



Alleluia

"Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me."

John 14:21

SUNDAY

Of E A S T E R

ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

359 WEST AREBA AVE, HERSHEY, PA 17033

MAY 21, 2017

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM *Closed 12:00-1:00 PM
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CONVENT

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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, MAY 22: ST. RITA OF CASCIA

Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4a

6:45 AM Tony Pala
9:00 AM Rose Acchione

TUESDAY, MAY 23

Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

6:45 AM Special Intentions of Meghan Johnson
9:00 AM Michelle Willig

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15

6:45 AM Heart of the Parish & Church Memorials
9:00 AM Rubens Abutara
6:00 PM Frank Ferguson

THURSDAY, MAY 25: THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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

6:45 AM Special Intention for Dominick Maleszewski
9:00 AM Maggie Harris
7:00 PM People of the Parish

FRIDAY, MAY 26: ST. PHILIP NERI

Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

6:45 AM Phyllis Burkhart
9:00 AM Richard Spagnolo

SATURDAY, MAY 27: ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY

Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

9:00 AM Edward Stover, Jr.
5:15 PM Carol Williams

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 28TH

Readings: Acts 1:12-14; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a; or Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

Jesus, having completed the work of his Father, speaks of returning to him and of being glorified. As we share in Christ's glory, so too do we share in his suffering. We have nothing to fear, however, since the Lord is our refuge. In his name do we gather, attentive to the Spirit.

MASS INTENTIONS:

7:30 AM People of the Parish
9:00 AM Herman & Irene Rossi
10:30 AM James Saxton
12:00 PM Donna Daley
5:30 PM Anthony R. Bellezza



VOCATIONS:

“Those who love Me will keep my word.” Is your love for the Lord leading you to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? If you are considering this possibility, call Father Brian Wayne at 717-657-4804 or email: frbwayne@hbgdiocese.org.



In collaboration with the parish staff and others, I have made a decision regarding the naming of the new rooms to be used for parish activities and organizations beginning in September:

The former convent community room in the convent: The Monsignor Mayan Room (named after our longest serving pastor).

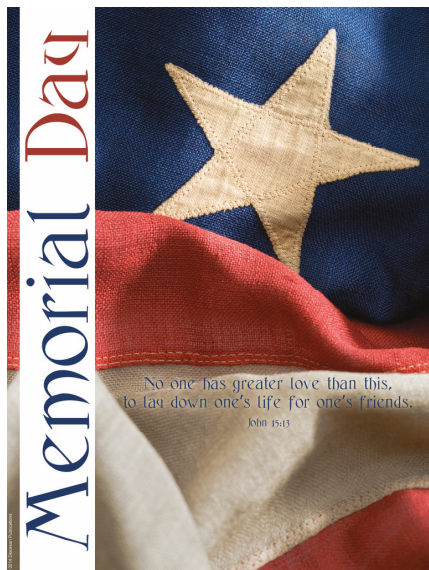
The former convent dining room: The Rossello Room (named after Saint Mary Joseph Rossello, the foundress of The Daughters of Our Lady of Mercy, whose congregation has served our parish almost since its founding).

The pastor's office, parochial vicar's office and workroom in the present Parish Office will be named after the saints closely connected with Saint Joan of Arc: The Saint Margaret Room; The Saint Catherine Room; and The Saint Michael the Archangel Room.

The present secretary's space in the parish office is still to be named. Any suggestions? Let me know.

In naming these rooms we honor our Patronal Saint as well as the men and women who served our parish here in Hershey for years! May their memory be blessed!

Father Al



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day.

Mass will be held at 9:00 am.



With Much Gratitude...

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

THE MORRISON ASSOCIATES OPTOMETRY

Liturgical Ministry Schedule for May 27 & 28, 2017

	5:15 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 Noon	5:30 PM
Lector	G. Duval	M. Spaeder	B. Williams	Sr. Salvatoris	C. Gassert	A. Raugh
EMHC	G. Kaiser	K. Willey	B. Frola	C. Evans	T. Mayan	L. Rogers
	M. Duval	C. Yakstis	J. Frola	J. Evans	M. Rothermel	M. Rogers
	J. Larkin	K. McCarthy	D. Morgan	C. Mortel	R. Meinert	K. Harbaugh
	P. Mooney		J. Pantalone	J. Phillippy		J. McGruder
Servers	C. Edwards	St. Michael's Guard	M. O'Hara	D. Bagatta	B. Seesholtz	A. Stinson
	M. Brooks		M. O'Hara	M. Bagatta	R. Abraham	T. Brown
	J. Larkin		S. O'Hara	L. Hamilton	T. Abraham	G. Harbaugh
MC	C. Larkin		D. O'Hara	L. Hamilton	M. Abraham	T. Harbaugh

Money Counters: J. Traini, J. Banks, T. Kilcoyne, J. Storm, D. Ryan, J. Thomas



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

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

Weekly Tithing: \$28,204
 Weekly Budget: \$28,462
 Year to Date Budget Variance: \$25,437
 Weekly Heart Of The Parish: \$1,521

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION:

Thursday, May 25th -
 The Ascension of the Lord



ASCENSION OF THE LORD

A Holy Day Of Obligation

WEDNESDAY: MAY 24, 6:00 pm

[Lector] K. Shovlin [MC] N. Silvis
 [EMHC] B. Hasson, J. Triscik, M. Wetherhold
 [Servers] J. Wilson, D. Bagatta, M. Bagatta

THURSDAY: MAY 25, 6:45 am

[Lector] E. Badman [MC] M. Abraham
 [EMHC] C. Eimer, J. Gusherowski, W. Lutz
 [Servers] A. Gusherowski, E. Gusherowski, L. Gusherowski

THURSDAY: MAY 25, 9:00 am

[Lector] School Children
 [EMHC] Sr. Eileen, Sr. Salvatoris, J. Nolan
 [Servers] School Children

THURSDAY: MAY 25, 7:00 pm

[Lector] R. Ruggerio [MC] Z. Rebarchak
 [EMHC] T. Crum-Ewing, L. Demers, V. Felice
 [Servers] M. Neves, M. Tice, C. Edwards

"Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen Him going into heaven."
 Acts 1:11



THE PILGRIM CROSS:

If you would like to take the Pilgrim Cross into your home for one week per year and pray for vocations, please call the parish office. The Pilgrim Cross will be in the home of:

Week of 5/22 - 5/29: Mary Lou Fox

Week of 5/29 - 6/5: The Tim Palmer Family

MASS ATTENDANCE: May 13 & 14					Total: 1914
5:15pm	7:30am	9:00am	10:30am	Noon	5:30pm
353	185	291	560	258	267

BISHOP'S ANNUAL LENTEN APPEAL UPDATE

Thank you to all who responded so generously to the Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal. Your support is greatly appreciated by myself and our Bishop, Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer.

Our assessment amount has not been reached and we still need \$28,694 to get there. By doing our part to give generously to those who are in need and are suffering, we continue to share Christ's love by supporting the mission of the Church through this year's Appeal. Please remember every dollar that we exceed our goal will be refunded to our parish.

Those who have not yet made a contribution to the Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal, particularly those who have given in the past, know there is still time to join with those who have given.

Father Al



Parish Goal: \$246,800
Total Pledges: \$218,106
Pledges Needed: \$28,694

**For more information or to make a pledge online, please visit our parish website.*



SUNDAY, MAY 21

- 1:00 PM Baptisms
- 1:30 PM Daisy & Brownie Scouts Bridging Ceremony [C]
- 6:30 PM Life Teen: End of Year Party!

MONDAY, MAY 22

- 9:45 AM Legion of Mary [LH]
- 3:00 PM Cadette Girl Scout Troop 11026 [MB]
- 3:00 PM Daisy & Brownie Scouts [L]
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop Meeting [C]
- 7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul [MA]
- 7:00 PM Monday Evening Bible Study [LH]

TUESDAY, MAY 23

- 9:30 AM Little Rock Script. Study [LH]
- 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry [LH]
- 6:30 PM Cub Scout Pack Meeting [C]
- 7:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting [MA]

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

- 7:15 AM Wednesday Morning Coffee [LH]
- 7:45 AM Gospel Reflection Group [LH]
- 5:00 PM Confessions
- 6:30 PM R.C.I.A. [LH]
- 5:00 PM Confessions
- 7:00 PM "I Thirst" Prayer Group

THURSDAY, MAY 25

Holy Day: The Ascension Of The Lord

FRIDAY, MAY 26

- 3:00 PM Junior Legion of Mary [LH]

SATURDAY, MAY 27

- 4:00 PM Confessions
- 6:15 PM Knights of Columbus Rosary

SUNDAY, MAY 28

- 1:00 PM Baptisms
- 6:30 PM **NO Life Teen!**

[C] Cafeteria [L] Library [G] Gymnasium [R] Rectory
 [LH] St. Lucy House [Y]: Youth Room (Meeting Room C)
 [MA] Meeting Room A [MB] Meeting Room B



The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of the parish, in your prayers:

Vincent Savini, David Liddy, Kaitlin Buser, Lily Carney, Ashley Tatangelo, Barry Boyer, Kevin Rakaszawski, Deborah Nizinski, Donna Marino, Rose Marie Smith, Terry McCracken, Steve McCracken, Kelly Velesaris, Meghan Johnson, Rodolfo Antonio, Robert Sheehan, Agnes Jaglas, Ronald Petrasic, Judy Czynnik, Terry L. Hand, Carol Merlot Knackstedt, Bradley Gill, Albert Mosser, Shirley Shiffler, John Hines, Daniel Jude Stuart, Robert Tennant, Gertrude Gurt.

*Reminder: Names will remain on this list for six weeks.

YOUTH NEWS

LIFE TEEN & EDGE...

LIFE TEEN *This Week: "End of the Year Party!"*
 It's been another great year with Life Teen and this year has truly been a blessing with having over 120 teens from 5 schools come during the year. Let's have some fun... I'm sure we'll have plenty of food and laughter.

Next Week: No Life Teen! Have a happy and safe Memorial Day weekend.

EDGE: Are you not in High School but want to be a part of a youth ministry? EDGE is for you and your friends. EDGE is for grades 6-8th and meets on Monday nights from 7 - 8:15 in Meeting Room C. EDGE will return with some summer dates starting in August before school starts. Questions? Please call John in the Youth Office.

Youth Coordinator: John Triscik [Phone] 533-7168
 Ext:128 [Email] stj Joanofarclifeteen@gmail.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM NEWS...

REP SUMMER OFFICE HOURS & HELP DESK:

The Religious Education Office will begin summer office hours beginning in June. The office will be open Monday through Friday from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

A "REP Help Desk" will be available to answer questions about our parish's Religious Education Program (REP), help families with program registration or payment, and assist with other related items. These sessions will take place at across from the Church steps under the school portico following the 9:00 am & 10:30 am Masses on:

- May 21st
- June 11th & 18th
- July 9th & 23rd
- August 6th & 20th

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEWS...

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION:

Registration forms are available in the church, parish and REP offices, and on our parish website! Please sign up today! **VBS DATES: June 26-30, 6-8:30pm.**

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

S.T.E.M. SUMMER CAMP: St. Joan of Arc School is offering a 4 week fun-filled and educational S.T.E.M. Summer Camp, taught by SJA teachers! For more info or to register, please see the school's website or contact Deb Rizzotto at 717-533-2854 or drizzotto@stjoanhershey.org. Please help to spread the word!

PARISH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ MASS INTENTION OPTION

Frequently our priests celebrate a private Mass in the rectory. If you have an intention that you would like to have them celebrate, but would not be present for, please contact the parish office.

✠ HERSHEY PARK TICKET PICK-UP

If you pre-ordered Hershey Park tickets, they can be picked up in the parish office during regular office hours, including Sundays from 9:00am to Noon.



JUNE 15th - 17th, 5 - 10pm

The 43rd Annual SJA Festival will be held June 15, 16 & 17. Many exciting changes this year, including games and entertainment being moved to the school parking lot!

This is the parish's only fundraiser and is made possible by the generous volunteers who give of their time, talent and treasure. This year is no exception! Volunteers are needed to make this event a success and **NO** experience is necessary. **ALL** help is welcomed and needed!!! Please prayerfully consider being a part of this community event to make it a fun for everyone.

You can now sign up online to Volunteer at:
www.SJAFESTIVAL.com

★ Help is needed **BEFORE** the Festival:

Food Prep - Ladies, we can use help in the kitchen on May 26, June 2 & 3. Please contact Maggie Wetherhold at: maggiewether@gmail.com.

Set Up - Beginning Sunday, June 11, at 1:30pm and continuing days and evenings.

Donations - Donations are still needed of Jewelry, Basket Items, Baked Items, Etc.

★ Help is needed **DURING** the Festival with: **Sales of fast foods & sodas/water, Games, Clean up.**

★ Help is needed **AFTER** the Festival:

Set Up - Beginning Sunday, June 11, at 1:30pm and continuing days and evenings.

God's Way - "The Road to Kindness"



This week we wanted to share a short article taken from the "Daily Motivator," written by Ralph Marston on "Adding Kindness." This article really hit home with us and speaks to our Kindness Matters program and God's Way - "The Road to Kindness."

We hope it also hits home for you!

"When interacting with other people, keep this in mind. They are people, with lives, stories, families, hopes, challenges and feelings.

For your own sake and for the sake of everyone, go out of your way to be considerate. Do all you can do to be Kind.

Especially when you're not met with kindness, offer your own Kindness in return. Instead of trying to get the last word, seek to give the first smile.

Kindness does not get used up. In fact, the more it is expressed, the more of it there is, and the world will benefit from all you can give.

You may have every reason to be angry, disappointed, impatient, sarcastic. Yet Kindness is almost always the better choice.

If the world seems too harsh, rude, inconsiderate, do something positive about it. Add your own kindness, every opportunity you get."

This week's Kindness Acts to share with you:

"I'm always in a hurry. Always! It seems a bit much at times but I'm always running from one event to another with very little time in between. I think we train ourselves to do this so we don't have to serve or help others. I'm trying my best to do little things like pick up peoples trash and put it in the garbage for them. It's small but I'm trying." ~ Life Teen Sophomore

"Many of my business associates and friends are male. Since it was Mother's Day, I still wanted to take the opportunity to wish their wife the very best for Mother's Day. It is a very special time. So, I texted all of them and asked if they would extend a Happy Mother's Day to their wife and also asked them to do something Kind for her today! I hope that they did and I hope that all Mothers were made to feel special on their day!"

Please share your act of kindness by emailing them to:
kindness@stjoanhershey.org



DAUGHTER'S OF MERCY ANNUAL CALENDAR RAFFLE

The Sister will be selling their annual raffle tickets this weekend, **May 20th & 21st**, following each of the Masses.

For more information, please speak with Sister Eileen, Sister Jo Ann, or Sister Salvatoris. Following these dates, tickets will be available for purchase in the school or parish office. This raffle benefits the retired Daughter's of Mercy.

PARISH MINISTRY NEWS & EVENTS

MONTHLY FOOD BANK COLLECTION:

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting non-perishable foods and personal care items before each of the Masses next weekend, May 27 & 28, for the Hershey Food Bank. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Donations received by check are tax deductible. Checks should be made payable to: **Hershey Food Bank**. Thank you for your support!

CCW DIOCESAN ANNUAL RETREAT:

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women cordially invites all women of the Diocese to join us for the 7th Annual Weekend Retreat. The retreat is scheduled for June 9th - 11th and is being held on the beautiful campus of Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, MD. Our Retreat Master this year is our own Father Al Sceski, who will be presenting "Four Women Doctors of the Church". Registration forms with housing details are available on the CCW page of our parish website, in the back of the church, the parish office, or by contacting Barbara McCarthy at 534-1858 or franbarbmc@aol.com.

***The registration deadline is this week.

"I THIRST" PRAYER GROUP:

Join us to deepen your faith and relationship with Jesus through prayer, song, worship and praise on **Wednesday, May 24th at 7p.m.** in the cafeteria. Our subject of the month of May will be our Blessed Mother. Come quench your thirst for God! Find us on Facebook @ ITHIRSTSJA.

CAELORUM - JUNE 14th:

Please join us for our next Caelorum on **Wednesday, June 14 at 7 PM**. Join your fellow Brothers and Sisters in Christ as we adore our Lord through prayer, praise, worship and music. A reception will be held immediately following the Caelorum in the St. Lucy House. For more information, call 717-583-0240. All are welcome, please join us!

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP:

Our Young Adults group will be taking a brief hiatus and return on July 12th, and start fully back up with our regular schedule in August. If you are interested or have questions, please contact John Triscik in the Youth Office.

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BULLETIN REMINDER: Requests for information to be included in the parish bulletin are due **Mondays by 9:00 am**. Forms are available on our parish website under the "contact us" menu. All requests must include the date(s) of the bulletin(s) you would like your information included and be submitted exactly as you would like the information to appear.

DIOCESAN NEWS & EVENTS

MARRIAGE ANNULMENT PRESENTATIONS:

The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving two presentations within the Diocese concerning marriage, divorce, and annulment according to Church teaching. These presentations will be helpful for divorced Catholics, those divorced who wish to marry Catholics, those parish leaders involved in the RCIA process, and any others who may have a vested interest because of family or friends. No Prior registration is required.

June 6th: 7pm at Our Lady of the Visitation (*Shippensburg*)

June 15th: 7pm at St. Patrick Parish (*Carlisle*)

TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

There will be a training for **NEW** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at St. Joseph Parish, Hanover on **Tuesday, June 13** from 6:30 - 8:30 pm.

Additional trainings have been scheduled for Holy Name of Jesus, Harrisburg:

July 25, 2017: A workshop is for those **RENEWING** their Mandates.

August 8, 2017: A workshop is for **NEW** Extraordinary Ministers.

Both workshops will be held from 7:00 - 9:00pm in the old Holy Name of Jesus Church. Applications should be submitted 2 weeks prior to the training. Questions should be directed to Connie Egan at cegan@hbgdiocese.org.

CAMP KIRCHENWALD 2017:

Camp Kirchenwald Volunteers Needed -

The Diocesan Summer Camp for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities is seeking volunteers willing to assist at its residential camp, **August 13-18, 2017**. The camp takes place at Camp Kirchenwald in Lebanon County and serves the needs of approximately 40 adults each year. Anyone 16+ is welcome to volunteer for full-time or part-time duties; there is a particular need for male volunteers, 18 or older, who are able to spend the night. All volunteers are required to complete the Diocesan Clearance process and attend a brief training session prior to helping at camp. A deadline of June 30, 2017 for expressing volunteer interest is requested in order to facilitate planning efforts.

Sponsor a Camper -

Would you like to sponsor a campership for a person with a disability who might not otherwise be able to afford camp? The Diocese of Harrisburg is seeking donations to defray the cost for campers. A full week of camp costs \$575, but donations in any amount are most welcomed.

Gifts can be sent to: **The Office of Ministry with People with Disabilities**, 4800 Union Deposit Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111. Checks should be made payable to the Diocese of Harrisburg. For more information on volunteering or sponsoring a camper, please contact Larry Kiley at (717) 657-4804, Ext. 322, or email: lkiley@hbgdiocese.org