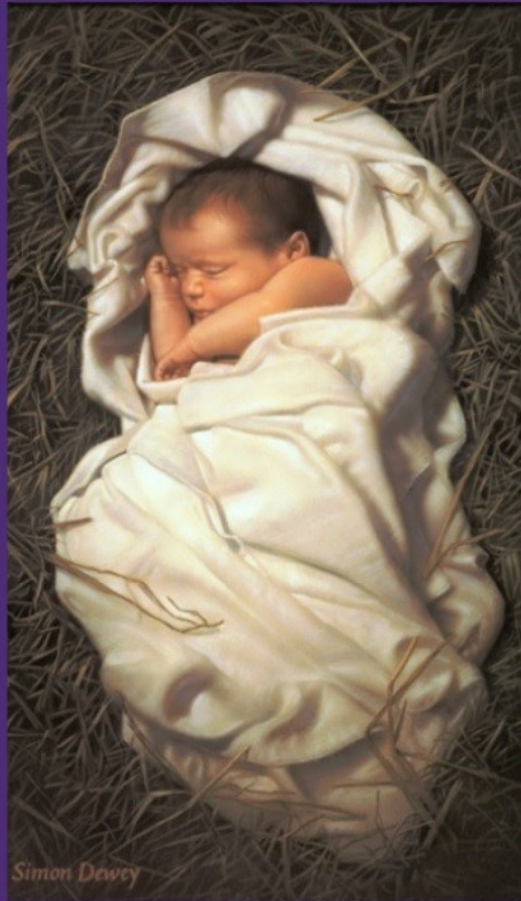


Church of St. Joan of Arc

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 9, 2018

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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday

9:30am-12:30pm, 2pm-5pm, 6pm-8:30pm

Friday

9:30am-12:30pm, 2pm-5pm

Saturday

9:30am to 12pm

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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

Tuesday, Thursday: 7am Morning Prayer with Communion

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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION



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

Advent Reflection by Bishop Robert Barron The great liturgical season of vigilance, of waiting and watching.

"As you keep vigil before the Blessed Sacrament, bring to Christ some problem or dilemma that you have been fretting over, and then say: "Lord, I'm waiting for you to solve this, to show me the way out, the way forward. I've been running, planning, worrying, but now I'm going to let you work." Then, throughout Advent, watch attentively for signs.

Also, when you pray before the Eucharist, allow your desire for the things of God to intensify; allow your heart and soul to expand. Pray, "Lord, make me ready to receive the gifts you want to give," or even, "Lord Jesus, surprise me.""

GOSPEL LUKE 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert.

John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah:

A voice of one crying out in the desert:

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.

Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low.

The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”

ADVENT TWO/2018

John the Baptist, Again.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

It's John the Baptist, again. Again, we go to the desert. Again this Advent, like every Advent, we hear this wild preacher crying out to anyone who will listen: “Prepare the way of the Lord.” Do we need to be reminded yet again that Advent — indeed, all of life — is a preparation for the coming of the Lord? As I said in last week's letter: I guess we do.

How can we listen to John's message in a deeper way this year? How can John's message of filling in valleys, bringing down mountains, straightening the winding roads and smoothing the rough ones, be incorporated meaningfully into our lives?

If you want to read it over this week, go to Luke 3:1-6.

Notice, as you read, that John himself receives the word of God “in the desert.” This perhaps is a hint as to how we can listen more carefully to John's message. In our busy, noisy world, sometimes important messages get lost. We may not hear God speaking, calling to us. So, perhaps we can try going to a desert. Deserts are empty and quiet, with lots of open space. Since there's little time for a trip to the Sahara, perhaps we can clear some open space in our head and our heart.

Perhaps in the quiet desert within we can ask: What is lacking in our lives, in our world? What has grown out of control and too big to handle in our lives, in our world? Where have we, and the world, wandered from God's path? Where do we need God's help?

St. Paul challenges the Philippians and us “to discern what is of value.” Perhaps there is no better place than in a desert to do that.

Let's make it a good Second Week of Advent.



“Who's Everyday Voice of Faith Effects You?”

Small Groups Discussion Questions:

As we prepare the way for Jesus to be born anew in our hearts this Christmas, what are the valleys we are called to fill in and what mountains within our lives (pride, greed, anger, etc.) must be made low?

St. Paul's prayer is that “your life may increase ever and ever more – in knowledge and every kind of perception – to discover what is of value.” How might you fulfill that prayer within your own life?

Both John and Jesus experience a time in the desert before taking on their public ministry. Where is it in your life that you go to be with God in solitude and prayer?

As a parish - how might we prepare to welcome with love and joy the people who will join our community to celebrate Christmas?

PRAYERS AND INTENTIONS

TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

Our Tabernacle Candle will remain lit during the week of
December 9, 2018 to December 15, 2018

In Memory of Lauren Diorio

Requested by

Love You Forever, Mom & Dad



REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Please pray for the soul of Albert Guerina, whose Funeral Service was celebrated on Sunday, December 2nd.
Please pray for the soul of Janice Bednar, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, December 3rd.
Please pray for the soul of Domenica Alamia, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday, December 5th.
Please pray for the soul of Janice Gerald Skotko, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, December 6th.
Please pray for the soul of Loretta Bond, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday, December 7th.
Please pray for the soul of Donna Miller, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, December 8th.

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

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Angela Lombardo, Olivia Demmler, Mario Tomaino,
Giovanna Lodatom, Lucille Marini, Jeannette Hockel,
Robert Papaycik, Benny Bundens & Michael Abair, Sr.

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 1/C Justin
Beck, Bryan Bolt III, Marine Cpl. Justin Ryan Booth,
USCGA Cadet 1/C Jack Brandt, Kevin Brodwater, USN,
Kyle Brodwater, USN, Col. Denis Brown, Maj. Ryan Brunk,
Staff Sgt. John Ciacci, Michael Costello, Joseph DeStefano,
Josh Dikmak, LtCol. Christopher DiNote, John Dixon,
Sgt. Kevin Dougherty, LCpl. Silvio Duplechan Jr.,
Sgt. Mohamed Embaby, Pvt. Andrew Ensign, James Evans,
Col. Gerard Gagnon, Pvt. Nicholas Gianni, E3 Lucas Goergen,
Cpl. Michael Goncalves, SPC Evan Grabowski,
Andrew Guattari, Maj. John Harding, LtCol. Bill Harkins,
James Hayes, Rick Heipertz, Sgt. Jeffrey Jayne,
PFC. David Johnson, Amn Kris Knaup, Brian Kohler,
Sgt. Jonathan Krall, 2nd Lt. Trevor Kuroczka,
Lt. Scott Lafferty, USAF, Lt. John Paul Lamorte,
USCG, A1C Class Daniel Little, SSG Stephen MacCroy,
William Mace, Bryan Marines, Cpl. Anthony Mastrangelo,
PFC Class Matthew Mastrangelo, LT Shane Mauro USN,
Brenden McKittrick, Sgt. Brian McNally USAF,
Sgt. Luke McNally USMC, SSG Richard Miller III,
Cpl. Timothy Miller, Lt. JD Maggie Montesanti-Bowen USN,
Cpl. Shannyn Noone, A1C 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, LtCol. Matthew Stanley,
Dallas Thorp, Luke Williams, PFC Tristan Wood,
SSgt. Jaried Zavatter, USN Robert Zielinski
& Sgt. Alexander Zink, USMC.

MASS INTENTIONS



Monday

December 10

7:00 AM

Fred Schank r/o Mike & Rose Kozak

9:00 AM

Linda Lore r/o Pete & Linda

Carmela Maniscalco

r/o Dave & Kathy Burns

Virginia Wisenauer r/o Husband Fred

Tuesday

December 11

9:00 AM

Lauren Diorio r/o The Hummel Family

John Gambino r/o Barbara & Jim Phillips

Patricia Gompers r/o The Burr Family

Franco Coppola r/o Rosaria Petruz

Wednesday

December 12

7:00 AM

Madaline Bonfiglio

r/o Anthony & Nancy Torre

9:00 AM

Msgr. Armand Pedata r/o Friends

Eileen Kehoe r/o Her Children

Thursday

December 13

9:00 AM

Betty Luchtman r/o The Luchtman Family

Constance Giles

r/o Grace & John Gryniuk

7:00 PM

Lauren Diorio r/o The Merski Family

Franco Coppola

r/o Cinzia & Chris Bayer & Family

Friday

December 14

7:00 AM

Betsy Garro r/o Cathy Amico

9:00 AM

Florence Ladouceur r/o Tom Joyce

Nicole Gina Margiotti r/o Loving Family

Saturday

December 15

9:00 AM

Gail Steliga r/o Paula & Gene Kotowski

Alan "Randy" Maute

r/o Mom, Dad & Family

5:30 PM

Joseph Sweeney

r/o The Veasy Family

Harper Mae Graham r/o Terri Giordano

Dr. Michael DiMarcangelo

r/o The Family

Sunday

December 16

7:30 AM

Jean Costello r/o Jim & Nina Draper

Dennis Lydic r/o The Robson Family

Gary Langan r/o Christine Garrido

9:00 AM

Daniel Hawkes

r/o Mom, Dad, Morgan & Gavin

Mary Davis r/o Mary Ellen & John Walls

Mary Joyce r/o Jack & Mickey Marczely

10:30 AM

Toni Les r/o Bob & Dolores Picollo

Carmella Maniscalco

r/o Rick & Rose Saylor

Parishioners & Benefactors

12:00 PM

Richard Valentino, Jr.

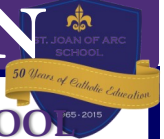
r/o The Harvey Family

Diane Scarpati r/o Maureen & John Sherry

Michael Macekura

r/o Frank & Maria Conte & Family

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



WINGS Large Group Meeting 7-9pm Pedata Hall

Open to All High School & 8th Grade Students
In 2018 we celebrate 37 years of service to the Parish. Come, grow in your faith & give service to the Parish & the Community.

As Pope Francis said Lets go make a Mess!
Have Fun with your Friends and Make New Ones
Travel, Trips, Great Events!
Join the Parish Youth Group Wings, St Joan of Arc's Youth Group, which meets Sundays from 7pm to 9pm in Pedata Hall. The meetings include group discussion, fun games & refreshments. All eligible teens are strongly encouraged to attend.

WINGS COLLEGIATE CATHOLICS Meetings 1st & 3rd Thursdays ~ Youth Room

ATTENTION ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS
COMMUTING or HOME ON BREAK
Announcing a new group forming for collegiate young adults to socialize and practice service & faith with like minded peers. Meetings will be held on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month @ 8pm in the Youth Room.
Questions: Call Jay Keesler, Youth Minister at 856-313-9304 or jaykeesler@yahoo.com

ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL ANSWER GOD'S CALL

- Our 8th grade students will be entertaining our senior citizens on Tuesday, December 11, for their Christmas luncheon. Many thanks to all those preparing food for the celebration.
- Calling all Santa's Helpers, our SJA moms! Join us for *Elves Night Out* on Thursday, December 13 at 7 pm in Pedata Hall. See PTA website for details and to RSVP!
- Students may wear school appropriate dress down clothes and Santa hats on Friday, December 14 for Santa Hat and Red/Green Day. PTA will provide an ice cream treat to top off the festive day!
- 7th & 8th grade students! Come strut your stuff at the dance on Friday, December 14 from 7-9 pm.
- Check out the PTA web pages on the school's website under "PTA"! Lots of important information and sign ups can be found there.



CYO BASKETBALL

High School aged boys interested in playing competitive basketball are welcome.
For additional information email Ms. Vittese at m.vittese@stjoansk-8.org.



KidsLIT

SUNDAY MORNINGS

9am Mass 1st & 2nd Sunday of the month
10:30 Mass 3rd & 4th Sunday of the month

PreK-6 is invited to join us in our very own Children's Liturgy of the word. Young adults 6-8th grade are invited to be readers. For more information check us out online @ www.stjoans.org or email us at childrensliturgy@stjoans.org



PART-TIME NURSING POSITION AVAILABLE

Are you looking for an opportunity to utilize your nursing experience and skills in a God centered, friendly environment? St. Joan of Arc School is searching for a registered nurse from 3:00-6:00 PM, any day, Monday through Friday for our After Care Program. The children will energize and delight you!
If interested, please contact Anne DeVoto at 856-983-0774

or a.devoto@stjoansk-8.org
Look forward to hearing from you!



Arise & Shine
A Catholic Weekly Morning Parenting Group
Interested...

email Ariseandshine@stjoans.org

Growing, Living, Building

TOGETHER

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God's Greatest Gift

"God is with us!" What better gift can there be than God's presence!

Let each gift we purchase and wrap, be a reminder of God's great gift of Himself. Let us follow God's example and give *ourselves* to each other this Christmas. May our presence, our fidelity, our involvement in one another's lives — being there through thick or thin, good or bad — be our greatest gift this Christmas and all year long.

ADVENT WEEK TWO

PRAYER FOR LIGHTING THE 2nd ADVENT CANDLE

Members of the household gather around the wreath.

Loving God, there is so much work to be done as we prepare for the birth of our Savior, Emmanuel. May these two lit candles remind us to share the light of God's love every conversation and in every human encounter.

Together pray a Hail Mary and an Our Father.



Advent isn't a season of the present, no matter how demanding the to-do list, or of the past, as dazzling the miracle of God come among us was and is. Advent is a time for way-finding, a glimpse of our destination. I am reminded of T.S. Eliot's Magi, who had a hard time of it, battling refractory camels and inhospitable towns. I imagine them returning to their homes, leaning in to the wind, knee deep in slush and mud, never again at ease. Advent isn't calling me to linger, but to lean into the chaos, to live on the road, plans never firm, never quite settled. We are all milling about, like those tiny angels and shepherds, rehearsing for an encounter we only dare to imagine. Dear God, this is the people who long to see your face.

(Michelle Franci-Donway)

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Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24th, Christmas Eve

3pm, 5pm (Children's Mass)

7:30pm (Choir Mass, Musical Prelude begins at 7pm)

9:30pm, 12 Midnight (with Procession of Light)

December 25, Christmas Day

8am, 10am, 12 Noon

All Eve and Day Masses are in the Church



ADULT FAITH FORMATION



Discover Something More:

**Wednesdays,
6:30am Pedata Hall**

For more information email
Dolores or Marlene at wwp@stjoans.org
Visit www/stjoans.org/wwp
to register today

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SJA Small Groups

It's **NEVER, EVER**
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WIDOW AND WIDOWERS CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

December 15th 3pm Pedata Hall

Our Christmas meeting will be December 15 at 3 PM in Pedata. This is a covered dish party. We also ask you to bring a dollar Pollyanna gift. Please feel free to bring a covered dish, an appetizer or dessert to share. You can also BYOB for this celebration. Please contact Fran Fries at nifries@comcast.net or (609) 217-3840 to let us know if you will be attending.

Hope to see you there!

AREA PENANCE SERVICES

Saturday December 15th

10am Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, December 18th

7:30pm St. Joan of Arc

**“Men, let’s meet at My house
on Sunday before the game”
– God**



**And come to Pedata Hall at St. Joan’s
on Friday for a light, no-pads, work-out.**

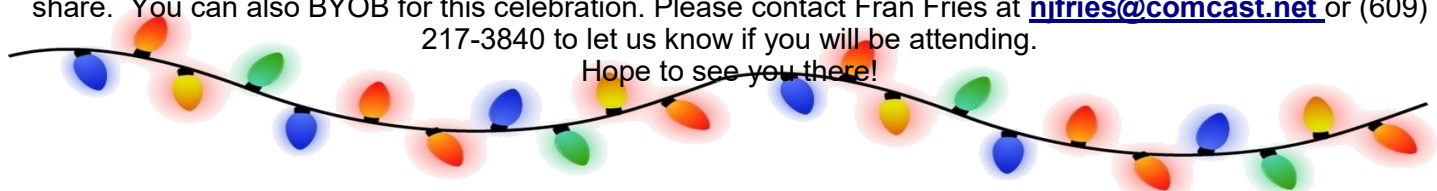
Join us Fridays at 6am in Pedata Hall

Sign up or just show up

go to www.stjoans.org/tmiy

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

Every year we invite parishioners and guests to light the candles on the Advent wreath during the 4 Sunday’s of Advent. The candles symbolize the light of Christ coming into the world. The wreath itself is a symbol of everlasting life. Sign up sheets for all who are interested in lighting the candles can be found in the offertory sign-in book (blue notebook on the table at the main entrance to the church). Ten minutes before Mass please let the deacon know that you have signed up for that Mass. For those who are interested in bringing up the gifts for communion, you can sign up in the same book. Thank you!



MINISTRIES

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS LITURGY*

Monday, December 24th 5pm Mass



SHEPHERDS FOR BLESSING AT THE CHRISTMAS CAROL FESTIVAL

At Community Sunday & Available December 16th, While Supplies Last

Shepherd ornaments will be available for \$1.25 for the Christmas Carol Festival. See Ayson Madorno at Community Sunday after Masses this weekend or the day of the festival, December 16th if supplies last. If you need one please purchase one as soon as possible. Thank you. You can contact Alyson at madornoa@msn.com

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

Fourth Month

What a miracle your spiritual adopted baby is! If her mother's womb had a window, you could watch her squint, swallow and move her tongue. If her palm is touched, she will respond by making a fist. Pray that the Lord of life moves the heart of her mother to give her the most precious gift of life. Please pray daily the Prayer of Bishop Fulton J. Sheen:
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who may be in danger of abortion. Amen.

ST. NICHOLAS TOY DRIVE

December 2nd - December 16th

The annual drive for **unwrapped** new toys for children served by Mt. Carmel Guild in Trenton has begun! Toys for boys and girls, infants through 12 years old, will be greatly appreciated. Take a token from the basket beneath the picture of St. Nicholas in the front foyer of the church as a reminder of your kindness. Place your new and unwrapped gift at any of the church entrances until **noon** on

Sunday, December 16.

Assistance with transferring toys to Pedata Hall during the drive will be welcome. For more information, please email

Sheila O'Neill Hannon at
stnicktoydrive@stjoans.org.



COOKIES, COOKIES, COOKIES!!

We are in need of everyone to bring cookies to the Christmas Carol Festival on Sunday, December 16th. We need lots of cookies to be sure we have enough for everyone. We also need sugar free and gluten free cookies too. If you can bring either of these, please let us know so we can plan ahead. We want to be sure that there is something there for everyone. Please

contact Mary Bernard at 856-596-3227 or
webernards@comcast.net



COMMUNITY SUNDAY

This Sunday - Pedata Hall
Following All Masses

Did you know students can help out and earn service hours for NHS, Confirmation, etc.? We can always use the help, and I will be happy to accommodate.

Want to be part of our ministry? We would love to have you!! Please contact

Paula Kotowski at (609)760-1706
or communitysunday@stjoans.org

Also, please visit our Parish Council table!!
Members will be available after all Masses, for any questions or concerns you may have.
In the meantime, come join us for coffee, donuts and fellowship!!



CHRISTMAS CAROL FESTIVAL
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16th 3:00PM

SAINT JOAN OF ARC CHURCH
Come with your family and friends!!

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS
THE "NEW" OLD FASHIONED WAY
"THE SAINT JOAN OF ARC WAY"

Help your children & grandchildren learn to sing the
carols dear to us
that have almost disappeared.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS
CHRISTMAS COOKIES

(Gluten & Sugar Free too!)

BLESSING OF THE SHEPHERD

Bring the shepherd from your manger to be blessed.

BRING BELLS ALONG!!

NO COST:

Kindly bring non-perishable food to donate
& Christmas cookies to share!





MINISTRIES

MARCH for LIFE Friday January 18th

All are welcome to join the five area parishes as we march to demonstrate our commitment for LIFE.

Buses leave St. Mary of the Lakes after the 7:15am Mass.

Cost: Adults \$20, Students \$15

For those unable to walk, arrangements have been made for you to stay at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Sandwiches from Murphy's will be provided for the ride home, your choice of turkey, roast beef or veggie. Please bring a bag lunch for the trip there. Students under the age of 18 must be

accompanied by an adult & have parental permission. For more information please call Gene Kotowski 609-238-6807 or email eugenekotowski@aol.com. When leaving a message please provide your sandwich selection & if you'll be staying at the Basilica or attending the march.



RESPECT LIFE NEWS

The NJ Assembly is scheduled to vote on December 17th on bill A 1504 which would legalize doctor assisted suicide. Any form of suicide is against both natural law and God's commandments. You can learn about this proposal and its many serious unintended consequences by looking at what the NJ Catholic bishops think about it and then forwarding your comments to your local state lawmakers. To visit the bishop's web site open your browser to necatholic.org and click "Take Action Now". Finally click the "Contact Your Legislators" block. Fill out the form and click "Send Message."

If you want to phone in your opinion, you can reach you legislators : Evesham & Medford are in NJ District 8.

Joe Howarth: asmHowarth@nileg.org
(609)654-1498

Ryan Peters: smpeters@nileg.org (609)654-1498

PRAY THE ROSARY

The Path To Jesus Is Through Mary

Monday to Saturday 8:25 am - Church

Wednesday Nights 7:00 pm - Church

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.

ONE IN THE SPIRIT

SJA LGBTQ Prayer Group

Thursday December 20th

**7:40pm Rectory Arc Room
(following our 7pm Mass)**

Our St. Joan of Arc Prayer Group ("One in the Spirit") would like to invite our LGBTQ friends and their loved ones to come join us for a time of prayer and faith sharing.

This Prayer group is not an advocacy or political action group. In a spirit of mutual trust and respect for our LGBTQ sisters & brothers and for Church Teaching, we hope to offer a welcoming experience for everyone to deepen their relationship with our loving God. We meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at the same time & place. At each gathering we will Pray, read the Scriptures and share our Faith together – always asking the Holy Spirit to guide our journey. All are Welcome! If you have time, please come join us for our 7pm Mass before coming to our prayer meeting. There's no better way to come together as Children of God! To learn more about this new ministry please visit:

www.stjoans.org/one-in-the-spirit

or contact Deacon Tom at (856-983-0077, ext. 306) or tom.murphy@stjoans.org.



Thinking of Joining the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS?

Visit www.kofc.org/un/newjoin/en

AOA

"ACCOMPANYING ONE ANOTHER" On the Journey through "ADDICTION TO RECOVERY"

A Christ centered ministry of spiritual support for anyone on their journey through addiction to recovery or anyone accompanying a loved one on their journey.

When: Every Sunday @ 7pm.

Where: Cafeteria

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

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

Why: We are family.

Who: Anyone impacted by this disease - All are Welcome!

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.

CARITAS CORNER

FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

Sensory Friendly Mass Schedule

Sunday, January 27th 12:00 Noon

TLC Adult Friends with Special Needs
Social Group (ages 18-39)



Friday, January 25th 7-9pm
Winter Games ~ Pedata Hall

Heart to Heart Parent Support Group for Special Needs



January 16th 7:00-8:30PM
Rectory Dining Room

Special Disciples REM for Special Needs

For more information contact:
Linda Mueller, DRE at 856-983-7575
or Linda.Mueller@stjoans.org



Sponsored by
Caritas Ministry for Special Needs
Please visit us online @ stjoans.org
Or contact us at: caritas@stjoans.org



BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome the following children who are being baptized into our community this weekend:
Noah Carmy, James Larsen, Maeve Nolan and William Poinsett



MINISTRIES



Abide In Me

"ABIDE IN ME"

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

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

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.**

Health Ministry

*For More Information about the Health Ministry
Contact Carolyn Bitzer 732-887-0898 or email
health@stjoans.org*

DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

If you need a wheelchair, crutches, walker, cane or other equipment, we might have them. Call Pat Morgan at 856-983-5656 to inquire about an item you need or would like to donate.

WEDDING BANNERS

First Publications

Christopher Vittese & Ashley Verner

Second Publications

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BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Listed below are the deadlines for bulletin announcements:

December 23RD Bulletin -

please send all requests by **Monday, Dec. 10th**.

December 30th Bulletin -

please send all requests by **Monday, Dec. 17th**.

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www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal

Be sure to designate St. Joan of Arc Parish

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, December 9

Following All Masses

Community Sunday - Pedata Hall

10:00am Breakfast with St. Nick - Cafeteria

3:30pm Korean Mass - Church

7:00pm Wings - Pedata Hall

7:00pm AOA Meeting - Cafeteria

Monday, December 10

6:00pm CPR Class - Cafeteria

7:00pm Abide in Me - Gathering Room

7:30pm Bible Study - Arc Room

Tuesday, December 11

11:00am Senior Luncheon - Cafeteria

5:00pm Adoration - Church

6:30pm Benediction - Church

7:30pm Liturgy Meeting - Pedata Hall

Wednesday, December 12

6:30am Women's Bible Study - Pedata Hall

9:30am Bible Study - Arc Room

1:00pm Abide in Me - Gathering Room

7:00pm Caritas General Meeting - Gathering Room

7:00pm RCIA - Pedata Hall

7:00pm Rosary - Church

Thursday, December 13

9:00am Arise & Shine - Off Premise

7:00pm PTA Elve's Night Out - Pedata Hall

7:00pm Greeter's Meeting - Cafeteria

Friday, December 14

6:00am TMIY - Pedata Hall

6:00pm School Dance - Pedata Hall

7:15pm Loving Your Baby Baptism Workshop - Arc Room

Saturday, December 15

10:00am Salvation Army Christmas Party - Pedata Hall

10:00am Penance Service - Holy Eucharsit

3:00pm Widow/Widower's Gathering - Pedata Hall

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are so close to reaching our goal. If you have not made your pledge yet, please prayerfully consider doing so. Thank you! ~ Fr. Rich

1038 Gifts \$104,745 Total Pledged

\$111,189 Parish Goal

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- Catholic Social Services

