

# Church of St. Joan of Arc

*We are a Eucharistic People.*

*We Adore Christ; We Receive Christ; We Become Christ for One Another.*



**FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

**MAY 12, 2024**

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## Office Hours

Monday - Thursday **9:30am - 12:30pm,**  
**2pm - 5pm and 6pm - 8:00pm**

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

Saturday **9:30am - 12:00pm**

Click [Here](#) to Request a Mass Card

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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](http://www.stjoans.org) or stop in the office.

## SUNDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

**Saturday Vigil** 5:30PM; **Sunday** 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am & 12pm

**Livestream Sunday:** 10:30am

Live streams available on **Website:** [www.stjoans.org](http://www.stjoans.org)

**Facebook:** [StJoansMarlton](#) & **YouTube:** [StJoanOfArcNJ](#)

## DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday - Friday :** 9am (Livestream Available)

**Tuesday & Thursday:** 7am

**Saturday** 9am

**Morning Prayer (Mon, Wed, Fri):** 7am

## CONFESSIONS

Saturdays at 4:00pm & 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](mailto:richard.laverghetta@stjoans.org)

[jm.patilla@stjoans.org](mailto:jm.patilla@stjoans.org)



# PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

## TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

Our Tabernacle Candle will remain lit during the week of May 12<sup>th</sup> to May 18<sup>th</sup> for the intention of :

*Tony Zalis*

Requested by: Wife Joyce & Family

## WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Diana Jordan, Theresa Smith, Phyllis Patricco, Michael Fioretti, Eileen Everling, Julie Midiri, and Leonard Nowak

## REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Please pray for the soul of Conrad C. Tucker whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on May 6<sup>th</sup>.  
Please pray for the soul of Christopher J. Lenegan whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on May 7<sup>th</sup>.  
Please pray for the soul of Claire M. McLaverty whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on May 8<sup>th</sup>.  
Please pray for the soul of Thomas C. Cary whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on May 9<sup>th</sup>.  
Please pray for the soul of John Allen Smith whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on May 10<sup>th</sup>.  
Please pray for the soul of Jacqueline Marie Sbrocco whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on May 11<sup>th</sup>.  
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, A1C Daniel Bilgic, A1C Joseph Bilgic, Josh Blassman, LT Justin Beck, Bryan Bolt III, Cpl Stephen Bray III, LT Jack Brandt, Evan Brown MIDN USNA, Col Denis Brown, Maj Ryan Brunk, Cmdr. Matthew Buyske, SN Matthew Chybinski, 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, Thomas Farley, Luca Franchi, Col Gerard Gagnon, E3 Lucas Goergen, Cpl Michael Goncalves, Spc Evan Grabowski, Andrew Guattari, LtCol John Harding, LtCol Bill Harkins, Jared Hatley, SR Hannah Hayes, James Hayes, Rick Heipertz, 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, A1C Class Daniel Little, SSG Stephen MacCroy, William Mace, Bryan Marines, Cayden Martin, Pvt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Matthew Marthins, Cpl Anthony Mastrangelo, PFC Class Matthew Mastrangelo, Cpt Michelle Mathews, LT Shane Mauro, Brenden McKittrick, Sgt Brian McNally, Sgt Luke McNally, Cpt Jared Miller, SSG Richard Miller III, Cpl Timothy Miller, Lt Maggie Montesanti-Bowen, Cpl Shannyn Noone, A1C Anthony Orlando Jr, Sgt Michael Peterson, Bob Poller, ENT Nicholas Ricci, Sr Chief Kimberly Ripoli, Doug Sackett, Clinton Scheibner, Lt Andrew Schwalbenberg, Col Dan Shanahan, PFC Joseph Seller, Molina Semple, LTC Tim Sorrentino, CW4 Nicole Sproesser, LT Gregory Swift, Dallas Thorp, Pvt Jake Witham, Luke Williams, Tristan Wood, SSgt Jaried Zavatter, Robert Zielinski, Pvt. Ian S. Evans & Cpt. Shaun T. Lieb EOD, Jack M. Tarzy, MIDN USN

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday

9:00 AM

### May 13

*Eileen Kleinz r/o Dee Soderstrom*  
*Jack Marczely r/o Bob & Sue DeNight*  
*Nicholas Guerrieri, Jr r/o Loving Family*  
*Floriann Gilden r/o Her daughter Debbie Walker*

### Tuesday

7:00 AM

### May 14

*Marie Budroe r/o SJA Wiley Ministry*  
*Penny Elliott r/o Husband & Family*  
*Krystal, Cheryl & Ricky Bellini r/o Rick & Family*  
9:00 AM *Jack Marczely r/o Tom & Mary Anne Donaldson*  
*Bob Picollo r/o Nick & Ann Belfiore*  
*Cole Silver r/o The Sawn Family*

### Wednesday

9:00 AM

### May 15

*Ruth Skowronek r/o Husband Joe*  
*Bob Picollo r/o Dave & Donna Doelp*  
*Kevin Kane r/o Loving Parents*  
*Alice Dorisio r/o Daughter Laurie*

### Thursday

7:00 AM

### May 16

*Scott Kurtyan r/o Sue Latella*  
*Eileen & Ed Fee r/o Betty Sue, Chuck & Marty*  
*Elizabeth M. Wilson r/o Daughter Tina*  
9:00 AM *Thomas Rainone r/o Wife Colleen & Family*  
*John Fries r/o Wife Fran & Family*  
*Peter Woodcock r/o The Hurley Family*

### Friday

9:00 AM

### May 17

*Joan Seibert r/o Liz & Gene Schaeffer*  
*Eileen Kleinz r/o The SJA Wiley Ministry*  
*Jane Seibert r/o Phyllis & Frank D'Ambrosia*  
*Charles Braun r/o Maria & John Schell*

### Saturday

9:00 AM

### May 18

*Carolyn Peluso r/o Mom & Dad*  
*Sharon Cinkowski r/o Bill & Amy McCoy & Family*  
*Elizabeth M. Wilson r/o Tina Wilson*  
5:30 PM *Jack Marczely r/o Roseann & Jack Carroll*  
*Helen Marino r/o The Merrell Family*  
*Danielle Morici r/o Nellie Papaycik*  
*Derrick Lee r/o Maretia & Ed McKenna*

### Sunday

7:30 AM

### May 19

*Bob Picollo r/o Joan & Sam Rescigno*  
*Eileen Kleinz r/o The SJA Wiley Ministry*  
**Parishioners & Benefactors**

9:00 AM

*John Wolgamot r/o Lloyd & Dolores Humphrey*  
**Frances Marie Sacchetta**  
*r/o Bob & Sue Miller & Family*  
**Rosemary Chichester r/o Joan & Steve Pierson**

10:30 AM

**Edward La Hart r/o Wife Rosemary & Family**  
**Albert Geraci r/o Cetta**  
**Jack Marczely r/o Joe & Jackie Gallombardo**

12:00 PM

**Ralph A. Marano r/o Timothy & Eileen Lenihan**  
**Millie & George Giarizzio r/o Kathy Milano**  
**Franklin L. Moon, III r/o Bill & Sue Screnci**  
**Gary Zalis r/o Mom & Family**

## GOSPEL

Mk 16: 15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned. These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.

[For this weekend's readings, click here.](#)



### HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!

On behalf of the clergy, Sisters of St. Joseph and entire Staff of St. Joan of Arc, we wish a Happy Mother's Day to all moms and stepmoms, grandmothers and great grandmothers. On this day we keep them in our prayers as well as all who are deceased. Let's also pray for all the many women in our lives who have shared life and love and faith with us. We keep in our hearts, too, those for whom this day brings any kind of sadness.

Ascension of the Lord / 2024 Mother's Day!

## EASTER ASCENSION and MOTHERS

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Welcome to Ascension **Sunday!** I'm sure that still sounds a bit odd to ears attuned to hearing "Ascension **Thursday.**" Personally, I love the fact that we have transferred it to Sunday. Let's be honest: the majority of Catholics never celebrated this Solemnity until its move. Christ's Ascension is important because without it, there would be no Pentecost, no giving of the Holy Spirit. Christ returns to His heavenly Father and sends His Spirit upon His followers. Without the Ascension there would be no us. No Church.

This year's Ascension Sunday is special because it falls on Mother's Day. Let's be honest again: for the most part, faith in Jesus gets handed down, generation to generation, by mothers. It's the women in our lives and in our parishes who do much of the work of the Church, especially in the essential departments of teaching, catechizing and even daily praying. Without all that women do here we could easily say there would be no St. Joan of Arc Parish. We owe them a debt of gratitude!

The Feast of the Ascension usually falls in the month of May, the month Catholics offer special acknowledgement of and prayer with Mary, the Mother of God & Mother of the Church. If you haven't prayed a rosary in quite some time, this would be a good time to pick one up again. To help you pray we have a new ministry: a **traveling statue of Our Lady of Fatima.** This statue may be brought to your home for a week to help all the members of your household (friends and neighbors, too!) to gather and pray. Please see the notice in this bulletin on the details of signing up and receiving the statue. We have also placed around the perimeter of the church's interior various images of the Blessed Mother. In the bulletin are various prayers that can be said at each "**Marian Station.**"

It was at the wedding feast of Cana that Mary, speaking of her Son, said to the wine stewards: "Do whatever He tells you." It was our mothers who, perhaps not in precisely the same words, have advised and urged us at one time in our life or another to do what Jesus tells us. In Mark's Gospel, just before His ascension into heaven, Jesus Christ tells His disciples to "go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature." He tells us the same. Let's pray, through the intercession of Holy Mary, Mother of God, that we listen to Jesus and do all that He has told us to do. After all, this is what the Church is for. Without evangelization, there would no Church.

Speaking of Church and Evangelization: next Sunday is **Pentecost!** We have two great ways to conclude our Easter Season. On Saturday, May 18, our Evangelization Team is holding a **Parish Retreat.** All are invited for this time of prayer, reflection and inspiration; details are in this bulletin. Then on Sunday, May 19, I hope to see you at our **Parish Picnic** which is always a great celebration of who we are as a parish community.

Ascension Joy!

Fr. Rich

# YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



## ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL



**Happy Mother's Day** to all our Moms, step-moms, Grandmothers, Great-Grandmothers and Aunts! Thank you for all you do for us each and every day.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the SJA Golf Classic. It was a great event, and we appreciate your support of SJA School!

Tickets are still available for **Designer Handbag Bingo** May 16th in the SJA school gym! Please use the link to purchase tickets or scan the QR code <https://bit.ly/SJABingo>

The deadline for applying for **Diocesan Tuition Assistance** for the 2024-2025 school year is **May 13**. We ask that all families needing assistance apply online <https://bit.ly/DOTASSIST>.

**School will be closed** on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> for Staff Development.

## KIDSLIT

*Congratulations on your First Holy Communion!*



**PLEASE JOIN US ON**

**SUNDAY, MAY 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:30AM MASS**

**FOR THE CROWNING OF MARY**

**WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO WEAR YOUR COMMUNION ATTIRE**



Please note: There will be **NO Children's Liturgy** on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Have a Happy Mother's Day.

## BILINGUAL SPEAKERS AND READERS NEEDED!

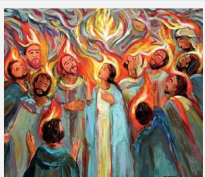
**SATURDAY, MAY 18<sup>th</sup> & SUNDAY, MAY 19<sup>th</sup>**

**\*Can you speak and read a language other than English? Are you interested in reading for Pentecost?**

\*Availability for all masses on Pentecost weekend.

\*For more information, please contact

Melissa Denisi Eisenstock at [childrensliturgy@stjoans.org](mailto:childrensliturgy@stjoans.org)



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Congratulations to

**our First Communicants!** Over the past two weekends, about 160 children from our parish and school have received their First Holy Communion here at St. Joan of Arc. We are very grateful to the catechists, teachers, and aides who have given so generously of their time and talent to help our children prepare for this beautiful Sacrament.

### Summer Program catechist openings!

Our Summer Program is a one week, full-day intensive program for children in grades 1st through 8th. We are offering this popular option this year according to the following schedule:

**June 24 - June 28, Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 2:30 pm and**

**July 8 - 12, Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm**

During these weeks, our children attend Mass each morning, work with our music teacher to learn music for Mass, work on service projects, take "field trips" to our prayer garden and other places on our campus, and generally spend the week immersed in learning about and living their faith.

As we have moved to this full-day intensive option this year, we are looking for catechists who also teach professionally, as the full-day context of the program requires professional classroom management training and experience. As this is a requirement which goes beyond our normal catechist qualifications, and due to the fact that the program runs during the traditional work day, a stipend is also offered for teachers during each of the Summer Program weeks. (Teachers can be currently employed or retired.)

While we are seeking professional teachers for our Summer Program, teachers must primarily be motivated to share their faith with the children they teach, which is the first and most important qualification of a catechist in any context. If you are interested in being a teacher for our Summer Academy, we invite you to contact our office at [rem@stjoans.org](mailto:rem@stjoans.org) or 856-983-7575. Thank you!

### Registration is now open!

We are happy to announce that registration for the 2024-2025 Religious Education year is now open. We offer multiple options for faith formation for children in grades 1st through 8th, and you can read about those options on our website at [www.stjoans.org/religious-education](http://www.stjoans.org/religious-education).

Families who are new to our program should contact the Religious Education Office at [rem@stjoans.org](mailto:rem@stjoans.org) or (856) 983-7575 to begin the registration process. If your children are currently enrolled in a religious education program in another parish and are looking to transfer into our program, please note that we will need a letter from the prior program attended, detailing what your child has completed there before we can offer registration.

We are also looking for volunteers - catechists (teachers), aides, and hall monitors - for the upcoming year! Our class schedule is Mondays and Tuesdays from 5:15 pm - 6:30 pm. If you would like to join us and have availability on either day, please contact us with the information above.





# NATIONAL Eucharistic Pilgrimage

## Trenton Diocese - National Eucharistic Pilgrimage

A historic National Eucharistic Procession begins this month on the weekend of Pentecost, May 17-19, 2024. The routes are set, stops are finalized, and dioceses across the country are eagerly preparing to welcome the Blessed Sacrament on the way to the 10<sup>th</sup> National Eucharistic Congress.

None of us have ever seen anything like this before! Four different routes of Procession will cover more than 6,000 miles and pass through nearly 70 dioceses and archdioceses, making this **the longest Eucharistic procession in U.S. history!**

The Trenton Diocese is blessed to be on the **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route**. The Eucharist will be processed through our Diocese on **Tuesday May 28<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday May 29<sup>th</sup>, and Thursday May 30<sup>th</sup>**. On each of these days our Bishop, the Most Reverend David O'Connell C.M., will celebrate Mass. Each Mass will be livestreamed by the Trenton Diocese (on Wednesday, Bishop O'Connell will celebrate the evening Mass).

For complete information on the National Pilgrimage and the Eucharistic Procession, as well as the Masses here in our Diocese and all Diocesan events, please visit:

<https://dioceseoftrenton.org/eucharistic-revival>.

### SENIOR BUS TRIPS ARE BACK!

#### CRABFEST AND BOAT RIDE HURLOCK, MARYLAND

Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> \$165.00

Meet at St.Joan Parking Lot 8:00 AM. Home 6:30 PM

Enjoy a crabfest at the Suicide Bridge Restaurant in Hurlock, Maryland with an all you can eat meal of crabs,soup, fried chicken, clam strips, corn on the cob, cole slaw, and ice tea, soda & coffee. Afterwards enjoy a relaxing 1 1/2 hour cruise aboard the Choptank Riverboat, reproduction of a paddle wheeler. Boat has a fully enclosed air conditioned lower deck as well as a covered upper deck with a great view. Make \$25.00 Deposit check payable to St. Joan of Arc. Balance Due 40 Days prior to trip. Mail checks to Bob and Sue DeNight 20 Florence Ave, Marlton, New Jersey 08053

Email or call to reserve your seat or for more info:

[sbearcol1@gmail.com](mailto:sbearcol1@gmail.com) (856) 596-9393 or (609) 304-1968.

### DAILY ROSARY

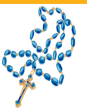
2 PM MON—SAT

Join us for the DAILY rosary. We gather on **Zoom** at **2pm Monday thru Saturday**. Contact Donna Gould with questions and for the zoom link at [sja.rosary@gmail.com](mailto:sja.rosary@gmail.com).

### MORNING PRAYER

**7AM in Church  
Every Monday,  
Wednesday, & Friday**

Join us as we lift up our prayer petitions for each other along with receiving the Eucharist. A beautiful way to start the morning with the Psalms and praising God.



## HOLY MARY PRAYER STATIONS

*Throughout the month of May, we have placed 12 portraits of the Blessed Mother on the interior walls of our church. Beginning at either end, walk these Marian Stations, invoking the Blessed Mother's intercession under her various titles.*

**Holy Mary, Mother of God**, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.

**Holy Mary, Mother of Jesus**, pray for us that we might have a deep reverence for the gift of human life in every stage of life, born and unborn.

**Holy Mary, Mother of the Church, Help of All Christians**, pray for us and for Pope Francis, our Bishop David, the Diocese of Trenton, our parish, and for the unity of all Christians.

**Holy Mary, Queen of Peace**: pray for us and for peace in every heart, home and nation throughout the world.

**Holy Mary, Our Lady of Perpetual Help**: pray for us and for all who are chronically ill, for the lonely and fearful, for those with depression and addictions, and all the sick.

**Holy Mary, Mirror of Justice**: pray for us and for those living in poverty, for the unemployed, refugees and migrants, for all victims of violence, terror and war.

**Holy Mary, Seat of Wisdom**: pray for us and for all who work in local, state and national government; for the leaders of all nations.

**Holy Mary, Our Lady of Good Counsel**: pray for us and for all teachers and catechists, for confessors and counselors and spiritual directors.

**Holy Mary, Queen of Families**: pray for us and for all families, for marriages, for single parents, for the safety and protection of all children.

**O Mary, Refuge of Sinners**: pray for us that we might have a deeper conversion to the way of the Lord, and for a compassionate and merciful heart.

**O Mary, Mother of Sorrows and Gate of Heaven**: pray for us and for the grieving and brokenhearted; for all who are dying, especially those who die alone.

**O Mary, Cause of our Joy**: pray for us that we might have a joyful, grateful heart for the life and salvation that comes to us from God our Father through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Our Father ... Hail Mary ... Glory Be ...**

# PENTECOST RETREAT

Please join us for our  
Pentecost Retreat Day!

**Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 9am - 1pm**

*Theme:* **LIVING LIFE ABUNDANTLY  
THROUGH THE SPIRIT**

Our parish retreat will be held in Church beginning with Mass at 9am and continuing until 12pm. At this time we will move to Pedata Hall to continue with our retreat with ***lunch included*** until 1pm. The retreat will consist of presentations, music and reflection.

Do you believe the same Holy Spirit that gave the Apostles the power to preach  
and to heal lives within you?

How have you been Touched by the Spirit of God?

What experiences have you had?

Please register online as we will need a count for ordering food for our lunch.

The link for registering is [www.stjoans.org/retreat/](http://www.stjoans.org/retreat/).

Any questions please email Cathy Amico at [lonnie.wp123@gmail.com](mailto:lonnie.wp123@gmail.com).

**Please join us! Come and be refreshed in God's Spirit!**

*Sponsored by the SJA Evangelization Team*

\*\*\* Parking will be available on the side and back lots. The front parking lot will have limited space due to set up for the parish picnic on Sunday.





# PARISH PICNIC!

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Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>

**JOIN US AFTER THE 12 NOON MASS**

**St. Joan of Arc Parish Picnic**

FOOD \* MUSIC \* GAMES

PONY RIDES \* PETTING ZOO

*New This Year*

Home Run Derby \* Filipino Food Tasting

NJ State Trooper Mounted Unit

1 to 4pm Lunch and On Going Attractions

Bring your family and favorite lawn chair

**FOOD, FUN, AND ACTIVITIES - ALL FREE!**



# PARISH LIFE

## VIRTUS TRAINING Need Virtus training?

Virtus training and recertification will be offered on-line for the remainder of the school year. If you are a new volunteer, please go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) to set up an account. Once done, please email [theresa.segin@stjoans.org](mailto:theresa.segin@stjoans.org) and let her know you would like to take the Virtus class online. A link to the class will be sent within a week and the link will come from [bstaub@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:bstaub@dioceseoftrenton.org). All new volunteers will need to be fingerprinted. Instructions are on the Virtus site. Additional information you will need to be able to be fingerprinted is St. Joan's location code which is TRE-093 and the volunteer code is 2F1J3Y.

To be recertified, please email [theresa.segin@stjoans.org](mailto:theresa.segin@stjoans.org) so you can take the class online. You will need to request a background check once in your virtus account at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) to finish the recertification. Should you need any additional information, please contact [theresa.segin@stjoans.org](mailto:theresa.segin@stjoans.org).

## ABIDE IN ME

### INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm in Knight's Hall

DO YOU NEED PRAYER OR WANT TO PRAY FOR OTHERS?

Email Marijane at [abideinme@stjoans.org](mailto:abideinme@stjoans.org).



## WEDDING BANNERS

First Announcement:

Teresa Gambino & David Loomis



## BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome the following children who were baptized into our community the weekend of May 5<sup>th</sup>:



Lily Theresa King  
Maeve Olivia Power  
Richard Kenneth Thall



## SENIOR LUNCHEON

Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

11:30AM - 1 PM in Pedata Hall



Please join us for our next Senior Luncheon on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am in Pedata Hall. As always, we will share a meal, play some bingo, and enjoy each other's company. See you then!

## ONE IN THE SPIRIT

Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm Arc Room

St. Joan of Arc Prayer Group, "One in the Spirit," would like to invite our LGBTQ friends and their loved ones to join us for a time of prayer and faith sharing. In a spirit of mutual trust and respect for our LGBTQ sisters & brothers and for Church Teaching, we welcome everyone to deepen their relationship with our loving God.

We meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month in the Arc Room

All are Welcome! To learn more about this ministry.

Please visit: [stjoans.org/one-in-the-spirit](http://stjoans.org/one-in-the-spirit) or email [onespirit@stjoans.org](mailto:onespirit@stjoans.org)

Coming soon....

Adult Enrichment Series

Spend your summer with



(Seasons 1, 2, & 3)

Multiple Episodes and discussion each week

Every Wednesday night, starting on June 5 (10 week series)

## CARITAS CORNER FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

TLC SOCIAL ADULT GROUP FOR YOUNG ADULTS Ages 18+

**SAVE THE DATE: Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> 7:30 - 9:30 pm in Pedata Hall Patriotic Picnic Celebration featuring DJ Nick Tyson! Games, Dancing, Refreshments.**

HEART TO HEART PARENT/CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm via Zoom

**CARITAS MASS - Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at St. Joan of Arc Church (Noon Mass) This will be our last Caritas Mass until October 2024. We hope you will join us!**

CARITAS CAFÉ Faith Sharing, Fellowship, Fun with Friends!

Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> following CARITAS MASS 1PM - 2PM

We invite Adults ages 18+ with one or more family members to come and share our faith with music, movement, small group activities and crafts. Light refreshments will be served.

For more info about Caritas, email [caritas@stjoans.org](mailto:caritas@stjoans.org)





# PARISH LIFE

## A MOMENT MORE WITH THOSE EUCHARISTIC WORDS FROM LENT

Hopefully you haven't forgotten! Way back on Ash Wednesday we gave you your very own "Eucharistic Word" to pray and journey with all during Lent. We invite you now to share, in 50 words or less, what your experience has been with your Eucharistic Word. What was your first reaction to the Word you were given; did "your relationship" with that Word change during Lent? How did your Word help you to pray at home or at Mass? Did your Word help you in your understanding of Eucharist? We would like to anonymously publish your reflection in this bulletin. Please send reflections, in 50 words or less, in writing to the Parish Office, or by email to [publications@stjoans.org](mailto:publications@stjoans.org). Thank you!

### A LITTLE MORE ON THOSE WORDS:

As you might remember, each day during Lent we posted a brief reflection on a Eucharistic Word on Facebook (and other media). As of right now, based on Facebook views only, the following are the top ten viewed Eucharistic Words:

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 10. True Food, True Drink | 5. Reconciliation     |
| 9. Daily Bread            | 4. Transubstantiation |
| 8. Dying/Rising           | 3. Grace              |
| 7. Blessed                | 2. Hunger             |
| 6. Forgiveness            | 1. Heart              |

## AOA Sundays 7pm Knight's Hall

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. Guided by the "Recovery 12 Steps" & related scriptures from the Life Recovery Bible. We pray, we share, we support. We don't judge nor give advice. **AOA** is for anyone impacted by this disease. All are Welcome!

For more info visit [stjoans.org/AOA](http://stjoans.org/AOA). To have a conversation, please contact:

Dan [aoa@stjoans.org](mailto:aoa@stjoans.org) or 856-313-9758 or

Elaine at [aoa@stjoans.org](mailto:aoa@stjoans.org) or 609-923-6525



## MARY STATUE HOME VISIT

Parishioners can now sign up to host the traveling statue of Mary (Our Lady of Fatima) in your home. The sign-up sheet will be located in the Church's Gathering/Cry Room. Those who are interested simply sign up for a one-week time slot (Sunday to Sunday). While the statue visits your home, you are encouraged to pray and say the rosary daily with her. By hosting the Blessed Mother statue in your home, you may receive abundant graces from her visit. Our Lady, through the rosary, always brings us closer to her son, Jesus Christ.

### What is involved with a Mary Statue home visit?

- You create a special place in your home for the statue.
- Place a decorative table cover, candles or vigil light, flowers and other objects to create a special area for the Blessed Mother.
- Bring the Blessed Mother (as symbolized by the Our Lady of Fatima statue) into your home with love & reverence.
- The statue is placed at her shrine that you've created for the week.
- Family and friends gather around their heavenly Mother and pray.

**What is included?** The statue is housed in a rolling travel case that is padded for her protection. Also included is a guidebook with suggested prayers to follow during her visit and a rosary.

**Timing** Sign-up on the sign-up sheet. When it is your week, you simply **pick up** the Mary Statue in its rolling travel case at **11 am (on Sunday)** from the Church Gathering/Cry Room. You will host the statue at your house until the following Sunday. It needs to be **returned** to the Gathering/Cry Room **no later than 10:30 am** the following Sunday so that the next parishioner can pick it up for their turn. **Questions? Email** [marystatue@stjoans.org](mailto:marystatue@stjoans.org)



TrentonMakesPriests

## Vocations BBQ "Come and See"

Men, ages 16-40, interested to learn more about discerning a vocation to the diocesan priesthood.

### WHEN:

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

### WHERE: Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine

61 Georgia Road, Freehold, NJ 07728

### WHAT TIME:

**4pm Mass** (Church)

**5pm Dinner** and back yard fellowship (at the residence).

RAIN OR SHINE



[Vocations@DioceseofTrenton.org](mailto:Vocations@DioceseofTrenton.org) for any questions



# STEWARDSHIP

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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

May 4/5 .....\$17,012

Electronic Giving .....\$11,100

*Thank you for your continued generosity!*

For your convenience, donation boxes are located in each of the vestibules.

This weekend May 11<sup>th</sup> & May 12<sup>th</sup> after all masses there will be a **Collection for Helpers of God's Precious Infants**. Checks can be made out to Helpers NJ. Walmart gift cards also very appreciated! [www.helpersnj.org](http://www.helpersnj.org)

**CLICK HERE to DONATE ELECTRONICALLY**  
OR SCAN THE QR CODE!



### ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024



Gifts: **362**

Total Pledged: **\$73,860 (67% of Goal)**

Parish Goal: **\$110,000**

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Please make checks payable to:

**2024 Annual Catholic Appeal**  
**701 Lawrenceville Road**  
**Trenton, NJ 864**

or drop in the collection box in the main foyer or at the parish office.

Online donations can be made by logging on to [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal)



### BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to publish an announcement in the bulletin, please send all requests to [publications@stjoans.org](mailto:publications@stjoans.org). All requests must be submitted **no later than the Monday at Noon** before the weekend you would like them published.



### THE WEEK AHEAD:

Collection for Helpers of God's Precious Infants, **Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 PM: AOA - *Knight's Hall*

7:00 PM: WINGS - *Pedata Hall*

**Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**

11:30 AM: Senior Luncheon - *Pedata Hall*

5:00 PM: Adoration - *Church*

6:30 PM: Benediction - *Church*

**Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**

1:00 PM: Abide in Me - *Knight's Hall*

**Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**

3:30 PM: Hungry for Hope - *Zoom*

7:30 PM: One in the Spirit - *Arc Room*

**Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 AM: Pentecost Retreat and Lunch - *Church*

