ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH 359 West Areba Ave, Hershey, PA 17033

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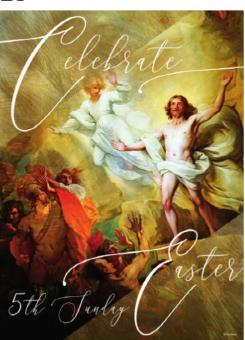
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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 5:00 pm

SUNDAY MASS 7:30 am 9:30 am (livestreamed) 11:30 am 5:00 pm

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday 6:45 am & 9:00 am (*livestreamed*) Saturday 9:00 am (livestreamed)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 5:00-5:30 pm Saturday 4:00-4:45 pm



May is the season for First Holy Communions, Mother's Day, Ordinations, Baccalaureates and Graduations. Keep the following in your prayers:

• This weekend, we had First Holy Communion at Saint Joan of Arc. Keep our little ones and their families in prayer as they make this big step in their life as Catholic Christians. I remember



my First Holy Communion fondly and have no doubt that regular attendance at Sunday Mass was the main thing that helped me take being a Christian seriously.



 Mother's Day is Sunday, May 14 this year. I know that many mothers' only wish is for their children to bring them to church and practice the faith. Let's fulfill our mothers' wishes!

- Diaconate Ordination will take place at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday, May 20 and Priestly Ordinations will be held at the Cathedral on Saturday, June 3. Deacon Dozy will be ordained a priest. He will celebrate a Mass here at Saint Joan's on Sunday, June 11 at the 9:30 Mass. A reception in the Social Hall will follow. Mark your calendars.
- Graduations will take place for all the students in our parish during this month. Let us pray for



our graduates that they may have good and holy and successful lives.



And, of course, weddings begin this month. We have many weddings here at Saint Joan of Arc. May their marriages be happy and holy and filled with God's many blessings!

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PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of our parish, in your prayers: Wyatt Bartley, Thomas Ring, Edward Lewis, Maggie Wetherhold, Steven Wright, Elizabeth Sauthoff, Sarah Stromberg, Kathleen Weiss, Bob DeAngelis, Andy DeBroeck, Gloria J. Venezia, Magda Trabuco, Pat Cusack, Maggie & Dave Dull, Diane Holubek, Christopher Jordan, Fred Bender, Barbara Kayser and Mary Beth Sheehan.

Call the parish office to add a name to the prayer list. Reminder: Names will remain on the list for six weeks.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Respect Life Rose In Loving Memory of Alvaro, Mary and Thomas Bianchini from the Family



Sensory Friendly Mass

A mass for persons with sensory sensitivity or other disabilities will be held on **May 14** at 2:00 pm. Dimmer lighting, no music, and a shorter homily, among other adaptations, are included in this Mass to promote a fully inclusive environment. Every effort will be made to accommodate all in attendance, and all behaviors are welcome. Families are encouraged to bring materials that can assist with comfort during the liturgy (i.e. noisecanceling headphones, wiggle seats, weighted blankets, fidgets, etc.) For more information, contact the Parish Office at (717) 533-7168.

St. Joan of Arc School Enrollment is NOW OPEN!

Visit: http://school.stjoanhershey.org

or call the school at (717) 533-2854, ask for the Office of Development, Mrs. Deb Rizzotto.

St. Joan of Arc School STEM summer camp registration is NOW OPEN!



Please visit the school website or scan the QR code to register.

SCHOOL EVENT TABLES NEEDED

If you would like to donate money toward tables for the school, that would be a great help. See the link below. We need 10 tables at \$94.99. Any donation will be greatly appreciated. Just send it in an envelope marked "Tables" with Deb's name on it, or send her an email at drizzotto@stjoanhershey.org Thank you so much!

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View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com



MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, MAY 8:

Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26

6:45 AM Bertha Pianis 9:00 AM Chris Rogers

TUESDAY, MAY 9:

Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

6:45 AM Silvio "Zack" Zaccagnini

9:00 AM Claudio & Maria Rossi

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10:

FEAST OF SAINT JOHN OF AVILA, PRIEST AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, AND ST DAMIEN OF MOLOKAI, PRIEST

Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8

6:45 AM Charles F. McElwee 9:00 AM Richard, Lois and Thomas Deiling

THURSDAY, MAY 11:

Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

6:45 ам	Dr. Rodrigue Mortel
9:00 am	Janet Polto

FRIDAY, MAY 12:

FEAST OF SAINTS NEREUS AND ACHILLEUS, MARTYRS, AND SAINT PANCRAS, MARTYR

Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

6:45 AM Kenneth Joseph Ettel 9:00 AM Alvaro Bianchini

SATURDAY, MAY 13:

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

9:00 AM Harold Fogarty 5:00 PM William & Doris Anselmi

SUNDAY, MAY 14:

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The people of Samaria come to worship the Lord and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is the same Spirit who leads us into the truth. In the body, Jesus was put to death; in the Spirit, he was raised to life. We are called to this same glory.

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

7:30 ам	Deceased Members of the Polto and
	Scamuffa Families

- 9:30 AM Amador Vivencio Roberto Ferran and Rosalina Adelaida Hechevarria Cantillo
- 11:30 AM Joan Spandra
- 5:00 PM People of the Parish

YOUTH NEWS

Life Teen: Leading Teens Closer to Christ

This Week: "Mother Mary"-We will explore the dogmas and doctrines of the Blessed Virgin Mary from a biblical perspective. Please bring a Bible or one will be provided.

Next Week: No Life Teen next week! Happy Mother's Day to all moms and moms to be.



2023 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

May 14 May 21	No Life Teen-Happy Mother's Day Life Teen-End of school celebration!
May 21 May 28	No Life Teen-Happy Memorial Day!
June 4	No Life Teen



EDGE (Middle School): EDGE meets next on May 17 as we close out the school year with a party and celebration. Thank you for another great year! All 6-8th graders are welcome. We meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month.

Donations Always Appreciated: Donations of single-serve water, juice, soda, and snacks for our youth ministry gatherings are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the parish office. Thank you! **()** John Triscik: jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org

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YOUNG ADULT FAITH

Calling **Young Adults** between the ages of 21-39, married or single! We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 7:00-8:15 pm in the Youth Room. Young Adults will gather next on **May 10** as we continue our study on the *Acts of the Apostles*, chapters 5-7. **()** John Triscik: jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org

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VOCATIONS CORNER

"How can we know the way?" Jesus shows us the way. Believe and he will do great works in you.

If God may be calling you to be a priest, deacon or consecrated religious, visit our website at www.hbgdiocese.org, or

Contact Fr. Jonathan Sawicki, Vocation Director: frjsawicki@hbgdiocese.org or (717) 657-4804 Ext. 282



The Vocation Cross will be in the home of: Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Wolf: May 14-21 The Harbaugh Family: May 21-28 Consider being a part of the Vocation Cross Rotation, call the Parish office for details.

MINISTRY NEWS

CCW

On Thursday, **May 11** at 6:00 pm the CCW will hold its covered dish (bring a dish to share) social in our lovely parish social hall. All women of the parish are welcome.

Contact Ruth Zemba at sjaccw@stjoanhershey.org with any questions.

Areba Club

The Areba Club will meet on Tuesday, **May 16** for a Hershey Trolley Ride. We will meet at SJA promptly at 12:30 pm. Reservations are required for this event. On our return, light refreshments will be served in the social hall. **Please contact Yvonne Martin at (717) 838-1535 with any questions**.

St. Michael's Guard

St. Michael's Guard is seeking courageous adult men to join us and stand guard at the Holy Altar of the Lord. No prior altar serving experience is necessary.



For more information, please contact John Shiffler (717) 395-8004, <u>john@stmichaelsguard.com</u>

Building a Culture of Life

"The new evangelization calls for followers of Christ who are unconditionally prolife: who will acclaim, celebrate and serve the Gospel of life in every situation. A sign of hope is the increasing recognition that the dignity of human life must never be taken away, even in the case of someone who has done great evil." -**Pope John Paul II**

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 1:00-3:00 pm in Room 314. Join us to knit or crochet prayer shawls and lap robes. No experience necessary! We are happy to teach beginners. Please contact Norberta (Bert) Curran at (302) 228-9735 or Kathy Palmer at (717) 566-1481 with any questions.



Hershey Food Bank & Monetary Collection

Thank you for your support. The next collection will take place this weekend **May 6 & 7**.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Hanging Basket Flower Sale

- Pickup May 13, starting at 4:00 pm in the Parish Social Hall.
- Pickup on May 14, before and after all Masses in the Parish Social Hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



MORNINGSTAR Donation & Cash Collection On **May 13 & 14** before all masses, the Knights will collect:

- size 5 & 6 diapers
- baby socks
- bottle wash
- baby shampoo
- diaper rash cream
- girl/boy summer outfits, size 9mths.-2T

Any questions, contact Neil Ott at (928) 230-1620.

Grief Companion Support Group Social

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? Please join us in the Parish Office on Wednesday, **May 17** from 6:30-8:00 pm for coffee and companionship. All are welcome. **No RSVP required. For more information, call or text Christine Stickler at (717) 514-2560**.



Road to Kindness

This week, let's keep all our nurses and caregivers close at heart as we say this prayer:

Lord God,

By your grace, fill the hearts of every caregiver and grant their souls the kindness and compassion required in their line of work. Let your mercy and wisdom teach them the great importance of their profession. Despite all the challenges, help them serve with a compassionate heart. May the work of every caregiver help others feel loved and harbor no feelings of anxiety or despair. In all these prayers for caregivers, I pray, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

(taken from Inspirational Prayers for Caregivers at www.biblekeeper.com)

This is God's Way – The Road to Kindness. Have a week filled with Kindness!

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

DR. PAUL EICHMAN



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CENTENNIAL PROJECT

Financial Recap Through May 1, 2023

2019 Campaign Kickoff Pledges/ Gifts	\$2,885,000
Receipts	\$2,755,000
% Collected	95.5%
Third Floor Initiative Oct 2021 (Goal)	\$1,950,000
Commitments to Date	\$1,752,000
Receipts	\$1,574,000
% Collected	89.8%
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\$198.000 Additional Funds to Meet 3rd Fl Goal **Pledges Outstanding** \$308,000

Notes:

- The project cost for the Phase II of the third-floor renovation is approximately \$975,000.
- There is \$1,186,000 in the Capital Campaign Savings Account.
- We have collected 95% of the commitments from our original campaign starting in April 2019-balance is \$130.000.
- We have collected 89% of the commitments from our 3rd floor initiative starting in October 2021-balance is \$178,000.

We are in the home stretch of our campaign. The Centennial Project is still in need of \$198,000 in new gifts and pledges in order to circumvent additional borrowing for the last phase of construction in 2024-the completion of the Chapel. After consultation with the diocese, and out of an abundance of caution, we have capped borrowing and are maintaining a minimum savings balance to cushion any future bumps in economic conditions. Looking at our pledge balance of \$308,000, it is also very evident that we are dependent on them being satisfied. It is never too late to work on your intended gift! Lastly, for those of you who are able, please prayerfully consider an additional donation, as have so many of our benevolent parishioners.

Thank you for all you do!

You are invited to watch a three and a half-minute video that captures the vibrancy of the new school:

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=7Sm0ELXDZhk

You can also enjoy a virtual tour of the 3rd floor expansion at: https://youtu.be/S0zANsm3Xvo





For Online Giving made easy, scan QR code:



The 49th Annual Festival Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, May 10 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center-Sister Rossello Room to finalize plans for the festival.

Any questions, contact Karen at karencwilley@gmail.com.

Festival Jewelry Committee

We are currently accepting jewelry donations. Please bring your "treasures" to the parish office. Any questions or desire to work with the committee, contact Aura at (717) 503-1889.

Contributions for the Silent Auction and Basket Raffle

The festival's past success has come from the generosity of ministries, individuals, companies, and organizations in our community who graciously donate items, gift cards, services, and monetary gifts. We hope we can count on your donation, please drop off or mail to:

St. Joan of Arc Parish Office 305 W. Areba Avenue, Hershey, 17033 You can also contact us at makingbear1@gmail.com to make arrangements to pick up your donation. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Fun Festival Fact

Did you know that we sold out of ice cream last year? We have 3 varieties of scooped ice cream each night!



For more information: Visit www.SJA Festival.com

How to win a prize: Grab a form in the back of the church that will have questions regarding all the fun facts that are published. Drop off your completed form at the festival. You must fill out the form in its entirety and be correct in your answers to win. Several winners will be chosen each night.

Any questions, contact Katie & Stephen Katsch at kkatsch1019@gmail.com

Sign up to Volunteer! Scan the **OR code**

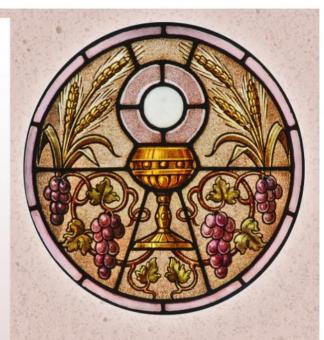
Sign up to volunteer \sim https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/60b0a45aeaa2ba6fb6-stjoan Or use your phone to scan the QR code. All are welcome and no experience is necessary!



God Bless our First Communicants

Charlotte Andrews Ariella Aprile Mavis Backenstose Grace Bair Henry Balchune Katelyn Beeghley Layla Blauch-Donato Matthew Bonavia Paul Bromfield Brandon Conlow Grace Corr Lae-Ani Corredor Brynn Crozier Sidney Davis **Kiptyn Diem** Luke Doan Paul Dodds Anders Donaldson Nora Dummeyer Kamsorochi Ebiringa-Chika Johan Garcia Ava Ehlenberger Adisyn Gardepe Callen Gerhard Jack Grob Hannah Hiester Austin Kelly Calum Keogh Hannah Kopp Scarlett Kosters Natha Kucera Kyle Leshko Keagan Lindsey Gia Marella Anna Martin Dominic Martinez Connor McNamara Teagan Medvidik Margaret Millner Margaret Munyon

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Congratulations to those who received their First Holy Communion on May 6, 2023.





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