

Church of St. Joan of Arc

We are a Eucharistic People.

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

Ephphatha!
BE OPENED

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23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 8, 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

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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

Livestream Sunday: 10:30am

Live streams available on **Website:** 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
jm.patilla@stjoans.org

PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

Our Tabernacle Candle will remain lit during the week of September 8th to September 14th for the intention of : *John O'Neill*

Requested by: Wife and Family

REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Please pray for the soul of Denise Marie Fullmer whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on September 5th.
Please pray for the soul of Danielle June Spagnolia whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on September 6th.
Please pray for the soul of William C. Lynn whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on September 7th.
Please remember in your prayers the consolation of their families.

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Noreen Muth, Tommy Arlotta, Anne & George Reifenberg, Rosie Obara, Michael Madden, James Coghlan, Betty Reese, Rob Moore, Dave Belonger, Joan Snyderman, Josephine Mattie, and Bill Olshefski.

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, Capt. 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, 2nd Lt Trevor Kuroczka, Cpt Scott Lafferty, Lt John Paul Lamorte, 2nd Lt Jarrod LaRosa, A1C Class Daniel Little, SSG Stephen MacCroy, William Mace, Bryan Marines, Cayden Martin, Pvt. 1st 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, LCDR 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	September 9
9:00 AM	Martin Lawler r/o <i>Mr. and Mrs. Goodman-Lawler</i> Ken Mills r/o <i>Ron and Bonnie Marple</i> John Wallace r/o <i>John Sawn</i> Matthew and Madeline Kiminski r/o <i>Daughter</i>
Tuesday	September 10
7:00 AM	Anthony Pucciarelli r/o <i>Ginger Sbrocco</i> John Lacava r/o <i>Loretta Tiver</i>
9:00 AM	Scott Kurtyan r/o <i>Sue Latella</i>
Wednesday	September 11—Priest Convocation
7:00 AM	Convocation Prayer Service
9:00 AM	Communion Service
Thursday	September 12— Priest Convocation
9:00 AM	Communion Service
Friday	September 13
9:00 AM	Helen Manco r/o <i>Family</i> Jack Marczely r/o <i>His Wife Mickey</i> Beth Reilly r/o <i>Rick Reilly</i> Daniel Hawkes r/o <i>Dolores and Lloyd Humphrey</i>
Saturday	September 14
9:00 AM	Don Staudt r/o <i>Mickey Marczely</i> Patricia Christie r/o <i>Peggy Craig</i> Charles Marsden r/o <i>The Scocca Family</i> Joseph Ricci r/o <i>Daughter Gina and Family</i> Alissa Dunn Goowin r/o <i>The Tomkiewicz Family</i> Eleanor Regan r/o <i>Jack and Roseann Carroll</i> Lawrence Esposito r/o <i>Esposito Family</i>
5:30 PM	
Sunday	September 15
7:30 AM	Susan Bowman r/o <i>Dr. and Mrs. Rick Gawarzewski</i> Ann Ragone r/o <i>Mr. and Mrs. Michael Grossman</i> Charles Braun r/o <i>Fran and Marty Taylor</i>
9:00 AM	Jim Crosby r/o <i>Mary Beth and Jurgen Bushing</i> Ramiro Garcia r/o <i>The Anzideo Family</i> Catharine Braun r/o <i>Fran and Marty Taylor</i> Ralph Kile r/o <i>Eileen Schank</i>
10:30 AM	Joseph Galdo r/o <i>Eileen Schank and Family</i> Susan Battista r/o <i>Frank and Valerie Sorgenti</i> Brother James van Koolbergen r/o <i>The Wasjelewski Family</i>
12:00 PM	Eleanor Regan r/o <i>Pat Brothers</i> Sharon Cinkowski r/o <i>Betty Sue and Chuck, Marty Costello</i> Joseph D'Ambrosio r/o <i>Ben and Gerry D'Ambrosio</i> Jean Mauger r/o <i>Kathy and Bill Torluci</i>

GOSPEL

Mk 7:31-37

Again Jesus left the district of Tyre and went by way of Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, into the district of the Decapolis. And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!" — that is, "Be opened!" — And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly. He ordered them not to tell anyone. But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it. They were exceedingly astonished and they said, "He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

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

He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.

Mark 7:37



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.



I Am Here.

Come Visit Me.

Every Tuesday
Adoration 5pm - 6:30pm
Benediction 6:30pm



23rd Sunday Ordinary Time / 2024

JESUS IN-PERSON

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The first thing you might notice in today's Gospel (Mark 7:31-37) is that when Jesus heals a deaf man with a speech impediment, He does not do so from a distance. While Jesus in other parts of the Gospel may heal from miles away, the vast majority of Jesus' healings are done face to face. Today Jesus speaks to and touches the suffering man's ears and tongue. That is up close and personal! What does this say to us today, 2000 years later, about how and where we encounter Christ's healing and saving love?

Personally, I find this Gospel to be perfect for a day when we as a parish community are celebrating our first Community Sunday in the new academic year, as well as our annual Name-Tag Sunday.

We cannot do community from a distance. We cannot do liturgy from a distance. (I know we continue to livestream the 10:30am Mass and you might think I have just contradicted myself ... but the livestreamed Mass is for those who cannot be here because of illness, infirmity, disability, age, or distance ... it is not meant to give people an excuse not to come here in -person.) Sacraments are not simply spiritual moments; they are also physical encounters with God's grace that include all of our senses and our real presence to God and to each other.

When we come to Mass on Sunday it is not to pray to God alone. Mass is a deeply personal experience, but not a private one. As I said last week during my Masses, we pray better when we know each other ... and that is because we are here to pray with and for each other. The opening prayer said by the priest is called the "collect," and it is meant to literally collect and unite all of the prayers the entire community brings to Mass that day. Mass is meant to collect us and transform us through the hearing of God's Word, through our petitions and singing, and, of course, especially through the celebration of the Eucharist. The Eucharist forms us into the Body of the Christ.

When we don't want to talk to each other, or recognize each other's presence, when we don't want to share a sign of peace (I am not so sure a nod of the head is really a very valid or fruitful sign) with others (in addition to our own family or friends), then I do not know how well we are cooperating with God's grace given in the Sacrament. Are we really who we say we are?

I do not expect people to touch one another's ears and tongues during Mass (and if you are ill, please stay home and get well)! But I do think the Mass asks us not to be afraid to "rub elbows" with one another, to get close, to be friendly, to learn each other's names, to notice when someone is missing, to make our best attempt to participate (this includes singing). Jesus does not just dial in His presence. He is truly really present in the Word, the Eucharist and in the priest and people (all of us). I worry that covid and germs are giving us an excuse to ignore others and to isolate ourselves and others. For sure, I know this is not what the Eucharist is meant to do.

Peace!
Fr. Rich

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL

We were so excited to welcome back all students and staff last week as we Remain in God for the 2024-2025 school year! Please join us on Thursday, September 12th at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria for our annual Back to School Meeting and first day video montage!

All are welcome to our Opening Liturgy this Friday, September 13th at 9:00 AM!

Tryouts for soccer & volleyball are this week. Tryouts for Girls Volleyball in grades 5-8 will be held on Monday and Tuesday, September 9 and 10. Tryouts for co-ed soccer in grades 6-8 will be held Thursday and Friday September 12 and 13 at Memorial Field. **Pre-participation physical evaluation medical eligibility forms are available on the school website on the School Nurse page.**

Looking to volunteer at school? All volunteers are required to go through **Virtus certification**. Register at www.virtusonline.org/virtus. Once registered, contact Theresa Segin at theresa.segin@stjoans.org to sign up for an online virtus class.

Gift Card Sales are available for purchase before and after Sunday Masses from 8:30am-11:30am. When you purchase grocery and other gift cards through this program, SJA School receives a percentage of the sale - at no cost to you. SJA appreciates your support of our **RaiseRight gift card program**. For more details visit the PTA Current Happenings Page at www.stjoansk-8.org/pta-1/. Scan the QR code for the enrollment code.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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.

Families who are new to our program should contact the Religious Education Office at 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! The 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 at the information above.

Welcome Back!



Please come and join us on Sunday, September 8th during 10:30am Mass and Sunday September 15th for 9am & 10:30am Mass.

KidsLIT Schedule: Week 1 & 3 at 9am Mass & Weekly at 10:30am Mass

Any questions, please reach out to Melissa Denisi Eisenstock at childrensliturgy@stjoans.org www.stjoans.org/ministries/kidslit

September 8, 2024 is Grandparent's Day!

What to get the grandparents who are so important in our lives?

How about a gift card? Dunkin, Maria Mom's Italian Bakery, Rastelli's, ShopRite, Sprouts, Target, TJ Max / Marshalls / Home Goods and Walmart gift cards are available!

Every rebate dollar earned will go towards St. Joan of Arc School's 2025- 2026 fundraising goal!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



WINGS

Sunday, September 8th at 7pm



SUNDAY THE 8TH WINGS is having the welcome back ice cream social on Sunday September 8th at 7pm in Pedata Hall. This is open to All teens 13 to Highschool Seniors and their parents. Come see what Wings is all about, meet other Teens, meet the Adult Advisors, have a chance to ask any questions about the program you have. Many dates for events will be given. Come Check us out, bring a friend! 7 to 9pm

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

WALKING WITH PURPOSE

REGISTRATION FOR OUR 2024-2025

SEASON IS NOW OPEN!

We cannot wait to welcome you into the WWP Community. Please do not delay and register on SJA's Website Ministry page. If you have any questions or need more information, please email us at wwp@stjoans.org



MORNING PRAYER

7AM in Church
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.



Order of Christian Initiation of Adults
(Formerly known as R.C.I.A)

Are you or anyone you know interested in becoming a Catholic? Or, perhaps you are Catholic but have not received all of your sacraments.

You are invited to join our new group starting
Wednesday, September 25th at 7:00pm in Knight's Hall located in the Parish Center.

Please contact Debi or Lori at
sjarcia@stjoans.org for more info.

Faith in Jesus Christ can change the way we live. It brings purpose, hope and joy into our lives. Come and explore the Catholic vision!

LOVE IN ACTION: Life, Justice & Creation



The firstfruits of hope
(Rom 8:19-25)

TO HOPE AND ACT
WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

SEPTEMBER 1 – OCTOBER 4

Creation is God's loving plan in which every living creature has its own value and significance...it is a gift from the outstretched hand of the Father of all...illuminated by the love which calls us together in universal communion.

(Pope Francis, Laudato Si, #76)

Each one of us can be a source of hope and action for our hurting common home if we:

- ◆ Recognize our dependence on Creation
- ◆ Listen to the cries of the Earth and the cries of the poor
- ◆ Listen to the voices of our global neighbors impacted by the changing climate
- ◆ Be aware of creatures approaching extinction and those still striving to live
- ◆ Listen to the voices of young people and children
- ◆ Learn from the slow, powerful cycles of life of different species, ecosystems, and biomes

Creation and all of us are called to worship the Creator and work together in relationship. Only when we work together with Creation can the firstfruits of hope (Rom. 8:19-25) be born. As the children of God, we must see ourselves as humble creatures who praise and respect God and, at the same time, love, respect, care, and learn from God's gift of Creation.

Let our hope and our actions reflect our love for God and the gift of life for all Creation.

Source: seasonofcreation.org

Life and Justice Corner

Founded in 2014, The Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Center puts love into action by providing a variety of services to their impoverished and marginalized neighbors in Camden, most of whom are refugees/immigrants. Some of their services include a food pantry, ESL classes, rent & utility assistance, social service referrals, free eye screening/eye glasses, notary services, computer access for job applications, a support group for mothers (with childcare provided), Spanish literacy classes, social events and sewing/crocheting classes to foster a sense of community, a community garden, and faith sharing through community prayer. They also welcome volunteers!

For more information, see ssjnc.org

PARISH LIFE

CARITAS CORNER FOR SPECIAL NEEDS



MONTHLY EVENTS

TLC SOCIAL ADULT GROUP FOR YOUNG ADULTS Ages 18+

Our TLC Socials will return in the Fall. Please check the parish website for our 2024-2025 schedule.

HEART TO HEART PARENT/CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP



Heart to Heart will return in the Fall with a new schedule. Heart to Heart meetings are on Zoom each month for your convenience. Please check the parish website for our 2024-2025 schedule.

CARITAS MASS and CARITAS PIZZA CAFE - FAITH SHARING, FELLOWSHIP, FUN with FRIENDS!

Caritas Masses will now be on Saturday at 5:30 once a month beginning in October. Caritas Pizza Cafe will return in October 2024 following our Caritas Mass each month. Please check the website for our 2024-2025 schedule.

CARITAS CRAFT NIGHTS:

More craft nights coming in September!

CARITAS ENLIGHTENMENT

"If you face God in prayer and silence, God will speak to you."

St. Teresa of Calcutta

For more information about Caritas, email caritas@stjoans.org

Thank You!

A very big THANK YOU to everyone who purchased school supplies for the Back to School Supplies Drive. The principal at Holy Name School was touched by your generosity and said it will give students and parents a chance to choose their own supplies in addition to providing supplies throughout the school year. Many children and their classrooms will benefit from your kindness! Thank you!!!



KNIGHTS OF COLOMBUS

THINKING OF JOINING THE **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS?**

VISIT: KOFC.ORG/UN/NEWJOIN/EN

HOAGIE PICK-UP!



Reminder to pick up your *pre-ordered* hoagies after Mass at Community Sunday in Pedata Hall on Sunday, September 8th



Adult Enrichment Series



Please Join us for Season 4 of THE CHOSEN

Thursday, September 12th

7pm in Knight's Hall

VIRTUS TRAINING

Virtus training and recertification will be offered online. If you are a new volunteer, please go to www.virtus.org to set up an account. Once done, email 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, which you can access from your Virtus account. All new volunteers will need to be fingerprinted. Instructions are on the Virtus site. Additional information needed for fingerprinting: St. Joan's location code which is TRE 093 and the volunteer code is 2F1J3Y.

To be recertified, please email theresa.segin@stjoans.org so you can take the class online. You will be able to access it from your Virtus account. You will also need to request a background check via your Virtus account to finish the recertification. Should you need any additional information, please contact theresa.segin@stjoans.org.

PARISH LIFE

Book Discussion led by Sr. Barbara Gondek, SSC

Tuesday, September 24th at 9:30

"Have you ever wondered why it is so hard to change? It is because you're probably missing one key ingredient: Self-compassion. In Good Morning, I Love You, Dr. Shauna Shapiro, one of the leading scientists studying the effects of mindfulness and self-compassion, explains why we get stuck in negativity and judgments that don't serve us. Dr. Shapiro provides a road map for how to live a happier, more meaningful life."

If interested, please call Sr. Barbara at 856-983-0077 ext 315. This will be limited to 15 people. There will be 10 sessions starting Tuesday, September 24 at 9:30 AM in the Arc room. The book, Good Morning, I Love You can be purchased through Amazon. Please be prepared to discuss Chapter 1.

Names Tag Sunday

Let's get to know one another's name! This weekend you will have the opportunity to do this by printing your names on the names tag that will be given to you as you come to Mass to Worship, Praise & Give Thanks to God as the Parish Family of SJA.



Wednesday Faith Group

Wednesday, September 11th

Showing *The Chosen* every Wednesday morning at 9:45 in Knight's Hall, All are welcome!

For more information email emilyhrem@stjoans.org

SENIOR TRIP TO THE AMERICAN THEATRE IN LANCASTER

Thursday, November 21st \$159.00



Leave St. Joan of Arc 8:30 am. Lunch at Shady Maple 12:00 .

Show 3:00 pm.

The ringing of church bells in a quaint town square sets the scene for this year's "Joy To the World". Our stage transforms into a small town winter carnival with awe-inspiring music and dance. This all new holiday show features our favorite seasonal and sacred Christmas songs brought to life by marvelous vocal talents accompanied by the AMT Orchestra.

Call to reserve seats. 856-596-9393 or 609-304-1968

Email sbearcol1@gmail.com

Make a \$25.00 deposit check payable to St. Joan of Arc

Balance is due October 19 .

Mail checks to Bob and Sue DeNight

20 Florence Ave, Marlton, New Jersey 08053

LET'S GO
girls

KICK OFF YOUR HEELS,
& GRAB YOUR BOOTS!

ST. JOAN OF ARC HANDBAG BINGO
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18TH 2024
DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM
FIRST BINGO GAME BEGINS AT 7:00 PM

Save the date!

PARISH LIFE

Healing the Wounds of Abortion Retreat at Rachel's Vineyard

The psychological and spiritual wounds of abortion can be sharp, deep and crippling. You may feel a deep numbness and may not be able to name the pain or recognize any of the symptoms. It can also have a devastating impact on the father or grandparents of the aborted child and friends of the mother. You do not have to continue to hide in shame and fear. Rachel's Vineyard's Retreat is a chance to focus on this painful time in your life through a supportive non-judgmental process, in an atmosphere of confidentiality, understanding, and compassion. It is designed to help both women and men experience the mercy and compassion of God.

If you have suffered through an abortion and have isolated yourself from healing and forgiveness, you might consider attending one our retreat weekends. For more information, contact Judy Warenkiewicz at 732-536-6871. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

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.

To have a conversation, please contact:

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

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



If you or someone in your family is in need of food, rental assistance, mental health/addiction services, or domestic violence services, we are here to help.
800-360-7711

ABIDE IN ME

Wednesday, September 11th 1:00pm in Knight's Hall



DO YOU NEED PRAYER OR WANT TO PRAY FOR OTHERS? Email Marijane at abideinme@stjoans.org. Pray with us on Wednesdays from 1PM-2PM and once a month in the evening! To ask for a prayer, or to pray with us, email Marijane at abideinme@stjoans.org or call the parish office at (856) 983-0077.

BUNCO'S BACK!

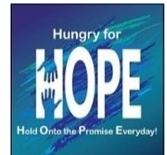
**Friday, September 20th
7:30pm in Pedata Hall**



Our first Bunco of the new season will take place Sept 20th . We meet in Pedata Hall. Game starts *promptly* at 7:30pm. Bring a snack to share if you wish. Don't know how to play? It's easy, we'll teach you!

HUNGRY FOR HOPE

**Thursday, September 12th
3:30pm on Zoom**



This isn't a diet it's a journey of healing & grace! Rooted in God's love and nourished by his Word, this is a ministry of spiritual sharing and support for anyone who longs for a healthier relationship with food for themselves or their loved ones. Questions and for zoom link contact Marijane at hungryforhope@stjoans.org

SENIOR LUNCHEON

**Tuesday, September 10th
11:30AM - 1 PM in Pedata Hall**



Welcome back! We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, September 10th 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!

USHERS MINISTRY

The Ushers Ministry is always looking for men and women to join the ministry and help out at all the Masses. We currently need help for the 5:30pm Saturday Mass and are looking for a few parishioners to help out on a regular basis. If you can help out or would like more information regarding the Ushers Ministry please contact Dean DeRose at ushers@stjoans.org

PARISH LIFE

“THAT MAN IS YOU !”



Men Turn around and look up.

This is your invitation

Come join us Friday mornings in Pedata Hall beginning September 13th at 6:00am !!!

or

online via ZOOM on Wednesday evenings at 7pm.

Sign up or just show up

www.stjoans.org/tmiy/



Knights of Columbus®

50th Anniversary Picnic

**Saturday, September 21st
1 to 4 PM @ Field by Pedata Hall**

Celebrating 50 years as a council. For all Knights and those considering becoming a Knight and their families.

Food, fun and games for the kids.

No charge, our Council will be grilling hot dogs and burgers and will provide soft drinks. Please bring a salad or dessert.

Please RSVP to kocbillhahnpfn@gmail.com and let us know how many will be attending.



American Red Cross

BLOOD DRIVE



Tuesday, Sept. 10, 2024
2:00pm-7:00pm

Church of St. Isaac Jogues
349 Evesboro-Medford Rd.
Marlton, NJ 08053

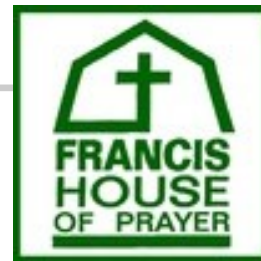
To schedule an appointment, please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767), or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter “St Isaac”.



LEGACY GIVING

Have you considered St. Joan of Arc in your estate planning? Did you know that you can make a contribution from your IRA (after the age of 70.5 years) directly to St. Joan of Arc (up to \$105,000 max) and not pay income taxes on the withdrawal? Did you know that you can name St. Joan of Arc as a beneficiary of your IRA? If you would like to learn more about legacy giving, please contact Theresa Segin at the Parish Offices 856-983-0077, ext. 311 to discuss.

HAPPENINGS NEAR-BY



OFFERINGS AT FRANCIS HOUSE OF PRAYER

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center & Retreat House

84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ 08501

609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net

Please check www.FHOP.org for dates, registration, directions and for our other offerings!

All programs will be offered online and in-person unless otherwise indicated.

THE GRACE OF BEAUTY

FALLING IN LOVE WITH THE GOD OF BEAUTY

Tuesday, September 10 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

This year, our one-day programs start out with a day on the Grace of Beauty because we as a culture and a world are in such need of seeing the beauty of God in all things. You will receive Melannie Svoboda's book, *The Grace of Beauty*, to help you usher in this Fall season with the practice of noticing beauty around you. We will buddy up with a partner to enjoy the book together throughout the season and come together again in November to see what difference the practice of noticing beauty makes in your life. Donation: \$40, includes lunch & book. Zoom: \$25

IN-PERSON ONLY

CREATION IS GOD'S LOVE

Friday, September 13 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Spend time exploring creation using all of your senses! In simple ways, we will watch how God's love is revealed in nature. Come and enjoy this day of "play" outside! Donation: \$25, includes lunch.

DISCERNMENT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN YOUR WORLD!

Tuesday, September 17 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

This retreat includes the full teaching of Ignatian Discernment of Spirits! If you find yourself sliding down "the greasy pole" of desolation or negative thinking, this day will help you immensely. The Ignatian teaching on discernment is life changing as we practice awareness, understanding and right action regarding the various spirits that present themselves to us day by day and moment by moment. Donation: \$35, includes lunch and materials. Zoom: \$30

Father Charles Schwartz 25th Jubilee Celebration

Fr. Charles Schwartz will be celebrating his 25th Jubilee to the priesthood. A Mass of Celebration will be held on Friday evening, September 20th at 6:00 pm in the Church of the Sacred Heart in Riverton, NJ with a reception to follow in the school gym. All are invited to attend.

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A LAY DOMINICAN?

"The laity of Saint Dominic are those faithful who, baptized in the Catholic Church or received into her, confirmed and in full communion of faith, sacraments and ecclesiastical governance, are called by a special vocation to progress in the Christian way of life and to animate temporal things through the charism of St. Dominic."

For more info contact Virginia Wacker, vewacker1@gmail.com or 856-873-1373. Also learn more at www.laydominicans.org



JOIN US FOR OUR
PARISH FESTIVAL
CELEBRATING "THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY"
SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

4:00pm Outdoor Mass
5:00-9:00pm Festival

- **Delicious Food and Beer/Wine Garden**
- **Music/Entertainment** (Hegeman String Band 5-5:20pm, Jackie & the Gents 6-7pm, 7:30-8:15pm, 8:45-9pm, Peter's School of Irish Dance-TBD)
- **Raffles:** Basket Raffles, 50/50 raffle, Fall 500 Raffle
- **For the Kids:** Bounce House, games, balloon animals, face painting, live princesses, Police car/Fire truck fun, cotton candy/popcorn/water ice and more!

Catholic Church of St. Mary
2001 Springdale Rd., Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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

August 31/September 1\$14,326
Electronic Giving\$11,897

Thank you for your continued generosity!

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

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024



Gifts: **515**

Total Pledged: **\$96,769 (88% of Goal)**

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

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Parish Goal: \$110,000

One Time Gift of \$ _____

I make my Pledge today of \$ _____ to the ACA.

Please set up payments of \$ _____ for _____ months.

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Please make checks payable to:

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal
701 Lawrenceville Road
Trenton, NJ 08648

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



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024

If you haven't given to the Appeal yet, please consider doing so that we can reach our goal this year. We are only about \$15,000 away. Once we reach our goal, we receive 15% back from the Diocese which we can use this year to help subsidize the cost of new kneelers. The majority of the cost of the new kneelers will be paid by additional gift proceeds from the estate of Margaret Guellich. The new kneelers will be installed early in 2025.

[CLICK HERE to DONATE ELECTRONICALLY](#)
OR SCAN THE QR CODE!



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 at Noon** before the weekend you would like them published.

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Sunday, September 8th

RaiseRight Giftcard Sales

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

7:00 Pm: Wings—*Pedata Hall*

Tuesday, September 10th

11:00 AM: Senior Luncheon—*Pedata Hall*

5:00 PM: Adoration—*Church*

6:30 PM: Benediction—*Church*

Wednesday, September 11th

10:00 AM: Wednesday Faith Group—*Knight's Hall*

1:00 PM: Abide in Me—*Knight's Hall*

7:00 PM Bundle of Joy Baptism Prep—*Church*

Thursday, September 12th

3:30 PM: Hungry For Hope—*Zoom*

7:00 PM: Adult Faith Enrichment (The Chosen)
—*Knight's Hall*

Friday, September 13th

6:00 AM: TMIY—*Pedata Hall*

