



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

For where two or three are gathered together
in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

Matthew 18:20

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM *Closed 12:00-1:00 PM
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717-857-5695

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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, SEPTEMBER 11

Col 1:24 - 2:3; Lk 6:6 - 11

6:45 AM Jerry Mooney
9:00 AM Zack Zaccagnini

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12: THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12 - 19

6:45 AM Marty Rowland
9:00 AM Hugo Addaria and William Cialone

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13: ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20 - 26

6:45 AM Mr. & Mrs. Robert J. Heanue
9:00 AM Lois Deiling

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14: THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Nm 21:4b - 9; Phil 2:6 - 11; Jn 3:13 - 17

6:45 AM Alfred Jerry Mooney
9:00 AM Margaret Petrino

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15: OUR LADY OF SORROWS

1 Tm 1:1 - 2, 12 - 14; Jn 19:25 - 27 or Lk 2:33 - 35

6:45 AM Rev. Louis P. Ogden and Theresa Ogden
9:00 AM Gail Vogt

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16: SAINTS CORNELIUS & CYPRIAN

1 Tm 1:15 - 17; Lk 6:43 - 49

9:00 AM Ruby Stinson
5:15 PM Cathy Lalli

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Readings: Sir 27:30 - 28:7; Rom 14:7 - 9; Mt 18:21 - 35
“Where two or three are gathered in My name...” The community who gathers in Christ needs leadership. Might He be inviting you to consider a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood?

MASS INTENTIONS:

7:30 AM Jean Nowicki
9:00 AM Evelyn McFarlane
10:30 AM Connor Keogh
12:00 PM Nicholas Resanovich
5:30 PM People of the Parish

BULLETIN REMINDER: Requests for information to be included in the parish bulletin 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) in which you would like your information included and be submitted exactly as you would like the information to appear.

OPEN HOUSE!

Parish Center & New Convent

September 16 & 17

Following Each Mass



Please join us on September 16th or 17th following each of Mass for an Open House to experience our newly renovated spaces.

The new Parish Center, as well as the “new” Convent that was completed last summer (located behind the Parish Center), will be open to give parishioners an opportunity to walk through. Plan to stop by for a visit!



VOCATIONS:

“Where two or three are gathered in My name ...” The community who gathers in Christ needs leadership. Might He be inviting you to consider a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood? Call Fr. Brian Wayne at (717) 657-4804 or email: frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org.



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, John Hines, Barry Boyer, Sheila Curley, Charles Ohrnberger, Joseph Fagnani, Tiffany Fagnani, Charles Wingerson

Liturgical Ministry Schedule for September 16 & 17, 2017

	5:15 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 Noon	5:30 PM
Lector	J. Dezagottis	J. Goodpaster	P. Graybash	D. Hennigan	M. Isherwood	L. Gould
EMHC	C. Yakstis	D. Sheehan	B. Hasson	J. Gusherowski	M. Waiter	V. Ruiz-Velasco
	M. Rothermel	M. Spaeder	R. Barry	M. DeAngelis	K. Burkhart	J. Triscik
	M. Totaro	K. Willey	M. Duval	T. DeAngelis	S. Cordaro	Sr. Eileen
	Sr. Salvatoris			L. Drayer		G. Bixler
Servers	G. Gurney	St. Michael's Guard	S. O'Hara	S. Yurich	M. Yee	C. Hopstetter
	M. Gurney		M. O'Hara	A. Gusherowski	V. Yee	A. Stinson
	M. Coyle		M. O'Hara	L. Gusherowski	D. Matas	L. Ruiz-Velasco
MC	N. Martin		D. O'Hara	E. Gusherowski	M. Matas	N. Silvis

Money Counters: M. Rothermel, C. Frank, S. Boova, V. Peracchia, C. Yakstis, G. Zemba



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

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

Weekly Tithing: \$34,080
 Weekly Budget: \$29,615
 Year to Date Budget Variance: -\$7,448
 Weekly Heart Of The Parish: \$2,148

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL COLLECTION:
PETER'S PENCE



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES:

Please pray for the souls of **E. Thomas Valerio & Frank Frola** (brother of Jerry Frola), 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 Rosalie Filanowski by her family.

Blessed Mother: In loving memory of Tony Pala from his wife, Jane.

Saint Joseph: In loving memory of Daniel Rittelmann and Rittlemann and Pasquale families.

Respect Life Rose: In loving memory of Maggie Harris from Linda Warfield.

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:

9/11 - 9/18: Sue Ittleson

9/18 - 9/25: Rosemary & Dan Connolly

MASS ATTENDANCE: September 2 & 3 Total: 1546					
<u>5:15pm</u>	<u>7:30am</u>	<u>9:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>	<u>Noon</u>	<u>5:30pm</u>
347	206	352	385	256	N/A



St. Joan of Arc School
 A 2016 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

YOU'RE INVITED

TO THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF ST JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2017

BEGINNING WITH 12:00 NOON MASS FOLLOWED BY BUFFET LUNCH

With Much Gratitude...

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

ANNE F. ADAMS D.D.S.

S. J. A. YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN NEWS – HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH



This Week: “Encounter” The goal for the next week is for the teens to recognize how Jesus is present and dispenses divine life in the sacraments. Come and hear about how Jesus infused His divinity into humanity.

LIFE TEEN

Next Week: “Belong” Next week we will take a look at the importance of community and our great need for such. Everyone wants to be part of a “team.”

EDGE NEWS – MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH



All incoming 6th graders-incoming 8th graders are invited to EDGE on Monday nights from 7-8:15 in the Youth Room (Meeting Room C). EDGE kicks off the School Year Kick-off on **September 11th** with nights on: **September 18th and October 2nd, 16th, and 23rd**. Invite your friends!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM NEWS (R. E. P.)

- † Religious Education classes begin on September 10 at 9:00 am (K-6) and 7:00 pm (7-8), and September 13 at 4:15pm. Students should report to the school cafeteria at least 10 minutes early to find their class table. Parents, please try to accompany your child the first week, especially if this is their first time in REP. Students wishing to ride the Derry Twp. Bus on Wednesday need to complete, and give to their DTSD teacher, the permission form found on the parish website under Religious Education/Forms. ***REMINDER: No child will be admitted to class without having been pre-registered.**
- † **REP classes are approaching or at capacity.** Grades 3 & 6 on Wednesdays are now full. Children in those grades may register for the Sunday morning classes. If your child's grade is full when we receive your registration, you will be notified of a change to the alternate class day. We have had to close two grades on Wednesdays due to late registrations and lack of catechists to teach.
- † If you are willing to help teach our children on Wednesdays after school, please contact Marcie at ext. 112. We are also seeking 1-2 additional classroom aides (ages 13+) on Wednesdays.

SCHOOL & P. T. O. NEWS

- † You're Invited to the 90th Anniversary Celebration of St. Joan of Arc School! This celebration takes place Sunday, October 8, 2017 beginning with Mass at Noon, followed by a buffet lunch at the school. Price per person is \$30, children \$15. Please RSVP online at: school.stjoanhershey.org/alumni or call Deb Rizzotto at (717) 533-2854, ext. 123.
- † Our St. Joan of Arc Blue Ribbon Awarded School welcomes new students for this school year. Contact Deb Rizzotto, Director of Development, for more information and to schedule your personal tour (717) 533-2854, ext. 123. Come and see why our school is great!



September is National Cholesterol Education Month sponsored by the National Heart Lung and Blood Institute. Some facts to remember:

- Cholesterol is one of several risk factors of developing coronary artery disease
- A person doesn't have to be fat or overweight to have high cholesterol levels
- Cholesterol is measured by laboratories using blood samples
- Children can also have high blood cholesterol
- National Cholesterol Education Program guidelines suggest at least a six-month program

of reduced dietary saturated fat and cholesterol, together with physical activity and weight control, as the primary treatment before resorting to drug therapy.

Consult your own physician for further information.

*The Nurse Ministry is always welcoming to any health care professional who would like to join.
For more information, please contact Carol O'Hara at 717-579-8014.*

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

- Second Sunday Social** [CAF]
Monthly Blood Pressure Screenings [LIB]
 9:00 AM REP K-Gr 6
 6:45 PM Life Teen [MRC]
 7:00 PM Confirmation Prep
 7:00 PM 8th Gr. REP Parent Mtg. [CAF]

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

- 9:45 AM Legion of Mary [SLC]
 7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul [LIB]
 7:00 PM EDGE - School Year Kick Off! [MRC]
 7:00 PM Evening Bible Study [SLC]
 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop Meeting [CAF]

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

- 9:30 AM Little Rock Scripture Study [SLC]
 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry [SLC]
 6:30 PM Cub Scouts - New Scout Registration [LIB]

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

- 7:15 AM Wednesday Morning Coffee [SLC]
 7:45 AM Gospel Reflection Group [SLC]
 4:15 PM REP K-Gr 6
 5:00 PM Confessions [CHR]
 6:30 PM RCIA [PC]
 7:00 PM Young Adult Ministry [MRC]
 7:00 PM "The Gift", Life In The Spirit Seminar [CAF]
 7:30 PM Respect Life Meeting [LIB]

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

- 6:00 PM CCW Covered Dish Meeting [CAF]
 7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal [CHR]

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

- 3:00 PM Jr. Legion of Mary [SLC]

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

- 6:30 AM That Man Is You [CAF]
 4:00 PM Confessions [CHR]
 6:00 PM Open House: Parish Center & New Convent

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

- 9:00 AM REP K-Gr 6
 12:00 PM Baptisms [CHR]
 6:45 PM Life Teen [MRC]
 7:00 PM Confirmation Prep
 7:00 PM 7th Grade REP Parent Meeting [CAF]

- [CHR] Church [CAF] Cafeteria [CHP] Chapel
 [GYM] Gymnasium [LIB] Library [PC] Parish Center
 [MRC] Meeting Room C (Youth Room) [SLC] St. Lucy Center

If you are in need of a "refresher" of the names of our meeting places (especially with our new space!) visit the parish website and use the "Parish" drop down menu to select the option for "Facilities & Scheduling".

✠ PARISH EVENTS ✠

PARISH CENTER OPEN HOUSE, SEPT. 16 & 17:
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"THE GIFT", A LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR:
 "I Thirst" presents **The Gift, A Life In The Spirit Seminar**, Wednesdays at 7:00 pm starting **September 13** in the St. Joan of Arc Church Cafeteria, Hershey. To register, or if you have any questions, contact Lou at (717) 583-0240 or email: mathfamily1@yahoo.com. 🕒 [Upcoming Events](#)

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY - HOLY HOUR Oct. 1:
 In observance of Respect Life Sunday (on October 1st) our parish will be hosting a Holy Hour for Life at 3:00 pm. We will be dedicating an hour of prayer, with exposition of the Holy Eucharist, to the sanctity of human. Please prayerfully consider joining us. 🕒 [Upcoming Events](#)

✠ MINISTRY NEWS ✠

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OKTOBERFEST - SAVE THE DATE:
 Saturday, September 30th from Noon to 7:00 pm, join us for our Annual Oktoberfest! Enjoy food, LIVE German music, and October brew throughout the day, along with fellowship. Hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Proceeds benefit Warrior to Lourdes, France fund sponsored by the SJA Knights of Columbus to send a wounded warrior on a pilgrimage. 🕒 [Upcoming Events](#)

SOCCER CHALLENGE (Ages 9 - 14) :
 Knights of Columbus Council #6693 of St. Joan of Arc, Invites all boys and girls, ages 9 to 14 to participate the Soccer Shoot-Out Challenge at St. Joan of Arc School on Sunday, September 24th from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. There is no cost to participate. Medals will be awarded along with pizza and drink for participants. Each participant will take 15 shots - a penalty kick (12 yards from the goal) and based on location in the goal, points are awarded. The total of 15 shots will be ranked against your peers. Winners progress through local, district and state levels. All boys and girls are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions. For entry forms or additional information, contact Chad Brickley by email: chadabrickley@gmail.com 🕒 [Upcoming Events](#)

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DAUGHTER'S OF MERCY- RAFFLE WINNERS:

This week's local winner of the Daughter's of Mercy Annual Calendar Raffle: **No winners reported this week.** Please check back next week. God bless you!

CCW COVERED DISH MEETING:

All women of the parish are welcome to come to the first social meeting of the year - the annual covered dish on Thursday, **September 14** at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria. Bring something to share (if able) and catch up with old friends or make new friends. You do not need to "join" CCW or commit to anything. We welcome any woman of the parish to come & participate in as many, or as few, of our activities as desired. New faces are always welcome! Contact Julie Groh (717) 566-5838 or email: sjaccwpres@gmail.com with any questions. 🕊 ["CCW" Ministry Page](#)

AREBA CLUB MEETINGS & NEWS:

The next meeting for the Areba Club will be held Tuesday, September 19 in the cafeteria. Doors open at 3:30 pm and the meeting begins at 4:00 pm and include discussion about our future travel plans. Reminder: Dues of \$10 per person are now due until November. After the meeting: Cake, Coffee/Tea and BINGO! There is no cost to our members. \$100 in prizes will be awarded (\$5.00 per person).

🕊 ["Areba Club" Ministry Page](#)

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:

"Bless my hands...Often just appendages at the end of my arms. These instruments of love have done mundane tasks, yet also create beauty." This is part of a prayer we say at every meeting. Come join us, so your hands can create a beautiful prayer shawl or lap robe. We meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month from 1-3 pm at the St. Lucy Center. Questions? Contact Kathy Palmer (717) 566-1481 or Norberta "Bert" Curran (302) 228-9735.

🕊 ["Prayer Shawl" - Ministry Page](#)

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP - ADULTS AGE 21-35:

Calling all Young Adults of St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church between the ages of 21-35, married or single!!! Young Adults will meet on **September 13th & 27th** as we continue a bible study on the Gospel of St. Luke. If you are interested or have any questions, please call John in the Youth Office at 533-7168 Ext. 128 or stjaonofarclifeteen@gmail.com.

🕊 ["Young Adults" - Ministry Page](#)

MOM'S GROUP - SEPTEMBER DATES:

Attention moms of babies and toddlers: Are you interested in getting together with other Catholic moms to chat and share some snacks while the kids play? Please join us for play dates on: **September 15** and **25** from 9:30 - 11:30 am. For location or questions, please email Sarah at: Sarah.Bonavia@gmail.com.

🕊 ["Mom's Group" - Ministry Page](#)

✠ DIOCESAN WIDE EVENTS ✠

WHITE MASS - CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOC:

The Harrisburg Diocesan Guild of the Catholic Medical Association invites all Catholic physicians, healthcare workers, medical students, residents and their families to attend the Annual White Mass on **September 17**, 9:30 am at St. Patrick's Cathedral. 🕊 [Calendar - Diocesan Events](#)

ANNUAL DIOCESAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:

All Ladies of the Parish: The annual Harrisburg Diocesan Women's Conference will be held Saturday, **October 14** at Bishop McDevitt High School. This year's theme is, "Lead All Souls to Heaven". Registration information is at: www.hbgdiocese.org/women

🕊 [Calendar - Diocesan Events](#)

DIOCESAN CHARISMATIC DAY OF RENEWAL: THE HOLY SPIRIT: FOUNTAIN OF GRACE"

The Holy Spirit & the Renewal - The Last 50 Years and Beyond. Saturday, **September 16**. Registration online: aliveinthespirit.net or hbgdiocese.org/renewal. Questions? Call Mary Ann (717) 564-7709. Do not call the Diocese.

🕊 [Calendar - Diocesan Events](#)

LEFT TO TELL - FAITH, HOPE & FORGIVENESS:

Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish (Middletown) will be hosting **Immaculee Ilibagiza**, an award-winning author who is a survivor of the genocide in Rwanda on **September 27/28**, at 7:00 pm.

🕊 [Calendar - Diocesan Events](#)

God's Way - "The Road to Kindness" ❤️

It's back to school time! Here are 10 Kindness Acts for Children to Consider while at School:

- Hold the door open for another student or teacher
- Greet a new student in your class with a hi and smile
- Share your lunch time with a new student or with a student that is new to one of your classes
- Help one of your teachers to clean up the classroom
- Write a positive note to a classmate
- Be extra kind to your bus driver. Say hello when you get on the bus and say thank you when you get off
- Volunteer to be a tutor to someone that may be having a difficult time with a subject
- Pray for someone
- Say hello and smile at every classmate you see during the day – Smiling is easy and happiness is contagious
- Take a Kindness Card from church / do a Kindness Act for someone and pass on the card so they can do a Kindness Act