



The Holy Family

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

DECEMBER 27, 2020

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Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm & 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Sunday: Closed

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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



MASS SCHEDULE

MORNING MASSES

SUNDAY

7:30 am, 9:30 am (live), 11:30 am

MONDAY - FRIDAY

6:45 am, 9:00 am (live)

SATURDAY

9:00 am (live)

LOCATION

359 W Areba Ave, Hershey PA

EVENING MASSES

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

5:00 pm

LOCATION

1525 Sand Hill Road, Hummelstown PA

HAPPY New -YEAR-

The priests of the parish are very grateful for the many kind words, cards, prayers, Masses offered, goodies baked, and generous gifts during this Christmas Season! Our prayers are with you in a special way at this time of year.

May the new year of 2021 be filled with happiness, good health, and continued growth in holiness!

May God bless you and yours!

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

DECEMBER 31

Closes at 12:00 PM

JANUARY 1

Closed

**WE WILL RE-OPEN AT 8:00 AM
MONDAY, JANUARY 4**



PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of our parish, in your prayers: **Susan Peters, Mort Kayser, Joseph Grecia, Mary Beth Sheehan, Abe Brandt, Barbara Mandes, and Irene Parodi.**



With Much Gratitude...

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

**HEALTHY STEPS
PODIATRY CENTER, PLLC**

NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

NEW YEAR'S EVE

DECEMBER 31

CHURCH (AREBA AVE)

6:00 PM

NEW YEAR'S DAY

JANUARY 1

CHURCH (AREBA AVE)

9:00 AM | 11:00 AM



How to wear a mask ✓

**HELP US KEEP OUR PARISHIONERS
SAFE AND HEALTHY!**

With the recent rise in Coronavirus cases related to cooler weather and more indoor activities, we thought it would be a good time to remind you of our mask wearing obligation. All in attendance are required to wear a mask, except for those with a medical condition that prohibit it and children too young to understand. Those who may be particularly vulnerable are encouraged to view our livestream Mass at home in place of in-person participation.

We have also received some feedback of masks being worn improperly. Masks should cover both the nose and the mouth. Masks should be worn at all times during the service, including processing to and from Holy Communion. Masks should only be lowered when consuming the Host.

Thank you for your cooperation.



MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28: FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Mt 2:13-18

6:45 AM Edward Durand, Sr.

9:00 AM Tony Nestico

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29: SAINT THOMAS BECKET, BISHOP AND MARTYR

1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35

6:45 AM Gene Yanoscsik

9:00 AM Cathy Cusatis

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30:

1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40

6:45 AM Victor Trason

9:00 AM Genevieve Stamilio

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31: SAINT SYLVESTER I, POPE

1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18

6:45 AM James Baker

9:00 AM William & Eleanor Lawler

6:00 PM Art & Mary Elise Santoni

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1: SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

9:00 AM Paul Warble, Sr.

11:00 AM People of the Parish

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2: MEMORIAL OF SAINTS BASIL THE GREAT AND GREGORY NAZIANZEN, BISHOPS AND DOCTORS OF THE CHURCH

1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

9:00 AM Robert Watters

5:00 PM Jean Leonard

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3: SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:30 AM Filomena Cramer

11:30 AM Michael Malovic

5:00 PM Carmelina Hennigan

YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN (HIGH SCHOOL)

With Derry Township schools going fully virtual due to the growing numbers of Covid-19, sadly, Life Teen will be forced to do the same. We are hoping this will be temporary and we will be able to return on January 10th as we will continue to meet via Zoom for the time being.

📧 John Triscik: jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org



EDGE (MIDDLE SCHOOL)

Edge is for grades 6-8 and meets on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month from 7:00-8:00 pm via Zoom.

Edge meets next on January 6, as we discuss "What's New?"

📧 John Triscik: jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

📧 Earl: etropp@stjoanhershey.org | Ext. 122

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 7:00-8:00 pm via Zoom.

We meet next on January 13 as we continue our study of the Catholic Letters with 1st Peter.

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The calendar year 2020 is coming to an end but the year of our Centennial Jubilee which began in August 2020 will continue through August of the new year. We are hopeful that by the summer the public health situation will allow us to gather and celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the founding of our Parish.

It has been a difficult year by any measure. As we look forward, we pray for the successful rollout and effectiveness of the pandemic vaccine. At the same time, we pray for prudence in our daily activities as we attempt to curb the rapid expansion of the virus. There has been much suffering and economic hardship this past year. Those folks need our prayers and our assistance. Let us resolve to place our trust in the Lord in 2021, as we find our way through the maze that may still lie ahead.

We are blessed at St. Joan of Arc Parish. In spite of many challenges this year, we were able to resume in-person Mass and liturgies since June and have opened a beautiful new school. This would not have been possible without your generous support. Thank you for all that you have done for the Parish. May God keep you and your family in his care in 2021.

For more information on how you can help, please visit
www.stjoanhershey.org/TheCentennialProject



Donate your PA state tax dollars to St. Joan of Arc School

Would you like Your PA state tax dollars to go directly to St. Joan of Arc School?

Did you know that if you pay more than \$3500 (Line 12 of your PA income Tax Return) in PA taxes you may be eligible to receive a 90% tax credit for a contribution to the Pennsylvania State EITC scholarship fund program that helps students afford tuition at a St. Joan of Arc. Families who join the Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Fund will receive a tax credit for 90% of the amount pledged, all of which will be given to the school in the form of a donation. (For example if you owe \$3500 in PA taxes, and you make a contribution with the attached agreement to St. Joan of Arc for \$3500, 90% or \$3150 will go to St. Joan of Arc, while your PA tax liability is reduced to \$350)

Your contributions could provide assistance to our school in the following ways:

- Enable the school to offer increased financial aid to more families.
- As participation in the program is for 2 years at a time it will allow us better planning.
- By increasing our funding for financial aid this may help us to keep our tuition costs as low as possible for all students and their families.
- Once a contributor joins the program they are able to continue renewing every two years indefinitely – so the donation could potentially become a long-term blessing to our school and its students.

To learn more you can visit www.pennsylvaniaeitc.org & fill out the attached joinder agreement.

Questions? Contact Deb Rizzotto, Director of Development, St. Joan of Arc School at 717 533-2854.

You may drop off or mail your completed application at St. Joan of Arc School (Attn: Tax Credits / Deb Rizzotto)

Please Note: The school is not able to offer professional tax advice. Please consult with your own tax professional to determine whether this program is right for you.

[Visit school.stjoanhershey.org](http://school.stjoanhershey.org) for the tax form

✝ MINISTRY NEWS

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

You can schedule up to 4 Mass intentions for the year for \$10 each. A post card confirming your dates will be mailed to you. Complete online.

📍 www.stjoanhershey.org/store/p74/intentions.html

GIRL SCOUTS—THANK YOU

Girl Scout Troop #11111 and #10049 thank all who supported us by purchasing your Poinsettias this year. We will be back again next year!

WE'RE HIRING

St. Joan of Arc is seeking a part-time custodian to work 16-20 hours per week for \$20/hour.

RESPECT LIFE

"Please don't kill the child. I want the child. Please give me the child. I am willing to accept any child who would be aborted, and to give that child to a married couple who will love the child, and be loved by the child." -St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

For help with an unexpected pregnancy, contact: Morning Star Pregnancy Clinics.

📍 www.morningstarclinics.com | 717-901-2799

FBMAC

This summer three seminarians and several staff members worked on outside jobs, because of the pandemic. With resources stretched very thin, we want to help in any way we can. Our goal is to raise \$3,000 to help cover the cost of the work done and expenses incurred this summer. As in the past, your generosity has always been very much appreciated, not only by the work that was done, but by St. Joan of Arc volunteers who rely on your help and encouragement to continue this charitable work. We are hoping to travel to Kentucky in Spring & Fall 2021.

Please send your donations to Jan and Larry Duckart and include FBAMC in the memo.

📍 [5455 Ridge Road, Elizabethtown, PA 17022](http://5455RidgeRoad,Elizabethtown,PA17022)

✝ BULLETIN REQUESTS

- 1) Requests MUST be received by 9:00 am the Monday prior to that weekend's bulletin. Exceptions cannot be made for late requests.
- 2) Requests must be submitted as they are to appear in print. Please be brief due to space limitation.
- 3) Requests must be made through the designated electronic form to ensure all necessary information is received prior to the deadline.

📞 [Contact Us—Request: Bulletin Content](#)

✝ MINISTRY NEWS

ROAD TO KINDNESS

Happy New Year! As the New Year begins, many of us will be thinking about our resolutions – what will we do in the upcoming year? What will we change and what impact will we have? Let's make one of our resolutions for 2020 to "continue to spread our Kindness!" When we started our Kindness journey over four years ago, we said Kindness starts with you – you have the ability to impact someone's life today! Thank you for your wonderful support over the past four years of our Kindness program! As we look to 2020, we want to share with you the words from Ralph Marston's, "Focus on Goodness and Kindness!"

"Choose words today that encourage. Choose actions today that assist, empower, unify.

Live today with generosity, gratitude, wonder and enthusiasm. Be slow to anger, quick to forgive, understanding and have patience with yourself and others.

Offer your smile, offer your Kindness. Give your respect and your positive presence.

This is the world you live in, the day you have to work with.

Make it your intention to make it a good, supportive time and place.

Many good people are going to do many good things today.

Take the opportunity to add your own beneficial actions to the mix.

What you focus on gains power and influence in your life, in your world.

So, focus on the goodness and watch as that goodness and kindness spread!"

You are making a difference! Let's keep spreading our Kindness in 2021 and continue to demonstrate our goodness through God's Way – "The Road to Kindness!"

✝ SCHOOL NEWS



St. Joan of Arc School has received a grant to partially fund a second playground at the new building on Sand Hill Road. We are just looking for funding for one more

piece of the puzzle. We are hoping to add a swing set to the playground for the upper grades, 2nd through 8th. The cost is \$6,719.

Please consider helping us to reach our goal so that we can make this wish a reality for our students!



“Let us ask the Lord for
the *grace of being generous*,
so that our *hearts may be opened*
and we may *become kinder.*”

—Pope Francis

CONSIDERING A YEAR-END GIFT TO ST. JOAN OF ARC CHURCH?

HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

1. We appreciate you!

More than 30 percent of all charitable donations are made in the month of December. We're honored that you're considering a gift to St. Joan of Arc.

2. New Year's Week Office Hours

Tuesday, December 29 — 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM (*Closed Noon to 1:00 PM*)

Wednesday, December 30 — 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM (*Closed Noon to 1:00 PM*)

New Year's Eve (Thursday, December 31) — 8:00 AM to Noon

3. Special Tax Breaks – this year only

As part of its response to the coronavirus, Congress made temporary changes to the tax code to incentivize charitable giving in 2020. Make sure to speak with your attorney or financial advisor to find out how you can save money on taxes while benefiting St. Joan of Arc. Charitable contributions of cash are deductible up to 100% of your adjusted gross income (AGI) in 2020. Ordinarily these contributions are limited to 60% of AGI. And for 2020 only, if you do not itemize your deductions, you are allowed to reduce your taxable income by up to \$300 for cash contributions to charity.

4. You can donate online, right up until the ball drops!

The Internet isn't just for video chatting with friends and grandkids! Now, you can donate to St. Joan of Arc online at: <https://www.myowngiving.com/Default.aspx?cid=1376> and use the “Quick Give” option. A link for more information About Online Giving can be found in the Stewardship menu on the parish website. You can donate right up until 11:59 p.m. on December 31 and have it applied to your 2020 tax year.

PENNSYLVANIA SPECIAL PURPOSE ENTITY (SPE) JOINDER

For Individual/Joint/Corporate Pennsylvania EITC/OSTC Program Contributions

For detailed information on the Program and Application/Award Process, please go to:
<https://www.pennsylvaniaeitc.org/frequently-asked-questions.html>

Questions: Contact Deb Rizzoto 717-533-2854

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Joinder to Limited Liability Company Operating Agreement of *MicroPlusPlus Investment Management, LLC* as of the date set forth below next to the undersigned's signature.

IF AN INDIVIDUAL OR 2 INDIVIDUALS SIGNING JOINTLY:	IF A LEGAL ENTITY:
PRINT NAME – INDIVIDUAL #1	PRINT NAME – LEGAL ENTITY
SIGNATURE – INDIVIDUAL #1	AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE
SOCIAL SECURITY # – INDIVIDUAL #1	PRINT NAME / TITLE OF AUTHORIZED SIGNER
PRINT NAME – INDIVIDUAL #2	
SIGNATURE – INDIVIDUAL #2	
SOCIAL SECURITY # – INDIVIDUAL #2	EIN #
DATE	DATE
ADDRESS	ADDRESS
CITY STATE ZIP	CITY STATE ZIP
EMAIL ADDRESS	EMAIL ADDRESS
AMOUNT – FIRST YEAR CAPITAL CONTRIBUTION (due upon Fund Manager's request) \$ _____ (NOTE: Minimum \$3,500 contribution unless Manager approves less)	AMOUNT – SECOND YEAR CAPITAL CONTRIBUTION (due upon Fund Manager's request) \$ _____ (NOTE: Same as INITIAL Capital Contribution)

Fund Manager is to use my Capital Contribution for scholarship support for children attending the following EITC/OSTC qualified schools or scholarship organizations:

Name of School/Organization St. Joan of Arc School, Hershey PA Amount \$ _____

Name of School/Organization _____ Amount \$ _____

Name of School/Organization _____ Amount \$ _____

IF THE ABOVE OPTIONAL DIRECTION IS LEFT BLANK, Capital Contributions will be regarded as undesignated by the Fund Manager.

Randy Tarpey, in his capacity as Manager of the Company, hereby accepts this Joinder and admits the party or parties identified above as a Member of the Company as of the date set forth next to the signature below.

MicroPlusPlus Investment Management, LLC

DATE: _____ BY: _____

Send forms to: Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Fund, Attn: Randy Tarpey, 227 Jefferson Avenue, Tyrone, PA 16686

NOTE: Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Fund will contact you in the 4th quarter when it is time to submit your donation check.