

Saint Joan Of Arc Church

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OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

Our Pledge to You

St. Joan of Arc wants to keep all of our friends and family safe from the coronavirus. All touch points are cleaned after each Mass, and once weekly we do a full high power antiseptic spray of the church, social hall, and bathrooms. Additional deep cleaning practices are in place. Masks and hand sanitizer are available, we will be glad to check your temperature before entering our church. If there is anything we can do to help you with needs or assistance, please call us at 724-329-4522. God Bless You!



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.

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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, Oct. 17 Anticipated 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm.....John Herman
Pat Mowen

Sunday, Oct. 18 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am.....Marie Ferranti
Robert & Betty Berish

11:00 am.....Deceased Members of the Bingaman Family
Rita Bingaman & Family

Monday, Oct. 19

9:00 am.....For a Special Intention
Donna Bakewell

Tuesday, Oct. 20

9:00 amMatthew John
Rita Bingaman & Family

Wednesday, Oct. 21

9:00 am.....Catherine Novasky
Frank Shoaf Family

Thursday, Oct. 22

9:00 amDolores Franczyk
Cathy, Bob, Robbie, Jonathan

Friday, Oct. 23

9:00 am.....Beatrice Dunlevy
Irma Yandura

Saturday, Oct. 24

9:00 am.....Pro Populo

Saturday, Oct. 24 Anticipated 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm.....Shirley Gearing
M/M Dan Gearing

Sunday, Oct. 25 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am.....Kaelyb Suchevis
Ester Suchevis

11:00 am.....Deceased Members of the Miller Family
Rita Bingaman & Family

ALL INTENTIONS—BOOK OF PETITIONS

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

October 24/25, 2020

LECTORS

Saturday, Vigil 5:00 pm.....L. Cale
Sunday, 8:00 am.....P. Whyel
Sunday, 11:00 am.....B. Citro

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

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

ALTAR SERVERS

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6
1 Thessalonians 1: 1-5b
Matthew 22: 15-21

Liturgy of the Word—Meditation:

In the first reading, The Lord says to His anointed, *Cyrus...I have called you by your name*. Through Cyrus, all will know there is no God beside the Lord. In the second reading, Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy greet the Thessalonian Church with thanksgiving and affirmation. In the Gospel, Jesus' opponents question Him about the lawfulness of paying taxes. Jesus sees their hypocrisy and answers, *repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God*.

Focus: We are God's; we belong to Him.

Our primary allegiance is not to a particular nation, kingdom, or institution, but to God. We belong to Him in Whose image we are made and Whose law is inscribed on our hearts. We must give back to God what is His, thus we give Him our love, our first fruits, and our very selves, in union with Christ.

Please remember in your prayers our fellow parishioner, Stephanie Gentile. May eternal rest be given to Stephanie, and peace and comfort to her family and friends.



Pope Francis—thought for the day (Oct. 18)

The family is where we are formed as people. Every family is a brick in the building of society.

During October, please join us for the rosary at 9:45 AM Monday through Saturday, and immediately following the Sunday 8 AM Mass.

**Collection Report for
Sunday, October 11, 2020**

Regular Weekly Offerings

Envelopes Dated Sunday, October 11, 2020	\$403.00
All Other Weekly Offering Envelopes	1,020.00
Friends of Saint Joan of Arc And Visitors	200.00
Loose Cash and Checks	243.00

Extraordinary Expenses

Envelopes (All Dates)	245.00
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Other

Cemetery Fund	50.00
Candle Offerings	6.00
Flower Fund - Regular	10.00
All Saints (Sunday, 11/01/2020)	25.00
Annual Appeal for Retired Religious and Diocesaan Retired Priests (Sunday, 11/01/2020)	5.00
All Souls (Monday, 11/02/2020)	31.00
Catholic Accent	15.00

TOTAL: \$2,253.00

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.

**Attention Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers,
Altar Servers**

We are working on the November and December schedules. If you have dates you would like to serve or dates you can NOT serve, please contact Lillian with that information at 724-439-1683 or by email at reservations@laurelcaverns.com. We are looking for those who would like to serve (all ministries) for the following special events and holy days:

- Thanksgiving - Nov. 26 at 9:30 AM
- Vigil Immaculate Conception - Dec. 7 at 7:00 PM
- Immaculate Conception—Dec. 8 at 7:00 PM
- Christmas Vigil Children's Mass Dec. 24 at 4:00 PM
- Christmas Vigil Dec. 24 at 10:00 PM
- Christmas Mass Dec. 25 at 9:30 AM
- Vigil Solemnity of Mary Dec. 31 at 5:00 PM
- Solemnity of Mary Jan.1 at 9:30 AM

Please let us know if you are able to serve. If we do not hear from you we assume your schedule is open for those two months and will schedule accordingly. Thank you for your service.

Getting Your Feet Wet

If the rosary is not a part of your regular prayer life right now, it's easy to get your feet wet with this devotion. Here are five key things you need to know to get started.

First, *we don't have to pray the rosary all at once*. Sure, some people might sit down and quietly pray a whole rosary in one sitting. But we can also choose to divide it up, saying just a decade or two at a time at different points throughout the day: on the way to work, in between errands, in between meetings, while folding laundry or doing dishes. Many holy men and women and even popes have prayed the rosary this way and have found it manageable and fruitful for their busy lives.

Second, *we can pray it anywhere!* The rosary is like a portable chapel we can keep in our pocket and pull out anytime, anyplace. Whether we have a sudden, urgent situation to present to God in prayer or we just want to fill some of our day with thoughts of God, all we need to do is pull out our beads and turn to the Lord in this prayer. Indeed, the rosary is always accessible. We might pray it in a church, in our room, in our office. Or we might pray it in the car, on the exercise machine, in the grocery store line, or while cutting the grass or going for a walk. Bringing our hearts into the rhythm of the rosary is something we can do intermittently throughout the day.

Third, *we can pray the rosary in different ways*, customizing it to fit the needs of the moment. Sometimes we might focus on the words of the prayers, thinking, for example, of Gabriel's greeting to Our Lady as we slowly say with great devotion, "Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee." At other times, we might reflect on the mysteries of Christ's life, prayerfully contemplating scenes such as his birth in Bethlehem, his transfiguration, or his death on the cross, etching the Gospel on our hearts. At still other times, we might focus on the holy name of Jesus at the center of each Hail Mary, speaking his name tenderly with love as the pulse of our rosary.

Mt. St. Macrina—Virtual On Line Zoom Programs

Oct. 28, 2020 Wednesday Morning Self Help Program
"Coping with Covid"

11:00—Noon with Christine Freeman, MDiv LSW
Psychotherapist

Offering: \$10. Registration Due: October 21st

Call to Register: 724-438-7149. Please provide your email to receive your link as the programs will be conducted through ZOOM.

Homecoming Mask Prayer

Father of Mercy, You call us to care for one another. As I put on this mask, may it protect me, and all those I encounter, from the threat of Covid 19.

May I never bring harm upon anyone, knowingly or unknowingly, by spreading this terrible disease. Holy Spirit, help us to be patient, be kind, be brave, and have faith. Amen.

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	SUSAN HEILMAN
AMY TUNGATE	JOHN LIGHTSEY JR.
CHUCK GENTILE	PAT WELER
LORI BATTELLI	ALBERT B. CROSBY
CATHERINE GALIDA	JERRY GALIDA
RHEBA MAUST	MILLIE DETTMAN
IRENE EVANS	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	P. T. SHIPLEY
T. & B.	JENNIFER HARDIN
SUSIE TERRAVECCHIA	PHIL TERRAVECCHIA
BETTY URICK	MICHAEL KITTA

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.

Fish Fry on the Fly a Huge Success

Because of the COVID-19 virus, our fish fries during Lent were curtailed. But because of creativity and hard work, we were able to make up some of the income lost at that Lenten time.

The “Fish Fry on the Fly” events which we were able to have were a great success. This of course was because of the hard and dedicated work of our fellow parishioners. They know who they are and they are to be thanked from the bottom of our hearts. We ask Almighty God’s blessing upon them and their loved ones. Their hard work and charity will never be forgotten, and will stand as part of the wonderful history of our parish family.

Once again **thank you** one and all and may **God Bless** you for such deep dedication to our parish family.

God Bless you “real good”,
Father Jim

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.



7 Day Candle Offerings

Coobie
Jerry & Cat

Light, Happiness and Peace
Ron & Teresa Steimer

Catholic Charities Offers Virtual Counseling

Social distancing can take a toll. So can waiting in line to get into a grocery or hardware store. It’s not unusual to feel angry, or frustrated, or confused. For some people, the pandemic restrictions can magnify feelings of anxiety, depression, interpersonal conflict, grief and a wide variety of other issues. Catholic Charities provides virtual counseling to help address those issues and more. Taking care of your own emotional well-being is very important to you and the people you love. You don’t need to face these feelings alone. Call Catholic Charities at 724-837-1840 or email counseling@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

Matters of Sexual Misconduct Information

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone — please contact PA ChildLine immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop’s Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the ChildLine number and made the report. The Bishop’s Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.

USE GLOVES

Wear disposable gloves to avoid contact with potentially infected surfaces.

