32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.
Matthew 25:11

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH
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NOVEMBER 12, 2017

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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, November 13: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**  
Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6  
6:45 AM Rose Rippon  
9:00 AM Lena Zaccagnini

**Tuesday, November 14**  
Wis 2:23 - 3:9; Lk 17:7-10  
6:45 AM Souchak Family  
9:00 AM Donald Hayward and Sophie Miklasevich

**Wednesday, November 15: St. Albert the Great**  
Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19  
6:45 AM Peter & Domenica DeSantis  
9:00 AM Hans Gangl

**Thursday, November 16: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude**  
Wis 7:22b - 8:1; Lk 17:20-25  
6:45 AM Clyde Witman  
9:00 AM Deceased Members of the Cambas and Generaro Families

**Friday, November 17: St. Elizabeth of Hungary**  
Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37  
6:45 AM All Souls  
9:00 AM Andy Lee

**Saturday, November 18: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter & Paul; St. Rose Philippine**  
Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8  
9:00 AM All Souls  
10:30 AM Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass  
5:15 PM Paul Cramer

**Sunday, November 19th**  
**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: Prv 31:10-13, 9-20, 30-31; Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30  
Those who use their gifts and talents in the service of one another, especially the poor and needy, are blessed indeed. They shall be known as children of the light, and will be ready for the Lord’s return.

### MASS INTENTIONS:
- 7:30 AM Michael Shaffer  
- 9:00 AM People of the Parish  
- 10:30 AM Deceased Camasta & D’Ambrosio Families  
- 12:00 PM William & Eleanor Lawler  
- 5:30 PM All Souls

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**FROM THE PASTOR**

Next week at the Noon Mass, Bishop Gainer will be with us as our Celebrant, and afterwards will bless our new Parish Center and new Convent. There will be a light reception to follow. I have heard so many good things about our renovations and I know that the priests, the deacon and our staff are all acclimated to our new space and we are enjoying it just fine. The Sisters have told me that they love their new home and I am so happy about that as well. We have alleviated some of our space issues but we still have a few more to address, as well as addressing the fact that our Education Center (for REP and our parochial school) is 70 years old next year. I know that I have been talking about my vision for the future in bulletin columns and informally to parish organizations and individuals over the last two years but soon we (the Parish and Finance Councils, the Development Committee and the Building and Planning Committee) will give the parish a more formal presentation about our needs and ideas about where to go in the future. Look forward to more conversation about this in the new year! Until then, hope to see you all next week as we celebrate with our bishop this wonderful project of which we can be justly proud!

*Father AC*

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**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:**

We are looking for a few kind volunteers who are willing to provide transportation to fellow parishioners on occasion for Mass, doctor’s appointments, or the grocery store. If you can provide this much needed act of kindness to help a fellow parishioner in their time of need, please email Odette at: obergloff@verizon.net or call the Parish Office. We will contact you as we receive requests. Thank you!

### HOLIDAY BULLETIN DUE DATES:

Special deadlines for the upcoming holiday schedule:
- **Nov. 25/26** - *Thanksgiving Weekend*: Thursday, November 16th by 9:00 am  
- **Dec. 23/24** - Thursday, December 14th by 9:00 am  
- **Dec. 30/31** - Thursday, December 21st by 9:00 am
My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. We were created with a thirst for God. Could He be calling you to quench it by living in Him as a priest, sister or brother? Contact Fr. Brian Wayne at: (717) 657-4804 or email: frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org.

WITH MUCH GRATITUDE...

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

D.L. LITZELL & SON
**LIFE TEEN – HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH**

This Week: “Unexpected Gift”

We will take a look at the life of Saint Gianna and what it means to be a gift to one’s family, in one’s profession, and in all aspects of one’s life.

Next Week: “What are you most thankful for?”

As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving this month, let’s take a quick look at the graces we received all the while enjoying each others company.

**EDGE – MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH**

EDGE is for grades 6-8th and meets on Monday nights in the Youth Room (Mtg. Room C) from 7-8:15. EDGE nights will be November 13 & 20. Invite your friends!

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

SAVE THE DATE! St. Saint Joan of Arc School, will hold it’s Annual PTO Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, November 18th in the school cafeteria. The evening will be filled with live entertainment, fabulous basket raffles, delicious food & fellowship. Dinner includes a tossed salad, Italian bread, spaghetti and meatballs, dessert and choice of beverage. Tickets are $9 for adults, $5 for children, ages 3-14, and free for children under 3. Meatballs To-Go will be available, 6/$6 or 12/$10. Dine-in (4 pm - 8 pm) or Take-Out (4pm-7pm). Tickets available in the school office or by contacting, Heather Tressler at: hmtressler@comcast.net
COFFEE AND CONVERSATION:
Oftentimes when we lose a loved one, we experience an immediate outpouring of support and comfort from family and friends. As the weeks and months go by, this support may diminish even though the pain and sorrow has not.

To those who would like an opportunity to share their story or to lend an ear to others, Pastoral Care and Outreach invites you to the monthly "Coffee and Conversation". Please join us, Thursday, November 16, immediately following the 9:00 am Mass, in the St. Lucy Center.

MONTHLY NURSES CORNER:
Just a reminder that we have an active Nurse Ministry at St. Joan of Arc parish. We sponsor monthly blood pressure screenings, assist with the annual Healing Mass, provide First Aid coverage at the summer festival, among other activities. We also have a Lending Closet with Durable Medical Equipment items that can be borrowed. To find out more about this ministry or to borrow equipment, please contact Carol O'Hara at (717) 579-8014.

SCHOOL LIBRARY USED BOOK SALE:
Our school library will also be holding its annual Used Book Sale, Tuesday, 11/28 - Thursday, 11/30 (closes at 2:30) in the school cafeteria! Paperbacks are 50 cents and hardcovers $1.00. Fill a bag for $2.00 on Thursday from 1:00 - 2:30pm. (Grocery size bags only please.) Come and support our school's library! All proceeds are used to buy new books for our school! Thank you!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:
As we give thanks this holiday season for our many blessings, let’s remember those who need prayers and comfort. Come enjoy the fellowship of our Prayer Shawl Ministry and make a shawl or lap robe for those in need. We gather at the St. Lucy Center on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month, from 1-3 pm. Contact: Kathy (717) 566-1481 or Bert (302) 228-9735.

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! We will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 7-8:30 in the Youth Room (Meeting Room C). Young Adults will meet on November 15th with Fr. Wayne returning to St. Joan of Arc to speak on Vocations. If you are interested or have any questions, please call John in the Youth Office at (717) 533-7168 Ext. 128 or email: stjoanofarc lifeteen@gmail.com.
God’s Way - “The Road to Kindness”

November 13 is “World Kindness Day!”
A day to be Kind and to do acts of Kindness!

“World Kindness Day” was created in 1998 by the World Kindness Movement, a conglomeration of kindness organizations around the world. This unofficial holiday encourages people to be kind to each other and spread happiness, joy and peace through Kindness.

Kindness is considered to be a virtue, and valued in most societies and religions as an important quality. Kindness is the act of being considerate, compassionate and empathetic towards other people and living beings.

How can you celebrate “World Kindness Day”? Here are a few suggestions from the Fun Holiday website:

• Smile and do kind things for people. Give up your seat on the bus to someone else. Buy someone’s coffee for them. Volunteer your time at the local soup kitchen. Leave a kind note for someone.

• Kindness should not only be reserved for our fellow human beings. Be kind to the animals and the environment as well.

• If you have children in your life, teach them the virtue of kindness by practicing it in your daily life. (This fits perfectly into our recent bulletin on “Cultivating Kindness in our Children”)

• Tell someone how much you care about them!

God’s Way – “The Road to Kindness” at work again! This time, God’s Way is touching everyone around the entire world!

Blessings to you! Have a wonderful World Kindness Day on November 13 and a week filled with Kindness!

Please share your Kindness Acts, or Kindness Acts you observe or hear about, by emailing them to:

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

If you would like to memorialize flowers for a loved one on Christmas, requests are due to the parish office no later than

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8.

Complete the form below or online at: www.stjoanhershey.org Christmas flower requests will not be taken over the telephone.

***Please Print Clearly***

In Loving Memory of: __________________________________________

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Dedicated by: __________________________________________

Submitted by: ___________________________ Phone: ______________________

Donation enclosed of: $ ___________________________ Please make checks payable to: St. Joan of Arc