

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 13, 2018

Church of St. Joan of Arc

Celebrate God's Love. Proclaim God's Love. Share God's Love.

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ALL ARE WELCOME!

God's love knows no boundaries and neither do we!

Consider making St. Joan of Arc your home parish. Register online at www.stjoans.org or stop in the office.

SUNDAY LITURGY **SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9am,

10:30am & Noon

Korean Mass: 3:30pm on the 2nd Sunday of the month

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 7am & 9am

> Tuesday, Thursday: 9am & 7pm

> > Saturday: 9am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 4pm Anytime by appointment.

BAPTISMS

We celebrate Baptisms most Sunday afternoons at 1:30pm. The baptism of your child is a great time to renew your own faith in Jesus Christ. Call the Office to schedule 856-983-0077

WEDDINGS and **BLESSING OF CIVIL MARRIAGES**

Congratulations on your engagement! We are happy you have chosen to have a Church wedding! Please call the Office as soon as possible to schedule a date and to begin Marriage Preparation.

Before planning a destination wedding, please call the Church to discuss ways in which you can have your marriage blessed in the Church. 856-983-0077

HOW TO BECOME CATHOLIC

We have special programs for children, teens and adults who would like to become Catholic or complete their Sacraments.

Please call 856-983-0077.

Parish Office Hours: Daytime Hours:

Monday-Friday: 9:30am-12:30pm, 2pm-5pm Saturday: 9:30am-12pm *Evening Hours:* Monday-Thursday: 6pm-8:30pm

Pastoral Staff:

Rev. Msgr. Richard D. LaVerghetta, Pastor

Rev. Jorge Bedoya, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Leon Buni, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Richard Regan, Weekend Assistant Deacon Tom Murphy, Pastoral Associate Permanent Deacons:

Barry Tarzy, Jeff DeFrehn, Bill Mueller Sr. Patricia Pycik, SSJ, School Principal Sr. Peg. Boyle, SSJ,

Director of Pastoral Care

Mrs. Linda Mueller,

Director of Religious Education

Sr. Stephanie Cymerman, SSJ,

Director of Music

Mr. Jay Keesler, Youth Minister

Parish Pastoral Council:

Tony Smaldone, Chairperson Paula Kotowski, Vice Chairperson Anastasia Bouillon, Secretary

Parish Finance Council:

John Nihill, Chairperson

Lou Chiarelli, Susan Hatch, Mike Smithwick

School Board:

Nancy DiBlasi, Vice Chairperson
Michael Balabon, Mary Clare Brandt,
Chuck Fleischman, Joe Gallombardo

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER/2018

MOTHER'S DAY IS SACRED, TOO!

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Mother's Day isn't an official Church feast. Technically, today is the Seventh Sunday of Easter (unless you live in the vast majority of Dioceses in the United States which have moved the Feast of the Ascension to today — perfectly acceptable, by the way). But a case could very well be made to put Mother's Day on our liturgical calendar.

Even with the many changes in our society, family life and gender roles, the word "Mother" or "Mom" still evokes images of love, care, respect, strength, sensitivity, compassion, nurturing, challenging, and above all: life-giving. And this is hardly an exhaustive list.

Today gives us a special opportunity to remember and give thanks for our mothers, living and deceased, who gave us life, the first and greatest gift.

Likewise, today is a great day to remember and give thanks for *all* the women in our lives who have loved us and shown us how to love. These women teach us so much about the way God loves. Yes, God is father *and* mother to us all.

May this day help us to recognize and find the image of the Divine in all the women God has placed in our lives. Jesus respected his mother, Mary, and all the women he met. We who follow Christ must do the same and lead the way in upholding women's dignity. Before there was a women's movement or "MeToo," there was Genesis 1:27. All people, men *and* women are created in the image of God.

Today I also want to give thanks for all the women who do so much for our parish community: the women on our parish, school and religious education staff; the many women who lead and work on parish ministries; the Sisters of St. Joseph; and the hundreds of women who come to worship here every Sunday. Let's be honest: women are the backbone of this parish. Thank you for your generosity, your dedication and your love for Jesus Christ.

Mother's Day is a great day for our country and for our Church. I'm glad it's on a Sunday and we get to celebrate it in a special way here together as a parish family.

Happy Mother's Day!

Let's Dress up the Church on PENTECOST May 20th

Everyone is invited to wear red and/or clothing from your country of origin.

PRAYERS AND INTENTION

TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

Our Tabernacle Candle will remain lit during the week of May 13, 2018 to May 19, 2018

> In Memory of Anne & Willie Rieger Requested by Daughter Kathy & Family

REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Please pray for the soul of Frances lamurri, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, May 8th.

Please pray for the soul of Elizabeth Carlson, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday, May 11th.

Also please remember in your prayers the consolation of their families.

"ABIDE IN ME"

Intercessory Prayer Ministry In DO YOU NEED PRAYER OR WANT TO PRAY FOR OTHERS? M

Wednesdays 1-2 pm - Gathering Room &/or join our email prayer chain www.stjoans.org/ministries/abide-in-me To ask for prayer or to pray with us email abideinme@stjoans.org or call Marijane 609-744-7579

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Larry, Tentarelli, John Bobo, Lillian Abbinanti, Michael Abair Sr., Albert Docimo, Joseph Amodel, Peggy Ragazzone, Steven Porter, Lyndsey Pinchick, James DiMartini, Donna Miller, Ramus Berrita, Amira Grau, Catherine Rovito, John Pendergrast & Juan Shaid

PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY Kindly pray for the welfare of PFC. Elliot Adkisson, III, Jason Alexander, Matthew Alexander, CMS Michael Allen, Cpl. Jason Annese, Josh Blassman, USCGA Cadet 2/C Justin Beck, Bryan Bolt III, Marine Cpl. Justin Ryan Booth, USCGA Cadet 2/C Jack Brandt, Kevin Brodwater, USN, Kyle Brodwater, USN, Col. Denis Brown, Maj. Ryan Brunk, LCpl. Kevin Robert Cassel, Staff Sqt. John Ciacci, Michael Costello, Joseph DeStefano, Josh Dikmak, Lt. Col. Christopher DiNote, John Dixon, Sgt. Kevin Dougherty, LCpl. Silvio Duplechan Jr., Sgt. Mohamed Embaby, Pvt. Andrew Ensign, James Brent Evans, Col. Gerard Gagnon, Pvt. Nicholas Gianni, E3 Lucas Goergen, Cpl. Michael Goncalves, SPC Evan Grabowski, Andrew Guattari, Maj. John Harding, Lt. Col. Bill Harkins, James Hayes, Rick Heipertz, Sgt. Jeffrey Jayne, PFC. David Johnson, Brian Kohler, Sgt. Jonathan Krall, 2nd Lt. Trevor Kuroczka, 2 Lt. Scott Lafferty, USAF, Lt. John Paul Lamorte, USCG, Airman 1st Class Daniel Little, Staff Sgt. Stephen MacCrory, William Mace, Bryan Marines, Cpl. Anthony Mastrangelo, Pvt. 1st Class Matthew Mastrangelo, LT Shane Mauro USN, Brenden McKittrick, Sgt. Brian McNally USAF, Sgt. Luke McNally USMC, S.Sgt. Richard Miller III, Cpl. Timothy Miller, Lt. JG Maggie Montesanti, Cpl. Shannyn Noone, Airman 1st Class Anthony Orlando, Jr., USMC, Sgt. Michael Peterson, Bob Poller, Sr Chief USN Kimberly Ripoli, Doug Sackett, Clinton Scheibner USN, Col. Dan Shanahan, Pfc. Joseph Seller, Molina Semple, Lt. Col. Matthew Stanley US Army, Dallas Thorp, Luke Williams, PFC. Tristan Wood, SSgt. Jaried Zavatter,

USN Robert Zielinski & Cpl. Alexander Zink, USMC.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday May 14 Richard Greco r/o Wife Gloria 7:00 AM 9:00 AM Genowefa Barwicki

r/o Marijane Michalowicz & Gerry Manco

Norma Loeber

r/o Dan & Joanne DelPrato

Tuesday May 15 9:00 AM Rita Simoni

7:00 PM

Abide

r/o Daughters Amelia & Doreen

William Friel, Sr. r/o Gianna Santisi **Denise Marquart**

r/o Glenn & Judy Merski Killian Baldwin

r/o Peg & Chuck Fleischman

Intentions

Wednesday May 16

Tony Gambone 7:00 AM

r/o Frank & Maria Conte & Family 9:00 AM Thomas Rainone r/o Wife Colleen

John Fries r/o Wife Fran

Thursday May 17

9:00 AM Pasqualina Marzilli

r/o Daughter Mae Richard Bogle r/o Jeannette McFarlane

7:00 PM Mary Battino r/o Marie Zeigler

> **Tony Gambone** r/o Janet Gallagher

Friday May 18 7:00 AM Barbara Guadarrama r/o Mary & Robert Bove

9:00 AM Carolyn Peluso r/o Mom & Dad

Laruen Diorio

r/o Marijane & Jim Michalowicz

Saturday May 19

9:00 AM Norma Loeber r/o Kathleen Milano

Richard Bogle r/o Mary Bernard Joyce Bailey r/o The Lobb Family 5:30 PM

Patricia Wilkinson r/o Diane & Frank Paradise

Families of Kraemer & Pietrusko r/o Marianne Kraemer

Sunday May 20

7:30 AM Robert BonFiglio r/o Madalin & Pete BonFiglio

Ruth Streb

r/o The DiGiacomo Family

Parishioners & Benefactors

9:00 AM **Peter Robinson**

r/o Bill & Diana Kenworthy Marie Giordano r/o The Diorio Family

Rick Hansel r/o Mary Bernard

10:30 AM **Shirley Ochman**

r/o The Chiarelli Family Jenny Verrecchia r/o Vince & Chase Cataldo

Norma Loeber r/o Lee Thurber

12:00 PM Marie Molettieri r/o Janet & Dom Zanghi

Gibvan Giuseppe r/o Daughter Maria Anna Foran

r/o Glenn & Judy Merski

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



Vacation Bible School

Is coming to St. Joan of Arc
July 9th - 13th

July 9th - 13th 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

SHIPWRECKED - Rescued By Jesus

A catholic Program for kids entering Kindergarten - 5th grade in Sept. 2018

\$25 for 1 child \$40 for 2 children \$45 for 3+

- •Student Aides (grds 6 12) & Adult Volunteers needed
- •Contact Diane @ dianedzw@msn.com or 856-983-7486
- Registration forms available on www.stjoans.org, Church entrances, Rectory & Religious Education Office
 * SPACE IS LIMITED. DON'T DELAY! *

KIDS LIT

All Children are Invited to come pray together & learn about Jesus at the Weekly Children's Liturgy of the Word

Join us on May 20 at 10:30am Mass

May 27 at 10:30am Mass

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EMBRACE GOD'S UNIVERSE!

- Thank you to everyone who helped make our 10th annual Golf Classic in memory of Monsignor Pedata a success! We couldn't have done it without all the volunteers and participants.
- •Happy Mother's Day to all our Moms, Grandmothers, and Great-Grandmothers! Be assured of our prayers for you.
- •Our May liturgy honoring Mary the Mother of God will be celebrated on Wednesday, May 16, at 9:00 am. Please join us as we celebrate the various titles of Mary.
- •Art Goes to School is coming the week of May 14 18. This "in school" field trip will be presented in Pedata Hall. Look for information in Brown Envelope on how you can join your child in learning about the famous works of art from around the world.
- •The annual end of the year meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 16, at 7:00 pm in the Cafeteria. Highlights include guest speaker Dr. Richard Selznick presenting Social Media, Gaming, & the Internet: The Good & Bad News (ok, it's mostly bad), a farewell to our outgoing 8th grade families, the beloved slide show featuring our children, and a chance to win a \$100 gift card to either Rastelli or ShopRite (your choice).
- •The last Virtus session is scheduled for Thursday, May 17, at 7:00 pm. Any parent participating in Field Day or chaperoning the 8th Grade Trip must be Virtus certified.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Attention all Parish teens & 8th Graders!
Wings meets every Sunday at 6:30 pm. All Parish teens are encouraged to attend. Come make new friends, be yourself & have a great time!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Began May 1st

Office hours: Monday-Thursday 9am – 4pm May 14/15 6-8pm

Office closed August 1st - September 4th

Life can be very hectic and as a Parish we are trying to make your child's religious education a little more manageable. Therefore, we offer several programs.

Traditional Program:

- Monday or Tuesday afternoons and evenings
- Classes for Grades 1-5 from 4-5:15pm, Grades 6-8 from 7-8:15pm
- Maximum of 2 absences permitted.

Home Study Program:

- Offered for grades 3-6
- You teach your child at home one lesson using the provided program.
- Signed chapter tests are submitted to the Religious Education Office.
- You and your child are required to attend 3 activities throughout the year.

Special Disciples: Each child learns in a different method. For those students who need to have one on one attention or have a special need, we offer a class every other Sunday morning during the 9am Mass. We have certified Special Needs Catechists who work with your child.

Family Catechesis:

- 2nd grade parents only
- You teach your child at home for 3 weeks using a provided curriculum.
- You and your child attend a class once a month in the evening to reinforce what was taught at home.

Summer Intensive: This program is Full and Registration is closed.

Please register for traditional classes as soon as possible as our Monday classes fill quickly.



ACTION ALEBY

You may use the New Jersey Catholic Conference Faith in Action - Voter Voice system which can be accessed at

https:// www.votervoice.net/ NJCC/campaigns/58391/ respond PRIORITY #1 - Nonpublic school transportation. The ceiling for nonpublic school transportation had been frozen at \$884.00 from the 2007-2008 school year until it was increased to \$1,000 in the Fiscal Year 2018 Appropriations Act. However, Governor Murphy's Fiscal Year 2019 Budget reduced the amount back to \$884. Please note the enclosed Talking Points for discussing nonpublic school busing with legislators and other interested individuals in order to restore the per-pupil amount to \$1,000. This involves no increase in State funding, but rather a shifting of money to best serve the needs of our students and their parents.

PRIORITY #2 - Governor Murphy's proposed 2019 Budget cut \$3.8 million from nonpublic school aid reducing it from \$101,603 million to \$97,803 million. The cuts were made in Nonpublic School Nursing Services and Technology Aid. Please note the enclosed Talking Points for discussing these accounts with legislators and other interested individuals.

PRIORITY #3 — We are requesting a Budget Resolution which would permit a nonpublic school to pool the aggregate of the school's funding for Nursing Services, Technology, and Security, in order to move the funds to where they best fit the needs of the students in the local school for that particular year. Once again, this involves no increase in State funding, but rather allowing funds to be utilized to best serve the needs of our students and their parents. Public school accounts already are "fungible," which means that the public school district can move within Budget lines the State funds in a given year to best serve the needs of their students.

OUR The New Jersey Catholic Conference and the New Jersey Network of Catholic School POSITION: Families seek:

- To restore the per-pupil transportation ceiling to \$1,000 by using funds currently in the Fiscal Year 2019 Governor's Budget. This is THE major issue for the Catholic schools.
- To restore the \$3.8 million removed from the nonpublic school accounts in the Governor's Budget for Nonpublic Nursing Services Aid and Technology Aid at least to the level of funding in the Fiscal Year 2018 Appropriations Act.
- To insert Budget language to permit the local nonpublic school to pool the State funds for Nursing Services, Technology and Security to serve the needs of the students more effectively.

GOOD COUNSEL HOMES COLLECTION

This Weekend!

Good Counsel Home is a home for homeless, pregnant women and their babies.

Here are some words from a staff member of GCH:

"We had a joyous Easter at Good Counsel Home which houses 9 moms and we currently have 6 babies. Our most recent gift from God came on the eve of Palm Sunday. Baby girl Samaya weighted in at a healthy 8 lbs, 7 ozs. She and Mommy are doing well!

Seven babies have been born into our Home since last May. 7 precious lives being supported by your prayers and generosity. YOU are Good Counsel. Our donors allow us to open our doors to moms in need of God's loving arms around them. Our staff and volunteers are grateful for the means to provide for those who are with us and those who have not yet graced our doors.....

Please pray for them that they continue to see God's hand in their role as mothers."

The weekend, after all the Masses, volunteers will be at all the doors of the church, collecting monetary donations.

Checks can be made out to St Joan of Arc
Parish with Good Counsel Home, Riverside in the memo portion. Gift Cards for Shop Rite, Walmart or Target are also welcome. The mommies and babies thank you!

VOLUNTEERS FOR PENTECOST MASS NEEDED

People who speak in other languages needed for Pentecost. On Pentecost, May 20th, the Prayer of the Faithful will be read in multiple languages at every Mass. If you can speak another language and would like to help, please contact Effie at temurphy17@verizon.net. Let her know which Mass(es) you can attend and what language you can speak.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM HAPPY BIRTHDAY SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED BABY!

Your spiritually adopted baby was born this month. The only change at birth is a change in the external life support system of the baby. He is no different than he was before birth except that he breathes and eats differently. Your prayers saved his life. Thank you on behalf of all the little babies that you cared enough to pray for.

MORNING PRAYER

Please join us for morning prayer at 7am on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the church. We come together as a community to start our day in prayer as well as to offer up our petitions and receive the Eucharist.

What a wonderful way to begin each day!





If you Crochet or Knit and would like to "Share your Ministry Talents" making shawls, blankets or baby blankets

please consider joining us. It is truly a gift that we can share with others. With the warmer weather just ahead (maybe) and the air conditioners being turned on, the shawls and blankets are a welcome comfort. We crochet and knit from the comfort of our homes. The shawls and blankets are at the rectory and are for anyone that you know that is ill or going through a difficult time, so please stop by and pick one up. There is no charge but donations are graciously accepted. The baby blankets are donated to the N.I.C.U. at Virtua hospital in Voorhees, Good Council, Options for Women and Lily's Hope. The blankets are donated to the I.C.U. at the Virtua hospital in Marlton. If you have any yarn or spools of narrow ribbon that you are no longer using, please consider donating them to us, they will be put to good use. Just drop them off at the rectory at your convenience.

For additional information, please call, Rita Smith at 856-983-2809 or email at robertsmith62@verizon.net

OLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Preparing Parents for the Baptism of their Child

We call the ministry "Loving Your Baby"

- ♦Loving Your Baby is a monthly one hour workshop held for parents/grandparents/godparents preparing their child for Baptism.
- ♦A couple and a deacon team up to share their faith, and to talk about faith in their families.
- ♦ Two or three couples are needed.
- ♦ Each couple would only participate 2-3 times a year for about an hour each time.

For ministry coordinators, Mark & Joanne Hummel, knowing many of our parishioners as their family's pediatrician (Mark) or obstetrician (Joanne), it's been especially wonderful for them to share their Faith in this family ministry. Amazing what sharing your faith can do for a new family. Please contact Mark & Joanne at mhummel01@comcast.net if you think God might be calling you to help build the Kingdom of God through these precious little ones and their parents.

We would love to have you join our team!

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Monday, May 14th 3pm Church Attention all students who wish to become an Altar Server! We will be holding a New Altar Server training on Monday, May 14th from 3 to 4pm for all who wish to participate. Please contact Ericarat altarservers@stjoans.org or 856-979-4938

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Friday, May 18th 5pm Funplex
Thank you to all of our Altar Servers! We would like to celebrate your service to our parish with our Annual Altar Server trip to The Funplex, Mount Laurel on Friday, May 18th from 5:00 – 8:00. Please RSVP to Erica at altarservers@stjoans.org or 856-979-4938

BOOK CLUB

Thursday 7pm Arc Room

Back by popular demand! All are welcome to share our faith through reading, fellowship and guidance. The book is Sacred Fire by Ronald Rolheiser which is available on Amazon. Each week a guest facilitator will join our group. Our final meeting is May 17th. Please read the following assignment for this week:

Week Five: Chapter 9

Come ready to share and grow in faith through discussion and fellowship.

For additional information please contact Paul Franchi at (609) 280-3005 or Janet Polidora at (856) 334-5751. See you there!

Help St. Joan of Arc just by shopping! Purchase cards here after all weekend Masses Plus...

> Order online at STJOANS.ORG/GIFTCARDS

Purchase by credit card (includes \$2 convenience fee) or reserve your cards and pay by cash or check at pickup

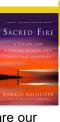
- 4 ways you can pick them up:
- At all weekend Masses
- At the Rectory on your way to the store, Mon-Fri from 10am to Noon
- At the Religious Education office when you drop your child off to class
- Sent home with your School child on Friday

WALK TO END LUPUS NOW!

with Team Live. Love. Linda. Sunday, May 20th @ 10 AM Ocean City, NJ Boardwalk

We will be walking to support parishioner, Linda Roselli, who has been living with Lupus for the past 27 years. If you would like to join our team on walk day, or make a donation to support our fundraising efforts, contact Anthony Roselli TonyRo859@verizon.net

or 856-810-0551



St. Joan of Arc Parish Save the Date Sunday, June 3rd Free Food, Music & Entertainment Pony Rides & Petting Zoo **for the Kids**

"ACCOMPANYING ONE ANOTHER"

loved one on their journey.

When: Every Sunday @ 7pm. Where: Our School Cafeteria.

Guided by the "12 Steps" & related scriptures from Life How:

Recovery Bible.

What: We pray, we share, we support. We don't judge nor give

advice.

Why: We are family.

Anyone impacted by this disease - All are Welcome! Who: For more information visit: www.stjoans.org/AOA.

To have a conversation contact: Deacon Tom at (856-983-0077, ext. 306) or tom.murphy@stjoans.org. **Come Join Us** TLC MAY



BOARD GAME & MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, May 25th 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM Pedata Hall Adult Friends with Special Needs Ages 18-39 FEATURING:

Friends, Refreshments, Games, Movie TBD Sponsored by St. Joan of Arc Caritas Ministry

PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY

- Difficulty hearing, please ask the usher for a hearing amplifier.
- Dietary restrictions, a low gluten host is available for Holy Communion. Line up in the center aisle before everyone else receives Communion. First time you are receiving the low gluten host, please let the priest or deacon know before Mass begins.
- A Transport wheelchair is available to assist transitioning from the car to the church. Please see an usher.
- In case of emergency, an AED is located in the hall by the Sacristy door near Pedata Hall.

"ACCOMPANTING ONE AIX INC.

On the Journey through "ADDICTION TO RECOVERY"

A Christ centered ministry of spiritual support for anyone on their Blood pressure screenings are scheduled every Community Sunday (the 2nd Sunday of the month) For More Information about the Heath Ministry Contact Carolyn Bitzer 732-887-0898 or email health@stjoans.org Questions, contact Patti Clifford 856-983-7187 or P31155@comcast.net.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

May 19, 2018 @ 9:45 Pedata Hall

COMMUNITY SUNDAY

will return June 10th

Due to Mother's day there will be no Community Sunday in May... We will see you for donuts and coffee in June!!!

APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

•What is the Pastoral Council? The Pastoral Council is a consultative body to Msgr. Rich to help foster, promote and advance the Parish Mission. The Council's charter is to investigate and consider matters brought to the Council by Msgr. Rich and to formulate practical recommendations for his consideration. The Council also brings matters of interest from the Parish to Msgr. Rich for consideration.

•What are the responsibilities of a Council Member?

Attend all council meetings—Due diligence to any and all Pastor requests for Council input—Participate in Community Sunday events—Become engaged in parish related activities as needed—Participate in sub committees—Greet parishioners at Sunday and Holy Day Masses

•When does the Council meet? There are approximately eight full Council meetings per year.

- •How long does a Council Member serve? Each Council member will serve one two year term with an option for an additional two year term.
- •Am I eligible to become a member of the Council? To be eligible for Council membership the individual must be a practicing Catholic in good standing, a registered member of the Parish for at least one year, and be actively involved in
- •How can I get more information? Questions and/or further information send an email to parishcouncil@stjoans.org. •How do I apply to be a member of the Pastoral Council? Submit a letter of intent to the Pastoral Council Executive Board via email to parishcouncil@stjoans.org. Include in your letter your eligibility status and a brief statement as to why you would like to be on Council. Please submit by May 15th.

Serving on the Pastoral Council is an honor and very rewarding. Please prayerfully consider whether you would like to be a member.

MINISTRIES

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION

In adoration, I can sit before the God of the universe, the God of all wisdom and love. He will bless me and guide me. ~A Eucharistic Reflection From A Heart's Abundance



Tuesday evening's Eucharistic Adoration 5:00pm – 6:30pm Benediction 6:30pm

"Call to me, and I will answer you; I will tell you great things beyond the reach of your knowledge."

~ Jeremiah 33:3

THANK YOU TO THE PARISH

GROUNDS CLEAN-UP VOLUNTEERS

THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all the people who volunteered for the spring clean-up on May 5th. We had a total of 20 people including young people who worked from 10am to 2pm. God gave us a beautiful day.

Clean-up is ongoing and volunteers are always welcome and needed to maintain the parish grounds.

Everyone is encouraged to come, plant flowers, weed & pick up debris on all the church property. The parish grounds are large and need constant attention.

Our next clean-up will be scheduled for the fall of 2018 and will be posted in future church bulletins.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact Ken & Betty Mills @ 856-596-0407

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Individual sessions held at St Joan's Rectory

There are times when we are moved to respond to God's personal invitation to a deeper relationship and to discover God's presence in all things. God desires a deeper relationship with you; a desire to grow in intimacy. Spiritual direction is an experience that enables a person to become more fully aware of God's abiding presence in their life. To schedule a session or if you have questions, please contact; Deacon Jeff DeFrehn Jeff.DeFrehn@stjoans.org or call the Office 856-983-0077

JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF

(Loss of Child) Tuesday, May 15th 7:30pm Arc Room

Journey Through Grief, a bereavement support group for the loss of a child, meets monthly. The warm and caring atmosphere will enable us to share our thoughts, feelings & pain. We welcome parents & family members.

Let us support and comfort each other.
For More Information Contact Dolores
at 856-905-1728
or Joanne at 856-983-5523
"Blessed are they that mourn,
for they shall be comforted."
~ Mathew 5:4

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS?

Each of us has a vocation, a role to play in God's plan of salvation. For some that vocation is to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life. We are interested in starting a "Vocations Awareness Ministry" at St. Joan's to pray for, and raise awareness of, the call to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life. This ministry will also be involved in praying for those in our parish who are discerning, or are already serving in one of these ministries. If you would like to take part, or are interested in learning more, please call Effie at 856-906-8616.

ARISE & SHINE

Morning Parenting Group Meetings Every Friday in Room 8 at St. Isaac's

ariseandshine@stjoans.org
Arise & Shine is a morning preschool playgroup aimed at inspiring fellowship, personal growth & knowledge based on our faith.

SUBSTITUTE USHERS NEEDED FOR MASSES

Would you be willing to help to fill in as an usher when another is unavailable? Maybe you are a new parishioner to our parish and looking for a way to get involved? We are looking for women, men and young adults to join our ministry. If you are interested in joining the usher ministry please talk with the ushers at your Mass or contact the Usher Ministry Leader, Dean DeRose, at 856-596-6404 or ushers@stjoans.org

SENIOR TRIPS

PHILLIES GAME Wednesday, June 20th \$74.00

Leave 11:30am Home 4:30pm
Travel to Citizens Bank Park for a day at the ball field. Enjoy the vendors and eateries while you watch the Phillies play the St. Louis Cardinals at 1:05 pm. Seats are located in 103 section and are undercover in case of inclement weather.

CAPE MAY FERRY TO REHOBOTH Thursday, June 28th \$99.00

Leave 7:00am Home 8:30pm
Ride the Cape May Ferry to Lewes, DE to shop the
Rehoboth Outlets or spend time walking
the boardwalk. Dinner is included at the Rusty Rudder for
"all you can eat buffet" salad bar, carving
station ,pasta station, sushi station, chilled shrimp, crab
clusters, clams, and desserts, before returning home.

Make checks payable to ST. JOAN OF ARC

Mail checks to: Bob and Sue DeNight, 20 Florence Avenue, Marlton, N.J. 08053

Call for more info 856-596-9393 or 609-304-1968

STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

As disciples we are called to be faithful stewards of our time, talent and treasure. May 5/6.....\$23,898 Electronic Giving\$2,016 Thank you for your continued generosity!



Please join our growing number of families who have elected to make their contributions online through Parish Giving.

It's Simple:

 Log onto <u>www.stjoans.org</u> and click on the Giving tab and choose Parish "Online" Giving and follow the easy registration instructions.

It's Secure:

 Parish Giving is PCI compliant and uses the strongest SSL encryption technology available.

It's Convenient:

 No more searching for the check book on Sunday or morning stops at the ATM machine.

Tax Benefits:

 You will be able to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year.

Parishioner Benefits:

Ability to choose date and frequency of contributions.
 Questions, contact Theresa Segin

856-983-0077 ext.311

THIS IS WHAT

LOOKS LIKE

2018 Annual Catholic Appeal

Please note that if you received a letter from Fr. Rich asking you to make a contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal and you have already made a payment or a pledge, please ignore the letter. Thank you very much for all those that have made a pledge or a payment to the Annual Catholic Appeal thus far.

Update: 626 donors \$89,631 Total Pledged \$111,189 Parish Goal

Your contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal will help support

- Catholic Education Administration and Ministries
- Evangelization Ministry to Families, Youth, Young Adults, Pastoral Care and Multicultural Ministries
- Clergy and Religious Administration, Vocations and Consecrated Life
- · Catholic Social Services

Please give generously by going to the Diocese of Trenton Annual Catholic Appeal website or by completing a pledge card available in the church foyer. Please send completed cards to the Rectory or drop in the collection basket. Please indicate donation and be sure to designate the funds to St. Joan of Arc Parish.

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, 5/13

Wings - 6:30pm Pedata Hall AOA Meeting - 7pm Cafeteria

MONDAY, 5/14

Altar Server Training - 3pm Church Women of Faith - 7pm Allora Bible Study - 7:30pm Arc Room

TUESDAY, 5/15

Adoration - 5pm Church
Benediction - 6:30pm Church
Liturgy Meeting - 7:30pm Gathering Room
Journey Through Grief (Loss of Child)
7:30pm Arc Room
K of C Planning Meeting - 7:30pm Cafeteria

WEDNESDAY, 5/16

Abide in Me Prayer Group
1pm Gathering Room
Rosary - 7pm Church
PTA Meeting - 7pm Cafeteria

THURSDAY, 5/17

Adult Faith Book Club - 7pm Arc Room

FRIDAY, 5/18

Altar Server's Trip - Funplex

SATURDAY, 5/19

Parish Council - 9:45am Pedata Hall

WEDDING BANNS

First Publications

Thomas Wexler and Erin Mason

Second Publications

Jonathan Boehme and Stephanie Steinbiss

Third Publications

Joseph Amoroso and Samantha Smith Johnathan Capocci and Stefany Rumbos

BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome the following children who are being baptized into our community this weekend: Keylinn Sanon, Deila Sanon, Aysha Pena, Abigail Burdalski, William Fritzsche-Rudolph, Anthony Rock, Kai Rupin & Adrianna Sellers

PRAY THE ROSARY

The Path To Jesus Is Through Mary

Monday to Saturday 8:25 am - Church Wednesday Nights 7:00 pm - Church Rosary 1st Saturday of Every Month 3:00 pm Pedata Hall

The Blessed Mother has told us to pray the rosary every day. This is Heaven's intervention to achieve world peace.

Please Join Us In Prayer.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to publish an announcement in the bulletin please send all requests to publications@stjoans.org All requests must be submitted no later than the Monday before the weekend you would like them published.