

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

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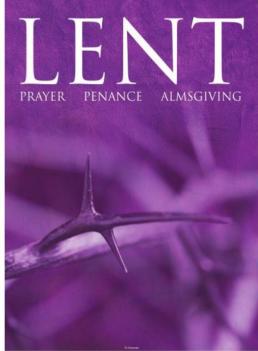
HOSPITAL EMERGENCIES CONVENT

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

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.

Mark 1:12,13



Another Lent is here! I am always inspired by the history of Lent and what our forebears in the Faith did as way of penance. Of course, it took centuries for the Season of Lent to develop into what it is today. In the early Church, a period of fasting and prayer took place a few days (around 40 hours) before the catechumens who were going to be fully initiated (baptized, confirmed, First Holy Communion) at the Easter Vigil. Later, this period of preparation was lengthened and not only did those who were coming into the Church make this Lenten retreat, so did baptized Christians who would renew their baptismal promises at Easter. The traditional penances of fasting, almsgiving and prayer were always a part of Lent, but it was the fasting that was highlighted, with various regulations surrounding it. Did you know that in different times in the Church's history, Lent meant no meat and no meat by-products (eggs, butter, milk, etc.) for the entirety of Lent! Our ancestors in the Faith were a strong bunch with an amazing sense of discipline. Were there failures? Of course, but there was something to be said for **all** Christians to be practicing the same penances at the same time! Maybe this year, all of us here at Saint Joan of Arc can make fasting a true part of our Lenten practice. It is good for the soul, good discipline, and those peanut butter Easter eggs taste so much better at Easter! Have a good Lent!

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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: Emily Ortiz Morales, Ken Schaffer, Jennifer Trostle, Bernie Ryan, Sheila Curley, Ann Cavanaugh, Julie Fogarty, Barb McCarthy, Elizabeth Sauthoff, Joe Zugay, Kathleen Weiss, Christine Brunn, Christopher Jordan, Fred Bender, Barbara Kayser and Mary Beth Sheehan.

PARISH SURVEY

DISCIPLE MAKER SURVEY LINK & QR CODE https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/ survey/b28p05



All are invited to join us for **Soup & Stations** on **Friday, March 1 &15**. We will gather in the parish Social Hall at 6:00 pm to enjoy a light fare of soup and bread. Father Key will offer a short presentation (March 1) and Stations of the Cross will follow at 7:00 pm in the church.



The Knights of Columbus are hosting the Parish Lenten Fish Frys on: **Friday, February 23, March 8 & 22** from 4:30–7:30 pm in the Parish Social Hall. *Dine in or Take out Menu Items:* Choice of : Baked Fish or Fried Fish, Choice of one: Fresh cut French Fries, Macaroni & Cheese or Pierogies Choice of: Applesauce or Coleslaw. Prices are: \$12.00 (2-pieces of fish) \$14.00 (3-pieces of fish)

Lenten Parish Penance Service Sunday, March 17 at 7:00 PM



The Parish Office will be closed on: Monday, February 19 in observance of Presidents' Day and reopen on Tuesday, February 20 for normal business hours.



MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

Monday, February 19:

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

6:45 AM Special Intentions for the birthday of Kim9:00 AM George "Louie" Pichini

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20:

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15 6:45 AM Cathy Lagunilla Beard 9:00 AM Florence Connelly Kollmar

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21:

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32 6:45 AM John Birli 9:00 AM Shirley Delinsky

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22:

FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER, APOSTLE 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

6:45 AM Theresa Brinthaupt 9:00 AM Richard P. Spagnolo

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23:

Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26 6:45 AM Joseph Michael O'Hara 9:00 AM Angelo Ortenzi

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24:

Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

9:00 AM Jeff Nadu 5:00 PM John & Margaret Welsh

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25:

Abraham offers the ultimate sacrifice of thanksgiving, the gift of his very son. This sacrifice prefigures the sacrifice of Jesus who died for us all. In his transfiguration, Jesus discloses a suffering messiahship.

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

- 7:30 AM Pete Bowman
- 9:30 AM People of the Parish
- 11:30 AM Joseph Clark
- 5:00 PM Clyde Gibson

PRAY THE ROSARY EVERY SUNDAY FOLLOWING 9:30 AM MASS

YOUTH NEWS

Life Teen: Leading Teens Closer to Christ

This Week: No Life Teen-Presidents Day Holiday Weekend

Next Week: "Seeing the Word"-Next week we begin our Lenten series on the life of Jesus. We will look to understand the lasting implications of the Incarnation so we may continue trust God more fully.

2024 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

- Feb 18 No Life Teen-Presidents Day Weekend
- *Feb 25* "Seeing the Word"-Lenten series on the life of Jesus
- *March 3* "Seeing the Kingdom"-Continue Lenten series with a look at Jesus' public ministry
- March 10 No Life Teen-Daylight Savings Time

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 February 21 & March 20. Edge will not meet March 6. 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 **February 28** as we begin our series on the Psalms. **① John Triscik:** jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org (717) 533-7168 Ext.128

VOCATIONS CORNER



The Vocation Cross will be in the home of: Jeanne McLamb: Feb. 25-Mar. 3 The Schnupp Family: March 3-10

Consider being a part of the Vocation Cross Rotation, call the Parish office for details.

"I establish My covenant with you."

Give Him the glory through your marriage. If in your listening to the Lord you are sensing the invitation to follow Christ as a priest, sister, or brother, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocations Office at

(717) 657-4804 or via email: <u>vocations@hbgdiocese.org</u>



JEWELRY

Celebrate SJA Festival's Golden 50th Anniversary by donating your old, new, gently worn (even broken) jewelry to add even more sparkle to this auspicious event! Drop off

your "treasures" at the church office. Consider joining the Jewelry Team, helping to sort, clean, price, repair, display and sell. **Call Aura with any questions; leave a message at** (717) 533-6317.

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Week of February 4, 2024





This past Sunday we welcomed Will Hazzard, Danielle Hazzard, Cooper Hazzard, Brandt Hazzard, Thomas Hoover, Betty Forrester and Karlee Deibler into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. Congratulations to the newest members of our parish.

HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

SJA Girl Scout Troops Easter Flower Sale:



Order forms at the back of church or at the Parish Office. Orders and payments due by **Wednesday**, **February 28**. Make check payable to Troop #10049. Pick up at Parish Social Hall on Saturday, March 23 from 9-11:00 am. **Any questions, contact Betty Roksandic at** (717) 648-8631 or b.roksandic@yahoo.com

Holy Spirit Church-Grief Support

Join a nondenominational support group at Holy spirit Church, 300 West Pine Street, Palmyra, PA beginning March 4 for ten weeks. For more information or to enroll, please contact Joe Dreiss, Ph.D. and Lisa Haus, MSW at griefsupport@hspalmyra.com.

"Tolton: From Slave to Priest" Production

Holy Trinity Catholic Church will host a live production at 7:00 pm **February 22**. Experience the inspiring journey of Father Augustus Tolton, born a slave, who defied racial prejudice to become the first African American Catholic priest. Father Tolton's cause for canonization has been presented to the Vatican and is moving forward quickly. The show is suitable for ages 10 and up. The event, which is sponsored by the Holy Trinity Holy Name Society, will be held at the church located at 409 Cherry St., Columbia. A free will offering will be available. **More info: http://toltondrama.com/**

Annual Lenten Morning of Reflection

All Catholic physicians, medical and law students, health care personnel, lawyers, judges, and paralegals are invited to the Annual Lenten Morning of Reflection sponsored by the Catholic Medical Guild and St Thomas More Legal Society; **Saturday Feb 24**, 8:30 - noon. Diocesan Center. **RSVP to kneri@hbgdiocese.org**

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- you to bless our diocese with selfless hearts that are willing to serve You, by serving Your Church. Lord Jesus raise up from our homes those called by the Father: courageous and humble men to the Priesthood, faithful people to Consecrated Life and holy men and women to the sacrament of Marriage. Holy Spirit, help us to live our universal vocation to holiness, by listening to the Father's voice and responding with a sacrificial love.
- Sponsored 11 Seminarians
- . Celebrated the ordination of 3 new priests and 4 new transitional deacons
- Provided psychological assessments for 2 new seminarians
- Welcomed 40 young men to the annual Quo Vadis Days Retreat at Mount St. Mary's Seminary
- Sent one seminarian for summer Spanish language studies in Mexico
- Visited multiple grade schools and all high schools within our Diocese to invite students to consider a religious vocation
- Welcomed over 60 high school students to "Visit a Seminary Day" during National Vocation Awareness Week
- Visited Catholic Campus Ministries at colleges within our Diocese to share a vocational invitation
- Made direct and unique contact with over 20 young men open and seriously discerning a priestly vocation

MINISTRY NEWS



Council of Catholic Women

Please contact our search committee listed below to join the board or be on a commission for the Council of Catholic Women:

- Pam Meinert: <u>pammeinert@gmail.com</u>
- Kathy Pantalone: <u>kapantalone@hotmail.com</u>
- Catharine Scott: <u>cmscott0987@gmail.com</u>
- Mauree Gingrich: <u>magingrich@verizon.net</u>

Grief Companion Support Group Coffee

Peace, joy and new years' blessings! Join us for fellowship, coffee and pastries on **Saturday**, **February 24** in the Parish Office from 10-noon. All are welcome. No RSVP needed, but please call in the event of inclement weather. For more information, call or text Christine Stickler at (717) 514-2560.

Areba Club

The Areba Club will meet on **Tuesday, February 20** at 1:00 pm in the Parish Social Hall for Game Day. Light refreshments will be served. **For more information, contact Yvonne Martin (717) 805-1068**.

Road to Kindness

The Lenten Season is the perfect time to reflect on God's love for us and to pass that love on!

To share a very special quote from Mother Teresa:

"God has created us so we do small things with great LOVE.

I believe that in great LOVE, that comes, or should come from the heart, should start at home;

with my family, my neighbors across the street, those right next door.

And this LOVE should then reach everyone."

We are excited to kick off our seventh annual Lenten Kindness Program with our children and teens in our School, REP, The Edge, and Life Teen classes and also our parish community. We are again providing a Lenten Kindness Activity Guide for the 40 Days of Lent! This guide starts on Ash Wednesday and will take us through to Easter Sunday. The guide is filled with Kindness Activities that you can do individually or as a family. The guide will be provided to each student and included on the St. Joan Parish website. Parents, please talk to your children about the Kindness Guide for these 40 Days of Lent. Please feel free to join them as they perform the daily Kindness Act. These Acts of Kindness can impact someone's life!! Let's all show our caring heart and make it the most beautiful Lenten Season. Let's all get inspired and share your Kindness with someone!! Enjoy this week and the beauty of the Lenten Season by bringing Kindness to every day and by following God's Way - "The Road to Kindness!"

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 or email: <u>john@stmichaelsguard.com</u>

Play & Pray Group

Interested in getting together with other Catholic moms to pray, chat, and share snacks while the kids play? We meet on Tuesdays as well as the first and second Saturdays of each month. For location of group meetings and more information, email: sjahersheyplayandpraygroup@gmail.com

Legion of Mary

Come join the Legion of our Blessed Mother. We visit the sick, nursing homes, hospitals, the homebound, children and anyone who needs our help. Sister Salvatoris is our Spiritual Advisor and helps us with our duties and Bible studies. We meet every Tuesday at 1:00 pm in Room 316. Any questions, contact Peggy Stapleton at (717) 838-9729.

1st and 3rd Saturday Prayer Ministry

All are invited to join us after the 5:00 pm Saturday evening Mass on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month. Our small prayer group will pray with any individual desiring physical and spiritual healing. **Any questions, contact Susan Susi at (717) 421-6338**.

Hershey Food Bank & Monetary Collection:

Next collection, March 2 & 3. Collections will be the first weekend of each month. Did you know? The Hershey food bank provides food, non-perishables, meats, dairy, breads and desserts, produce, including fruit, paper products, diapers, and personal care items to all registered clients. They select what they need, when they shop. Thank you for your support.



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