Church of St. Joan of Arc

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD March 28, 2021

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Office Hours

The Parish Office is OPEN!

Monday - Friday

9:30am - 12:30pm & 2pm-5pmMonday - Thursday **6pm-8pm**

Saturday 9:30am-12 Noon

If You Need a Mass Card Click Here

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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

Registration Required Click *Here* to Register

Live Stream Sunday: 10:30am

Facebook: StJoansMarlton YouTube: StJoanOfArcNJ

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday thru Friday 7am & 9am

No Pre-Registration Required

Live Stream Monday thru Friday: 9am

Facebook: <u>StJoansMarlton</u> YouTube: <u>StJoanOfArcNJ</u>

CONFESSIONS

Mondays & Thursdays 6:30pm & 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

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.

LOVE IS IN THE AIR

Congratulations to all who have been recently engaged! We invite you to consider a Church wedding (contrary to what you may have heard, Church weddings do not have to be BIG church weddings!). We would be honored to help you prepare for your wedding day. Please call the Parish Office (ask for Pat—856.983.0077) at your earliest convenience. Marriage prep in the Church is easier (and more fun) than you may think!

CONSIDERING A DESTINATION WEDDING?

If you are considering a destination wedding, please give us a call to discuss available options to have your marriage blessed as one of the seven Sacraments. Even if you aren't sure what the Sacrament of Marriage is all about, give us a call. We think you will be pleasantly surprised!

ALREADY CIVILLY MARRIED?

Or married in another faith tradition? We would love to talk to you about having your marriage blessed in the Catholic Church.

Call today: 856.983.0077

Or Email: <u>richard.laverghetta@stjoans.org</u>
Jorge.bedoya@stjoans.org

Prayers and Intentions

TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

Our Tabernacle Candle will remain lit during the week of: March 28th to April 3rd In memory of Joseph & Evelyn Curry Requested by Mr & Mrs Bryan Curry

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Joseph & Mary Ellen Raday, Trish Labor, Jack Marczely, Lisa MacCrory, Kevin Meiswinkel & Ronald Thompson

REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Please pray for the soul of Mary Sullivan whose Funeral Mass was celebrated Mar. 23rd.

Please pray for the soul of Penny Elliott whose Funeral Mass was celebrated Mar. 24th.

Please pray for the soul of Mary Quinn whose Funeral Mass was celebrated Mar. 27th.

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

PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY

Kindly pray for the welfare of

Sgt Elliot Adkisson III, Jason Alexander, Matthew Alexander, Cms Michael Allen, Cpl Jason Annese, Josh Blassman, LTJG Justin Beck, Bryan Bolt III, Cpl Stephen Bray III, LTJG Jack Brandt, Kevin Bodwater, Kyle Brodwater, Col Denis Brown, Maj Ryan Brunk, SSG John Ciacci, Michael Costello, Gwen Daley SR, Joseph DeStefano, Josh Dikmak, Col Christopher DiNote, John Dixon, LCpl Silvio Duplechan Jr, Sgt Mohamed Embaby, Pvt Andrew Ensign, James Evans, Luca Franchi, Col Gerard Gagnon, E3 Lucas Goergen, Cpl Michael Goncalves, Spc Evan Grabowski, Andrew Guattari, LtCol John Harding, LtCol Bill Harkins, James Hayes, Rick Heipertz, Spc James Heisler, Spc William Hornung, Sgt Jeffrey Jayne, PFC David Johnson, Matt Kotowski, PO2 Dixon Kehoe, PO3 Maxx Kehoe, SSgt Kris Knaup, Brian Kohler, Sgt Jonathan Krall, 2nd Lt Trevor Kuroczka, Cpt Scott Lafferty, Lt John Paul Lamorte, Pvt Matthew LaRosa, A1C Class Daniel Little, SSG Stephen MacCrory, William Mace, Bryan Marines, Cpl Anthony Mastrangelo, PFC Class Matthew Mastrangelo, LT Shane Mauro, Brenden McKittrick, Sgt Brian McNally, Sgt Luke McNally, SSG Richard Miller III, Cpl Timothy Miller, Lt Maggie Montesanti-Bowen, Cpl Shannyn Noone, A1C Anthony Orlando Jr, Sgt Michael Peterson, Bob Poller, Sr Chief Kimberly Ripoli, Doug Sackett, Clinton Scheibner, LtCol Jeffrey Schneider, Lt Andrew Schwalbenberg, Col Dan Shanahan, PFC Joseph Seller, Molina Semple, LtCol Matthew Stanley, LTJG Gregory Swift, Dallas Thorp, Pvt Jake Witham, Luke Williams, PFC Tristan Wood, SSgt Jaried Zavatter, & Robert Zielinski

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday March 29

7:00 AM Lois Agozzino r/o Mike & Penny Ferrara

Carol Ann Filipek r/o The Cava Family

9:00 AM Theresa Young r/o Patricia Lucas

Christine Vogel r/o Susan Vogel Brown

Tuesday March 30

7AM & 9AM Arlene Carchidi r/o Mary Bernard

Toni Niedzwiedz r/o *Marty & Fran Taylor*

Archie Dobson r/o Joan Dobson **Anthony Santisi** r/o Joanne DelPrato

Joseph & Evelyn Curry r/o Mr & Mrs Bryan Curry

Wednesday March 31

7:00 AM **Jerry Altmann** r/o Wife & Family

Rosario (Ross) Retuccio

9:00 AM **Josephine Okulowicz** r/o *Sister & Family*

Marie Steighner r/o Mark & Joanne Hummel

Thursday Arpil 1

9AM Morning Prayer

7:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday April 2

9:00 AM **Morning Prayer**

12:15 PM Stations of the Cross

3:00 PM Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

7:30 PM **Tenebrae Service**

Saturday April 3

9:00 AM Morning Prayer 10:00 AM Blessing of Food

8:00 PM The Great Easter Vigil

Sunday April 4 HAPPY EASTER

Claire & Sam Rescigno r/o Family

Brian Picollo r/o *Mr & Mrs Edward Ferko* **Joseph Durant Jr** r/o *Joan & Sam Rescigno*

Deceased Members of Santisi & DiMarcangelo Families
Terry Gambone r/o Emily Hahn

Adeline & Leonard Boyle r/o Louise & Rich Wilson

Margaret Caster r/o Her Grandchildren
Pat & Chris Bakey r/o Theresa Segin & Family

Evelyn McElwee r/o Sally

Joan Diehl r/o Coworkers at Cardiac Rehab

Joseph DiDio r/o Bob & Sue Denight

Ernesto Villico r/o *Family* **Parishioners & Benefactors**

GOSPEL JOHN 3:14-21

As soon as morning came, the chief priests with the elders and the scribes, that is, the whole Sanhedrin held a council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He said to him in reply, "You say so." The chief priests accused him of many things. Again Pilate questioned him, "Have you no answer? See how many things they accuse you of." Jesus gave him no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now on the occasion of the feast he used to release to them one prisoner whom they requested. A man called Barabbas was then in prison along with the rebels who had committed murder in a rebellion. The crowd came forward and began to ask him to do for them as he was accustomed. Pilate answered, "Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?" For he knew that it was out of envy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate again said to them in reply, "Then what do you want me to do with the man you call the king of the Jews?" They shouted again, "Crucify him." Pilate said to them, "Why? What evil has he done?" They only shouted the louder, "Crucify him." So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas to them and, after he had Jesus scourged, handed him over to be crucified.

The soldiers led him away inside the palace, that is, the praetorium, and assembled the whole cohort. They clothed him in purple and, weaving a crown of thorns, placed it on him. They began to salute him with, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and kept striking his head with a reed and spitting upon him. They knelt before him in homage. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him out to crucify him.

They pressed into service a passer-by, Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. They brought him to the place of Golgotha

—which is translated Place of the Skull —

They gave him wine drugged with myrrh, but he did not take it. Then they crucified him and divided his garments by casting lots for them to see what each should take. It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." With him they crucified two revolutionaries, one on his right and one on his left. Those passing by reviled him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself by coming down from the cross." Likewise the chief priests, with the scribes, mocked him among themselves and said, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also kept abusing him.

At noon darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And at three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice,

"Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?"

which is translated, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Some of the bystanders who heard it said, "Look, he is calling Elijah." One of them ran, soaked a sponge with wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink saying, "Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to take him down."

Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

Here all kneel and pause for a short time.

The veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he breathed his last he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

For all this weekend's readings please click here.

Palm Sunday/2021 Holy Week in a Pandemic...Again

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Yup. Holy Week. Pandemic. Again.

Is nothing different?

Well, certainly, we are in a better situation than last year. The pandemic was just ramping up around this time last year. There were no public Masses during Holy Week. There were no palms on Palm Sunday (except the two on our hands — remember that?). This year we have a vaccine, and although not everyone has received it, more and more do every day. This year, too, Masses will have "in-person" congregations — still not as many people as we would like, but certainly much better than the six who attended Easter Mass last year (two priests, an organist and cantor, a camera-person and lector).

So, while it will not be a Holy Week as we love, complete with the fullness of the signs and symbols, it will be different from last year's "Holy Week in a Pandemic."

Something else will be different. You and me.

We have now gone through two pandemic Lents. We *better* be different for it. Eighty days of prayer, fasting, sacrificing and doing good, during what has been one of the most difficult years many of us have lived through, surely has taught us a few things and helped us to grow as human beings, as children of God, as disciples of Jesus Christ!

So, this Sunday, as we raise our palms — the one from the trees and the ones on our hands — in prayer and praise, let's bring with us to the Cross of Christ all that has changed within us, all that we have learned about ourselves and family and community, all that we have learned about suffering and patience, faith and hope. Let's bring with us, too, all who are hurting and all who have helped them. There is a new Easter to come for each of us and for the whole world!

Peace! Fr. Rich

Thank You for Your Patience!

We know registering for Mass is difficult and a burden. We look forward to the day when we will not have to do it, especially for the holiest of days. In the meantime, we appreciate so much everyone's continued patience, cooperation and kindness through this unique time! Let's continue to pray for each other that this Holy Week and Easter is a blessed and joyful time for everyone ... whether "in-person" or "online." Thank you!

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE

Although we will not be able to celebrate Holy Week as we would all like ... it's a big step up from last year when there were only 6 people in Church (a husband and wife, an organist, a cantor, and two priests!)

In order to invite to Church as many as we can while keep things as safe and as sanitized as we can, the schedule (below) looks a little different from previous years, and, of course, could change as circumstances change. Please take a careful look, print or copy or clip this page and keep it.

For safety purposes, we are asking everyone to register for Masses during Holy Week. Church will be limited to 200 persons (this number is subject to change). Registration is open and available on the website at www.stjoans.org.

Don't forget to refresh the page by clicking the refresh arrow **C** before registering. If you need any assistance in registration please call the parish office at 856.983.0077 or email alyson.baranowski@stjoans.org.

We will livestream a Mass or Service each day (indicated below by *).

Bishop O'Connell has extended the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass. To all with serious health issues or are immune-compromised: we kindly ask you to join us in prayer at home via livestream on our website or Facebook page. Thank you.

Monday of Holy Week, March 29: 7am and *9am Tuesday of Holy Week, March 30: 7am and *9am Wednesday of Holy Week, March 31: 7am and *9am

HOLY THURSDAY, April 1

Morning Prayer 9am

EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER *7:30pm

GOOD FRIDAY, April 2

Morning Prayer 9am
Stations of the Cross 12pm
COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION: *3pm

With Veneration of the Cross

Evening Prayer Service (specifics to be announced) 7:30pm

HOLY SATURDAY, April 3

Morning Prayer 9am
Blessing of Easter Food 10am
THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL *8pm

EASTER SUNDAY, April 4

In Church: 8am, *10am, 12 Noon
In the Gym: 8am, 10am, 12 Noon

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

(during the time we cannot be present for Mass)

"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 are already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen."

Youth Faith Formation



ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Now Open

All Registration Forms are Available **Here** or visit <u>www.stjoans.org/st-joan-of-arc-school</u>
For More Information



Important Religious Education News from Fr. Rich

Dear Parents,

As you may know, Mrs. Linda Mueller, our Director of Religious Education is retiring at the beginning of June. Mrs. Mueller had intended to retire last June, but because of COVID-19, she graciously postponed her much deserved retirement. We all owe her a debt of gratitude. Thank you, Mrs. Mueller!

Because this summer will be a time of transition for the Religious Education Office, unfortunately it will not be possible this year to hold our Summer Intensive Program & Vacation Bible School. I know how popular these programs are and promise we will do all we can to bring both back in 2022. I apologize any inconvenience this might cause.

As you can imagine, not knowing exactly what the state of the pandemic will be in September makes it difficult to plan for the 2021-22 school year. Currently, our plan is to offer both "in person" Religious Education classes, as well as a virtual program online for 2021-22. This, of course, could change as circumstances dictate.

Finally, I want to thank you as parents for the extraordinary efforts you are making to share our Catholic Christian faith with your child(ren). I am grateful for your understanding, cooperation and patience as we move forward.

May God bless you as we live these last weeks of Lent and move into Holy Week. I pray your Easter will be joyful, peace-filled, and – yes, healthy and safe!

Yours in Christ, Fr. Rich LaVerghetta Pastor

WINGS Youth Group

Sundays at 7:30pm

Open to all teens from 8th grade to senior year in high school. We are currently meeting via Zoom! Spread the word to your friends and new 8thgraders. Contact Jay at jaykeesler@yahoo.com or Shawna at groovy92@yahoo.com to get details on how to join our Zooms. This is a great place to keep in touch with friends you may not be able to see in person right now and we have fun outings such as trips to the shore in the works!

ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL LIVE IN HOPE

- •We are so excited to welcome back all our students on Monday, April 19 for 4 full days per week. Fridays will continue to be remote.
- •Fore! Save the date for our 12th annual Monsignor Pedata Golf Classic on Monday, May 3. See the *PTA Current Happenings* page for details!
- •Get physical and/or e-gift cards through *Shop with Scrip* and earn easy money for our school! Check out the details on the PTA Current Happenings Page at www.stjoansk-8.org/pta-1/

Special thanks to all of our parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, cousins, neighbors and of course our teachers who have been doing a magnificent job every step of the way. Your support, assistance and cooperation are greatly appreciated.

Thank you to all of our parents and parishioners for all of the many ways you help support our wonderful school!!!



Adult Faith Formation



Place your bet on the Man riding the donkey.



He hung out for you.

Men, Join us virtually via Zoom. For more info or to give us a try click here: www.stjoans.org/tmiv

WOMEN OF FAITH April 12th



ALLOWING GOD TO CHANGE US

This month's video reflection can be found at The Spirit and the Desert // The Wild Goose - Segment #10, (youtu.be/TU2cze30b7M) and you can watch it at any time. All are welcome to join our Zoom meeting and to enjoy the conversations, whether or not you have time to watch the video! Please contact Kathy Burns at (609) 923-7222 for more information.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM Sixth Month

Your spiritually adopted baby weighs over one pound and her movements can be felt by her mother. Your prayers have helped your baby's mother to continue her pregnancy and seek the help she may need. We pray she knows that there are crisis pregnancy centers available to assist her as well as her church community. Please continue to pray daily for the life of your spiritually adopted baby. 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

Questions to Share

- 1) Would you have taken your coat off and put it on the ground as Jesus rode the donkey over it? What would you have to believe for you to do that?
- 2) What does the word "Hosanna" mean? Do we ever say it to ourselves when the Eucharist is raised?

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.



Enabling women to know Christ through Scripture Wednesday, March 31st

There will be no Walking with Purpose meetings this week. Our next meeting will be on April 7th

INTRODUCING A NEW WAY TO SHOP WITH SCRIP!

Fundraise while you shop by ordering gift cards at face value with no activation fees - while our school earns rebates from hundreds of participating retailers! Learn more about how this program supports our school here: www.youtube.com/watch?v=BZNuftcPKo&feature=youtu.be

Visit the App Store or Google Play Store from your smart device and download the RaiseRight Fundraising app. E-mail giftcards@stjoans.org for enrollment code.

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St. Joan of Arc School

Faith, Knowledge, Service

HAPPY SPRING!

March has been full of Hope at SJA! Our Lenten theme is Anchored in Hope. We are so happy that many of our students came back to in-person learning this month! We look forward to all of our students coming back for four full days after Easter! We continue to LIVE IN HOPE!



- Dr. Seuss' Birthday
- **Brain Week**
- Lenten Liturgies



- St. Joseph's Day
- Food Drive



































Principal's Corner











Peace! Know that the SJA School community hopes you and your loved ones are well. We pray for our parishioners and benefactors every day during our morning prayer. We are so grateful that many of you celebrate Friday liturgy with us in church or via live stream. We love it when you who are in church look back at the camera and wave to us! Be assured we look forward to the day when we can all celebrate Eucharist as we did in the "good old days."

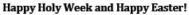
Our Lenten theme, "ANCHORED IN HOPE", challenged us to live God's message of kindness, patience, compassion, grace, mercy and peace. During Read Across America Week, we remembered Dr. Suess by collecting new socks for those in need on Crazy Sock Day, joined the SJA Parish food collection and collected money for the missions.

Along with our Lenten practices, we also had the opportunity to celebrate Brain Week and Albert Einstein's birthday. Both occasions gave us an opportunity to appreciate the gift of knowledge, wisdom and creativity. There are numerous Einstein quotes that can touch our hearts and souls. With Spring coming to life in every way possible: birds singing, crocuses and daffodils blooming, trees waiting to burst in to multi green colors and Easter knocking at our door, the following quote seems appropriate: "Look deep into nature and then you will understand everything better." Albert Einstein.

Following Brain Week and Albert Einstein's birthday we celebrated St. Patrick and St. Joseph. There were numerous leprechauns on our campus. We also remembered a variety of titles for St. Joseph: the Protector, the Teacher, the Listener, the Dreamer, etc.

With the CDC changing the social distance expectations from 6 feet to 3 feet in the classroom, we are very happy to announce that we are moving from our hybrid scheduling to in person learning for any child who wishes on Monday, April 19. We will continue to offer total remote learning. We look forward to seeing many happy faces and hearts. We are also extremely excited to report that in September 2021 we plan to open for in person learning 5 days a week. It goes without saying that our students, teachers and parents have worked together as a marvelous team during these pandemic days. We are extremely thankful for their support and cooperation.

May your hearts and homes be filled with Easter HOPE as we begin the month of April. Together let us be aware of God's presence in creation and each other.





God's Blessings! Sister Pat









































Welcome to the 55 families that are newly Registered Parishioners since January 1st!

ABIDE IN ME

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

Join our email prayer chain

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.

Please no texts, thank you!

CARITAS CORNER FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

MONTHLY EVENTS

TLC Social Adult Group for Young Adults 18-39

No March TLC Meeting

Friday, April 23rd Earth Day Celebration, 7:30pm Zoom

Heart to Heart Parent/Caregiver Support Group
Wednesday April 14th 7:00pm Zoom

For more information for TLC or Heart to Heart contact Maria Paparo at ria222902@gmail.com

Special Disciples
Religious Education for Special Needs

For more information contact Linda Mueller at 856-983-7575 linda.mueller@stjoans.org

CARITAS ENLIGHTENMENT

"Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless."

~St. Teresa of Calcutta

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION "Come to me, all of you who are weary and loaded down with burdens, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11.28 Tuesday Evenings

Tuesday Evenings
Eucharistic Adoration: 5:00 – 6:30pm
Benediction: 6:30pm

ROSE MEMORIAL FOR HOLY THURSDAY

If you would like to donate yellow roses for Holy Thursday Devotions as a memorial for a loved one, please contact
Theresa Segin at 983-0077.
The donation is \$75.00 for a bouquet of roses.
Please order by Monday the 29th

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: Knights Hall (with masks & social distancing)

How: Guided by the "Recovery 12 Steps" & related

scriptures from the 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: stjoans.org/AOA.

To have a conversation, please contact: Deacon Tom at 856-983-0077 x 306 or tom.murphy@stjoans.org

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF ST. JOAN OF ARC PASTORAL COUNCIL?

<u>What is the Pastoral Council?</u> 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.

<u>Am I eligible to become a member of the Council?</u> To be eligible for Council membership you must be a practicing Catholic, a registered member of the Parish for at least one year and be actively involved in the Parish.

<u>How do I apply for membership to Pastoral Council?</u> Kindly submit a letter of intent to the Pastoral Council Executive Board @ <u>parishcouncil@stjoans.org</u>, by May 28, 2021. Please be sure to include your eligibility status and a brief statement explaining why you would like to become a member of the Council.

If you are interested in supporting our Pastor and our Parish Ministries, please prayerfully consider serving as a Council Member. For more information: please visit SJA Pastoral Council online @ www.stjoans.org Or contact us @ parishcouncil@stjoans.org



Knights of Columbus HS Scholarship Contest

*** TWO Winners this year! ***

The Saint Kateri Council #12229 is sponsoring a \$300 High School scholarship to an 8th grade boy and girl planning on attending a Catholic High School.

* Student must attend a grammar school in the state of New Jersey.

Contest involves a short essay, a list of extracurricular activities, church/community service, and a teacher recommendation.

Applications can be found in the Gathering Space at the following locations beginning in March 2021; St Isaac Jogues- Marlton , St John Neumann- Mt Laurel,
And St Joan of Arc- Marlton

Application Deadline is Sunday May 2nd, 2021

Any questions please contact Andy Singer by email, ajsing1@verizon.net

Stewardship

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

As disciples we are called to be faithful stewards of our time, talent and treasure.

March 20/21.....\$15,468 Electronic Giving.....\$11,206

Thank you for your continued generosity!



DISPENSATION FROM MASS ATTENDANCE

Bishop David O'Connell stated "the dispensation from the Sunday obligation will continue until further notice. COVID continues to be a serious concern. Our Diocesan Directives and guidelines remain in force."

MANY MANY THANKS

A sincere and gracious thank you to all who participated in contributing to our food drives the past three weeks. Your generosity will brighten the Easter Holiday for many of those in need. Since the first Sunday of next month is Easter Sunday, there will be

No April Food Collection. Food is collected at the Prince of Peace, Lutheran Church in Marlton every Monday from 5pm to 7pm and Thursday 9am to 11am. Together we can make a difference as hunger has no timeline.

God Bless you for your continued support and best wishes for a Blessed and Happy Easter!



Your Gift Matters!

Your donation is important in building up our Church. Gifts of cash, check, money order, credit card or electronic transfers from your bank account are gratefully accepted. Gifts of stock, IRA distributions, bequests and charitable annuities can be coordinated by contacting the Department of Development at 609-403-7197.

Three Ways to Make Your Donation

ONLINE: Access our secure website at **www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal** to easily make a pledge, payment or outright gift.













BY MAIL: Send a check or money order to our processing center, made payable to *Annual Catholic Appeal*:

Diocese of Trenton PO Box 70170 Newark, NJ 07101

BY PHONE: Call our Department of Development at 609-403-7197 with your credit card information.

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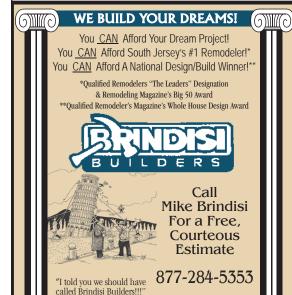
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