

6TH

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

FEBRUARY 11, 2018

The Cleansing of a Leper

*Moved with
pity, he
stretched out
his hand,
touched him, and
said to him,
“I do will it.
Be made clean.”*

Mark 1:41

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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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.



THIS WEEKS MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS

MONDAY, FEB. 12

Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13

6:45 AM Tony Pala
9:00 AM Carol Williams

TUESDAY, FEB. 13

Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21

6:45 AM Vera D'Amelio
9:00 AM Anthony R. Bellezza

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14: ASH WEDNESDAY

Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

6:45 AM Martin John Kern
9:00 AM Helen Zullo
7:00 PM Rosie Jennings

THURSDAY, FEB. 15

Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

6:45 AM Pete Martinez
9:00 AM Frank Supinski

FRIDAY, FEB. 16

Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

6:45 AM Mark Mooney
9:00 AM Hans Gangl

SATURDAY, FEB. 17: THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS OF THE SERVITE ORDER

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

9:00 AM Glenn Baugher
5:15 PM John E., John F. and Ida Feeney

SUNDAY, FEB. 18: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings: Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Mindful of his covenant, the Lord promises never to destroy creation again by flood waters. The waters of baptism bring salvation and forgiveness through the death of Christ. After fasting forty days and being put to the test, Jesus begins his public ministry.

MASS INTENTIONS:

7:30 AM Irene Petrina
9:00 AM People of the Parish
10:30 AM Lucy Wanamaker
12:00 PM Matthew Pritchett
5:30 PM Ronald Balutis

With Much Gratitude...

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

MANGIA! MANGIA!

ASH WEDNESDAY
February 14, 2018

MASSES: 6:45AM + 9:00AM + 7:00PM



**STATEMENT FROM THE BISHOP:
Ash Wednesday Obligation**

This year Ash Wednesday coincides with Valentine's Day (February 14), a largely secular celebration, particularly in the United States. There have been inquiries if a dispensation from the obligations to fast and abstain from meat will be given. As Catholics, we recognize Ash Wednesday as the solemn beginning of a period of prayer, penance, and works of charity. Its spiritual importance is evidenced by the large number of faithful choosing to attend Mass on this day. In view of the significance of Ash Wednesday, the obligations of fast and abstinence are naturally the priority in the Catholic community. Valentine's Day can appropriately be celebrated on another day, such as Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, which happens to be Mardi Gras, a time of celebration prior to the Lenten journey.



Prayer Requests

Next Sunday (February 18) our RCIA Catechumens, **ELIZABETH FEDERICI** and **SHADAN SHAHSWAR**, will participate in the Rite of Sending here in our parish during the noon Mass. They will also participate in the Rite of Election later in the day at the Cathedral with our bishop. Please keep them in prayer as they continue on their spiritual journey toward Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

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



To Be Updated Next Week...

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL COLLECTION:
BLACK & INDIAN POOR MISSIONS

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION:
FEBRUARY 14 - ASH WEDNESDAY
This collection will benefit our Sister Parish in Haiti



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES:

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

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:

Feb. 12 - 19: Sisters of St. Joan of Arc

Feb. 19 - 26: Mr. & Mrs. Paul Shiffler

[☪ Parish - Pilgrim Cross](#)

MASS ATTENDANCE: Feb. 3 & 4 Total: 1514					
<u>5:15PM</u>	<u>7:30AM</u>	<u>9:00AM</u>	<u>10:30AM</u>	<u>Noon</u>	<u>5:30PM</u>
297	177	359	410	192	79



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

- Carl Robinson, Barry Boyer, Terry L. Hand, Jr., Dale Von Stein, Frank & Doris Bolduc, Jeffrey Pavone, Michael Danzis, Vincent Savini, Rose Marie Smith, Carol Merlo-Knackstedt, David Liddy, Kaitlin Buser, Lily Carney, Ashley Tatangelo.**

Reminder: Names will remain on this list for six weeks. Please call to have them placed back on the prayer list.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH		
❖ MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12		
9:45 AM	Legion of Mary	SLC
3:00 PM	Girl Scout Troop 11535	SLC
7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	CAF
7:00 PM	Evening Bible Study	SLC
7:00 PM	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting	LIB
7:00 PM	EDGE	MRC
❖ TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13		
9:30 AM	Little Rock Scripture Study	SLC
1:00 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	SLC
7:00 PM	Faith Enrichment Series	PC
❖ WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14		
7:15 AM	Wednesday Morning Coffee	SLC
7:45 AM	Gospel Reflection Group	SLC
1:00 PM	Faith Enrichment Series	PC
4:15 PM	REP: K - Gr. 6	-
7:00 PM	Respect Life Meeting	CHR
❖ THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15		
8:30 AM	Coffee & Conversation	SLC
7:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal	CHR
7:00 PM	Girl Scout Troop 12171	SLC
7:30 PM	Knights of Columbus	MRC
❖ FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16		
3:00 PM	Junior Legion of Mary	SLC
6:00 PM	Soup & Stations	CAF
❖ SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17		
6:30 AM	That Man Is You	MRC
❖ SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18		
1:00 PM	Baptisms	CHR
❖ MEETING ROOMS & LOCATIONS ❖		
PC: Parish Center CHP: Chapel (PC) CHR: Church NS: "New Space" former parish office SLC: St. Lucy Center MRC: Meeting Room C CAF: Cafeteria LIB: Library ☪ Room Locations → Parish - Facilities & Scheduling		

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 17 & 18, 2018

	5:15 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 Noon	5:30 PM
Lector	J. Gusherowski	S. Petrina	N. Ott	F. Ruggerio	K. Shovlin	M. Waning
EMHC	K. McCarthy	K. Harbaugh	W. Lutz	P. Mooney	T. Mayan	V. Felice
	M. Totaro	B. McCarthy	D. Morgan	A. Reeves	J. Traini	J. Phillippy
	J. Nolan	F. McCarthy	L. Rogers	K. Robinson	C. Mortel	J. Triscik
	J. Pantalone		M. Rogers	M. Rothermel		Sr. Eileen
Servers	G. Gurney	G. Harbaugh	S. O'Hara	N. Hamilton	St. Michaels Guard	J. Wilson
	M. Gurney	M. Stark	M. O'Hara	A. Hamilton		L. Ruiz-Velasco
	M. Coyle	J. Katzenmoyer	M. O'Hara	L. Hamilton		E. Roche
MC	A. Aluquin	J.P. Katzenmoyer	D. O'Hara	L. Hamilton		C. Roche

Money Counters: R. Deiling, B. Deiling, A. Pavone, M. Rogers



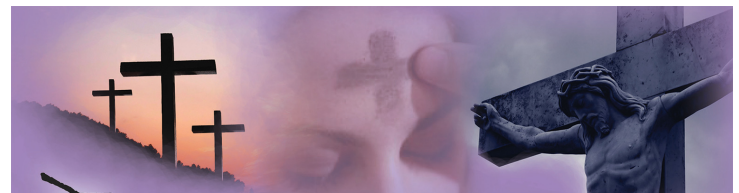
PARISHIONER NEED: ROOM FOR RENT

Do you have an extra room in your home that you are willing to rent and make a little extra income? We have a female parishioner in her mid 40's who is a single professional (employed full time) looking for a place to rent. She is a non-smoker. If you are interested in renting, or know someone who is, please contact the parish office.



VOCATIONS:

“Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him.” Is the Lord touching your heart with an invitation towards service in the consecrated life or priesthood? Talk to Father Al or Fr. Brian Wayne (717)657-4804 or email: frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org.



ASH WEDNESDAY

**ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH
LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE:**

6:45 AM - [Lector] J. Nantz
[EMHC] W. Lutz, B. McCarthy, F. McCarthy
[Servers] L. Gusherowski, A. Gusherowski
[MC] E. Gusherowski

9:00 AM - [Lectors] SJA School Students
[EMHC] J. Nolan, Sr. Eileen, Sr. Salvatoris
[Servers] SJA School Students

4:15 PM - [Lector] A. O'Dea
[EMHC] M. Spaeder, K. Willey, B. Hasson

7:00 PM - [Lector] J. O'Hara
[EMHC] B. Frola, J. Frola, M. Duval
[Servers] B. Seesholtz, D. Bagatta, C. Chardo
[MC] M. Bagatta

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH**

7:00 PM - [Lector] M. Spaeder
[Servers] S. O'Hara, M. O'Hara, M. O'Hara

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church
Lenten Fish Fry
FEBRUARY 23
5 - 8 PM




BULLETIN REMINDERS

Requests for information to be included in the parish bulletins must be received by Monday at 9:00 am. Forms are available on our website under the “Contact us” menu.

All requests need to be submitted exactly as you would like the information to appear and include the desired dates for it to be published. Thank you!

YOUTH NEWS


LIFE TEEN - HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

 **This Week: "The Drive Of Your Life"**
Getting your driver's license is a pinnacle moment in one's life. So is understanding the role of your conscience. Even with a little bit of freedom, truth is always there to steer you in the right lane.

Next Week: No Life Teen - President's Day Weekend!

☎ 533-7168 Ext. 128 ✉ youth@stjoanhershey.org

EDGE - MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH

 EDGE is for grades 6 - 8th and meets on Monday nights in the Youth Room from 7 - 8:15. **Upcoming EDGE nights: February 12 & 26.** Invite your friends!

☎ 533-7168 Ext. 128 ✉ youth@stjoanhershey.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM NEWS...

Sunday Class Schedule for February 18:
No REP classes will meet on Sunday, Feb. 18th due to the President's Day holiday.

☎ 533-7168 Ext. 306 ✉ rep@stjoanhershey.org

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

Arimathea Ministry

The parish plans to start an Arimathea Ministry. This ministry is named for Joseph of Arimathea who took Jesus' body from the cross and buried it in his own tomb. Those who sign up for this Ministry are volunteering to attend the funeral Mass of parishioners when they are able. You would be notified when there is a funeral in the church and if you are able, you would attend and would be representing the St. Joan of Arc Parish family and supporting the family of the deceased by your presence. If you are often available during the day and could sometimes attend a funeral in the parish, please consider volunteering. It would be a prime opportunity to practice one of the Corporal Works of Mercy: To bury the dead. If interested or if you have questions, please contact us.

☎ **Adrienne Bender** at (717)534-3493

✉ "Arimathea" Ministry Page

God's Way - "The Road to Kindness"

This Week starts the beautiful Lenten Season with Ash Wednesday on Feb. 14! The Lenten Season is the perfect time to reflect on God's love for us and to pass that love on by following **God's Way - "The Road to Kindness!"**

At the same time the Lenten Season starts (Feb. 11 - 17) is "**Random Acts of Kindness (RAK) Week!**" RAK Week is an annual opportunity to unite through Kindness. This seven-day celebration demonstrates how Kindness starts with one - one act, one smile, one coffee for a stranger, one favor for a friend! How exciting to have RAK Week happen right as our beautiful Lenten Season begins.

Certain church communities both in the US and in the UK are also doing the "**Be Kind - Lenten Challenge for 2018!**" For the Lenten Challenge, you perform a Kindness Act each day over the 40 days of Lent. You may be asking, what Kindness Act can I do? One website, "the sun.co.uk," provides you with Kindness Ideas for the 40 Days of Lent!

It is the perfect time to take on a Challenge & do a Kindness Act each day over the 40 days of Lent!

We know that not everyone in our parish community will be inspired to do the Lenten Kindness Challenge. Our hope is that this Lenten Season, YOU open your heart and be one of those that will take on the **Be Kind - Lenten Challenge for 2018!** Even if a small percentage of members from our parish take on this Lenten Challenge, we can still make a big impact in our parish and community and we will be following **God's Way - "The Road to Kindness!"**



Please share your Kindness Acts, or those you observe, by emailing them to:
kindness@stjoanhershey.org

✠ DIOCESAN NEWS & EVENTS ✠

✉ Calendar - Diocesan Events

150th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:

Several special events are planned for the upcoming 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Harrisburg.

Visit: www.hbgdiocese.org/150

PRESENTATION ON MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS:

Presentations are scheduled concerning marriage, divorce and annulment according to Church teaching:

- **March 12:** St. Joseph Parish (York) 7 pm
- **March 19:** Cardinal Keeler Center (Harrisburg) 7 pm

ANNUAL LENTEN REFLECTION FOR MEDICAL & LEGAL PROFESSIONALS:

Annual Lenten Reflection for all physicians, health care workers, medical students, and members of the legal profession are welcome. February 17, 2018 from 8:30 am until Noon at the Diocesan Center.

✉ Calendar - Diocesan Events & News

✠ PARISH MINISTRY NEWS ✠

CCW - LENTEN LUNCHEON HELP:

Please join us to prepare the Ecumenical Luncheon for the Hershey Community on Ash Wednesda. Help is needed in the cafeteria on **Feb. 13** at 1:30 pm (food preparation) and **Feb. 14** at 9:00 am (table and chair setup). All help is welcomed and *greatly appreciated!* Donations of cupcakes are needed for dessert. Please bring them to the cafeteria by 9:00 am on February 14.

☞ [“CCW” Ministry Page](#)

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:

The Consolation/Bereavement Ministry is offering a support group for those grieving the loss of a loved one. We will meet in the St. Lucy Center each Wednesday morning following the 9:00 am Mass, beginning on April 4, 2018. Our sessions last for approximately an hour and they usually run for 6 - 8 weeks. The group will be limited to no more than 10 participants. For more information, or to register, please call Joyce Nolan at (717) 566-0657.

☞ [“Consolation/Bereavement” Ministry Page](#)

S.J.A. TRACK & FIELD (Gr. 3 - 8):

Do you like to run, jump, and throw? Come join us for St. Joan of Arc Track and Field! Practices will begin in March. Children of the parish in 3rd to 8th grade are welcome! Please email for additional information.

📞 [Carrie Burke: carieburke@comcast.net](mailto:carieburke@comcast.net)

YOUNG ADULTS - NEW LENTEN SERIES:

Young Adults (age 21-35, married or single!) Join us as we begin our Lenten Series: **“The Joy of the Gospel”** February 21 & 28 from 7 - 8:30 pm in Meeting Rm C.

📞 [John Triscik: Ext. 128, jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org](mailto:jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org)

☞ [“Young Adults” Ministry Page](#)

MOM’S GROUP - NEW DATES!

Join us from 9:30 to 11:30am for play dates on: 2/15, 2/26, 3/9, 3/15 & 3/23. Email for location.

📞 [Sarah Bonavia: Sarah.Bonavia@gmail.com](mailto:Sarah.Bonavia@gmail.com)

☞ [“Mom’s Group” Ministry Page](#)

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:

“May the one who receives this shawl be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace & wrapped in love”

Prayer Shawl Ministry is celebrating our 9th year.

Our dedicated members have knitted and crocheted countless shawls and lap robes. These beautiful shawls and lap robes are blessed and distributed to parishioners and in within our local community. The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month from 1-3pm in the St. Lucy Center.

📞 [Kathy \(717\)566-1481](tel:7175661481) or [Bert \(302\)228-9735](tel:3022289735)

LENT



This year Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14.

The traditional Lenten practices of piety, fasting, alms giving and other forms of self-denial are still most warmly recommended by the Church.

Prayer

Catholics are encouraged to pray more during Lent, especially with Scripture. Lent is also an ideal time to receive properly the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation in preparation for the celebration of Christ’s Passion, Death and Resurrection.

Fasting & Abstinence

Catholics of age 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. In addition, on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday, Catholics from age 18-59 fast, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day.

Almsgiving

Moved by the sacrifice of Christ, many Christians combine almsgiving with fasting, giving to the poor the money they saved by eating, drinking or buying less as they rely more upon God’s abundant grace.

PRAYER

FASTING

ALMSGIVING

