# Church of St. Joan of Arc

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



Feast of the Holy Family MERRY CHRISTMAS!

December 26, 2021

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#### Office Hours

#### Parish Office closed on 12/27 & will close at 12:30PM on 12/31

Monday - Friday

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

Night Hours (Monday - Thursday)

6pm - 8pm

Saturday: 9:30AM - 12:00 Noon

Sunday: No Office Hours

Click Here to Request a Mass Card

#### Pastoral Staff

Fr. Richard D. LaVerghetta, Pastor

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**Permanent Deacons:** 

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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 & 12pm

Live Stream Sunday: 10:30am

Website: www.stjoans.org Facebook: StJoansMarlton

& YouTube: StJoanOfArcNJ

#### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9am (Livestream Available)

Tuesday & Thursday: 7am, 9am (Livestream Available)

Website: www.stjoans.org Facebook: StJoansMarlton

& YouTube: StJoanOfArcNJ

Saturday: 9am Morning Prayer (MWF): 7am

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays at 4:00 pm & by appointment.

#### **BAPTISMS**

We celebrate Baptisms most Sunday afternoons. The baptism of your child is a great time to renew your own faith in Jesus Christ.

Call the Office to schedule at 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: richard.laverghetta@stjoans.org

jm.patilla@stjoans.org

# **Prayers & Intentions**

#### TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

Our Tabernacle Candle will remain lit during the week of December 26<sup>th</sup> to January 1<sup>st</sup> in memory of:

Alfred & Rosina Pietrofesse

Requested by: The Graziosi Family

#### WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Mary Bernard, Gene Mosca, Kathleen Jurgens, Frank Vecchiarello & Karen Eaton



#### 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, MSgt Zachary Crawford, 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, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, LT Gregory Swift, Dallas Thorp, Pvt Jake Witham, Luke Williams, PFC

Tristan Wood, SSgt Jaried Zavatter, & Robert Zielinski

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

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Monday	December 27		
9:00 AM	Catherine Ross r/o Debbie & Jim Ross Lou DiPietro r/o Pete & Kelly Bonfiglio & Family		
Tuesday	December 28		
9:00 AM	Daniel Gruhn r/o Family Bill Silk r/o Wife Eileen & Family James & Marie Parrillo r/o Daughter		
Wednesday	December 29		
9:00 AM	Joe & Louise Michalowicz r/o Jim & Marijane Captain Chris Hueth r/o Greg Manco Tony Amico r/o Wife Cathy & Family		
Thursday	December 30		
9:00 AM	Sr. Eleanor O'Connell r/o Jean Lynerd Glenn Orr r/o Wife Kathy Richard Brown, Sr. r/o The Brown Family		
Friday	December 31		
9:00 AM	Julia & Nicky Verde r/o Daughter Julie & Family Frank Schwartz r/o Wife Ann		
5:00 PM	James Mahoney r/o The Garvey Family		
Saturday	January 1 • Happy New Year!		
9:00 AM	Mary Etta Dobson r/o Family Carol Ann Filipek r/o Marie Riley Jeanne Patzer r/o Mark & Maria Chalmers Parishioners & Benefactors		
Sunday	January 2		
7:30 AM	John Wilkie r/o Elaine & Jim Wilkie Lenny DeStefano r/o Terri Giordano William Gooch r/o Peg Pendergast		
9:00 AM	Mary Damboise r/o Patty Abraldes Mary Southwick r/o John & Lynn Doherty Thomas & Dorothy Breslin r/o Daughter & Family		
10:30 AM	Cassandra Pistorius r/o Jim & Marijane Michalowicz James & Anna Ricciuti r/o Annette Forman Luke Silvestre r/o Joseph & Roberta Gallotti		
12:00 PM	Ernesto Villico, Sr. r/o Family Ron Schreyer r/o Diana Sutcliffe Ginny Fama r/o Bill & Linda Mueller		

#### GOSPEL LUKE 2: 41-52

Each year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

For this weekend's readings please click here.



SCAN FOR ALL READINGS FOR THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

#### **FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS**

- What do you consider the "house of the Lord", and how do you choose to "dwell" in this in your everyday life?
- 2) For you, is it the *physical* church building the "church" (i.e. the people, a special place of prayer)?
- 3) How would you describe the word "LOVE"? What actions in your family cause you to experience God's presence?

#### **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

The Clergy, Sisters of St. Joseph, and Staff of St. Joan of Arc warmly wish everyone a joyous & peace-filled Christmas! Let's continue to pray for each other & our world, working to keep everyone safe & healthy, loved & respected, as we begin the new year of 2022. It is an honor to serve here in this wonderful parish. Thank you for all of your support and kindness throughout the year. May God bless you and your loved ones!

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

#### PRAY, JOURNEY, STAY.. TOGETHER!

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Maybe you have heard the saying, "The Family that prays together, stays together!" Certainly, keeping God, faith, Church and prayer in family life, in our most significant relationships, helps to strengthen and deepen our love for one another. It also helps us journey together, walking with each other through good times and difficult times, through the ups and downs of life. If we have learned anything from this pandemic, it's that we need to go through it together, helping each other, caring for each other, grieving together, encouraging one another and even helping each other laugh and put things in perspective while finding a deeper sense of serenity.

This is what families do. This is also what parishes do. We journey through life together, helping each other find God and meaning and hope and belonging in our sorrows, our burdens, our mistakes, as well as in our successes and happiness and in life's many milestones. As a parish, we not only share Christ's love, we are called to embody it — to give Christ's love a face, ears that listen, arms that embrace, shoulders that carry, feet that go the extra mile.

"All are welcome here!" "God's love knows no boundaries and neither do we!" These are not empty slogans here. We don't do it perfectly, of course, but with God's grace we make every effort to be true to our baptismal calling to celebrate, proclaim and share God's love with *everyone*... *no exceptions*. I invite everyone who reads this to be a part of this work, this mission. Let's journey together into the new year as a parish family, as Church, united in faith, committed to making stronger the bonds of love in all our individual families as well as the whole human family.

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*Fr. Rich

# MASS SCHEDULE: NEW YEAR'S EVE, NEW YEAR'S DAY & SUNDAY, JAN. 2<sup>ND</sup>

- December 31<sup>st</sup>, New Year's Eve: **5PM**
- January 1<sup>st</sup>, New Year's Day: 9AM
   No Saturday Evening Mass on January 1<sup>st</sup>
- Sunday, Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>: **7:30AM, 9AM, 10:30AM & 12 Noon**

## Youth Faith Formation

# ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL DISCOVER GOD'S LOVE



- Happy New Year from all of us at SJA!
- Ring in the new year with a special treat! PTA will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, and a beverage on Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> to kick off 2022. Don't forget to wear your gym uniform!



#### **BAPTISMS**

We warmly welcome the following children who were recently baptized into our community:



**Jaxson Jay Cortes** 



#### WINGS

Save the Date: WINGS Tubing & Ski Trip
 BLUE MOUNTAIN, PA on February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022



#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

- We have had a busy few months in Religious Education in-person classes for our 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8th graders, Special Disciples and RCIA Tweens, virtual classes and home study for our 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders, and preparing to welcome our RCIA Teens. We are so grateful to our amazing catechists and volunteers for the wonderful work they are doing! Some of our catechists and school teachers attended an 'Art of Catechesis' class in November, which is designed to help those handing on the faith grown in their ministry. We look forward to offering this class again in the spring and will publish that date when it is set; anyone interested in becoming a catechist is welcome to attend!
- We also celebrated Confirmation for our 9<sup>th</sup> graders on November 16<sup>th</sup>; the Spirit was definitely with us as our children received His gifts in this beautiful Sacrament. Our First Communicants are preparing for their First Reconciliation in January, and attended virtual retreats during the first two weekends of December. Using both online and "hands-on" creative activities, our children continue to learn about God's infinite love for them and how we celebrate it in Reconciliation.
- During December, our families are working on special Advent Family Lessons. These faith-based activities are meant to help families build Domestic Church in their homes and help us to prepare our hearts to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Some of our activity options include those based on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, the blessing of the Christmas tree or Nativity at home, celebrating St. Nicholas Day (the Catholic way!), attending our upcoming Christmas Carol Festival or Simbang Gabi Mass, and more. These activities are for all families, and we welcome you to read more about them at www.stjoans.org/religious-education.
- As we prepare for Christmas during this holy season of Advent, we are grateful for the support of our volunteers, families and the St. Joan's Parish community as we accompany our children in their own journey of faith. God bless and we look forward to continuing to grow in faith together in 2022!





# St. Joan of Arc School

Faith, Knowledge, Service











# **Merry Christmas!**

December has a been a beautiful time at SJA. Our Advent Season has been full of Waiting, Watching and Wondering. All of our classes have put their faith in action by participating in various service projects. Some of the Service Projects are Helping Hands, Operation Yellow Ribbon, St. Nicholas Toy Drive, Missions, Catholic Charities, Delaware House, and Cards for Nursing Homes.

We held our annual Christmas Show in the church this year which made it possible for many friends and family members join us. It was a wonderful way to kick off the Advent Season. The PTA organized Santa's Secret Shop during school hours which was a big success. The children were very happy to shop for loved ones right in school.

Basketball Season has begun, and our varsity teams have had a nice start to their season. Go Hawks!

Thank you to all of our parishioners for the many ways you support our school! We wish you a Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with Peace, Love and Good Health!

























Dear Parishioners,

Peace! Merry Christmas to you and your loved ones. It is our hope and prayer that you Discover God's Love in a unique and special way during this Christmas season. Perhaps it will be in a family gathering, a bright star in a dark sky, a homemade Christmas card, sharing an hour or two with a dear friend, sitting quietly alone aware of the presence of the God who is ALWAYS with us, etc. The list goes on and on, different for each one of us. December found SJA faculty and students preparing their hearts for the coming of Jesus. Our halls and classrooms were decorated with purple and pink colors as we stopped to watch, wait and wonder about Christmas. Our amaryllis plants grew over night. At the writing of this letter one is 17 inches tall (it started at 6 1/2"). The buds are forming, some looking like they are ready to burst. We are hopeful for flowers before we leave for Christmas vacation. Meanwhile we will continue to watch, wait and wonder.

Advent began with our annual pre-Christmas entertainment, setting the tone for the season. Being mindful of Covid, we moved from the gym to the church. This allowed us the space needed to perform safely for our families. The evening began with some of our traditional Advent hymns followed by Christmas music, the story of the Nativity and our angels reminding us that Christmas is a Time for Love.

Our students have been busy with Advent projects from collecting gift cards, donating toys and making cards for those in need, etc. The hope is to help bring more joy to the world.

We were not able to open Santa's Workshop during the Christmas Bazaar. Once again, our PTA came up with an idea for Santa's Workshop that could be done on a school day and monitored with Covid safety in place. The children had a wonderful time choosing gifts for family members. Many thanks if you made donations to help make this possible. This day was also our annual Red and Green Day dress down day with quite creative Santa Hats.

Many thanks for your donations to St. Joan of Arc School on Giving Tuesday. We greatly appreciate your continued goodness to us.

Know that the SJA School Community wishes you and your loved ones a Blessed and Peaceful Christmas. May 2022 be filled with gratitude and kindness as we navigate the new 365 days ahead of us.

Wait Watch Wonder

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

God's Blessings!

Sister Pat























## **Adult Faith Formation**

#### **ABIDE IN ME INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY**

DO YOU NEED PRAYER
OR WANT TO PRAY FOR OTHERS?

• Join our prayer chain at:

www.stjoans.org/ministries/abide-in-me

- Pray in person on Wednesdays from 1PM-2PM in Knight's Hall OR monthly on Monday nights at 7:15PM in the Parish Office Dining Room (Click here for monthly meeting dates) or visit our SJA web page.
- ⇒ Next monthly evening gathering: January 17<sup>th</sup>
   Dates are also on parish calendar
   & website.
- To ask for prayer or to pray with us, email: abideinme@stjoans.org or call Marijane at 609-744-7579

Please no texts, thank you!



#### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday mornings at 9:45AM in Knight's Hall \*No meeting Wed, Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>

• Consecration to St. Joseph
The Consecration is an
acknowledgement that
St. Joseph is our spiritual
Father and our desire is to
emulate him.



• Contact Emily Hahn at 609-670-0500 or:

eh122758@yahoo.com with any questions.

# PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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 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.

# Thinking of Joining the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS?



Visit: kofc.org/un/newjoin/en

#### THAT MAN IS YOU!

Merry Christmas!

What a gift!



Men, we would love to share this wonderful gift we've received. Come join us in January. Go to www.stjoans.org/tmiy

#### WALKING WITH PURPOSE

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from Walking With Purpose

- WWP meetings will resume on: Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- Please come prepared to review and discuss Lesson 9:

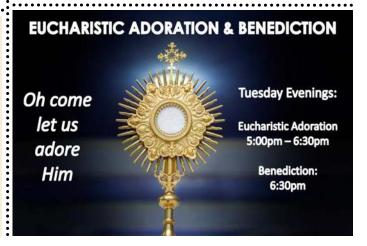
**Discovering Our Dignity:** "Ruth"

**Opening Your Heart: "What are** 

the Limits of Christ's

Forgiveness?"





## Parish Life

#### 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: Knight's Hall

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:

Dan at aoa@stjoans.org or 856-313-9758 or Elaine at aoa@stjoans.org or 609-923-6525

## CARITAS CORNER FOR SPECIAL NEEDS • MONTHLY EVENTS

• TLC Social Adult Group Young Adults 18-39

Friday, January 28th: Winter Fun Fitness Night

- \* Registration form must be submitted online at: www.stjoans.org/tlc
- Heart to Heart
   Parent/Caregiver Support Group
   Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm via Zoom
- Sensory Friendly Mass

**Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Church (Noon Mass)**For more information on Sensory Friendly Mass, TLC or Heart to Heart Support Group, email: caritas@stjoans.org

#### CARITAS ENLIGHTENMENT:

"It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you...yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at your brother and offer him your hand."

-St. Teresa of Calcutta

#### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP For Loss of a Spouse, Parent, Friend & Other Relative

- St. Joan's Bereavement Support Group meets monthly. This group is for the loss of a loved one.
- We will meet on Tuesday, December 28<sup>th</sup> from
   7:30PM 9:00PM in the St. Joan of Arc Parish Office
   Arc Room.
- This group aims to establish a support network with the bereaved persons who have experienced the loss of a loved one. We hope that healing will be promoted as the bereaved gain insight and understanding of the grieving process. The warm and caring atmosphere will offer each person the opportunity to tell their story.
- If you are hurting from the loss of a loved one, please consider joining us.
- For further information or questions, call Joanne at <u>856-983-5523</u> or Colleen at <u>609-304-6330</u>

"Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted" Matthew 5:4



#### **OPEN MAINTENANCE POSITION**

St. Joan of Arc Parish has an opening for a part time maintenance person who can work 8 hours on Saturdays and Sundays.

- Responsibilities include but are not limited to: Cleaning and sanitizing Church foyer and Pedata Hall bathrooms, replenishing supplies in bathrooms, meeting room set-ups in the Hall or cafeteria, gym custodial work, emergency clean ups in Church and the Hall, outside garden work, various projects as communicated by the Pastor or the Maintenance Director.
- Interested applicants should email their resume to Theresa Segin at <a href="mailto:theresa.segin@stjoans.org">theresa.segin@stjoans.org</a>

#### WEDDING BANNS

First Announcement:

Kaylee Martinelli & Samuel Einhorn Kristen Skok & Nicolas Pedone

## Parish Life

#### **ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE**

WASHINGTON, D.C. • JAN 21st, 2022

- Registration deadline: December 30<sup>th</sup>
- Departure: St. Mary of the Lakes parking lot after 7:15AM Mass.
- Adults: **\$20**; Students: **\$15**
- Sandwiches from Murphy's in Medford will be provided for the ride home (your choice of *Roast Beef, Turkey* or *Veggie*). Please bring a bag lunch for the ride down.
- For more information or to reserve your seat please contact: Gene Kotowski at 609-238-6807 or eugenekotowski@aol.com
- When leaving a message, provide your sandwich selection and whether you'll be staying at the Basilica or attending the March.

#### THEOLOGY ON TAP

- Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:30PM
- PJ Whelihan's in Medford



# GREETINGS AND THANK YOU FROM FR. JORGE

Dear family and friends of SJA,

It has been six months since I started my new parish assignment and I am still missing you all. As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all of you for your very kind words, your very generous financial gifts, your beautiful cards, your amazing food, and your personal support. It felt amazing to work in such a positive environment where everyone's life matters. Thank you for giving me an opportunity to minister with you and to be part of your lives. I was truly happy there and I am convinced that If I hadn't worked at St. Joan's, and particularly under the leadership and mentorship of Fr. Rich, I wouldn't be ready for this new challenge. I genuinely appreciate it from the bottom of my heart. Please know that I pray for you daily and you will always hold a special place in my heart as my first parish-home as a priest.

Feliz Navidad!

Fr. Jorge

#### **HUNGRY FOR HOPE**

Please join us! This is not a diet – it's a journey of healing & grace!



- Mission: Rooted in God's love & nourished by his Word, Hungry for HOPE is a ministry of spiritual sharing & support for anyone who longs for a healthier relationship with food for themselves or their loved ones.
- Join us for **Step 5 on Thursday, January 6**<sup>th</sup> from 7:30PM-9:00PM in Knight's Hall!
- For more info, visit <u>www.stjoans.org/</u> <u>hungryforHOPE</u>
- Ministry Coordinator: Marijane Michalowicz (609) 744-7579

#### **BUNKO**

- Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM in Pedata Hall
- For more information, call Lorrie at 856-237-3733

#### MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE Jan. 1st/2nd

January's Food Collection will be going to the Wiley Food Pantry. Any non-perishable food items and paper items are greatly appreciated!

Thank you for your continued generosity!

#### K OF C BLOOD DRIVE

• The Knights of Columbus Council 6530 is sponsoring a Martin Luther King Day of Service to honor Father Richard Regan for his service to our country and our church.

WHEN? January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 1PM to 6PM.

#### WHERE? Pedata Hall

- Donations are painless and last approximately one hour. Because of the large number of donors we are only taking donations by APPOINTMENTS ONLY. Please schedule an appointment at the Red Cross website: <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org">www.redcrossblood.org</a>
- All presenting donors will receive a coupon for a free medium coffee & donut compliments of Dunkin Donuts. All donors will have the chance to enter a raffle to win some nice door prizes
- If you have any questions please feel free to call Dean DeRose at: 856-906-0482 or email roseman1957@comcast.net

# **Happening Nearby**



# ANGELS IN THE BIBLE ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH

- Mondays: January 10<sup>th</sup> February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 10:00 AM in the Parish Hall
- Studying Angels is studying God. This study will allow ourselves to be stretched to view Angels in a new way.
- As we examine Angels in Scripture we will see them as God's agents and learn to understand their true value.
- Call the Parish Office to Register (856-424-3212)

St. Thomas More Cherry Hill, New Jersey

#### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

- Christmas Gift: For a truly meaningful Christmas present, one that lasts long after the decorations have been put away, why not give your spouse the gift of a Marriage Encounter Weekend?
- A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.
- The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- Please apply ASAP as space is limited. Call 732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco).
- Visit us at: <a href="https://www.wwme.org">www.wwme.org</a> for more information.

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS! NJ Catholic Youth Rally on May 15, 2022 SIX FLAGS GREAT ADVENTURE - JACKSON, NJ In 2022, the Diocese of Trenton will host the opening presentation and we would love to have you there!

#### **HOLY EUCHARIST PARISH - CALLING ALL TEENS!**

- Service Project January 22<sup>nd</sup>:
  - Service project at Joe's Place in Camden. We meet in the church parking lot at 1:30PM and drive to Joe's Place in Camden. We will make and then hand out 80-100 sandwich meals. We have been to Joe's many times over the last 2 years and are always warmly welcomed by those in need. We will return to the church at about 4:30PM.

Click here to sign up or visit holyeucharistparish.flocknote.com/signup/60463

#### SJA SENIOR TRIPS • DANCIN' IN THE STREETS: THE MUSIC OF MOTOWN

- Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup>; *Cost: \$149.00*. Leave at 11:00AM; *Show at 3:00PM*; Home at 7:00PM
- Experience the magic of MOTOWN! This program features smash hits made famous by Marvin Gaye, The Four Tops, Diana Ross, Temptation and Stevie Wonder. Celebrate the legendary Motown Sound with authentic arrangements and exciting, young talented musicians.
- Lunch will be enjoyed before the 3:00PM show at POSITANO COAST IN PHILLY.
- Make checks payable to **ST JOAN OF ARC**. Balance is due 30 days prior to trip. Mail checks to Bob and Sue DeNight:

20 Florence Ave. Marlton, N.J. 08053

 To reserve your seat or more information call 856-596-9393 or 609-304-1968



# **Stewardship**

#### ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE:

**767** Gifts

\$96,683 Total Pledged

\$110,000 Parish Goal



We are so close to reaching our goal! Please prayerfully consider giving if you haven't done so already.

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Wednesday, December 29th:

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