

21ST

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

AUGUST 26, 2018

The
Words of
Eternal
Life

*"It is the
spirit that gives
life, while the
flesh is of
no avail.*

*The words I
have spoken to
you are spirit
and life."*

John 6:63

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:00 pm - 4:00 pm *Closed Noon -1:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am - Noon

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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: 5:15 pm

Sunday Masses: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 Noon, 5:30 pm

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday: 6:45 am & 9:00 am, Saturday: 9:00 am

Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Daily at 6:30 pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 9:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Wednesday 5:00 - 5:30 pm, Saturday 4:00 - 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.

FROM THE PASTOR



*“Master, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of everlasting life!”*

These words of Saint Peter in today’s gospel are in response to Jesus’ question whether they too shall leave him along with the many who turned away from him after his teaching on the Holy Eucharist. It is Jesus alone who has the words of everlasting life. May we always stay close to him.

In the wake of the sadness, anger and disappointment at the release of the Attorney General’s Report, I think it is important for us in the parish to begin to talk about this and share our thoughts and feelings. I would like to gather with all concerned parishioners on the following days:

- ✠ **Tuesday, September 4: At 7 pm**
- ✠ **Saturday, September 8: After the 9 am Mass**
- ✠ **Sunday, September 9: After the Noon Mass**

These town-hall meetings will meet in the Our Lady of Grace Meeting Space of the Saint Joseph Center (the former secretary’s office in the old parish office). I would love to have your ideas on how to move forward with healing but also in making real changes in the culture of the Church. I also would like to let you know what we do here in the parish to safeguard our children. Please know that you are in my prayers!

Father Al

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Back to School!

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 every one is respected and all are deeply valued. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Our Parish Office will be closed Sunday, September 2 & Monday, September 3 in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

LECTOR: B. Frola
EMHC: Sr. Eileen, J. Nolan, J. Gusherowski
SERVERS: A. Gusherowski, L. Gusherowski
MC: E. Gusherowski



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES:

Please pray for the souls of **Vincent Pasquini & John Robbins** who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathy to their family and friends on their loss.

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Main Altar: In loving memory of Josephine Testa from Kathleen & Dick.

Blessed Mother: In loving memory of Doris Katsonis from Joe & Mary Moyer and Family.

Saint Joseph: In loving memory of John J. Spicjarich from his wife.

☎ [Contact Us - Request Altar Flowers](#)

PARISH PRAYER LIST:

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

Lovalerie King, Anya Zvorski, Pam Sergovic, Maddison Jeane Stover, Anne Severs, Natalie Shovlin, Dan Connolly, Vincent Savini, David Liddy, Kaitlin Buser, Lily Carney, Ashley Tatangelo, Barry Boyer, John Seaton, Carl Robinson, Frank Bolduc.

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

MASS ATTENDANCE: Aug. 18/19					Total: 1686
<u>5:15 PM</u>	<u>7:30 AM</u>	<u>9:00 AM</u>	<u>10:30 AM</u>	<u>Noon</u>	<u>5:30 PM</u>
312	196	281	325	211	361



WEEKLY READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, AUGUST 27: SAINT MONICA

2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22

6:45 AM Richard DeAngelis

9:00 AM Anthony Toronto

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28: SAINT AUGUSTINE

2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26

6:45 AM Deloris Summers

9:00 AM Enrico Rossi

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29: THE PASSION OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Mk 6:17-29

6:45 AM Albert Bos

9:00 AM Brianna Nearney

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51

6:45 AM Genevieve Seaton

9:00 AM Paul Caso

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13

6:45 AM Guido Eramo

9:00 AM Anthony & Rosemary Veglia

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30

9:00 AM Kyle Quigley and Terry Loffreda

5:15 PM John & Margaret Welsh

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2: TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Through observance of the Lord's commands, we shall experience the fullness of life. Living in conformity with God's will frees us from all casuistry about good and evil. We are called to welcome God's word and to let it take root in our hearts.

7:30 AM Paul & Margaret Kucan

9:00 AM Terrence Freisen

10:30 AM Irene Seesholtz

12:00 PM James S. East

5:30 PM People of the parish



This Week In Our Parish

❖ MONDAY, AUGUST 27

7:00 PM	Evening Bible Study	SLC
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7:00 PM	Boy Scouts	SLC
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7:00 PM	St. Vincent de Paul	SJC
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❖ TUESDAY, AUGUST 28

9:45 AM	Legion of Mary	SLC
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10:30 AM	Resurrection Choir Rehearsal	CHR
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1:00 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	SLC
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❖ WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29

7:15 AM	Wednesday Morning Coffee	SLC
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7:45 AM	Gospel Reflection Group	SLC
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7:00 PM	"I Thirst" Prayer Group	CHR
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❖ THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

7:00 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal	CHR
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❖ FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

3:00 PM	Junior Legion of Mary	SLC
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❖ SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

☞ PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ☛

❖ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

☞ PARISH OFFICE CLOSED ☛

1:00 PM	Baptisms	CHR
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❖ MEETING ROOMS & LOCATIONS ❖

🔗 [Room Locations: Parish - Facilities & Scheduling](#)



FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & CAELORUM:

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will take place on **September 7th** in the Saint Lucy Chapel of the Parish Center following the 9:00 am Mass. Evening prayer and prayer for the sick is held at 7:00 pm, followed by Benediction.

The next Caelorum will be held on Wednesday, **September 5th** at 7:00 pm in the Church. Join your brothers and sisters in Christ as we praise, worship and adore our Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. A reception will be held in the Cafeteria afterwards. All are welcome!

🔗 [Calendar - Recurring Events](#)

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE: SEPT. 2, 2018

	5:15 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	NOON	5:30 PM
Lector	P. Graybash	M. Spaeder	J. Gusherowski	M. Gette	C. Gassert	R. Abraham
EMHC	L. Kayser	M. Wetherhold	T. Samson	M. Stamilio	E. Frauenhoffer	V. Felice
	J. Larkin	B. McCarthy	K. Harbaugh	P. Mooney	C. Mortel	T. Kilcoyne
	J. Larkin	K. McCarthy	W. Lutz	R. Meinert	J. Nolan	J. Triscik
Altar	G. Gurney	St. Michael's Guard	A. Samson	B. Tressler	B. Seesholtz	J. McInerney
Servers	M. Gurney		V. Foley	M. Tressler	S. Yurich	T. McInerney
	D. Bagatta		G. Harbaugh	C. Hopstetter	V. Yee	T. Abraham
MC	M. Bagatta		N. Silvis	D. Kreiss	F. Sallusti	M. Abraham

Money Counters: F. Wetherhold, E. Gliot, J. Detweiler, J. Albanese, J. Tobias, M. Duval



STEWARDSHIP

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

Weekly Tithing: \$26,487
Weekly Budget: \$30,385
Weekly Heart Of The Parish: \$1,651
***Holy Day - Assumption BVM:** \$4,718



With Much Gratitude...

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

ADVENT COUNSELING SERVICES



VOCATIONS

"Choose this day whom you will serve."

Consider as well how you are being called to serve the Lord! If you are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, please speak with Fr. Al or Fr. Brian Wayne (717) 657-4804, frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org



Vocations Cross

8/27 - 9/3: Mark & Patty Katzenmoyer
9/3 - 9/10: Mary Ann Gregory

The Vocations Cross is taken into the home of a parish member each week to pray for religious vocations. If you would like to join this rotation, please contact the parish office or visit the website.

☪ Sacraments - Vocations Cross

YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN (HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH)

📞 **John Triscik:** Ext. 128; youth@stjoanhershey.org

This Week: "School Year Kick-off!" Before the school year begins, we will be having one last hurrah with a Life Teen Selfie Scavenger Hunt. Invite your friends and wear some good shoes. Running around will be involved. Come and also get the new Life Teen shirt for this school year.

Next Week: No Life Teen - Happy Labor Day!



EDGE (MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH)

📞 **John Triscik:** Ext. 128; youth@stjoanhershey.org

Are you not in High School but want to be a part of a youth ministry? EDGE is for grades 6th - 8th and meets on Monday nights from 7 - 8:15 in the Youth Room (Meeting Room C) of the St. Joseph Center. EDGE returns September 10th!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

📞 **REP Office:** Ext. 306; REP@stjoanhershey.org

IMPORTANT REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

REP begins the week of September 9th! No child will be admitted on the first day of classes if they have not been pre-registered and already assigned to a class. If you have not registered your K-8th grade students for REP, please do so immediately. All registrations received after Aug. 1 will not be assigned to a class until the 2nd week of the term. Forms are available in the church, parish office or online at: www.stjoanhershey.org

☪ Education → "Religious Education Program"

✠ NEWS & NOTES ✠



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Our Religious Education Program includes a class that supports students with special needs. This special class meets on Sundays for one hour (10:15 - 11:15 am) and utilizes a small group instructional format. Other options available for students include a helper to provide 1:1 assistance in the regular REP class based on the needs of the child, or identifying a volunteer to provide instruction to your child outside of the classroom. Please contact Earl Tropp, Director of Religious Education, for more information.

📞 **Earl Tropp:** Ext. 122; etropp@stjoanhershey.org
 📖 **Education** → **“Religious Education Program”**



Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Or perhaps you know someone that is searching for a Church home. If so, the RCIA program may be just what you are looking for. **RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a program that prepares individuals to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.

📞 **Earl Tropp:** Ext. 122; etropp@stjoanhershey.org



FOR SALE: 404 W. AREBA AVE.

Located across from Church. 3 Bedrooms, 1.5 Baths
Square Footage: 1600. **Lot Size:** 0.33 Acres.
 Additional information & images are available on our parish website. Contact Jerry Crawford, Parish Manager at (717) 533-7168 Ext. 107.

ASSISTANCE FOR PARISHIONER:

An elderly gentlemen who is also long time parishioner, is looking for assistance with daily meals. Desires someone to come to his home and cook small meals daily from 9am - 5pm. Time(s) negotiable. Compensation and reimbursement for related costs will be provided.

📖 **Communications** → **Announcements**

Marriage Annulment Presentation:

Presentations concerning marriage, divorce and annulment according to Church teaching will be given by our Diocesan Tribunal. These presentations are intended to be helpful for divorced Catholics, those divorced who wish to marry Catholics, those parish leaders involved in the RCIA process and any others who may have an interest because of family or friends.

✠ **Sept. 10:** Diocesan Center (Harrisburg) 7:00 pm

✠ **Sept. 12:** St. Philip Parish (Millersville) 7:00 pm

✠ **Sept. 17:** St. Joseph Parish (Hanover) 7:00 pm

📖 **Diocesan Website:** www.hbgdiocese.org

Requests For Bulletin Content:

In light of the number of requests we receive for bulletin content we have recently formalized the guidelines for all submissions:

- Requests **MUST** be received by 9:00 am the Monday prior to that weekend's bulletin. Exceptions cannot be made for late-arriving material. Earlier is better! If holiday printing schedules require a modified deadline, it will be publicized at least 2 weeks in advance.
- Request must be submitted as you would like them to appear. All requests are considered, however, they are subject to editing, and their publication in specific bulletins is not always guaranteed. Please be brief (ie: Who, What, Where, When, Why, Contact Information).
- Requests must be made through the designated form (*Paper or Electronic*) to ensure all the necessary information is received prior to the submission deadline. Emails will not be accepted if the form is not attached.
- We are not accepting requests for bulletin inserts or full pages at this time.
- Any request for pulpit announcements must be made in writing to the parish secretary by 9:00 am on Monday for the coming weekend.

📖 **Contact Us** → **Request: Bulletin Content**



SUBMISSION DATE FOR BULLETIN REQUESTS:

Due to the office being closed on September 3, submissions for the September 8/9 bulletin are due no later than 9:00 am on Tuesday, September 4th no later

PILGRIMAGE BUS INFORMATION:

In celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Harrisburg Diocese a Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC will take place on Saturday, November 3, 2018. St. Joan of Arc is sponsoring a bus trip for \$10/person. **Seats are limited and reservations are required.** To reserve a seat please contact Julie Groh. All payments must be made by Friday, September, 14th. After 9-14 any unpaid reservations and remaining seats will be made available to other local parishes.

☎ **Julie:** (717) 566 - 5838; sjaccwpres@gmail.com

📅 [Calendar](#) → [Upcoming Events](#)

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:

The Consolation/Bereavement Ministry is offering a support group for those grieving the loss of a loved one, or any other significant loss. Your loss need not be recent as loss is a very individual thing and grieving has no time limit. We will meet on Wednesday mornings following the 9:00 am Mass for approximately one hour. The first session will begin September 5th and will continue for 6 to 8 weeks. The group is limited to 10 participants. For information/registration, call Joyce (717) 566-0657.

📅 [Parish Ministries](#) → [“Consolation/Bereavement”](#)

LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY:

Little Rock Scripture Study will meet on Tuesdays at 9:30 am beginning September 11 in the St. Lucy Center. We will be studying Israel's Story - Part 1. We will be exploring Old Testament history, theology and stories from the creation accounts of Genesis to the fall of the northern kingdom and its prophets. If interested please call either Jeanie Vey (717) 533-2246 or Bert Curran at (302) 228-9735.

📅 [Parish Ministries](#) → [“Bible Studies”](#)

YOUNG ADULTS (Ages 21 - 35):

Calling all Young Adults of the parish between the ages of 21-35, married or single!!! Young Adults will gather on **September 12th** from 7:00 - 8:30 pm as we continue our book series, **“My Life with the Saints”** with **St. Teresa of Calcutta**. We will meet in Meeting Room C.

☎ **John:** Ext. 128; jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org

📅 [Parish Ministries](#) → [“Young Adults”](#)

“I THIRST” PRAYER GROUP:

You are invited to a very special presentation about Father Kenneth Roth's journey and discernment process to becoming a Priest. Please join us on Wednesday, August 29th at 7:00 pm in the Church.

☎ **Lou Felice:** (717) 583-0240

📅 [Parish Ministries](#) → [“I Thirst” Prayer Group](#)

PARISH MISSION TRIP FR. BEITING APPALACHIAN MISSION CENTER:

Our Parish Fall 2018 Mission Trip to the Father Beiting Appalachian Mission Center (Louisa, Kentucky) is scheduled for the week of October 14th, 2018. If you are interested in joining our Parish volunteers, please contact Larry & Jan.

☎ **Larry & Jan:** (717) 367-1546; duckart@comcast.net

📅 [Parish Ministries](#) → [“Appalachian Mission Center”](#)

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:

Do you enjoy knitting or crocheting? Join the Prayer Shawl Ministry on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month from 1-3 pm in the St. Lucy Center. We have patterns and yarn to help you create beautiful prayer shawls and lap robes. These very special handmade items are blessed and distributed to those who need prayers and comfort.

☎ **Kathy:** (717) 566-1481 | **Bert:** (302) 228-9735

📅 [Parish Ministries](#) → [“Prayer Shawl Ministry”](#)

DAUGHTER'S OF MERCY - WEEK 11 CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS:

This week's local winner of the Daughter's of Mercy Annual Calendar Raffle is:

👉 **Joyce Nolan** (Hummelstown, PA)

Congratulations to the winners! God Bless!



Memorial Service

In Remembrance of Aborted Children

Please join us for a Memorial Service on the Sixth Annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children, Saturday, **September 8th**. The service will take place at St. Joan of Arc Church following the 9:00 am Mass. We will gather at the Memorial for the victims of abortion which is located by the main entrance to the Church.

☎ **Mary McInerney:** (717) 533-4846

📅 [Calendar](#) → [“Upcoming Events”](#)

Parish App Feature-of-the-Week



Mass Times

- Mass times for the week
- Always know next Mass
- Reminder to silence your phone before Mass

Learn more or download our parish app at myparishapp.com

*Available on Apple and Android Phones.