

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

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NOVEMBER 19, 2023

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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



Happy Thanksgiving

Lord, we thank you
for the goodness of our people
and for the spirit of justice
that fills this nation.
We thank you for the beauty and

We thank you for the beauty and fullness of the land and the many blessings we have in this country.

We thank you for our work and our rest, for one another, and for our homes.

We thank you, Lord:
accept our thanksgiving on this day.
We pray and give thanks through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Happy Thanksgiving!



SENDING OUR CONDOLENCES

Please pray for the soul of *Marie Ouly* who died recently. The parish community of St. Joan of Arc extends our deepest sympathy to her family and friends on their loss.

Parishioner Milestones - Eternal Life

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of our parish in your prayers: Michael Fleming, Julie Fogarty, Anne Severs, Barb McCarthy, Elizabeth Sauthoff, Joe Zugay, Kathleen Weiss, Christine Brunn, Maggie & Dave Dull, 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

Saint Joseph and Blessed Mother

In Thanksgiving for a blessing received Milton & Edna Brice



In observation of Thanksgiving, the Parish Office will close on Wednesday, November 22 at 12:00 and will reopen on Tuesday, November 28.

Happy Thanksgiving!



Sign up for the Thanksgiving Celebration here at Saint Joan of Arc on **Thursday, November 23** at noon in the Parish Social hall. Turkey, mashed potatoes and stuffing will be provided. Call the parish office to **RSVP** and let us know what dish you are bringing to share. If you would like to volunteer, call and give your name at the parish office as well. And please remember that all are invited!





MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

Monday, November 20:

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43

6:45 AM Kenneth Hahn

9:00 AM Joe Kunetz and Nucci Families

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21:

MEMORIAL OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10

6:45 AM Robert Bernardi

9:00 AM Vincent Chaverini

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT CECILIA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28

6:45 AM Anthony Nestico

9:00 AM Amelia Verrazzani

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23: THANKSGIVING DAY MEMORIAL OF SAINT CLEMENT I, POPE AND MARTYR; ST COLUMBAN, ABBOT; BLESSED MIGUEL AUSTIN PRO, PRIEST & MARTYR

Sir 50:22-24: 1 Cor 1:3-9: Lk 17:11-19

9:00 AM Estenio Rossi

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT ANDREW DUNG-LAC, PRIEST AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11d-12a,

12cd; Lk 19:45-48 6:45 AM Donald Fox

0.00

9:00 AM Marlene Poblick

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40

9:00 AM Thomas Bianchini

5:00 PM Joseph Kury

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26:

THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The Lord is our shepherd. At the end, at his coming, he will hand over the kingdom to his Father. He will "judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats", between those who have lived lives for others and those who have lived for themselves.

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

7:30 AM Timothy Ford

9:30 AM All Souls

11:30 AM Deceased Members of the

Szemborski Family

5:00 PM People of the Parish

YOUTH NEWS

Life Teen: Leading Teens Closer to Christ

This Week: "Receipts"-We will wrestle with the perceived contradictions in Scripture and provide tools for us to process and understand God's goodness through His Word.

Next Week: No Life Teen-Have a blessed Thanksgiving with your family and friends. Life Teen will return on December 3rd.

2023 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

Nov 26 No Life Teen-Have a blessed Thanksgiving

Dec 3 Life Teen-"Link in Bio"

Dec 10 Life Teen-"White Elephant Gift Exchange"
Dec 17 Reconciliation Service-We join the parish for

the Advent Reconciliation Service.

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!

EDGE (Middle School): Invite your friends for a fun night. We will meet next on December 6 & 20. All 6-8th graders are welcome to join us on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month in the Youth Room from 7-8:15 pm.



Life Teen Band: If you enjoy the type of music at the 5pm Sunday mass and can sing, Life Teen music ministry is seeking a female vocalist. The band rehearses one night a week and you must at least be a freshman in high school. **Interested or questions, contact Greg Rozman at (717)** 571-8066 or email rozman@roz-man.com.

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 **December 13** for the annual White Elephant Gift Exchange. Bring a wrapped gift of not more than \$10 to share with the group.

1 John Triscik: jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org

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VOCATIONS CORNER



The Vocation Cross will be in the home of: Dr. & Mrs. Robert Hamilton: Nov. 26-Dec.3 Mr. & Mrs. Ed Gliot: Dec. 3-10

What are your God-given talents? Help them to grow by sharing them with others. Discover the joy of service in ministry.

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

Contact Fr. Joshua Weaver, Vocation Director: frjweaver@hbgdiocese.org or (717) 657-4804 Ext. 282

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 8th by 3:00 pm.

Note: Please Print Clearly No Phone Calls

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



2023 DIOCESAN ANNUAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

DAC is in the final quarter of its race to a wrap-up in January 2024. As of October 31, 2023, St. Joan of Arc Parish receipts have reached \$202,000 versus our diocesan assessment of \$281,490. Thank you to all who have contributed.

The overall Diocesan goal is \$7,339,815 for all eightynine of its parishes.

8% of the DAC is judiciously used for administration. It includes consolidation of vital functions such as payroll processing, benefit management, IT service/support, capital planning & approval, and banking services for 89 parishes and 35 schools across 15 counties. That is an enormous savings for the local parishes versus each of them having to handle it on their own.

The remaining 92% of the DAC is allocated to programs:

- DAC provides 8% of Catholic Charities program funding which directly impacts the local community with critical programs for the needy.
- 23% of the DAC receipts fund Youth programs, Multicultural ministries, College campus ministries, respect life, and communications.
- 19% is allocated to the Youth Protection Program, continuing education, and formation for clergy and religious, parish records, and Tribunal support.
- 15% supports religious education programs in the parish & diocesan schools as well as scouting.
- 15% funds the retirement center, supplemental medical coverage, and the Bishop's office.
- The remaining 12% funds the critical function of vocations and formation of our young men as seminarians, deacons, and priests.

Statistics to date from the Diocese reveal that from our parish there have been 403 donations of an average of \$503 representing 17% of Households. Every year, at this time of year, people struggle to find meaningful gifts. This Holiday Season please consider tax deductible gifts in honor of your loved ones to your favorite charity. It would be wonderful if on that list you included the DAC. A gift to DAC has a doubling effect. It not only supports worthy programs, but also it offsets the parish's assessment, meaning more funds are freed up in our budget for needs within our parish. Enjoy the holidays and Holy Days and thank you for your generosity.

HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

MORTEL

HIGH HOPES FOR HAITI

FOUNDATION



Come join us for a "Celebration of Hope, Past-Present-Future" hosted by the Mortel High Hopes for Haiti Foundation on **December 2** from **6-9pm at the Englewood** in Hershey.

Enjoy a delicious dinner with wine and beer, a cash bar, dancing, silent auction, and raffle. Learn more about how Dr. Mortel's mission and the schools he built continue to provide an oasis of hope in the midst of chaos for both children and adults on what would have been his 90th birthday!

Purchase tickets (\$100/person) by **November 22** at https:highhopesforhaiti.org/event/celebration-of-hope/.

Any questions, Contact:

Cecile Mortel at <u>cecilemortel@verizon.net</u> or Pat Mooney at <u>pmooney@mortelhhh.org</u>.



Tired from shopping on Black Friday? Let us make you breakfast! The Bishop McDevitt Swimming and Diving Team is holding an All You Can Eat Pancake

Breakfast on **Saturday, November 25** in the Bishop McDevitt High School cafeteria. Cost is \$10 for ages 12 and older, \$5 for ages 6 to 11, and Free for ages 5 and under. The breakfast runs from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM. All proceeds benefit the Swimming and Diving Team directly. Thank you in advance for your support. For tickets or questions, please contact us at swimming@bishopmcdevitt.org.

Charismatic Healing Mass-St. Theresa's

The next Charismatic Mass with prayers for healing will be held on Tuesday, **December 5** at 7:00 pm at St. Theresa in New Cumberland. Rev. Matthew E. Cannon, Parochial Vicar will be the Celebrant. **For more information, call Mary Ann at (717) 512-3628 or Vicki at (717) 364-6260**.



The *CCW* greatly appreciates all the parishioners who supported our nut roll sale. Enjoy them for Thanksgiving!

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The St. Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Giving Tree Program 2023 is underway! The parishioners of St. Joan of Arc have been very generous in the past in creating a blessed Christmas for our neighbors in need.

Trees decorated with ornaments listing recipients and suggested gifts will be in the church starting

Saturday, November 25th.

If all the ornaments are taken before you have chosen one, you can make a donation to The Society of St. Vincent de Paul or the Hershey Food Bank and bring it to the Parish Center Library during the gift collection times listed below. You can also give electronically on the St. Joan of Arc online giving page under St. Vincent de Paul Giving Tree.

Gifts and donations with the ornament attached will be collected in the LIBRARY ONLY before and after Masses on Saturday, December 9 (5:00 pm Mass only) & until 1:00 pm on Sunday, December 10.

Please note we cannot collect gifts before and after the Sunday, Dec. 10th 5:00 Mass as the organizations pick up the gifts earlier in the day.

Gifts will be distributed to local families in need, Morningstar (pro-life pregnancy center), Catholic Worker House, and various Catholic Charities: Lourdes house (home for pregnant women and infants), Interfaith Shelter (homeless families), Foster Care (for children to be placed), Shalom House (shelter for abused women and children), Evergreen (substance abuse shelter), Our twinning St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Jamaica, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul at SJA and the Hershey Food Bank.

Thank you for your continued support.

We

STEWARDSHIP

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

Weekly Tithing: \$32,684 Weekly Budget: \$28,846

Weekly Heart of the Parish: \$2,608

Week of November 5, 2023





For Online Giving, Scan QR code:

Matthew 25 Collection: November 19

The Matthew 25 Collection allows the Diocese of Harrisburg to address the basic needs of food, shelter and clothing on a local level through food banks, soup kitchens and other parish-supported projects that assist those in need.

MINISTRY NEWS

Building a Culture of Life

"As believers, how can we fail to see that abortion, euthanasia and assisted suicide are a terrible rejection of God's gift of life and love? And as believers, how can we fail to feel the duty to surround the sick and those in distress with the warmth of our affection and the support that will help them always to embrace life?"

Pope John Paul II

Caelorum

Please join us in the Church at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, December 13. Father Key will preside. Join your Brothers and Sisters in Christ as we praise, worship and adore our Lord Jesus Christ in his most holy presence in the Eucharist. A reception will be held afterwards in the Library. If you have any questions, please call Lou at (717) 215-4175.

Road to Kindness

We want to wish everyone the very best for the Thanksgiving holiday. We are so very thankful for everyone in our parish and for the way that you have embraced our Kindness Program.



Thanksgiving is a special time for sharing. Let's share our time with our family, friends and those in need!

Many members from our parish have told us that they again plan to do a special family Kindness act this Thanksgiving.

We plan to share food with families in need and there are many that will not be able to celebrate Thanksgiving. We can make a difference just by helping one family.

Another activity that we all can do is, <u>Say a Prayer</u>. Pray for those that are struggling with an illness, challenged to find employment, lonely and sad because a loved one passed away, or just because you want to have blessings come upon those that need them.

Any Kindness that makes a difference, is what our world needs this Thanksgiving! Kindness can be contagious and that has been the mission of our Kindness Program.

Let your hearts be filled with Kindness this Thanksgiving!
Blessings to you! Have a wonderful Thanksgiving Day and a
week filled with Kindness!



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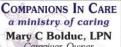
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