyde Whitman
9:00 AM Mary Bianchini

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, RELIGIOUS

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

6:45 AM Jim Grap
9:00 AM Joseph Kunetz, Attilio & Maddalena Nucci

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18:

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

1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44; Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Mt 14:22-33

6:45 AM John Breznak
9:00 AM For the Intentions of all our parish volunteers

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19:

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

6:45 AM Deceased Family Members of Peter McCarthy
9:00 AM Kenneth Hahn

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20:

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

9:00 AM Mary Christine Crum
5:00 PM Mary Frances Tomko

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21:

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

To Jesus Christ be glory and power for ever and ever! His are majesty and splendor, and his kingdom is everlasting, a kingdom of cosmic dimensions.

Dn 7:13-14; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

7:30 AM People of the Parish
9:30 AM Vincent Chaverini
11:30 AM James Ross
5:00 PM All Souls

YOUTH NEWS

Life Teen (High School)

This Week: "Clap Back"-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.

Next Week: "Life Teen Holy Hour"-We prepare for the week of Thanksgiving, we will spend some time in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Come, pray and rest in prayer to slow yourself down for some much needed peace.

2021 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

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.
Dec 12 "White Elephant Gift Exchange"-bring a wrapped gift around \$5 to share.

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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 December 22 for a white elephant gift exchange.

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✠ **MINISTRY NEWS**

Respect Life

“Defend the unborn against abortion even if they persecute you, calumniate you, set traps for you, take you to court or kill you.”

Then: Archbishop of Buenos Aires, Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio
 Now: Pope Francis (2005)

Road to Kindness

Last week, our bulletin article referenced that World Kindness Day is on Saturday, November 13. Did you do something kind for someone on World Kindness Day? We heard some wonderful acts of kindness being done by members of our parish family. We mentioned that Kindness is contagious. Articles describing caring acts are in many publications and parents are even talking about how their children have taught them to be Kind...how exciting!



Now as we look to the rest of November, we also want to begin our preparation for the Thanksgiving Holiday on November 25. Over the past years, we have asked everyone to consider helping someone in need and for making kindness the norm in your daily life as a way of giving thanks for all the good in our life. 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
- visit someone that has to work on this holiday and bring them a Thanksgiving dinner

There are so many people that spend Thanksgiving alone. Make your plans and prepare to give your blessings and kindness to those in need. When we say Kindness is contagious...it makes everyone, both the receiver and the giver feel a real sense of caring! A recent blog post stated that “A kind act, done with great love, enables both the giver and the receiver to experience a positive touch of God’s love.”

We have 11 days to get prepared for Thanksgiving Day. Preparation is God’s Way – “The Road to Kindness” and a way to feel a positive touch of God’s love! Thank you!

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.

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.

✠ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Knights of Columbus

December 12 is Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day and The Knights of Columbus are offering beautiful, accurately true images of Our Lady of Guadalupe (OLG) in an effort to spread the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote the charitable works of the Knights. The icon is made by a Catholic business in Mexico and out on a faux cactus synthetic textile which is very similar to the feel of the original Tilma.

For more details on how you can bring the OLG into your home or business visit www.kofc6693.org/our-lady-of-guadalupe or talk to a Knight.

Knights of Columbus Monthly Food Collection

The monthly food/money collection will take place on the last full weekend of each month at the Saturday evening and Sunday Masses through November 2021. All proceeds benefit the Hershey Food Bank. We have had great success in the past and appreciate your kind food and money donations.

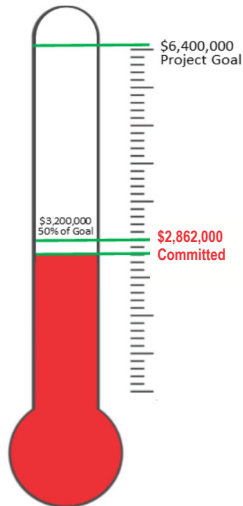


THE CENTENNIAL PROJECT



Phase II Donor Match Program Donor \$ Committed to Date: \$699,000

St. Joan of Arc has begun a donor match program to raise \$1,500,000 to complete the third floor of the new school. The construction is necessary as projected enrollment is outpacing available space. Our elementary school is already the largest in the Diocese. The campaign is well under way, and we are blessed to report that to date, eighteen generous donors have contributed \$699,000 toward a reserve of \$750,000. These funds will be used to match each and every dollar of parishioner's and community's contributions.



As we move forward with the rollout, it is our hope that each parish family will prayerfully

consider a sacrificial gift. For those who cannot contribute at this time, please commit with your prayers as the Apostle Paul advises the Philippians, "Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God." With God, all things are possible.

For those who can contribute, please contemplate your gift in prayer and be as generous as possible. Pledges can be paid in installments, making it easier to fit into your budget. Remember that with the donor match program, every dollar you donate 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 help underwrite this worthy campaign.

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 15 at 6:30 pm and Friday, November 19 at 1:30 pm, in the Sand Hill School Gym, he will update and answer questions, as well as petition the needed financial support. Please RSVP to Deb Rizzotto at: drizzotto@stjoanhershey.org. Presentations are also scheduled in the Areba Social Hall after all the Masses on the weekend of Nov 20-21.

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: \$24,476
Weekly Budget: \$26,923
Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$2,074

Week of October 31, 2021

Special Collection

November 21, 2021

Matthew 25

Please be generous in your financial and spiritual support for this collection. Your parish retains 25% of your gift to provide immediate assistance to your brothers and sisters who need housing assistance, warm clothes for the winter months and a nutritious meal. Over the past five years, more than \$1.04 million has been provided to local organizations in the Diocese of Harrisburg, with over \$329,230 returned to parishes for their work providing food, clothing and shelter.

Visit www.hbgdiocese.org/matthew25 to make an online gift or for more information.

HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

Bishop McDevitt Information

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.

Consecration to St. Joseph

The St. Joan of Arc Deacons will lead a 33 day consecration to St. Joseph continuing 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.

Thanksgiving Altar Decorating

Please join us after the 9:00 Mass on Saturday, November 20 to decorate the altar for Thanksgiving. Any donation of pumpkins, gourds etc., will be appreciated. Call the **parish office (717) 533-7168** with any questions.



COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (CCW)

CCW Nut Roll Sale

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

Any questions, sjaccw@stjoanhershey.org or call Ruth (717) 533-3501.

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.



VOCATIONS CORNER

“Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.”

How is Christ calling you to share His eternal words of salvation? Considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life?

Contact Fr. Jonathan Sawicki

frjsawicki@hbgdiocese.org
(717) 657-4804 ext. 282

TURN IN YOUR ARTICLES EARLY!

R E M I N D E R :

Please take note of the early bulletin deadlines for the rest of the year.

All requests must be submitted by 9:00 am.

Bulletin	Article Deadline	
November 21	Monday	November 15
November 28	Thursday	November 18
December 19	Friday	December 10
December 26	Thursday	December 16
January 2	Thursday	December 23

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:

HEALTHY STEPS PODIATRY CENTER PLLC

