



# 3rd Sunday of Easter

## ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

APRIL 18, 2021

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday - Friday:** 8:00 am-12:00 pm & 1:00-4:00 pm  
**Sunday:** Closed

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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

### MORNING MASSES

359 W Areba Ave, Hershey PA

#### SUNDAY

7:30 am, 9:30 am (livestream),  
11:30 am

#### MONDAY - FRIDAY

6:45 am, 9:00 am (livestream)

#### SATURDAY

9:00 am (livestream)

### EVENING MASSES

1525 Sand Hill Rd, Hummelstown PA

#### SATURDAY & SUNDAY

5:00 pm

### CONFESSIONS

359 W Areba Ave, Hershey PA

Wednesdays: 5:00-5:30 pm

Saturdays: 3:00-4:00 pm

## ✠ THE CENTENNIAL PROJECT

Enrollment registration numbers at the new St. Joan of Arc School have skyrocketed for the Fall 2021 semester. This year there are 405 students in the school. Next year, we project close to 500 students—a nearly 20% increase. We have enough room to accommodate the current increase, but continued growth will require renovation of the additional space available on the third floor.

How can you help?

- Be an ambassador—communicate our strengths at work and in your social circles:
  - St. Joan is a loving, caring environment that develops the spiritual and the social well-being of the individual in concert with academic excellence.
  - St. Joan has been able to maintain in-person learning. In-school education has been demonstrated as the optimal environment for scholastic performance.
  - St. Joan is a Nationally Recognized Blue Ribbon School with S.T.E.M. Certification.
- Share our vision:
  - Our children need an internal compass to navigate their future. A Christ-centered education equips them with the proper tools.
  - Our school is thriving as other schools struggle to remain open.
  - St. Joan is rapidly becoming one of the largest Pre-K to 8 Diocesan schools with plenty of room to grow.
- Advocate for financial support:
  - A tax deductible gift is an investment in our children’s future.
  - Business owners can offset certain tax liabilities by donating scholarships to St. Joan of Arc through participation in programs such as PA Educational Improvement Tax Credits or Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credits.
  - Encourage contributions directly to the Centennial Project 2020 and highlight recognition programs such as our naming opportunities.
  - Pledging over time in manageable installments enables a larger gift.
  - Every gift is important in meeting our goal.

Thank you for supporting St. Joan of Arc School.  
 For more information, please visit our website:  
[www.stjoanhershey.org/thecentennialproject.html](http://www.stjoanhershey.org/thecentennialproject.html)



## PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of our parish, in your prayers: **Mort Kayser, Mary Beth Sheehan, Barbara Kayser, Jeff & Lori Sotack, Rose Zaccagnini, Bill Lutz, Joanne Mathianas, Joe Spandra, Susan Ann Marone, Pat Nestico, and Muside “Mary” Rende & Family, Audrey J Devine.**

## ✠ ALTAR FLOWERS

### Respect Life Rose 1

In Celebration and Thanksgiving for the life of our grandson Johnny on his 23rd birthday from Susan & Don.

### AVAILABLE DATES

Dates are available in April, May, and June to memorialize or dedicate for a loved one. Please call the parish office (717) 533-7168.



## STEWARDSHIP

*We Are A Tithing Parish Following God’s Plan For Giving*

**Weekly Tithing:** \$28,426  
**Weekly Budget:** \$26,442  
**Weekly Heart of the Parish:** \$2,288

*Week of April 4, 2021*

**Aid to Catholic Church :** \$7,433  
**Propagation of the Faith :** \$5,363  
**Poor Missions:** \$2,387  
**Catholic Relief Services :** \$18,570  
**Ash Wednesday:** \$8,135

## *With Much Gratitude...*

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

**RE/MAX REALTY PROFESSIONALS INC.**





## MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

### MONDAY, APRIL 19

Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

6:45 AM Carl Robinson

9:00 AM Daniel McCarthy

### TUESDAY, APRIL 20

Acts 7:51—8:1a; Jn 6:30-35

6:45 AM Ruth Tierney

9:00 AM Special Intention for Lorraine Sorrentini

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21: SAINT ANSELM, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

6:45 AM Robert McCarthy

9:00 AM Gemma Rose Macchioni

### THURSDAY, APRIL 22

Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

6:45 AM Anna Collura

9:00 AM Laurence O. & Doris C. Demers

### FRIDAY, APRIL 23: SAINT GEORGE, MARTYR; SAINT ADALBERT, BISHOP AND MARTYR

Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

6:45 AM Eileen O'Loughlin

9:00 AM Alex Hourri

### SATURDAY, APRIL 24: SAINT FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN, PRIEST AND MARTYR

Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

9:00 AM Francesco & Filomena Principe

5:00 PM Betty Charowsky

### SUNDAY, APRIL 25:

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jesus is the "stone rejected by the builders which has become the cornerstone." He is the good shepherd who laid down his life for us. Through his paschal mystery we have become children of God.*

Acts 4:8-12; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

7:30 AM Edward Yezioro

9:30 AM Beth Frola

11:30 AM Anthony Bosak

5:00 PM People of the Parish

## ✠ YOUTH NEWS

### Life Teen (High School)

*Life Teen will meet in person (in the parish social hall or outside depending on the weather). Everyone will be required to wear a mask and practice a safe physical distance. We ask that teens who have been around anyone with COVID-19 or have any symptoms to stay home and check in with their family physician. Also, if you have recently traveled outside of the Hershey area, we ask you stay home for at least a two week quarantine period. While we want to continue to minister to the teens, we also most importantly want to keep everyone safe. Thank you for understanding.*

**This Week:** "The Road to Emmaus"-Next week we will take a look the story of the Road to Emmaus in Luke 24. We will meet outside of the youth room so bring a lawn chair and a Bible. If you don't have a Bible, I'll have one for you.

**Next Week:** "What Happens Next?"-Next week we will take a Scriptural look at the life of the Apostles up to Pentecost following the Resurrection of Jesus. We will meet outside of the youth room so bring a lawn chair and a Bible. If you don't have a Bible, I'll have one for you. Also, if the weather is not great, we will meet in the parish social hall.

#### 2021 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

*April 25* "What Happens Next" A look at the Apostles life following the Resurrection.

*May 2* "Senior Night"  
We celebrate the Class of 2021.

*May 9* No Life Teen-Happy Mothers Day

*May 16* Picnic-Bring a lawn chair and your friends.

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### EDGE (Middle School)

EDGE is for all 6-8th graders and meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month from 7:00-8:15 pm via Zoom. EDGE meets next on April 21, as we take a look at the life of Jesus following the Resurrection.

The last EDGE of the school year will be in-person on May 5 outside of the youth room.

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## ✠ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### Hanging Basket Flower Sale

The Knights are selling hanging 10" baskets for Mother's Day in support of the charitable works of the council. We are offering eight (8) different varieties. Choose from: Begonia (tuberous), Geranium, Boston Fern, Calibrachoa, Fuschia, Ivy Geranium, New Guinea Impatiens, and Petunia. Order by April 25 and pick up the weekend of May 9.

To reserve your baskets, contact a Knight of the Parish, visit our website [www.kofc6693.org](http://www.kofc6693.org), or call (717) 500-1398

### Monthly Food Collection

The Knights of Columbus monthly food/money collection will take place on the last full weekend of each month at the Saturday evening and Sunday Masses effective March through November 2021. All proceeds benefit the Hershey Food Bank. We have had great success in the past and appreciate your kind food and money donations.

## ✠ CCW

### Tuesday Prayer

The ladies of the CCW will gather Tuesdays at 3:00 pm in the church to pray the Prayer of the Faithful, Divine Mercy Chaplet, as well as private prayers for all our parishioners. We invite other ministries to join us as we gather weekly to pray for those touched by COVID-19, as well as other illnesses. Feel free to join us.

### Scholarship Opportunity

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to a Catholic Senior Girl for her freshman year at an accredited college, university, or trade school. Applicants must be:

- sponsored by a Mother or Grandmother/Guardian who is a member of a Parish CCW
- a resident of the Harrisburg Diocese
- meet all conditions established by the Scholarship committee.

The application deadline is May 1. Anyone interested in applying should contact your Parish CCW President for an application or Joyce Scott, Scholarship Chair.

Contact:  Joyce Scott [joynbob10@aol.com](mailto:joynbob10@aol.com)

 (717) 737-0927

## ✠ MINISTRY NEWS

### Respect Life

*"God has wisely disposed natural laws and rhythms of fecundity which, of themselves, cause a separation in the succession of births. Nonetheless the Church, calling men back to the observance of the norms of the natural law, as interpreted by their constant doctrine, teaches that each and every marriage act (quilibet matrimonii usus) must remain open to the transmission of life."*



- On the Regulation of Birth (Humana Vitae), no. 11

### Road to Kindness

When we are Kind to another person, it has the ability to lift them up. Can you remember the last time you did something Kind for another person. What did you see? Did they smile? Did you hear them say thank you? You may be the only person that has ever done a Kind Act for that person.

Life is about lifting up as many people as we can. So, today we want to share a Daily Motivation from Ralph Marston:

*"Lift up the Lives Around You!"*

Your most rewarding goal is not to always win at any cost.

Your most rewarding goal is to develop and maintain a world where as many people as possible can win.

Success is not an isolated phenomenon.

Though success is built through individual effort, the greatest successes are those that encompass and benefit the most individuals.

Seek always to succeed in ways that inspire and enable many others to succeed.

Lift up the lives around you, for that is the most dependable and fulfilling way to lift your own life as well.



By following God's Way – "The Road to Kindness," we can lift up the lives around us. Have a wonderful week filled with Kindness!

✦ HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

**50th Wedding Anniversary Mass**

Were you married in 1971? In honor of your 50th Wedding Anniversary, there will be a special Mass and reception on Sunday, July 11, 2021, at 2:00 pm at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill. Bishop Ronald W. Gainer will be the celebrant.



To receive an invitation, please contact the parish office.

✦ HERSHEY PARK TICKETS

**Hersheypark Discount Ticket Offer**

Discount tickets to Hersheypark are available to friends and families of the parish at a significant savings. Orders and payment must be received at the Parish Office by Wednesday, April 28.

Gate admission is normally \$75.80 (All ages 3+); our price is \$40.95 (All ages 3+). Hersheypark Meal Tickets are at a savings of up to 10% off retail prices-\$12.99 each and Snack Vouchers (Not available at the Park) \$4.50 each. Tickets purchased in 2021 are valid for any single day of operation throughout the 2021 calendar year, expiring on the final day of operations, January 2, 2022. Forms are available at the parish office or in the online bulletin.

✦ NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

**To report suspected abuse of a minor, please follow these two steps:**

**1**

Call the toll-free PA Child Abuse Hotline at **1-800-932-0313**

**2**

Report suspected abuse of a minor by a church official, employee or volunteer by calling the diocesan toll-free hotline at **1-800-626-1608**

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU REPORT SUSPECTED ABUSE WITH BOTH LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE DIOCESE.

Email: [ReportAbuse@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:ReportAbuse@hbgdiocese.org)

Diocese of Harrisburg Youth Protection Program [www.YouthProtectionHBG.com](http://www.YouthProtectionHBG.com)

✦ DONATIONS NEEDED

**Life Teen and EDGE**

Life Teen and EDGE are looking for donations of water, juice, soda, and snacks for our youth ministry gatherings. Anything would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the parish office.

✦ ADULT FAITH

**Young Adults (21-39)**

Calling all young adults between the ages of 21-39, married or single! We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month from 7:00-8:00 pm via Zoom. Young Adults will gather next on April 28 as we continue our study of the “Gospel of St. Mark.” We do not have Young Adults on April 14th.

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✦ HOLY FAMILY RADIO 720 AM

**Spring Fundraisers**

It’s spring and Holy Family Radio is busily preparing for several events. Our annual Spring Pledge Drive began April 15 and lasts through May 14. Please consider supporting the only Catholic radio station in our Diocese.



On May 11 at 7 p.m., we invite you to join us for FAITH RENEWED, our first virtual fundraiser. Join us as we hear from Bishop Ronald Gainer, Msgr. William King, and our main speaker, Father John Trigilio of Mount Saint Mary’s Seminary in Maryland. This event replaces our annual dinner and it’s not to be missed. An on-line auction will immediately follow the presentation and include themed baskets, dinner-theatre tickets, and other special items.

Please support Holy Family Radio 720 AM through your participation and generosity for all events. Purchase \$25 tickets to FAITH RENEWED at [720whyf.com](http://720whyf.com). Pledge Drive donations may be sent to Holy Family Radio, Inc, P.O. Box 6028, Lancaster, PA 17607-6028.

For more information, call (717) 525-8110. Thank you for your generosity.