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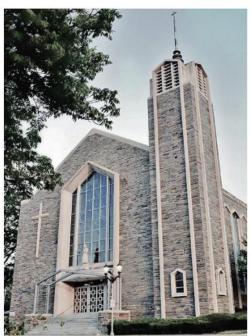
PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

SCHOOL OFFICE

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



Just a few updates on things happening in the parish:

I got a request from the Ronald McDonald House here in Hershey asking for people to make meals for those staying at their house across from the Medical Center. They are looking for groups of six individuals,



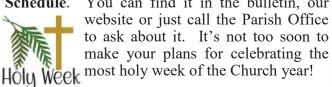
ages 16 and up, to provide meals on a regular basis. I think we can easily find a group or two from our parish to help in this worthy endeavor. Call the Parish Office for more information.

A parishioner has volunteered to restart the Parish Healthcare Ministry. This wonderful



ministry, in the past, did monthly blood pressure screenings and presented yearly health-related events for the people of the parish. More information in the next few months.

- Our Parish Festival Committee has been working hard these past few months planning our festival which will be held on June 8-10. I am already putting in a plug for volunteers! Mark your calendars.
- Our School Gala will be held at the School on Sandhill, Saturday, April 22. I encourage our parishioners to attend, if possible. It is a great time and a great cause!
- Last week in my column I had the Holy Week Schedule. You can find it in the bulletin, our



Father Al's Holy Land Presentation March 28th at 7:00 pm in the Social Hall. RSVP to the parish office.

















PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

The following parishioners or family members are ill. Please remember them, and all the sick of our parish, in your prayers: Bob DeAngelis, Andy Gloria J. Venezia, Magda Trabuco, Pat Cusack, Christine Brunn, Julie Fogarty, Elizabeth Sauthoff, Edith Epler, 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.

LENTEN PARISH PENANCE SERVICE SUNDAY, MARCH 26 @ 7:00 PM



Join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday including Good Friday, April 7 at 7:00 pm in the Church.

CROSS Join us for the final Soup & Stations on Friday, March 31

Enjoy a light meal of soup and bread at 6:00 pm in the parish social hall. Deacon Dozy will conclude his discussion on "The Three Temptations of Jesus in the Wilderness."



Easter Raffle tickets due to the parish office no later than April 5th.



Please join us for

First Friday Adoration

On April 14 (please note date change due to Good Friday) following the 9:00 am Mass in the St. Lucy Chapel with Benediction at 7:00 pm.

First Saturday Devotion

For the conversion of Russia, join us after 9:00 am Mass in the Church on April 1 for First Saturday Devotions and Rosary. This month's intention is in reparation for: offenses committed against the **Immaculate Conception.**







MASS INTENTIONS & WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY, MARCH 27:

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Jn 8:1-11

6:45 AM Betty Joseph 9:00 AM Mary Curtin

TUESDAY, MARCH 28:

Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30

6:45 AM Jonathan Meter 9:00 AM John Lazur

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29:

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

6:45 AM Thomas Bosack 9:00 AM Lorraine Hull

THURSDAY, MARCH 30:

Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

6:45 AM Phyllis DeAngelo

9:00 AM John, Alice and Gregory Ortenzi

FRIDAY, MARCH 31:

Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

6:45 AM Edward Vey, Jr.

9:00 AM Alvaro, Mary & Thomas Bianchini

SATURDAY, APRIL 1:

Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10; 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

9:00 AM Pietro Rossi & Deceased Members of the Rossi Family

5:00 PM Eleanor McElhinney

SUNDAY, APRIL 2:

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Jesus humbling himself out of love for us, did not shield his face from buffets and spitting, but offered his life on the cross. He relied on his Father's love.

Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66

7:30 AM Donald Bennett

9:30 AM People of the Parish

11:30 AM Delfina Rodriguez

5:00 PM Terrance Lovell

YOUTH NEWS

Life Teen

This Week: "Confession"-Life Teen will join the parish for our Lenten Reconciliation Service. Lent is a great time to go to confession before we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord. We will continue the tradition of Primanti Bros. and Penance.

Next Week: "Look Mom, No Hands"- We will contemplate the significance of Mary at the foot of the Cross as we pray the Stations of the Cross. It will be a great way to enter into Holy week and prepare to celebrate the Resurrection.

2023 Upcoming LIFE TEEN Schedule

April 2	Life Teen-"Look Mom, No Hands!"
Âpril 9	No Life Teen-Happy Easter!
Âpril 16	Life Teen-"The Road to Emmaus"
April 23	Life Teen-Annual Service Project-
•	Spring clean up

EDGE (Middle School): EDGE meets next on April 5 as we Scripturally journey through Holy Week in the Gospel of St. Mark. All 6-8th graders are welcome. We meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month.

Donations Always Appreciated: Donations of water, juice, soda, and snacks for our youth ministry gatherings are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the parish office. Thank you!

1 John Triscik: jtriscik@stjoanhershey.org

2 (717) 533-7168 Ext.128

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 **April 12** as we begin our study on the **Acts of the Apostles**.

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VOCATIONS CORNER

Jesus calls us forth from our graves of apathy and passivity. How will your new life make a difference? Consider ministry in the Church.

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:

Eugenie Gangl: April 2-9 Marty & Martha Rupert: April 9-16 Consider being a part of the Vocation Cross Rotation, call the Parish office for details.

MINISTRY NEWS

Building a Culture of Life

"Respect for life requires that science and technology should always be at the service of man and his integral development. Society as a whole must respect, defend and promote dignity of every human person, at every moment and in every condition of that person's life."

-(Evangelium Vitae) St. John Paul II on the Value of Life

CCW-Wreath Making Class

On **April 13** at 6:30 in the parish Social Hall we will be hosting Andrea Beitzel from A&M Growers for a Spring Wreath Demonstration/Class. If you would like to make a wreath to take home, please reserve a spot. All wreath making supplies are provided. Cost is \$30. **To register, contact sjaccw@stjoanhershey.org**.

CCW-Communion Breakfast

On Sunday, April 23 after the 9:30 am Mass the CCW will hold our annual Communion Breakfast in our lovely parish social hall. Tickets are \$12.00. See a CCW lady or pick up in the parish office. We hope you can join us! Contact Ruth Zemba at sjaccw@stjoanhershey.org with any questions.

Creative Writer's Group

Share your faith through creative writing. Come join us for 8 weeks beginning Wednesday, **April 19** at 6:00 pm in room 314. Open to parishioners with all writing skill levels. **If interested or for more information contact Karen at kier.karen@gmail.com**

Respect Life-Lourdeshouse Fundraiser

This weekend, March 25 & 26, the Respect Life Ministry is collecting donations for Lourdeshouse Maternity Home. We displayed a basket of baby items to inspire all to donate funds to help Lourdeshouse provide much needed services to expectant mothers and their babies.

Please support this important work by donating this weekend at the Church or drop off at the parish office.

Caelorum

We look forward to seeing everyone at Caelorum on Wednesday, **April 12** at 7:00 pm at St. Joan of Arc Church. Join your Brothers and Sisters in Christ this Lenten Season as we come together to adore, praise and worship our Lord and Savior. Please join us! If you are unable to attend you may watch the live stream or recording at the Caelorum Facebook page-https://fb.watch/gJnpuh3Pay/. For more information, contact Lou Felice at (717) 215-4175.

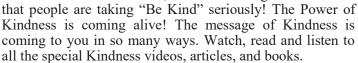
Grief Companion Support Group

Have you recently lost a loved one? Please know you are not alone. Counter isolation and meet others. Find continued meaning in life and living and provide hope for healing.

For more information, call or text Christine Stickler at (717) 514-2560.

Road to Kindness

The Lenten Season brings a sense of peace to our homes and community. What is really wonderful is all around us, we see new signs



This Lenten Season and throughout the year, you can make a difference! Continue to bring your Kindness to someone in need this Lenten Season. They will feel your caring and love and you will also feel so wonderful that you helped! Remember: "Even a small act of Kindness can make a big difference in someone's world!"

Keep following God's Way - "The Road to Kindness!"

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus-Hershey Food Bank & Monetary Collection

Thank you for your support of the Hershey Food Bank and Monetary Donations. The next collection will take place the weekend of **April 1 & 2**.



EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Join other supporters of Life at Morning Star's biggest fundraising event of the year. Guest speaker Rebekah Hagan will share how Abortion Pill Reversal saved the life of her baby.



— ANNUAL — LIFE SAVING BANQUET

April 13, 2023 6:30 pm

Visit www.SupportMorningStar.com

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Friday, May 26 - Sunday, May 28

https:// www.hbgdiocese .org/come-aliveyoung-adultretreat/

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday

Regular Weekend Schedule

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Masses - 6:45 & 9:00 AM

Tuesday

Tenebrae - 8:00 PM

Holy Thursday

Morning Prayer - 8:00 AM Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00 PM Adoration in the Church until 10:00 PM

Good Friday

Morning Prayer - 8:00 AM
Office of Readings - 12:00
Outdoor Stations of the Cross - 12:30 PM
Good Friday Liturgy - 2:00 PM
Stations of the Cross - 7:00 PM

Holy Saturday

Morning Prayer - 8:00 AM Blessing of Easter Food - 10:00 AM The Easter Vigil at 8:00 PM

Easter Sunday

7:30, 9:30, & 11:30 AM in the Church 9:30 AM at the School on Sandhill (There will be **NO** 5:00 PM Mass on Easter Sunday)

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

Weekly Tithing: \$26,657 Weekly Budget: \$28,269

Weekly Heart of the Parish:\$1,599



Week of March 12, 2023



The 49th Annual Festival Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, **April 12** at 6:30 pm in the Parish Social Hall to stuff envelopes for our Festival mailing. Please consider joining us for our planning meetings. **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.

Fun Festival Fact

Did you know even if you're not able to attend the festival, there are many ways you can help before the festival. Donate something for the Silent Auction or Basket Raffle, purchase a sponsorship, consider offsetting the cost of our sausage sandwiches or consider underwriting the cost of our bounce house.

Visit www.S.I.A Festival.com

You will find a form in the back of the church that will have questions regarding all the fun facts that are published. **How to win a prize:** 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.

Should you have any questions, contact Katie & Stephen Katsch at kkatsch1019@gmail.com.

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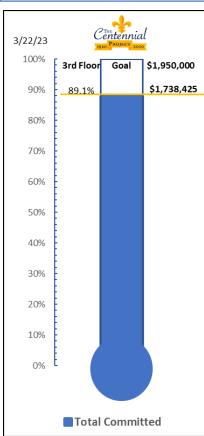
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CENTENNIAL PROJECT



The Centennial Project goal for the 3rd Floor renovation is well within sight and within our grasp. With ten weeks remaining in the campaign, gifts and pledges are about to cross the 90% threshold. We are blessed. We have a beautiful school that is a bustling hub of curiosity, classical teaching, learning, and imagination. Our children's minds are challenged and their souls are nourished in a warm, safe, and supportive environment. A protective cloak of love surrounds them. The respectful atmosphere is contagious. The intellectual and spiritual development of our students is the driving force behind the tireless commitment of our faculty, staff, and administration. Our purpose is clear. Christ is the source and the summit of our mission.

St. Joan of Arc School thrives because of your involvement and financial support:

- Thank you for your gifts and pledges. Every dollar matters.
- Thank you to those who have fulfilled their pledge.
- Thank you to those who have increased their pledges and gifts.
- Thank you to all the families who faithfully keep up with their Centennial pledge installments.
- For those who have paused their pledge payments, please consider restarting if you are financially able. We really need you.
- Thank you for sharing your gifts of stock, your retirement funds, and your real estate.
- Thank you to those who use the monthly envelopes.
- Thank you to those who give online.
- Thank you to the major sponsors underwriting the donor match program.
 - Thank you to non-parishioners and non-Catholics alike for your generous support.

One of the methods of giving available to major donors is a naming opportunity. A naming opportunity allows a benefactor to create a memorial, or an honor of a special person in their lives, or an acknowledgement of their gift, with a beautiful engraved plaque that is mounted in a classroom or dedicated space. If you are interested in finding out more information about this program, please contact Jerry Crawford at the Parish Office or jerawford@stjoanhershey.org If you have the means, please consider a major gift to help quickly retire the \$212,000 remaining on our campaign goal to complete our 3rd floor project.

Annual Night of Knights Gala Saturday, April 22



Please visit the school website: http://school.stjoanhershey.org/ night-of-knights-gala.html

St. Joan of Arc School Enrollment is NOW OPEN!

Visit: http://school.stjoanhershev.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.



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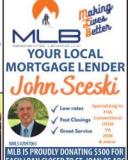
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