

“This is my beloved
Son, with him I
am well pleased;
listen to him.”

Matthew 17:5

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

MARCH 12, 2017

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM *Closed 12:00-1:00 PM
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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.

Second Sunday of Lent



**MASS SCHEDULE,
READINGS & INTENTIONS**

Monday, March 13th

Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38

6:45 AM Fred & Irene Czarny

9:00 AM Mark Damiani

Tuesday, March 14th

Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12

6:45 AM Tony Pala

9:00 AM James Rafferty

Wednesday, March 15th

Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28

6:45 AM Joseph Blackall

9:00 AM Joseph, Margaret and Martin Stahl

Thursday, March 16th

Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31

6:45 AM Josephine Testa and Deceased Mingione Family

9:00 AM Laurence H. Demers, Jr.

Friday, March 17th: Saint Patrick

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

6:45 AM Rev. Louis Ogden and Josephine Ogden

9:00 AM Judy Clement

Saturday, March 18th: Saint Cyril of Jerusalem

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

9:00 AM Mary M. Walsh

Vigil, March 18th

5:15 PM Donat Brosseau

Third Sunday of Lent, March 19th

Readings: Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

Jesus satisfies our thirsts for eternal life. Through his Spirit his grace has been poured into our hearts. God satisfies the thirst of the Israelites whose hearts had become hardened and rebellious.

Mass Intentions:

7:30 AM People of the Parish

9:00 AM Edward Wuchterl

10:30 AM Michael O'Neill

12:00 PM Donna Daley

5:30 PM Lydia Ocamb, Joan Bennett, and Gemma Macchioni



VOCATIONS: "God has called us with a holy calling... according to His own purpose and grace." If you think God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, Call Father Brian Wayne at (717) 657-4804 or email: frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org.



Just a few thanks this week:

Thanks to all who contributed to our first-annual Haiti Collection on Ash Wednesday. The response was fantastic! We collected more than \$8,000 and all the money hasn't been counted yet. This will go so far in helping our sister-parish of Our Lady of Lourdes in Tarasse. The first thing we are doing is buying and installing a generator to provide much needed SAFE electricity to the parish and school. God bless you all for your generosity. And thanks to the Haiti Committee for all you have done already!

Thank you for all the kind notes and emails from many of you after I wrote about some anonymous correspondence I received. I really wasn't try to say "poor me" but simply explaining that it is impossible to respond to anonymous letters but I am really appreciative of all your kind words and support!

Father Al



DISPENSATION FOR THE FEAST OF SAINT PATRICK

This year the Feast of Saint Patrick falls on a Lenten Friday. Since Saint Patrick is the principal patron of our diocese, I hereby grant a dispensation from Friday abstinence to all Catholics **who reside in the diocese and all who are present within the Diocese** on March 17th. Those who take advantage of this dispensation are urged to substitute another suitable form of personal penance, possibly choosing another day within the Second Week of Lent as a Day of Lenten abstinence.

~ Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer, Bishop of Harrisburg

With Much Gratitude...

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

W. PAUL EICHMAN, D.M.D.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule for March 18 & 19, 2017

	5:15 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 Noon	5:30 PM
Lector	P. Graybash	J. Goodpaster	B. Hasson	G. Duval	D. Hennigan	J. McGregor
EMHC	J. Nolan	J. Pantalone	D. Morgan	D. Sheehan	M. Rothermel	V. Ruiz-Velasco
	J. Phillippy	M. Spaeder	L. Rogers	S. Cordaro	G. Bixler	J. Larkin
	A. Reeves	C. Eimer	M. Rogers	L. Demers	K. Burkhart	J. Larkin
	K. Robinson		R. Barry	M. Duval		V. Felice
Servers	G. Gurney	M. O'Hara	J. McInerney	D. Bagatta	D. Kreiss	J. Larkin
	M. Gurney	M. O'Hara	T. McInerney	M. Bagatta	J. Pegher	M. Yee
	C. Chardo	S. O'Hara	B. Seesholtz	M. Tice	T. Brown	V. Yee
MC	M. Keeler	D. O'Hara	N. Martin	F. Sallusti	C. Vargo	C. Larkin

Money Counters: C. Eimer, D. Willey, H. Susi, P. Bowman, R. Hoffman



Stations: Liturgical Schedule

March 17th at 7:00 PM: [Lector] M. Gette
[Servers] L. Ruiz-Velasco, D. Kreiss [MC] N. Silvis



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES:

Please pray for the souls of **Mary Horetsky & Amy Niccolini** who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc Church extends our deepest sympathy to their families and friends on their loss.

THE PILGRIM CROSS:

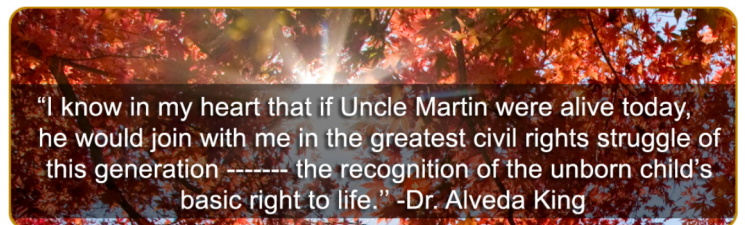
If you would like to take the Pilgrim Cross into your home for one week per year and pray for vocations, please call the parish office. The Pilgrim Cross will be in the home of:

Week of 3/6 - 3/13: Mr. & Mrs. Eric Salley

Week of 3/13 - 3/20: Mr. & Mrs. Joe Yaklowich

MASS ATTENDANCE: March 4th & 5th Total: 2043

5:15pm	7:30am	9:00am	10:30am	Noon	5:15pm
338	192	376	465	235	437



The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of the parish, in your prayers: Vincent Savini, David Liddy, Kaitlin Buser, Lily Carney, Ashley Tatangelo, Shirley Shiffler, Natalie Shovlin, Mary Smith, Nancy Stewart, Steve McCracken, Kelly Velesaris, Barry Boyer, Benjamin Yohn, Sr. Mary Magdalene (SIJ)

BULLETIN REMINDER: Bulletin requests are due **Mondays by 9:00 am.** All requests must include the date(s) of the bulletin(s) you would like your information included and be submitted exactly as you would like the information to appear. Forms are available on our parish website.



STEWARDSHIP
Managing God's Gifts

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

Weekly Tithing: \$36,249

Weekly Budget: \$28,462

Year to Date Budget Variance: \$20,017

Weekly Heart Of The Parish: \$2,765

TODAY'S SPECIAL COLLECTION:

Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal

Today is Commitment Weekend for the Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal. Hopefully everyone has taken time to reflect upon all the information that has been shared. All parishioners are asked to prayerfully consider the opportunity today to offer a gift to the Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal. We would like everyone to participate and help our parish reach its financial goal of \$246,800. Those who have given before know we are grateful. We need your help again this year. Those who have not given before, please make this year your first gift to the Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal. Everyone's help is needed. Please also remember that any amount raised above our goal stays in this parish. Thank you for being a part of the Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal.



SUNDAY, MARCH 12th

**Second Sunday Social*

- 9:00 AM REP K-Gr 6
- 6:30 PM Life Teen [Y]
- 7:00 PM Confirmation Prep
- 7:05 PM 2nd Grade Parent Meeting [C]

MONDAY, MARCH 13th

- 9:45 AM Legion of Mary [LH]
- 1:00 PM Pivotal Players Series [LH]
- 3:00 PM Daisy & Brownie Scouts [L]
- 7:00 PM EDGE [Y]
- 7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul [MA]
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts [C]
- 7:00 PM Bible Study [LH]
- 7:00 PM Welcome Ministry [MA]

TUESDAY, MARCH 14th

- 9:30 AM Little Rock Scripture Study [LH]
- 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry [LH]
- 7:00 PM Pivotal Players Series [C]

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15th

- 7:15 AM Wednesday Morning Coffee [LH]
- 7:45 AM Gospel Reflection Group [LH]
- 1:00 PM Pivotal Players Series [LH]
- 4:15 PM REP K - Gr 6
- 4:15 PM 2nd Grade Parent Meeting [C]
- 5:00 PM Confessions
- 6:30 PM R.C.I.A. [LH]
- 6:45 PM Community Life Commission [L]
- 7:00 PM Young Adults Group [Y]
- 7:00 PM I Thirst Prayer Group [C]

THURSDAY, MARCH 16th

- 6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 12171 [LH]
- 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM Parish Festival Meeting [C]
- 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus [Y]

FRIDAY, MARCH 17th

- 3:00 PM Junior Legion of Mary [LH]
- 6:00 PM Soup & Stations [C]
- 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 18th

- 6:30 AM TMIY: That Man Is You [C]
- 9:30 AM St. Michael's Guard [Y]
- 4:00 PM Confessions
- 6:30 PM St. Patrick's Day Celebration [C]

SUNDAY, MARCH 19th

- 9:00 AM REP K-Gr 6
- 1:00 PM Baptisms
- 6:30 PM Life Teen [Y]
- 7:00 PM Confirmation Prep

[C] Cafeteria [L] Library [G] Gymnasium [R] Rectory
 [LH] St. Lucy House [Y]: Youth Room (Meeting Room C)
 [MA] Meeting Room A [MB] Meeting Room B

YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN & EDGE...

LIFE TEEN *This Week: "The Void"* Time often flies by as we await for something special. The longing for the Messiah helped fill the void until Jesus arrived. What helps us fill the void as we patiently wait for his return?

Next Week: "The Cross" Jesus was not what the people of the time expected of a savior. They struggled to understand Who He was and what He came to do. 2000 years later we often have the same struggles. Next week we look at the paradox of Jesus' death on the cross.

EDGE: All 6th - 8th graders are invited to EDGE on Monday nights from 7 - 8:15 in the Youth Room (Meeting Room C). Our next EDGE nights will be: **March 13th & 20th.**

Youth Coordinator: John Triscik [Phone] 533-7168
 Ext: 128 [Email] stjoanofarclifeteen@gmail.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM NEWS...

REP 2017-18 REGISTRATION: A mailing was sent to all current REP families regarding registration for the 2017-18 school year. If you have school-aged children (upcoming K-8th graders) in need of Religious Education, OR if you did not receive this letter, please contact the REP office.

**Reminder: The Diocese requires two years of religious education in preparation for reception of the sacraments.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE
 [Phone] 533-7168 Ext. 306 [Email] rep@stjoanhershey.org
Directors of REP: Earl Tropp & Marcie Warner

SCHOOL & P.T.O. NEWS...

7th Annual Night of Knights Gala! Please join us for the 7th Annual St. Joan of Arc School Night of Knights Gala. Saturday April 1, 2017 beginning at 6 pm in the Keystone Ballroom at the Hershey Country Club. Tickets are \$75. The evening will involve dinner, dancing and silent auction. All of the proceeds from this event help us continue our mission of providing children with an affordable, quality education in keeping with our Catholic traditions and values.

Dinner for Dollars: Tanger Outlets Subway!
 It's a Dinner for Dollars weekend! **The Tanger Outlets Subway** is generously offered to host another Dinner for Dollars event on Monday, **March 13th, 4pm to 8pm.** 40% of the cost of your meal will benefit our kids through the **St. Joan of Arc School PTO.** Vouchers can be found in the back of the church.

LENT & EASTER

Soup & Stations LENTEN SERIES



March 17th, 31st & April 7th

A meal of hot soup will be served beginning at 6pm in the cafeteria.

Father Al will be presenting "When I was hungry you gave me to eat!"

Stations of the Cross will follow in the Church at 7pm.

LENTEN



MARCH 24th, 5PM to 8PM



KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS



If you would like to memorialize flowers for a loved one at Easter, please complete a request form and return it to the parish office no later than Monday, March 27th by 3:00 PM. Forms can be found in the parish office or on the parish website.

SAVE THE DATES!!

ST. JOAN OF ARC CHURCH PRESENTS



JUNE 26 - 30, 2017; 6:00 - 8:30pm

4-10 years old; \$15 per child

REGISTRATION BEGINS IN APRIL

WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

TEEN & ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Visit the VBS page on the parish website for more information.

PARISH MINISTRY
NEWS & MEETINGSSt. Patrick's Day
CELEBRATION

Hosted by: St. Joan of Arc Knights of Columbus
March 18th, 2017 starting at 6:30 pm

In the Cafeteria

Join our Parish Priests and Sisters and celebrate St. Patrick's Day with food, fun and entertainment. Featuring a performance by Rebel Heart Irish Dancers

For more information, visit the parish website or contact: Dan Wagler (717) 525-5976

NEW MOM'S GROUP!!!

Calling all moms of babies and toddlers: Interested in getting together with other Catholic moms to chat and share some snacks while the kids play? Please join us for our first play date at the St Lucy House on Friday, **March 31** from 9:30-11:30am. Stop by whenever works for you! Questions, please email: Sarah.Bonavia@gmail.com

AREBA CLUB

The next AREBA Club meeting will held on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 in the school cafeteria. Doors will be open at 3:30pm and the meeting will begin at 4:00pm. This month we will hold our annual "Sub Luncheon" after a short meeting. The cost of this luncheon is \$7.00 per person. If you have not made your reservation, you can still do this by calling Janet (533-3368). You can pay at the meeting. This is always a FUN time and we hope you will join us.

PARISH FESTIVAL MEETING

We need your hands and hearts! Our next Festival Planning Meeting will be held on Thursday, **March 16** from 7-9 pm in the Cafeteria. We're making great progress, but still need more hands and hearts to work on our wonderful parish and community event.

YOUNG ADULTS

Calling all Young Adults of St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church between the ages of 21-35, married or single!!! Young Adults will gather on **March 15, 22, 29,** and **April 12** as we go through a **Lenten Journey through the Gospel of St. John.** We will meet from 7 - 8:30 pm in Meeting Rm C. If you are interested or have any questions, contact John in the Youth Office at 533-7168 Ext. 128.

**PARISH MINISTRY
NEWS & MEETINGS**

YOUTH CHOIR

The St. Joan of Arc Youth Choir will rehearse on Saturdays, March 25, April 1, and April 8 at 10 AM in the choir loft in preparation for the 10:30 AM Mass on Easter Sunday, April 16. All young people are invited to sing with this ensemble. There are no auditions nor age limitations. All youth are welcome! Questions: contact Beth Palmer, Director of Music, in the parish office.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

How would you like to create a beautiful prayer shawl or lap robe? Come enjoy the fellowship of our Prayer Shawl Ministry. These very special handmade items are distributed to those who need prayers and comfort.

Where: St. Lucy's Hall
When: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays from 1-3 pm
Contact: Kathy Palmer 566-1481 or Norberta (Bert) Curran (302) 228-9735

"I THIRST" PRAYER GROUP



Please join us to deepen your faith and relationship with Jesus through prayer, song, worship and praise on Wednesday, **March 15th at 7p.m.** in the cafeteria. We will continue with the "Wild Goose" series. Come quench your thirst for God!

*Follow us on Facebook at: **ITHIRSTSJA***

MISC. NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

Diocesan Men's Conference: April 1, 2017 at Bishop McDevitt High School, Harrisburg. The Theme is: **"Fools for Christ: Men Called to Glorify God through His Catholic Church."** Keynote Speaker is world renowned Catholic author and speaker, Dr. Peter Kreeft from Boston. Bishop Ronald Gainer will be the principal celebrant and homilist for Mass. More information contact Jim Gontis jgontis@hbgdiocese.org

ANNUAL DIOCESAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

HDCCW Women's Retreat: The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women cordially invites all women of the Diocese to join us for our 7th Annual Weekend Retreat being held on the beautiful campus of Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, MD. Our retreat master this year is our own Father Al Sceski who will present the topic, "Four Women Doctors of the Church". Registration forms with housing details are available in the parish office or by contacting Barbara McCarthy at 534-1858 or e-mail FranBarbMc@aol.com. Registration deadline is May 22.

MISC. NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CYO/SJA TRACK & FIELD

Do you like to run, jump, and throw? Then join us for CYO/St. Joan of Arc Track and Field! There is a parent meeting and practice in the gym on March 14 at 5:30 pm. Grades 3-8 are welcome! Practices will be Tuesdays and Thursdays and meets are on Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

GIRL SCOUT COOKIES FOR HAITI

St. Joan of Arc Cadette Girl Scout Troop 11026 will be selling Girl Scout cookies after the morning masses on March 12th. Cookies are \$4 a box for most cookies and \$5 a box for the new S'mores and Toffee-Tastic flavors. The troop voted to donate 25% of their profits to our sister school in Haiti. Proceeds will also be used for our next camping trip. Please support our troop.

GUILD OF THE CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

The Harrisburg Diocesan Guild of the Catholic Medical Association and The St. Thomas More Society of Central Pennsylvania invite all Catholic physicians, lawyers, judges, healthcare workers, legal professionals, medical students and law students to a **Lenten Day of Reflection** on Saturday, March 25, 2017, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

"To be Zealous for the Lord" Speaker and Celebrant: Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer, D.D., J.C.L. Eleventh Bishop of Harrisburg. The morning includes Mass, confessions, Adoration and light refreshments. RSVP by March 17th. Information: www.cathmedharrisburg.org

PRESENTATION: THE SHROUD OF TURIN

The Knights of Malta, Lancaster Region will present: **"The Shroud of Turin a Study of the Crucifixion and the Resurrection."** The presenter will be Dr. John Jackson who personally led the first major scientific examination of the burial shroud of Christ. No one since that time has secured such full scientific research access to the cloth. Dr. Jackson is the primary custodian of this data and, along with his scientific colleagues in Colorado, has continued the thrust of Shroud research.

He will present March 25, 2017 from 9:00am -12:00pm at the Emerald Foundation Community Campus, 2120 Oregon Pike, Lancaster. The event, parking and refreshments are FREE! There will be an actual size reproduction of the Shroud for viewing! Get the science and history behind death, burial and resurrection of the Jesus Christ. What a wonderful way to prepare for Holy Week!

