

# 3RD SUNDAY of Easter

## ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

APRIL 23, 2023

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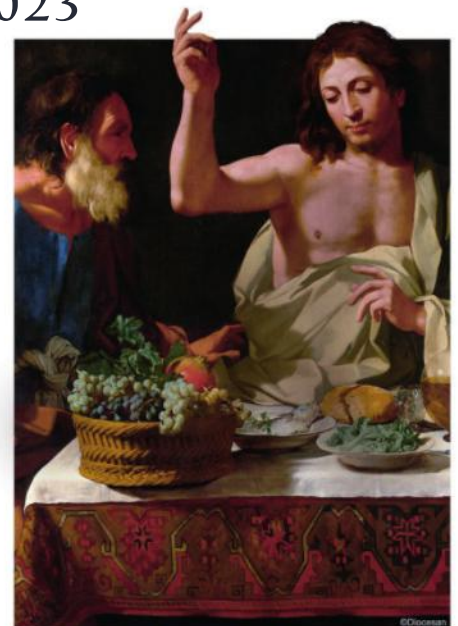
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### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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.



THE LORD HAS TRULY  
BEEN RAISED LUKE 24:34

## 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

# FROM THE PASTOR



## PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of our parish, in your prayers: **Maggie Wetherhold, George Euker, Steven Wright, Elizabeth Sauthoff, Sarah Stromberg, Kathleen Weiss, Bob DeAngelis, Andy DeBroeck, Gloria J. Venezia, Magda Trabuco, Pat Cusack, Christine Brunn, Maggie & Dave Dull, Diane Holubek, Christopher Jordan, Fred Bender, Barbara Kayser and Mary Beth Sheehan.**

*Call the parish office to add a name to the prayer list.  
Reminder: Names will remain on the list for six weeks.*

### Did you know?

- To find out what is happening in the parish each day, for the week, or for the whole month, just go to our parish website, [stjoanhershey.org](http://stjoanhershey.org), click on EVENT CALENDAR and you will be taken to our monthly calendar. The current date is highlighted in yellow. Click any date to find out what, when and where the events of the parish are happening that day!
- A reminder that the 9 AM weekday Mass and 9:30 AM Sunday Mass are always livestreamed. You can catch it live or it is recorded as well.
- For those who wish to follow the Mass, with its order and responses, did you know that in the red WORSHIP Hymnal there is a section that is delineated by a rusty red page marker that helps you follow the Mass more closely? This section gives the sung responses, but you can use them even when the responses are said rather than sung!
- Someone asked about the readings at Mass. At the top of each Order of Worship (you can get those at the doors of the church), you will see the letter “W” (that stands for the Worship Hymnal) and next to that is a number where you can find the readings at the back of the book.
- Finally, take a bulletin home by all means, and bookmark our parish website as well. There is so much information contained within!

*Father Al*

Lord, you will show us  
**THE PATH OF LIFE**

Psalm 16:11

## ALTAR FLOWERS

### *Main Altar Vase*

*In Loving Memory of Josephine Testa  
from Kathleen & Dick*

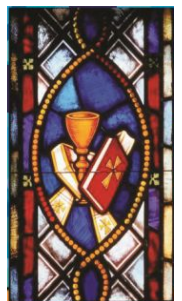
***Blessed Mother & Saint Joseph***

*In Honor of our Parents  
from Milton & Edna Brice*



### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

All are invited to participate in a Holy Hour for Vocations on **Sunday, April 30** immediately following the 11:30 Mass. We will join our brothers and sisters across the globe to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.



Pre-purchased tickets are available for pickup at the Parish Office during regular business hours.  
 ⇒ Monday-Friday from 8:00-4:00  
 ⇒ Closed daily from 12:00-1:00  
 ⇒ **We DO NOT have extra tickets available**

**Catholic Home  
Missions Appeal:  
April 30**





MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, APRIL 24:

MEMORIAL OF ST. FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN, PRIEST AND MARTYR

Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

6:45 AM Kristof Frauenhoffer

9:00 AM Jean Rybarczyk

TUESDAY, APRIL 25:

FEAST OF SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST

1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20

6:45 AM People in Need of Prayers

9:00 AM Deceased Members of the Markle & Buerk Families

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26:

Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

6:45 AM Sylvia Luttrell

9:00 AM Edward Vey

THURSDAY, APRIL 27:

Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

6:45 AM Joe & Pat Nestico

9:00 AM Kathy Saurman

FRIDAY, APRIL 28:

MEMORIAL OF ST. PETER CHANEL, PRIEST AND MARTYR & ST LOUIS MARY DE MONTFORT, PRIEST

Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

6:45 AM Jill Demmel

9:00 AM In Loving Memory of Harold & for the Special Intentions of Julie Fogarty and Sons

SATURDAY, APRIL 29:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

9:00 AM Robert Nedherbon

5:00 PM Ronald Duquette

SUNDAY, APRIL 30:

4th Sunday of Easter

God has made Jesus both Lord and Messiah. Through his wounds we have been healed and returned to our shepherd. Let us listen to his voice and follow him.

Acts 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:30 AM Deceased Members of the Vargo Family

11:30 AM Jane Birli

5:00 PM Doug Gray

YOUTH NEWS

Life Teen: Leading Teens Closer to Christ

This Week: Life Teen Service Project-Annual Spring cleaning around the Church including the catacombs. Dress in yard work apparel. We will get dirty!

Next Week: "Senior Banquet"-We celebrate The Class of 2023 with a banquet in their honor in the youth room from 6:15-7:30. All high school students are invited as we pray for them and wish them well on their future endeavors.

Please RSVP with John via text or email at jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org

2023 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

- April 30 Life Teen Senior Banquet-"Gulp" It's that time of the year again.
May 7 Life Teen- "Mother Mary"
May 14 No Life Teen-Happy Mother's Day
May 21 Life Teen-End of school celebration!

EDGE (Middle School): EDGE meets next on May 3 as we close out the school year with a party and celebration. Thank you for another great year! All 6-8th graders are welcome. We meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month.

Donations Always Appreciated: 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!

John Triscik: jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org (717) 533-7168 Ext.128

YOUNG ADULT FAITH

Calling 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 next on April 26 as we continue our study on the Acts of the Apostles, chapters 3-4.

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VOCATIONS CORNER



Do you recognize Jesus in your midst? Is your heart burning within you? Think about the possibility of walking the path with

Jesus as a brother, sister, or priest.

If God may be calling you to be a priest, deacon or consecrated religious, visit our website at www.hbgdiocese.org, or

Contact Fr. Jonathan Sawicki, Vocation Director: frjsawicki@hbgdiocese.org or (717) 657-4804 Ext. 282

The Vocation Cross will be in the home of: The Matas Family: May 1-7 Jeanne McLamb: May 7-14 Consider being a part of the Vocation Cross Rotation, call the Parish office for details.

## MINISTRY NEWS

### Building a Culture of Life

“Some people argue that changing laws will not Eliminate abortions. It is certainly true that a change of heart is more important than a change of law. What is forgotten, however, is that the law is the great teacher. Children grow up believing that if a practice is legal, it must be moral.”

-John Cardinal O'Connor

### Grief Companion Support Group

Have you recently lost a loved one? Please know you are not alone. Counter isolation and meet others. Find continued meaning in life and living and provide hope for healing. **For more information, call or text Christine Stickler at (717) 514-2560.**

### St. Michael's Guard

Diocese-wide brotherhood of men serving at the altar of the Lord during mass and other liturgies. We have a local contingent of St. Michael's Guard at St. Joan of Arc, assisting with events like Sunday masses, Confirmation, 40 hours, Christmas, and Easter. Guardsmen can also serve for the bishop at larger diocesan events, such as solemn vespers and the Unite Pennsylvania mass and eucharistic procession last year at the cathedral. St. Michael's Guard is seeking courageous adult men to join us and stand guard at the Holy Altar of the Lord. No prior altar serving experience is necessary.



**For more information, please contact John Shiffler (717-395-8004, john@stmichaelsguard.com)**

### Road to Kindness

Life goes by so quickly that we often can only think about what is next... where will we go for vacation, what game should we see over the summer, etc. Today, we want to share excerpts from the Daily Motivator, by Ralph Marston on “Live Life Now!”



“If you cannot enjoy and appreciate now you cannot enjoy ever!  
If you are not grateful for what you have, you make it impossible to have whatever you desire!

This is life NOW!

Give your Love, Attention, Focus & Effort to it, NOW!

Look forward to the potential rewards that the future will bring.  
But...Live Life NOW, with all its memories, all its possibilities,  
all its challenges, all its opportunities!

Do something Great & Meaningful with the immense potential  
that NOW surrounds you!”

Do something Great & Meaningful... & KIND! This verse hits home for us that we will live in the NOW, we can share our love, our care, and our Kindness with those that need it most. Thank you for following God's Way – The Road to Kindness!

### Hershey Food Bank & Monetary Collection

Thank you for your support. The next collection will take place the weekend of **May 6 & 7.**



### “A Knight at the Movies”

The Knights of Columbus will host a Movie Night on Tuesday, **April 25** at 7:00 pm in the Parish Social Hall. Admission is free to the film, *Mother Theresa: No Greater Love*. Light refreshments will be served. Free will offering accepted to benefit the Missionaries of Charity.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Hanging Basket Flower Sale

- Order until April 30
- Pickup May 13 & 14
- \$17 Flower Basket
- \$19 Boston Fern

**To place an order, contact a Knight or call (717) 220-3550**

- Begonia (tuberous)
- Geranium
- Boston Fern
- Calibrachoa
- Fuschia
- Ivy Geranium
- New Guinea Inpatients
- Petunia



### Arimathea Ministry

The Gospel tells us that it was Joseph of Arimathea who asked Pilate for the body of Jesus after the crucifixion. The Arimatheans of Saint Joan of Arc are a dedicated group of parishioners who attend Funeral Masses and pray for those who have died. The presence of the Arimatheans help to spiritually support the family of the deceased. The Arimatheans are notified of funeral arrangements and if able, attend the Funeral Mass. **If you would like to learn more about the Arimatheans, please contact Frances at frsono@gmail.com or (717) 635-5948.**

### Pray & Play Group/Meal Train

Interested in getting together with other Catholic moms to pray, chat, and share snacks while the kids play? Want to support young parents of the parish welcoming a new baby by donating a meal? **For location of group meetings and/or information to sign up for a meal train, email [sjahersheyplayandpraygroup@gmail.com](mailto:sjahersheyplayandpraygroup@gmail.com).**



### Respect Life

Many thanks to all who donated to the Lourdeshouse collection. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to give \$1776.50 to Lourdeshouse, along with a large basket of baby items and an array of hand-knitted baby blankets. Lourdeshouse is profoundly grateful for our help. On behalf of the moms and the babies – **THANK YOU!**

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

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## EVENTS &amp; HAPPENINGS

**Charismatic Healing Mass-St. Theresa's**

The next Charismatic Mass with prayers for healing will be held on Tuesday, **May 2** at 7:00 pm at St. Theresa in New Cumberland. Very Reverend Paul C. Clark, Judicial Vicar and Pastor at St. Matthew the Apostle Church will be the Celebrant.

For more information, call Mary Ann at (717) 512-3628 or Vicki at (717) 364-6260.

Upcoming Event at St. Ann Byzantine Catholic Church  
5408 Locust Lane, Harrisburg, PA 17109

St Ann Eastern Christian Formation (ECF) presents a

## Slavic Soul Food Dinner



Kielbasa with Sauerkraut on a Roll, with Sides of Halushki (Cabbage & Noodles) & 3 Perohi

**\$12.00** All proceeds to benefit St. Ann ECF Youth Programs

**Saturday, May 13, 2023**

**11 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

**EAT IN OR TAKE OUT**

**Sensory Friendly Mass**

A mass for persons with sensory sensitivity or other disabilities will be held on **May 14** at 2:00 pm. Dimmer lighting, no music, and a shorter homily, among other adaptations, are included in this Mass to promote a fully inclusive environment. Every effort will be made to accommodate all in attendance, and all behaviors are welcome. Families are encouraged to bring materials that can assist with comfort during the liturgy (i.e. noise-canceling headphones, wiggle seats, weighted blankets, fidgets, etc.) For more information, contact the Parish Office at (717) 533-7168.

**Sacred Heart Revival**

Do you want more peace in your family, blessings on your undertakings, and a more perfect faith life? Jesus is standing at the door and knocking. Open the door for Him! Join our nationwide campaign to invite the Sacred Heart of Jesus into your home, classroom, or business.

Visit [www.SacredHeartRevival.com](http://www.SacredHeartRevival.com) for more information on the graces of the Sacred Heart and sign up today.

**STEWARDSHIP**

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

**Weekly Tithing: \$23,253**  
**Weekly Budget: \$28,269**  
**Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$1,563**

**Easter: \$36,965**  
**Holy Land: \$3,705**  
**Holy Thursday: \$863**



*Week of April 9, 2023*

## SAINT JOAN OF ARC 49th Annual Festival

JUNE - 8 - 9 - 10

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 5-9:30 pm

The 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, **May 10** at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center-Sister Rossello Room to finalize plans for the festival. We hope to see you there! Any questions, contact Karen at [karencwilley@gmail.com](mailto:karencwilley@gmail.com).

**Festival Jewelry Committee**

We are currently accepting jewelry donations. Please bring your "treasures" to the parish office. Any questions or desire to work with the committee, contact Aura at (717) 503-1889.

**Fun Festival Fact**

*Did you know we had over 170 Silent Auction items and 47 Baskets to bid and take chances on! Together, they brought in over \$11,000. We are looking for gift cards to restaurants, sporting events, concerts, the theatre, and any other form of entertainment. We're also looking for food baskets, beverage baskets, merchandise, collectables. A vacation home for a weekend would be an ideal item for our silent Auction! Anything that you think you'd be interested in purchasing can be donated! For more information:*

**Visit [www.SJA Festival.com](http://www.SJA Festival.com)**

You will find a form in the back of the church that will have questions regarding all the fun facts that are published. **How to win a prize:** Drop off your completed form at the festival. You must fill out the form in its entirety and be correct in your answers to win. Several winners will be chosen each night.

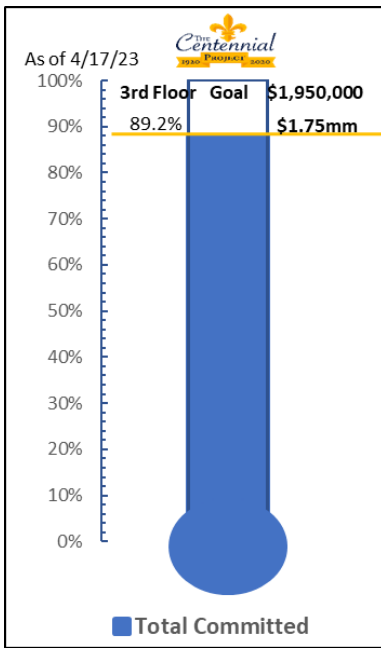
Should you have any questions, contact Katie & Stephen Katsch at [kkatsch1019@gmail.com](mailto:kkatsch1019@gmail.com)

**Sign up to volunteer ~**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0a45aeaa2ba6fb6-stjoan>

Or use your phone to scan the QR code. All are welcome and no experience is necessary!





## CENTENNIAL PROJECT

After careful consideration, the General Contractor selected for the upcoming renovation project will once again be Horst Construction of Lancaster. Their experience provides important continuity as we complete the third-floor classrooms. The scope of this phase of the project is nearly a carbon copy of the work completed last summer. Barring any major “supply chain issues,” we should be in good shape to begin school on September 5, 2023, the day after Labor Day. Keep the project in your prayers!

We still need \$200,000 in new gifts and pledges by the end of May to reach our 3<sup>rd</sup> floor goal. Additionally, we have a pledge balance of \$330,000 dating back to our Campaign Kickoff Event in April of 2019. Unfortunately, the Covid-19 pandemic of 2020 and 2021 put a damper on many families’ ability to contribute to the campaign that continues to resonate today. Our outstanding balance remains a significant component of our overall financing plan. In the next few weeks, we will be circulating statements to update and reconcile pledges. Please prayerfully consider restarting installments if for any reason you have stopped. Completion of the final phase of the Centennial Project Renovation is very dependent on your commitments.

For those whose economic situation prevents their ability to participate, please offer your prayers for the success of the educational and spiritual mission of the school. Our society desperately needs it. For those individuals who understand and appreciate the mission but are still on the fence, remember that the goal is a shared sacrifice, so please give what you can. For those whom we have not yet reached, please share our success story in your professional and social circles. It has been our experience that benefactors with knowledge of, or even tangential affiliation with St. Joan of Arc, such as community members, parishioners, school families, and even visitors, are extremely generous and need only be asked. Thank you in advance for your advocacy!

Lastly, thank you to all who have supported the campaign with gifts, fulfilled pledges, extra gifts, major donors, and the gift of your time and encouragement. Your generosity is a blessing that allows St. Joan of Arc to be a beacon in the community.

You are invited to watch a three and a half-minute video that captures the vibrancy of the new school:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Sm0ELXDZhk>

You can also enjoy a virtual tour of the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor expansion at: <https://youtu.be/S0zANsm3Xvo>



### PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

You are invited to join Father Josh Weaver on a **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** from **January 2-12, 2024**. The pilgrimage includes: Daily Mass at holy sites; licensed Catholic guide; hotel accommodations for five nights in Jerusalem, three nights in Tiberias on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, one night in Netanya; breakfast and dinner daily; land transportation by deluxe motorcoach; roundtrip motorcoach from Harrisburg to Washington Dulles Airport; roundtrip economy airfare from Washington Dulles with Lufthansa; and more.

**For complete details: contact Karen Hurley at [k.m.hurley1@gmail.com](mailto:k.m.hurley1@gmail.com) or George’s I International Tours at (800)-566-7499, [sales@georgesintl.com](mailto:sales@georgesintl.com) or visit [www.georgesintl.com](http://www.georgesintl.com).**

### “NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS”

**St. Joan of Arc School Enrollment is NOW OPEN!**

Visit: <http://school.stjoanhershev.org>  
or call the school at (717) 533-2854, ask for the Office of Development, Mrs. Deb Rizzotto.

**St. Joan of Arc School STEM summer camp registration is NOW OPEN!**

Please visit the school website or scan the QR code to register.



*SJA Alumni* are invited:  
**Mass and Mingling; an Alumni Event**  
on Saturday, **May 13** 5:00 pm Mass at the School on Sand Hill followed by a Beef and Beer Reception. **RSVP:**  
<https://www.greenvelope.com/event/2023-SJA-Alumni-event>




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