

Saint Joan Of Arc Church

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg

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Facebook Page—Saint Joan of Arc Church

Mass is streaming on our Facebook page Sundays at 8 AM. Masses are being uploaded to our website: www.sjoafarmington.org. Click on the Mass on the bottom right corner.

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Bishop of Greensburg

The Rev. James F. Petrovsky, Pastor
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Mission Statement

We, the parish of St. Joan of Arc, are a community of visitors and seasonal and local members of diverse backgrounds. Spiritual life, fellowship and outreach are important in our mountain setting. We are called to worship, to teach and live the gospel message and to extend concern and compassion to all. As a result of our growth and past experience, we look to the future and affirm our commitment to the evangelization of all age groups.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil (Sunday Obligation): 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass: Mon. through Sat. — 9:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS:

Vigil: 7:00 p.m.

Holy Day: 8:30 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS:

By appointment. Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Please call the office to schedule confession..

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Please contact the Parish Office six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS:

Anyone interested in learning more about the vocation to priesthood or diaconate, is invited to contact the pastor, or the diocesan office of clergy vocations at 724-837-0901.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday & Wednesday: 9:30AM—4:30PM

If assistance is needed at other times, please call the parish office.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Welcome! Please register as soon as possible. Contact the Parish Office.

MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND:

To arrange for the Sacraments of Eucharist, Reconciliation or Anointing of the Sick, call the Parish Office. Eucharistic Ministers are available for Communion to the homebound.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES:

Counseling is available through the Diocesan Catholic Charities Office. Contact the Parish Office.

EVENT SCHEDULING:

All proposed events to be held at St. Joan of Arc Church must be submitted to the Parish Office one month prior to the planned event. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—AUGUST 23, 2020

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, Aug. 22 Anticipated 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm.....Tony Podlogar
Gerry, Barb & Cat Galida

Sunday, Aug. 23 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am.....Ed Ladner
Larry Hajduk

11:00 am.....Sal & Clar Avolio
Rita Bingaman & Family

Monday, Aug. 24

9:00 am.....Michael Konechny
Evelyn Konechny

Tuesday, Aug. 25

9:00 amJohn Wajda
Thomas Wajda

Wednesday, Aug. 26

9:00 am.....Tom Flosnik
Shirley Flosnik

Thursday, Aug. 27

9:00 amCatherine Geisel
Estelle & Mike Oppman

Friday, Aug. 28

9:00 am.....Peter Kutek
Don, Deb, & Melissa Mack

Saturday, Aug. 29

9:00 am.....Pro Populo

Saturday, Aug. 29 Anticipated 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm..... Frank E. Cettin; Frank E Cettin II
Gerry, Barb & Cat Galida

Sunday, Aug. 30 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am.....Ed Ladner
Larry Hajduk

11:00 am.....Joan Marie Kane
Agnes Yablunosky

ALL INTENTIONS—BOOK OF PETITIONS

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

August 29-30, 2020

LECTORS

Saturday, Vigil 5:00 pm.....B. Galida
Sunday, 8:00 am.....P. Whyel
Sunday, 11:00 am.....M. Jarina

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, Vigil 5:00 pm.....C. Martin
Sunday, 8:00 am.....
Sunday, 11:00 am.....B. Citro

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, Vigil 5:00 pm.....
Sunday, 8:00 am.....
Sunday, 11:00 am.....

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 22: 19-23

Romans 11: 33-36

Matthew 16: 13-20

Liturgy of the Word—Meditation:

The Lord tells Shebna, the scribe, *I will thrust you from your office and pull you down from your station* and replace you with the honorable Eliakim. In the second reading, Paul writes to the Romans about the inscrutable judgments and unsearchable ways of God: *For from Him and through Him and for Him are all things.* In the Gospel, Peter answers Jesus' question, saying, *You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.* Jesus blesses Peter and proclaims him as the rock upon whom he will build His church.

Focus: Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

We are reminded in the reading from Romans that God is the ultimate authority. It is God who gives all, who creates all, and for whom all exists. Let us, then, through prayer and deeds, humbly and confidently acknowledge Jesus as the Son of the living God.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Sanctuary Light

The sanctuary light burns in memory of Joan Marie Kane as requested by Agnes Yablunosky, from August 24th through September 6th.



Pope Francis—thought for the day (August 23)

I want you to shout with your lives, with your hearts, and in this way to be signs of hope to those who need encouragement, a helping hand to the sick, a welcome smile to the stranger, a kindly support to the lonely.

**Collection Report for
Sunday, August 16, 2020**

Regular Weekly Offerings

Envelopes Dated Sunday, August 16, 2020	\$555.00
All Other Weekly Offering Envelopes	505.00
Friends of Saint Joan of Arc And Visitors	250.00
Loose Cash and Checks	285.00

Extraordinary Expenses

Envelopes (All Dates)	156.00
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Other

Cemetery Fund	40.00
Votive Candles	9.00
Assumption (Saturday, 08/15/2020)	120.00
Catholic University of America (Sun. 08/30/2020)	50.00

TOTAL: \$1,970.00

Fundraiser—10 year old with Brain Cancer

St. Peter Parish is holding a spaghetti dinner fundraiser to help defray expenses for the family of Olivia “Livi” Sealy, a 10 year old who is battling a rare form of brain cancer. Livi is the daughter of Ron and Shannon Sealy of Hiller. The dinner will be held Sept. 12 from noon to 6 PM in the parish social hall at 118 Church St., Brownsville. Tickets are \$8 for a large serving and \$4 for a small. To volunteer, purchase advance tickets or for more information, contact Annette Buffer, 724-561-5616 or anettbuffr538@hotmail.com; Holly Swift, 724-984-5847 or hollye1152@hotmail.com; or Melissa Ternitsky, 724-208-8223 or mctttct@gmail.com. For takeout or curbside pickup, call 724-364-7070. In addition, a \$6,000 cash prize ticket is being sold at the Sandwich Shop & Deli, 121 Brownsville Ave., Brownsville. The winner will be determined on Sept. 4. Tickets are \$10 each. Call 724-984-9021. Proceeds from all fundraisers benefit the family.

Silver Rose Prayer Service August 23

From March through December, eight silver roses are shepherded on a pilgrimage by members of the Knights of Columbus along various routes that extend from Canada to Mexico. These roses, symbolic of those picked by St. Juan Diego at the request of Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe, are a call for each of us to think “One Rose, One Life” and to remember the dignity of each and every human life.

One of these roses will travel through the Diocese of Greensburg, and the Knights of Columbus have asked Church of the Good Shepherd, Kent, to host the devotion and share it via live-stream to everyone in the Diocese of Greensburg. Mark your calendars to pray with us on **Sunday, August 23 at 11:00 AM**. Join us in person or via the live-stream on Facebook (@DioceseOfGreensburg or @GoodShepherdKent) or YouTube (tiny.cc/FatherMorelli).

FORMED—The Catholic Faith on Demand

During this difficult time when we do not have access to the grace of the sacraments, Our Faith Formation director, Christina Homer, wants to invite you to watch in your home a powerful video study on the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. First, you need to register for FORMED if you have not done so - FREE.

FORMED is a platform where parishioners are able to access a vast array of Catholic content: Catholic movies, eBooks, audio dramas, Bible Studies, Youth and Children’s programing. This year, the subscription for the parishioners is FREE.

Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:

<https://signup.formed.org/>

1. enter your parish name **St Joan of Arc Catholic Church** or best to use just the zip code **15437** and click on our parish

2. enter your name and email

3. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED. That’s it!

Watch PRESENCE and use the guide for discussion in your family <https://watch.formed.org/presence>.

May your experience of this beautiful video study on FORMED increase your desire to receive and adore Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament!

Prayer for our Nation

God our Father, giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for your glory and dwell among your people.

Send your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation’s leaders.

Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing your will.

Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the “culture of death.” Lead us into a new millennium of life. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

Mass Intentions for 2020/2021

Mass intentions for 2020/2021 may be scheduled by contacting the church office (724-329-4522).

Mass is celebrated nine times each week here at St. Joan of Arc. Arranging to have a Mass offered for loved ones (living and deceased) is a perfect way to show how much you care. Mass cards are available upon request.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS
THOSE WHO HAVE REQUESTED PRAYER:

REV. WILLIAM LECHNAR	ANNA SMITH
MARK KRUEGER	GARY MYERS
PAT MYERS	ANONYMOUS (WISDOM IN JOB)
EASTON STEPHANS-RIVERA	STEPHANIE GENTILE
AMY TUNGATE	JOHN LIGHTSEY JR.
CHUCK GENTILE	PAT WELLER
LORI BATTELLI	ALBERT B. CROSBY
CATHERINE GALIDA	JERRY GALIDA
RHEBA MAUST	MILLIE DETTMAN
RICH HOLCHIN	JIM AND CHRIS AUGUSTINE
DAVID RUSKO	MARY JUDD
MADDY MARTIN	MEGAN BELAN
AMANDA	JADON
DOLORES YURKOVICH	JOHN YURKOVICH
ESTER SUCHEVITS	EVELYN DAHL
JUDITH ANN DAHL	BUZZ JOHN
DENISE	ED MARTINKO
DIANE SWANSON	DAN DUNCAN
SAUNDRA CASEY	SARAH SMITH
LARRY HAJDUK	PAT MOWEN
KAREN ENSOR	

If you would like to request prayer for yourself, a friend or loved one, please call Dorothy at 724-329-4522. If you would like the prayer recipient to receive cards of encouragement throughout the year, please provide an address.

August—the Immaculate Heart of Mary

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The following prayer will be recited after all Masses.

O heart of Mary, mother of God, and our mother; heart most worthy of love, in which the adorable Trinity is ever well-pleased, worthy of the veneration and love of all the angels and of all men; heart most like to the Heart of Jesus, of which you are the perfect image; heart, full of goodness, ever compassionate toward our miseries; deign to melt our icy hearts and grant that they may be wholly changed into the likeness of the Heart of Jesus, our divine Savior. Pour into them the love of thy virtues, enkindle in them that divine fire with which you yourself does ever burn. In you let Holy Church find a safe shelter; protect her and be her dearest refuge, her tower of strength, impregnable against every assault of her enemies. Be the way which leads to Jesus, and the channel, through which we receive all the graces needed for our salvation. Be our refuge in time of trouble, our solace in the midst of trial, our strength against temptation, our haven in persecution, our present help in every danger and especially at the hour of death, when all hell shall let loose against us its legions to snatch away our souls, at that dread moment, that hour so full of fear, whereon our eternity depends. Ah, then most tender virgin, make us to feel the sweetness of your motherly heart, and the might of your intercession with Jesus, and open to us a safe refuge in that very fountain of mercy, whence we may come to praise Him with you in paradise, world without end. Amen.

Volunteers Needed

Saint Joan of Arc is looking for volunteers who are willing to learn how to operate the high powered sprayer used for our weekly deep cleaning. N95 mask will be provided; hearing protection is recommended. Please call the office at 724-329-4522 if you can help.



7 Day Candle Offerings

Light, Happiness, & Peace Eric and All Who Love Him
Jerry & Cat (2)

School Supplies for Needy Children

Saint Joan of Arc is collecting school supplies for needy children. The organizers would like to put together supplies in 175 plastic shoe boxes for needy children in our area. Recommended supplies include hand sanitizer, antiseptic wipes, pencils, pencil top erasers, individual pencil sharpeners (with container to collect shavings), blunt nose scissors, markers, and colored pencils. The team is also collecting plastic shoe boxes. Please place your donations in the basket in the church vestibule. Please see Christina Homer for more information.



FISH FRY ON THE FLY

Our small parish relies heavily on fundraisers to meet expenses during lean times and to pay down our parish debt. Losing three of the fish dinners due to the pandemic was a major hit for us. Now that we are able to resume fundraisers—takeout only—per diocesan directives, we would like to hold 4 fish fries, limited menu—takeout only. Currently, we are planning to serve on the following dates from 11 AM until 7 PM: September 11, September 25, (and if we have a good response), October 9, October 23.

Our current plan is similar to a fast food drive through. Customers will place an order outside from their car, the order will be called in to the kitchen, and cars will pull around to the double doors in the social hall to receive their meal. We will be serving fried fish sandwich, French fries, and coleslaw for \$8.00, no substitutions. From 11 AM till 2 PM, we will take call in orders from mountain area businesses for delivery (total order must exceed \$30). No call in orders will be taken for pickups.



We need volunteers to be successful. If you are able to volunteer, please call the office or sign up on the sheet located in the church vestibule.

We are unable to accept food donations due to our limited menu and Covid restrictions. Donations of money to help defray costs are most welcome.