Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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AUGUST 28, 2022

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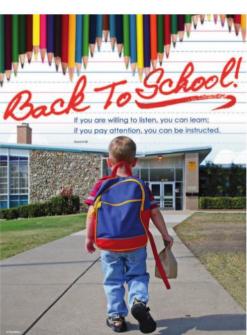
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

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





Many of our young parishioners returned to school this past week. (Due to the renovations on half of the 3rd Floor, Saint Joan of Arc School will return after Labor Day on September 6th). The beginning of a school year is an exciting time for youngsters but also can produce anxiety as well: going to a new school; starting pre-school or kindergarten and being away from mom or dad for the first time; learning the ropes in high school; heading off to college and making decisions on your own. All of these are important passages for us human beings but they can cause disruption in our lives. It is important to remember that others are going through these changes in life and that you are not alone. Parents play an important part in the lives of their children's school years. Always be patient, compassionate and offer a listening ear but don't be so engaged that your child doesn't learn on his or her own. Also, make God an important part of your child's life. Pray for them, of course, but teach them to pray as well. Inculcate in them a healthy sense of discipline and independence. Make Mass each week and parish life a habit in your child's life. Teach them that even when they are away from home, God is always with them. Learn much, have fun, and stay close to God and His Church!





Please visit the link below to see the requested

SJA Wish List Items.

All donated items and any questions, should be sent to the attention of Deb Rizzotto at (717) 533-2854 Ext. 123

Thank you in advance!

http://school.stjoanhershey.org/wish-list-2022-23.html

SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of *Jean Moore* who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathies to her 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: Edward Vey, Dr. Irving Shore, Maggie & Dave Dull, Steven Brink, Kathleen Weiss, Diane Holubek, Rosemary Connolly, Christopher Jordan, Fred Sanders, Jeff & Lori Sotack, Fred Bender, Rosemarie Marone, Abram Brandt, Barbara Kayser, and Mary Beth Sheehan.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Main Altar Vase 1

In Loving Memory of Josephine Testa from Kathleen & Dick

Main Altar Vase 2 Blessed Mother & Saint Joseph

In Thanksgiving for 50 glorious years of marriage Dick and Pat Moser



Please join us for

First Friday Adoration

On **September 2** following the 9:00 am Mass in the St. Lucy Chapel with Benediction at 7:00 pm.

Upcoming Special Collection: Peter's Pence

The weekend of September 10 & 11 the Peter's Pence Collection will support the Universal church and the work of the Holy See, including Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression and disasters. Please be generous.

DAUGHTERS OF OUR LADY OF MERCY

12th Week Drawing Winners:

- 1. \$100.00 Eck Both, Whiting, NJ
- 2. \$ 50.00 Italian Club of Steelton, PA
- 3. \$ 50.00 Donald DeRossi, Ocean City, NJ
- 4. \$ 50.00 Laurie Musial, Ocean City, NJ
- 5. \$ 50.00 Lorraine DeMaio, Williamstown, NJ

Congratulations to the winners! The Daughters of Our Lady of Mercy are grateful for your continuous support. They assure you of their prayers. For more details, contact the Convent (717) 533-2864.



MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

Monday, August 29:

MEMORIAL OF THE PASSION OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

1 Cor 2:1-5; Mk6:17-29

6:45 AM Robert W. Trainer, III

9:00 AM Debbie O'Cathy

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30:

1Cor 2:10b-16: Lk 4:31-37

6:45 AM Genevieve Seaton

9:00 AMPaul Caso

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31:

1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44

6:45 AM Dr. Francis Patrick & Ruth Marie Tierney

9:00 AM John & Margaret Welsh

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1:

1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11

Special Intentions of Mary Catherine 6:45 AM

Tierney for Family

9:00 am Thomas Kelly

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2:

1 Cor 4:1-5; Jn 8:12; Lk 5:33-39

6:45 AM Helen Koslosky

Andrew Hricak 9:00 AM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3:

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

1 Cor 4:6b-15: Lk6:1-5

9:00 AM Joan Valeri

5:00 рм Terrence Freisen

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4:

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Who can comprehend the Lord's ways or conceive what the Lord intends? True wisdom leads us to acknowledge our limitations and our idols of materialism as we seek to follow the Lord without reservation. True discipleship calls us to forgive those who have wronged us. May we gain wisdom of heart to discern more fully our call to take up the cross of

Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Bugay & Frola Families 7:30 AM

9:30 AM Polto & Fazzini Families

11:30 AM David Bernitsky

People of the Parish 5:00 рм

YOUTH NEWS

Life Teen (High School)

This Week: "The Storyteller"-We begin our school year with a series on the parables and the power of story. All High School students are welcome to join us.

Next Week: No Life Teen this week. Have a happy and safe holiday weekend. We will return on September 11 to continue our series on the parables.

2022 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

Sept 4 No Life Teen-Happy Labor Day! Sept 11 Life Teen-"The Moral of the Story"

Life Teen-"The Plot Twist" Life Teen-"The End" Sept 18

Sept 25

EDGE (Middle School): Have a great summer!

All 6-8th graders are invited to join us when we return on September 7. Invite your friends!

Donations Needed

Donations of water, juice, soda, and snacks for our youth ministry gatherings are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the parish office. Thank you!

1 John Triscik: jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org

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YOUNG 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 September 14 to begin a series on the Sacraments with "Baptism and Confirmation."

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VOCATION CROSS

The Vocation Cross will be in the home of:

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Shiffler: August 28-September 4

Fran & Barb McCarthy: September 4-11

VOCATIONS CORNER

"Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord."

Are you willing to accept the yoke of the Lord through a vocation as a priest, deacon, sister or brother?

Contact Fr. Jonathan Sawicki frjsawicki@hbgdiocese.org (717) 657-4804 Ext. 282

† MINISTRY NEWS

Respect Life

"Where will the battle for the culture of life be lost or won? Not in any courtroom, but in the quiet conviction of innumerable homilies and articles and talks on the Church's teaching on marriage and Pope John Paul II's theology of the body. Then a day will come when the culture of life is fostered, not merely in our legal system, but in the very heart of the most intimate relations between a man and a woman."

-USCCB, "Contraception and Abortion: The Underlying Link" Rev. Walter J. Schu, L.C.

First Saturday Devotions: Conversion of Russia

Please join us after 9:00 am Mass on September 3 for First Saturday Devotions and Rosary. This month's intention is in reparation for offenses committed by men who publicly attempt to instill indifference, scorn and even hatred for this Immaculate Mother in the hearts of children. The requirements are to: go to Confession, receive Holy Communion, pray five decades of the Rosary, and meditate for an additional 15 minutes on the mysteries of the Rosary.

SJA Creative Writer's Group

Share your faith through creative writing. Beginner to experienced writers welcome. Join us for 8 weeks beginning Wednesday, September 14 at 6:00 pm in Room 314. To sign up or for more information contact Karen at Kier.karen@gmail.com

Little Rock Scripture Study

On Tuesday, September 13, we will be starting a new study on the Book of Exodus, the central event of the Old Testament. Join us every Tuesday in the Adult Education Room, #321 at 9:30 am. If you are interested in joining our friendly class, please call Jeannie Vey at (717) 599-9805 or (717) 533-2246 for more information.

1st and 3rd Saturday **Prayer Ministry**

Please join us after the 5:00 pm Saturday evening Mass on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month. Our small prayer groups will

pray with any individual desiring physical and/spiritual healing. Please contact Susan Susi with any questions at ssusibscd@gmail.com

Calendar Collection

Collecting calendars for Spring Creek Nursing Home Residents now through November. Donations can be placed in the box at the back of the Church. Any questions, call Marie Bowman at (717) 679-5729.



Road to Kindness

This week we want to recognize all our teachers, students, and administrative team as we get ready to start a new school year! We are excited as the year starts and brings in



another year of learning, adventure, and fun to our parish community. We feel that it is appropriate to once again share this wonderful message that was in a prior bulletin and provided by Father Al. It is the perfect prayer to kick off every school year.

"Almighty God, we give you, our School. We give you all the teachers and staff who work here. We give you all the children who study here. We pray our school would be place of great discovery, adventure and creativity. May it be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love. A place where everyone is respected, and all are deeply valued. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen"

It is an ideal opportunity to demonstrate our Kindness and Care. Everyday, we can bring a smile to a teacher and a student or share a lunch with a new student. Please take the time to look for an opportunity to follow God's Way -"The Road to Kindness!"

We wish our students, teachers, all who work, participate, and help in the school activities, the very best for this school year! We also want to thank all the parents who guide their children to learn and experience all the wonders of our educational programs. Please have a safe and healthy school year!

Caelorum

We look forward to seeing everyone at Caelorum on Wednesday, September 7 at 7:00 pm at St. Joan of Arc Church. Please join us! For more information, contact Lou Felice at (717) 215-4175.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Foodbank & Monetary Collection

The Hershey Foodbank and Monetary collection will be next weekend, September 3 & 4. Through your generosity we have YTD collected 2517 lbs. of food and \$8023.00. Thank you!





Crab Fest: Save the Date!

All you can eat! Special Olympics Crab Festival and Pig Roast on **October 8** from 12:00-4:00 pm. Fea-

turing Maryland Blue Crabs and pulled pork, hamburgers, hotdogs, corn-on-the-cob, french fries, draft beer, soda and water. For more information and tickets visit www.kofc6693.org/crabfest.

Construction Progress as of 8/22/22

8/22/22 3rd Floor Goal 100% \$1,950,000 90% 80% 73.5% \$1,434,00 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% Total Committed

This week is the last full week of construction. We are planning on having our occupancy code review at the end of the week. Keep the school in your prayers as we hope to start the move in process on Monday August 29th. At this juncture, HVAC has been completed. There is some LED panel wiring, a little more painting, flooring, coving, & restroom plumbing remaining. A great deal of work has been accomplished in just 12 weeks! Many thanks to our contractors.

Stalls in Restrooms



Fixtures In Restrooms

There's a lot of anticipation building. It's amazing that we will have three classes each of Four-Year-Old Preschool classrooms through Second Grade with the goal of adding one new class of Grades 3, 4, & 5 in the next three years. That will increase our student body to nearly 600 by the Fall of 2025. (That's double the capacity of the Areba Avenue School!) Classrooms, laboratories, study lounge, and the chapel are all being planned with the expected growth in mind.



Hallway Floor Tile Installation



Mrs. Smoker's 8B Classroom



Finishing Teacher's Lounge



Gym Observation Windows

Your gift to the Centennial Project will enable the faith-filled and rigorous education of our children and grandchildren at a time in our country's history when it is sorely needed. To learn more about the vibrancy of our school and the ways you can contribute, please visit:



https://www.stjoanhershey.org/thecentennialproject.html https://www.stjoanhershey.org/centennial1.html



Special Blessing & Dedication of the Church's New Sound System on August 13, 2022



Father Al blesses parishioners and the sound system in the sacristy after the 9:00 am Mass. Pictured in the foreground (making the sign of the cross) is Jerry Frola, who sponsored the improvement in memory of his late spouse, Beth Sherbine Frola. Beth was very well known in the Parish, and she devoted many years to the lector ministry. Her life was indeed a model of service, whether in the military, at the Medical Center, or in the community. Jerry has since moved to Leesburg, VA, to be closer to his children and grandchildren. He was able to reconnect with old friends at the fellowship that followed. A special thanks to Jason Stoltzfus for the sourcing and installation of the equipment. The enhanced sound quality in the church is superb, and it has vastly improved the clarity of our livestreaming.

With Much Gratitude...

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

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EVENTS & HAPPENINGS



The Respect Life Committee of Saint Catherine Laboure Parish is holding an informational forum, "Life After Roe: Creating a Culture of Life in Pennsylvania," on Saturday, September 10 at 9:00 am. After months of misinformation regarding the Dobbs decision, this event will present medical, social, legal and spiritual truths about abortion from the Christian perspective.

This speakers' forum is sponsored by the Free. Registration is required. Please go to PAFamily.org. Pennsylvania Family Institute, the PA Pro-Life Federation and other groups and churches. Admittance is free, but registration is required. Visit www.PAFamily.org or call (717) 798-1694 for questions.

Women's Retreat-Holy Spirit

The Women's Ministry Network is sponsoring its 3rd Annual Retreat, Saturday, September 17, 8:30 am-3:00 pm at Holy Spirit Church, Palmyra. Featuring Sarah Christmyer, national speaker, author, and faculty member at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. Sarah's presentation will focus on women of the Old and New Testaments and a lectio divina prayer workshop. Participation fee of \$25 includes lunch. Registration form is available on Holy Spirit's website and in their narthex. For more information, visit https://holyspiritpalmyra.com/wmn/.

PA March for Life-Save the Date!

Join us in voicing your support for life as we march around the Pennsylvania Capitol in Harrisburg on Monday, September 19.

Learn more at PaMarchForLife.org

Morning Star 5K Run & Walk for Life

Morning Star's Shooting Star 5K and Walk for Life is on Saturday, September 17 at Harrisburg's City Island. Form a team to walk or run and help support the no-cost servies Morning Star provides to our community. To register go to www.SupportMorningStar.com



Love INC of Greater Hershey mobilizes local churches to transform lives and communities in the name of Christ. Together with church and community partners, Love INC helps lift up individuals and families in need. They will host a 16th Anniversary Celebration on October 13. There are Sponsorship Opportunities available and desired auction items. Please contact Anna Schatz at (717) 835-0101 or Love In the Name of Christ ASchatz@LoveINCGreaterHershey.org for more information on how you can help.

THANK YOU-MISSION APPEAL

In the precious name of Jesus and Mother Mary, I would like to thank dear Father Sceski, Father Weaver and the dear faithful of the parish for your generous support to my mission back in India.

I really enjoyed my stay in Hershey! Your kind support will really be a good help for the different needs of our mission, like education of children from child labor, forced labor, and bonded labor. Little girls will be taken to school and not to work. Training of seminarians for priesthood, providing safe drinking water and sanitation, for the project of protection of women and children, empowerment of widows, health and hygiene programs, income generation programs for poor women and helpless widows, and housing programs for the shelterless in our mission diocese. May I promise our prayers for you all and may God bless you all. Thank you so much.

The Parish Office will be closed in observance of Labor Day on Monday, September 5 and will reopen on Tuesday, September 6.



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