



Palm Sunday

of the

Lord's Passion

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

APRIL 9, 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.



**MASS SCHEDULE,
READINGS & INTENTIONS**

Monday, April 10th

Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11

6:45 AM Nace & Phillips Families

9:00 AM Lyn and Cassie Devine

Tuesday, April 11th

Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

6:45 AM Marge Panco

9:00 AM Gregory Sherbine

Wednesday, April 12th

Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25

6:45 AM Lucy & Nicholas Bellezza

9:00 AM Deceased Members of the Hans Gangl Family

Thursday, April 13th: Holy Thursday

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

7:00 PM People Of The Parish

Friday, April 14th: Good Friday

Is 52:13-53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42

2:00 PM *Liturgy of the Lord's Passion*

Saturday, April 15th: Holy Saturday Vigil Mass

Gn 1:1-2:2; Gn 22:1-18; Ex 14:15-15:1; Is 54:5-14;

Is 55:1-11; Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28;

Rom 6:3-11; Mt 28:1-10

8:00 PM Celebrant's Intention

**Easter Sunday of the Passion of the
Resurrection Of The Lord, April 16, 2017**

**Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8;
Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35**

On this day of days we offer a joyful sacrifice of praise to the Father who raised his Son from the dead. Let us be intent upon the life Christ offers us, Christ our Passover who has been sacrificed.

Mass Intentions:

7:30 AM Celebrant's Intention

9:00 AM Celebrant's Intention

9:15 AM Celebrant's Intention

10:30 AM Celebrant's Intention

10:45 AM Celebrant's Intention

12:00 PM Celebrant's Intention



VOCATIONS: "Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord!" Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If you think this may be so, please Call Father Brian Wayne at 657-4804 or email: frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org.



Today we celebrate the Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord, the beginning of Holy Week. Through our participation in the liturgical celebrations of this week, we enter more deeply into the life-saving death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The paschal mystery into which we were baptized and in which we are called to live out each day of our lives, is intensified during this Holy Week as we walk with Jesus from his triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday to the events of Holy Thursday and Good Friday to the Resurrection of the Lord on Easter Sunday. Of course, the reality of what God did for us in Jesus Christ becomes more meaningful to us if we actually celebrate it liturgically throughout Holy Week. I encourage you to make a sacrifice of your time this week and come to as many of the liturgies as possible - especially the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, Good Friday of the Lord's Passion, and Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday. It is a sacrifice but one that is most definitely worth making!

Father Al



Easter Office Hours



Our Parish Office will close at Noon on Thursday, April 13th and remain closed through Monday, April 17th. We will reopen on Tuesday, April 18th.

With Much Gratitude...

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

TREFZ & BOWSER FUNERAL HOME



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES:

Please pray for the souls of: **Ron Miely** (Brother of Judy Rothermel) & **Margaret Panco & Jeanne Nowicki** (Mother of Pam Austin) who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc 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 4/10 - 4/17:** Mr. & Mrs. Edward Meyers
- Week of 4/17 - 4/24:** Sandy Bianchini



STEWARDSHIP
Managing God's Gifts To Us

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

- Weekly Tithing: \$34,888
- Weekly Budget: \$28,462
- Year to Date Budget Variance: \$24,992
- Weekly Heart Of The Parish: \$2,934

BISHOP'S ANNUAL LENTEN APPEAL UPDATE



- Parish Goal:** \$246,800
- Total Pledges:** \$202,099
- Pledges Needed:** \$44,701
- Participation Rate:** 24.6%

**For more information or to make a pledge online, please visit our parish website.*

MASS ATTENDANCE: April 1 & 2					Total: 1909
<u>5:15pm</u>	<u>7:30am</u>	<u>9:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>	<u>Noon</u>	<u>5:30pm</u>
297	174	354	425	283	376



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, Barry Boyer, Benjamin Yohn, Leo Kopec, Kevin Rakszawski, Deborah Nizinski, Donna Marino, Terence Singer, Rose Marie Smith, Frank Bolduc, Nancy Stewart
- Reminder: Names will remain on this list for six weeks.*



HOLY WEEK

APRIL 11, 2017 - TUESDAY

8:00 PM Tenebrae

APRIL 12, 2017 - WEDNESDAY

5:00 PM Confessions

APRIL 13, 2017 - HOLY THURSDAY

8:00 AM Morning Prayer
7:00 PM Mass of The Lord's Supper

*Following 7:00pm Mass Confessions will be heard in the Library and the REP Office

Adoration until night prayer at 10:45pm *Cafeteria

APRIL 14, 2017 - GOOD FRIDAY

8:00 AM Morning Prayer
The Three Hours of Suffering Prayer Service:
12:00 PM - Office Of Readings
1:00 PM - Outdoor Stations of the Cross
2:00 PM - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

APRIL 15, 2017 - HOLY SATURDAY

8:00 AM Morning Prayer
8:30 AM Confessions following Morning Prayer
10:00 AM Blessing of Easter Food
8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass

There will be no confessions at 4:00pm.

APRIL 16, 2017 - EASTER SUNDAY

✠ EASTER MASS SCHEDULE ✠

7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, Noon

*Overflow Masses will be held in the Gym at 9:15 AM & 10:45 AM.

There will be no Mass at 5:30 PM

✠ LITURGICAL MINISTER'S SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK ✠

APRIL 11, 2017 - TENEBRAE (8:00 PM)

LECTORS: B. Hopstetter, M. Spaeder, A. Gould,
J. Nantz, L. Gould, N. Silvis, B. Hasson

APRIL 13, 2017 - HOLY THURSDAY

MORNING PRAYER (8:00 AM)

LECTOR: Sr. Salvatoris

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (7:00 PM)

LECTORS: B. Meinert, K. Shovlin

EMHC'S: C. Mortel, W. Lutz, J. Nolan, Sr. Eileen

ALTAR SERVERS: A. Gusherowski, E. Gusherowski,
L. Gusherowski

MC'S: M. Abraham, D. O'Hara, F. Sallusti, C. Vargo, J.
Gusherowski

NIGHT PRAYER (10:45 PM)

LECTOR: B. Frola

APRIL 14, 2017 - GOOD FRIDAY

MORNING PRAYER (8:00 AM)

LECTOR: S. McDonough

PRAYER SERVICE (NOON)

LECTORS: D. Hennigan, N. Ott

LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION (2:00 PM)

LECTORS: B. Hasson, P. Graybash

EMHC'S: M. Spaeder, B. McCarthy, F. McCarthy

MC'S: C. Larkin, D. O'Hara, F. Sallusti, C. Vargo,
J. Gusherowski

STATIONS OF THE CROSS (7:00 PM)

LECTOR: J. Goodpaster

ALTAR SERVERS: J. Pegher, J. McGregor, M. Tice

MC'S: A. Aluquin

APRIL 15, 2017 - HOLY SATURDAY

MORNING PRAYER (8:00 AM)

LECTOR: E. Badman

EASTER VIGIL MASS (8:00 PM)

LECTORS: S. Petrina, C. Gassert, J. O'Hara, J. Nantz,
A. O'Dea, B. Hasson, B. Meinert, B. Williams

EMHC'S: Sr. Eileen, Sr. Salvatoris, C. Mortel

MC'S: C. Larkin, T. Harbaugh, C. Vargo, J. Shiffler,
J. Gusherowski

APRIL 16, 2017 - EASTER MASSES

7:30 AM MASS

LECTOR: M. Gette

EMHC'S: M. Spaeder, D. Sheehan, C. Yakstis

ALTAR SERVERS: A. Kulina, D. Kulina, A. Samson

MC: M. Keeler

9:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: D. Hennigan

EMHC'S: B. McCarthy, F. McCarthy, K. McCarthy,
R. Meinert, K. Wiley

ALTAR SERVERS: M. O'Hara, M. O'Hara, S. O'Hara

MC: D. O'Hara

9:15 AM MASS (GYM)

LECTOR: B. Hopstetter,

EMHC'S: J. Phillippy, P. Mooney, D. Morgan, J. Pantalone

ALTAR SERVERS: C. Hopstetter, C. Edwards, D. Matas

MC: M. Matas

10:30 AM MASS

LECTOR: Sr. Salvatoris

EMHC'S: J. McGruder, A. Reeves, K. Robinson,
M. Rothermel, S. Cordaro

ALTAR SERVERS: J. Wilson, M. Brooks, L. Hamilton

MC: L. Hamilton

10:45 AM MASS (GYM)

LECTOR: J. Goodpaster

EMHC'S: L. Rogers, M. Rogers, M. Wetherhold, R. Barry

ALTAR SERVERS: M. Yee, V. Yee, M. Neves

MC: N. Silvis

NOON MASS

LECTOR: N. Ott

EMHC'S: T. Mayan, J. Nolan, J. Triscik, M. Waiter

ALTAR SERVERS: St. Michael's Guard

MONEY COUNTERS

SATURDAY, APRIL 15: J. Traini, J. Banks, T. Kilcoyne,
J. Storm, D. Ryan, J. Thomas

MONDAY, APRIL 17: B. Zarefoss, F. McCarthy, J. Frola,
H. Devine, F. Savini, B. McCarthy



**SUNDAY, APRIL 9:*****NO SECOND SUNDAY SOCIAL***

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

MONDAY, APRIL 10:

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 11:

1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry [LH]

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12:

7:15 AM Wednesday Morning Coffee [LH]
 7:45 AM Gospel Reflection Group [LH]
 1:00 PM Pivotal Players Series [LH]
 5:00 PM Confessions
 7:00 PM Young Adult Ministry [Y]
 7:00 PM "I Thirst" Prayer Group [C]
 7:00 PM Respect Life Committee [L]

THURSDAY, APRIL 13:***PARISH OFFICE CLOSSES AT NOON*****FRIDAY, APRIL 14:*****PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED*****SATURDAY, APRIL 15:**

10:00 AM Blessing of Easter Food
 4:00 PM **NO CONFESSIONS**

SUNDAY, APRIL 16:

[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: PALM SUNDAY -**

We will be preparing our hearts for Holy Week with a viewing of "The Passion of Christ." It's a longer movie and will end around 9:00pm so prepare to stay a bit later.

Next Week: HAPPY EASTER! We do not have the 5:30 mass or Life Teen.



EDGE: Are you not in High School but want to be a part of a youth ministry? EDGE is for you and your friends. EDGE is for grades 6-8th and meets on Monday nights in Meeting Room C from 7 - 8:15. The next EDGE nights will be on **April 10th and 24th**. If you have any questions, please call John.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM NEWS...

Religious Education Classes will not meet on April 12th or April 16th.

REP 2017-18 REGISTRATION:

In-Person Registration will be held in the cafeteria on the following dates and times:

- **April 19:** 5:00 - 5:30pm
- **April 23:** 9:45am - 10:15am & 8:00 - 8:30pm

If you have school-aged children (upcoming K - 8 graders) in need of Religious Education, OR if you did not receive our mailing, please contact the REP office.

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

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

TUITION SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM: A Catholic Education is a wonderful gift you can give a child who would like to attend St Joan of Arc School, but needs financial help. Please consider sponsoring a child in part or in full. Please contact Deb Rizzotto at 533-2854 Ext:123 or email: drizzotto@stjoanhershey.org

✠ PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS ✠



BAPTISMS

Our parish community welcomes these newly baptized children of God:

**Thaddeus Bowser, Logan Cooney,
Eleanor Gonzalo, Crislyn Ferreiras,
Ethan Corr, Teagan Phelan, Salvatore Falvo**



AVAILABLE ALTAR FLOWERS

MAIN ALTAR:

April 23. May 7, 14, 21, 28. June 11, 18.

BLESSED MOTHER:

May 21. June 11, 25.

SAINT JOSEPH:

April 23. May 14, 21, 28. June 18.

RESPECT LIFE ROSES:

April 30. May 7, 14, 21, 28. June 4, 11, 18, 25.

Please contact the Parish Office for all available dates.

PARENTS OF STUDENTS ENTERING 1ST OR 7TH GRADE...



Are you a parent of a child entering 1st or 7th grade?

If so, and you intend for your child(ren) to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion or Confirmation in 2019, please remember to register your child for R.E.P. (our Parish Religious Education Program).

There is a 2 year preparation required by the Diocese to receive these Sacraments. Registration is open now. Information can be found on the parish website or by contacting the Religious Education Office at 533-7168 Ext. 306 or email: rep@stjoanhershey.org

God's Way - "The Road to Kindness"



Our Kindness Program kick-off last week was very successful! We hope that you are "Spreading your Kindness!" Remember to share your act of kindness by emailing: kindness@stjoanhershey.org.

We want to acknowledge and thank John Triscik and Jackie Abel for their help in instituting our Kindness Program. We also want to thank all the Life Teen, Edge students and those adults who assisted in handing out Kindness Cards after each mass.

Remember: *"Helping one person might not change the world but it could change the world for one person!"*

Pope Francis recently said "How Marvelous it would be if at the end of the day, each of us could say: Today I have performed an act of charity towards others!" This is the perfect statement as we commence our "Road to Kindness" Program!

The goal of this Program is to inspire you to **Always Be Kind**. After all, Kindness starts with you – you have the ability to impact someone's life today! How would you feel if you knew that one act of kindness could affect a person's life for a day, a week, a month or even a year? *Being Kind to someone is contagious!* When you do an act of kindness, you are following the path that God outlines for each of us. You are demonstrating your love and compassion for your neighbor! Become **inspired** and show someone that you Care - this is **God's Way!** "The Road to Kindness" starts now!



The "Road To Kindness"

In loving memory of

ANTHONY R. BELLEZZA,

Because Anthony's way of sharing love & kindness should continue.

You can learn more about this program, at:
www.stjoanhershey.org/kindness

BULLETIN REMINDER: Bulletin requests are due **Mondays by 9:00 am**. Forms are available on our parish website under the "Contact Us" menu. 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.



✠ PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS ✠

Tenebrae Service

Tuesday, April 11th at 8:00PM



Tenebrae Service is a service of darkness. It is an ancient ceremony combining scripture lessons and hymns with the extinguishing of candles and lights until the church is in total darkness. This is symbolic of the flight of Jesus' disciples, the approach of the dark hate of Jesus' enemies, and the darkness of days of Our Lord in the tomb. Near the end of the service a loud sound simulates the sound of an earthquake, signifying the moment Jesus died.

WHY NOT DEEPEN YOUR SPIRITUAL JOURNEY THROUGH HOLY WEEK BY ATTENDING?

JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!

Divine Mercy Sunday

APRIL 23, 2017 AT 2:45PM

Exposition, Divine Mercy Chaplet,
Rosary, Scripture Reading,
Homily, Adoration,
Closing & Benediction, Reposition

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Annual Novena from April 14th - 23rd, 2017 at St. Joan of Arc Church. The Novena will begin following Good Friday and Holy Saturday 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer. Then following the 9:00 a.m. daily Mass thru Saturday, April 22nd.

Receive a Plenary Indulgence with usual norms. Novena pamphlets are available on the tables inside the main church entrance. The Novena does not have to be prayed in church for the indulgence.

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Deep Sea Discovery

Vacation Bible School

JUNE 26th - 30th, 6-8:30pm

Registration will be held in the cafeteria on these dates:
April 19: 5:00 - 5:30pm or
April 23: 9:45 - 10:15am & 8:00 - 8:30pm

Full information and online registration are available on the parish website at: www.stjoanhershey.org/VBS

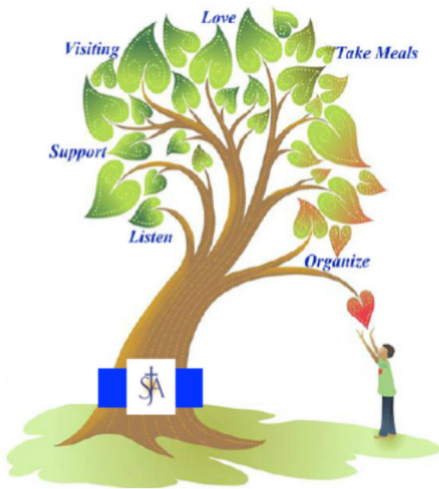
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Vacation Bible School can't run without dedicated leaders and volunteers:

- Are you Crafty? We need a Crafts Coordinator!
- Like to share simple Bible stories? We need several leads!
- Games your thing? Coordinate outside activities & play!
- Is the Kitchen your favorite place? We need a Snacks lead!

Contact Marcie at 533-7168 ext. 112 or email: mwarner@stjoanhershey.org

PARISH MINISTRY NEWS & MEETINGS



The time immediately following the death of a loved one is often filled with grief, sorrow, emptiness as well as confusion and stress.

During this time, St. Joan of Arc can assist with:

- providing a meal
- house sitting during the funeral service(s)
- transportation to/from various activities
- one-on-one prayer time
- companionship ... being there

Are you called to offer your time and talent to fellow parishioners? You could be as active and involved as your schedule permits.

To further develop goals and objectives for this service ministry, please join us for an information session scheduled for: Monday, April 24, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Library.

CCW NEWS & INFO...

CCW - MONTHLY MEETING:

All women of the parish are invited to attend our April meeting on Thurs April 20 at 6:30 PM in the school cafeteria. We will have a representative from Morning Star Pregnancy Services sharing information about their services. We will be collecting much needed items to donate to Morning Star and also Lourdes House. Any new baby items will be appreciated especially: baby formula, toiletries (shampoo or baby wash), baby bottles, newborn (or 0 to 3 months) sleepers, outfits and oneies (for layettes) and infant socks. They are always in need of Pack N Play cribs as well. Items may be brought to the meeting or dropped off in the parish office throughout the month of April. Contact Julie Groh at 566-5838 or brogroh@msn.com with any questions.

DIOCESAN CCW 92nd CONVENTION:

All ladies of the parish are invited to attend the Harrisburg Diocesan CCW 92nd Convention to be held Monday, May 1, 2017 at Cardinal Keeler Center. The morning session will feature Maribeth Steward, President-elect of NCCW, as the keynote speaker. The afternoon workshops will be presented by Linda Plummer, Director of Morning Star Pregnancy Center and Ginny Duncan, Director of Office for Ministry for People with Disabilities. Pre-registration is required by April 16. To register call Janet at 533-3368.

DIOCESAN CCW ANNUAL 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, 2017.

FESTIVAL NEWS...

HELP NEEDED STUFFING ENVELOPES:

Festival Help Needed! We need your help stuffing envelopes for our Festival mailing! Please join us on Tuesday, April 25 at 6:30 in Meeting Room C. Many hands make light work!

PARISH FESTIVAL - SILENT AUCTION:

21st Anniversary of the Parish Festival's Silent Auction! The Silent Auction & Basket Raffle needs your donations to be a success. We are accepting themed baskets or just individual donations which can include: Tickets, passes, collectibles, gift cards, new unused items or even lottery tickets. Monetary gifts will be used to purchase items for either the silent auction or for the baskets.

No donation is too small. Please help us have a successful year. Items can be dropped off at the parish office marked "Attn: Silent Auction/Baskets". Due to changes in the state law, we can no longer accept alcohol of any kind. No exceptions can be made. We can accept gift certificates from beer depots, wineries and PA State Store.

Any questions about the Silent Auction please call Mary at 533-7168 Ext. 115 or Jean Marie Fischer at 512-4253.

HAITI: SISTER PARISH PRESENTATION:

Please join us in the cafeteria for coffee and donuts on Sunday April 23 after the 9:00 and 10:30 Mass where we will have a slide show and brief presentation about our Sister Parish in Haiti.

MOM'S GROUP:

Attention 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 a play date on Friday, April 21 from 9:30-11:30am. For location and any questions, please email: Sarah.Bonavia@gmail.com

PARISH MINISTRY NEWS & MEETINGS

AREBA CLUB:

Our next Areba Club meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 18, 2017** in the school cafeteria. Doors will be open at 3:30pm and the meeting will start at 4:00pm. We will be collecting for the March of Dimes at this meeting. Our program will be a presentation by Jeffrey Cochran, Hershey Library. He will be speaking on Social Media and Internet Security.

Please Note: We will be traveling to NYC, Broadway to see Glen Close (famous Hollywood and Broadway Star) in "SUNSET BOULEVARD" on June 14, 2017. The cost for transportation, lunch, and orchestra seats will be \$259 per person. On August 9, 2017 we will again travel to Broadway to see "MISS SAIGON". Cost of transportation, lunch and orchestra seats will be \$199.00 per person. If interested, contact Al Casciotti, 533-3275.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP:

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 **April 12th** as we finish the **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.

MARRIAGE MENTORING COUPLES:

If any couples in our parish would like to be trained as a Marriage Mentors, or would like to learn the FOCCUS inventory, the Marriage & Family Ministries office of the Diocese will be holding a spring training session.

- **WHAT:** FOCCUS & Mentor Couple Training for Couples who wish to become mentor couples; current mentor couples who want a refresher; or any priest, deacon, or lay person who wants to become trained in the FOCCUS.
- **WHERE:** Cardinal Keeler Center, Room 104
4800 Union Deposit Road
Harrisburg, PA 17111
- **WHEN:** Saturday, April 22nd
From 9am - 4:30pm
*Registration begins at 8:30am.

If you are interested, please contact Mary Butch at 533-7168 ext. 115 or email: mbutch@stjoanhershey.org

LIVING OUR FAITH - EARTH DAY:

Earth Day is April 22nd and there will be a march in Washington DC on the following Saturday, April 29th. Those interested in making a statement about their belief in climate change and their concern for the future of the planet will be able to easily participate. A bus will leave the K-Mart parking lot (the K-Mart between Hershey and Hummelstown) at 6 am. The bus is a full service coach and reserved seats are available for \$40 each on a first come first served basis. For further information, please contact Anne Searer at (717) 533-9636 or asearer@comcast.net.

FR. BEITING APPALACHIAN MISSION CENTER:

Our project for the April trip to the Father Beiting Mission Center will be to help an elderly couple who are raising 3 grand children, ages 12, 9 and 3. Both grandparents are disabled, with one of them on oxygen.

We have been asked to replace the subflooring in the kitchen, dining room and a bedroom of their double wide trailer. As usual, we are sure that there will be additional work that needs to be done to make their home more livable. There will be five of us leaving after 7:30 am Mass on April 23rd and will return on the following Friday or Saturday, depending on how the project proceeds.

If you have questions regarding our work at the Mission Center, call Larry or Jan Duckart at 717 367-1546. If you wish to make a contribution to help cover the costs of this trip please mail to:

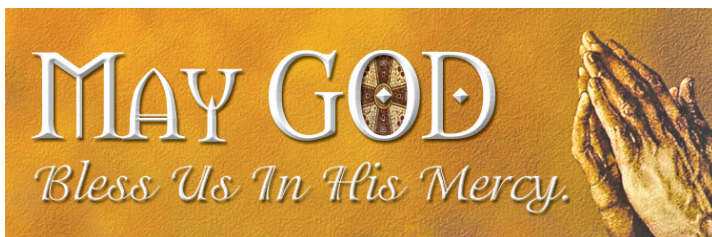
Jan and Larry Duckart
5455 Ridge Road
Elizabethtown, PA 17022

**Please indicate on your check that it is for FBAMC*

MISC. NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✦ **The Second Sunday Social scheduled for this week, April 9th, is cancelled due to Palm Sunday.**
- ✦ **School Employment Opportunity: Part-Time Secretary beginning May 1, 2017.**
- ✦ **Lenten Appeal donations can be made online via our parish website. *Link under the "Stewardship" menu**
- ✦ **Lebanon Catholic Employment Opportunities**
*Announcements page of parish website
- ✦ **2017 Prison Ministry Conference - April 29, 2017**
*Diocesan Events page of parish website

Due to space limitations we are restricted as to how much information appears regarding the items above. Please visit the parish website for more information. Items will be found on the individual ministry's page, announcements, or upcoming events of the parish or Diocese.



ST. JOAN OF ARC PARISH ✠ 2017 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "DEEP SEA DISCOVERY"

JUNE 26-30 6:00-8:30pm

CHILD'S NAME: _____

GRADE COMPLETING: _____ GENDER : M F

Vacation Bible School is open to children 4 years old up to those finishing Fifth Grade.
We are looking for youth finishing grade 6 and older to be youth aides. ***

Adult Volunteers and Aides are also needed

PARENT OR GUARDIAN: _____

ADDRESS: _____

(Street, City, State, Zip)

PHONE #: (H) _____ (C) _____

CHURCH CHILD ATTENDS: _____

Shirt Size: Youth Sm Youth Med Youth Large Adult Sm Adult Med

EMERGENCY CONTACT DURING VBS:

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

RELATIONSHIP: _____

In case of accident or serious illness, I request that St. Joan of Arc Parish contact me (or the person named above). If the Parish is unable to reach me, I hereby authorize the Parish to make whatever arrangements seem necessary. I authorize EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT to be given to my child.

SIGNATURES OF PARENT(S) / GUARDIAN(S): _____

LIST ANY ALLERGIES INCLUDING FOOD ALLERGIES: _____

ANY PHYSICAL OR SPECIAL NEEDS? _____

SUPPLY FEE- \$15.00 PER CHILD (Due with registration)

*****VBS REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT DUE BY MAY 28, 2017*** (Space IS limited)**

WE ARE SORRY, BUT REGISTRATION CAN NOT BE ACCEPTED THE WEEK OF VBS.

EXTRA VBS REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE.

[ONLINE REGISTRATION AT WWW.STJOANHERSHEY.ORG/VBS](http://WWW.STJOANHERSHEY.ORG/VBS)

A SEPARATE REGISTRATION FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT FOR EACH CHILD

YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE WRITTEN CONFIRMATION OF YOUR REGISTRATION.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR ARE INTEREST IN VOLUNTEERING,

PLEASE CONTACT: MARCIE WARNER AT 533-7168 EXT. 112