Church of St. Joan of Arc

We are a Eucharistic People.

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



"The Prayer of the poor rises up to God" (Ecclesiasticus 21:5)

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 17, 2024

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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 <u>Here</u> 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 <u>www.stjoans.org</u> 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: <u>www.stjoans.org</u> Facebook: <u>StJoansMarlton</u> & YouTube: <u>StJoanOfArcNJ</u>

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. Visit www.stjoans.org/sacraments/baptism to schedule

HOW TO BECOME CATHOLIC

We have special programs for children, teens and adults who would like to become Catholic or complete their Sacraments. Please call 856-983-0077.

LOVE IS IN THE AIR

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

CONSIDERING A DESTINATION WEDDING?

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

ALREADY CIVILLY MARRIED?

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

Call today: 856.983.0077 Or Email: <u>richard.laverghetta@stjoans.org</u> jm.patilla@stjoans.org

PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

Our Tabernacle Candle will remain lit during the week of November 17th to November 23rd for the intention of :

Ottavio and Elizabeth Graziosi Requested by: Bob and Roseann

REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Please pray for the soul of Theresa Zito whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on November 12th. Please pray for the soul of Joseph Kiley whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on November 15th. Please remember in your prayers the consolation of their families. **WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK** Deborah J. Rando, Rick Gawarzewski, Noreen Muth, Tommy Arlotta, Anne & George Reifenberg, Rosie Obara, Michael Madden, James Coghlan, Rob

Moore, and Dave Belonger.

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, 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 MacCrory, 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

November 18 Monday 9:00 AM Patrick Hanscom r/o Charlotte DiDio **Donald Staudt, Sr.** r/o *Bill & Joy McGarrigle* **Thomas Keenan** r/o *The Buchanan Family* George Zink r/o Loving Wife and Family Tuesday November 19 7:00 AM **Bob Lang** r/o Peg Pendergast Dorothy Hogan r/o The Algarra Family **Gina Briggs** r/o *The Pilla Family* Jennifer Polidora-Puca r/o The Pilla Family 9:00 AM Kathleen M. Hansinger r/o Laurie & Bob Follet Thomas Pajic r/o Tina Assarte Frank Medvec r/o Tama Blake & Family Wednesday November 20 9:00 AM Edward Mackin r/o Florence Mackin & Family Jim Sabo r/o Family Don Staudt r/o Mary Bernard Thursday November 21 7:00 AM Lola Bogle r/o Daughter Cathy Amico & Family Grace Suda r/o Antonio & Rosarito Kanapi John Galen r/o Don & Ron Bilo 9:00 AM Rita Kennedy r/o Daughter Sue Josephine DiBlasio r/o Mr. & Mrs. Cashin Helen Shaiko r/o Edith Giordano Friday November 22 9:00 AM Alice Dorisio r/o Daughter Laurie **Christopher Dondarski** r/o The Ronca Family Salvatore R. Pensabene r/o Donna Conner Martz Saturday November 23 9:00 AM William Lang r/o Daughter Jeannette Joseph Reid r/o Elise Orzech **Clifford Padgett** r/o Mark & Mary Archer 5:30 PM Ronald Marinelli r/o Maratta & Ed McKenna Cathy Daddario r/o Terri Butz Theresa Price r/o Husband George Jack & Jeanne McLaughlin r/o Kelly Bailey November 24 Sunday 7:30 AM Jack Veasy r/o Wife & Family **Charles Corrigan** r/o Family Aldonna Zaloka r/o The Forester Family Jennifer Palidora-Puca r/o Joan & Sam Rescigno Kathleen Banks r/o Dr.& Mrs. Rick Gawarzewski 9:00 AM Anna Dilllio r/o Mary Bernard Ernie Lucarini r/o Wife & Children **Parishioners and Benefactors** Phil & Jeanne Lorge and Frank & Marie Pepe r/o Christine Lorae 10:30 AM Francis Altieri, Sr. r/o Roseann & Jack Carroll **Jim Hagedorn** r/o Splinter Sisters **Robert Everling** r/o *Wife Eileen & Family* Dorothy Barron r/o Carol Burgoon 12:00 PM **Phyllis Hamahan** r/o *The Logan Family* Fernanda "Fudge" Siani r/o Family Katherine Tompkins r/o Genevieve Aquirre

GOSPEL

Mk 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples: "In those days after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.

"Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near. In the same way, when you see these things happening, know that he is near, at the gates. Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

For this weekend's readings, click here.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS: 9AM Please join us as we begin this special day recognizing that all our gifts truly come from God! What better way to begin this national holiday!



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Do you remember your Confirmation? I remember mine. I was in the third grade (they did things differently back then). I took Daniel as my Confirmation name; it was the name of my cousin who stood as my Sponsor. I remember being nervous going before the Bishop. But I also remember being close to God. That's about it. But that's important, I think, the experience of knowing God is with me, the experience of being close to God.

This week our 9th Graders will celebrate their Confirmation. Please pray for them every day this week. Pray that this will be an important moment for them as they recognize the presence of God in their life. Pray they know how much God loves them. Pray they know God values their life and their life has purpose and meaning. Pray they use the gifts of the Holy Spirit to help them make good, healthy choices about the way they live their lives. Pray for their parents and sponsors, that they take this moment to deepen their relationship with the Lord Jesus. Pray they return to Church, to Mass, if they've been away. Pray this Sacrament touches each of their hearts, Confirmandi, Parents, and Sponsors.

> Come, Holy Spirit! Fr. Rich



Adult Faith Enrichment **GET READY FOR A JUBILEE!** THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21 AT 7:30PM PEDATA HALL Presenter: Fr. Rich Sponsored by SJA Adult Faith Enrichment Team

You may or may not know that the Catholic Church will celebrate next year, 2025, as a Jubilee Year. Either way, you may not know exactly what it means. You're not alone! Although we've been doing

these things for a long time, they are still a bit of a mystery. This is why Fr. Rich is going to give us an **Intro into the Meaning of a Jubilee Year** — i.e., where the idea comes from in the Bible, how the Church has celebrated Jubilees in the past (you probably remember the 2000 Jubilee), and how the 2025 Jubilee might enrich our faith, our family-life, and our walk together as a parish community and a Universal Church. Fr. Rich is going to do all of this in 60 minutes. Please join us; all are welcome. It might even be fun!

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL

Best wishes to all who will receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on Wednesday, November 20th. **Pray with and for them** that they will be open to God's Spirit now and throughout their lives.



Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held Friday, November 22 through Tuesday, November 26, with early dismissal for students each day at 12:30.

Mom's Advent Morning is Friday, **December 6** after the school liturgy at 9:00 AM. This is a wonderful morning filled with peace, food and crafts. See the notice in the bulletin for more information.

Join us for the **SJA Annual Holiday Hayride at Johnson's Farm on Wednesday December 11th**. Details available in the SJA Weekly Newsletter. Be sure to **order your tickets early** as this fun event sells out fast!

Parents, grandparents or special persons **looking to volunteer at the school** are required to go through **Virtus certification**. Register at <u>www.virtusonline.org/virtus</u> or contact Janet Polidora at <u>virtus@stjoans.org</u>.

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.



WINGS

Next Meeting Today, November 17th at 7pm. All are welcome to join.



Thanksgiving is right around the corner!

Don't forget to purchase gift cards before or after mass to buy all the food and decorations. Plus, holiday shopping time is upon us.

Acme, Amazon, ShopRite, Sprout's, Target and Walmart gift cards are available! Come check out our selection!

\$25 Visa gift cards are here! There is no activation fee. You can use them as gifts or for your own holiday shopping.

All gift card sales will help the school's brand-new fundraising goal!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education News!

Learning More about Family Life and Faith - Survey

St. Joan of Arc is one of 200 parishes in the United States currently taking part in a special three-year project designed to help us discover new ways of helping our families grow in faith. One of the important steps in this project is simply learning about our families - as we have learned from the Synod, listening to one another is such an important part of our faith, and this survey will be one of the ways we will do just that.

St. Joan of Arc Church Religious Education * Welcome! *

If you are a parent of elementary and/or high school age children, we would love to hear from you! You can access our survey using the link below, or by scanning the QR code. The survey results are very important. They will be used to create a parish plan for supporting parents of children and young people, and for engaging the whole family in faith formation - from birth through high school graduation. The survey will only take 8-10 minutes to complete. We appreciate your time and contribution! **Survey URL**

www.surveymonkey.com/r/TrentonParentSurvey

Survey QR Code



Seeking classroom aides and hall monitors - Mondays or Tuesdays, 5:15-6:30 - We are currently seeking additional people to join us as classroom aides and hall monitors for our classes on Mondays and Tuesdays, which run from 5:15-6:30. (We are especially in need of aides for our Tuesday classes.) If you think you might be interested in helping, please contact our office at rem@stjoans.org or call 856-983-7575. Art of Catechesis Class coming in February

Have you ever thought about teaching religious education, but would like a little more background on the subject? We have a class for that! We are offering the Art of Catechesis, the Diocesan course for methodology, on Saturday, February 15th from 9:30-3:30 in Pedata Hall. **Advance registration is required.** For the registration link, please email us at rem@stjoans.org, or see our catechist page on the website: www.stjoans.org/religious-education/for-catechists

Welcome Back!

Please come and join us on Sunday, November 17th during 9 & 10:30am Mass



We will see you on Sunday November 24th for 10:30am Mass.

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

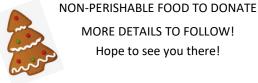
Any questions, please reach out to Melissa Denisi Eisenstock at <u>childrensliturgy@stjoans.org</u> www.stjoans.org/ministries/kidslit



DECEMBER 15TH at 3:00PM in the Church

HELP YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN TO LEARN THE CAROLS THAT WERE SO VERY DEAR TO US.

BRING SOME BELLS ALONG! NO CHARGE - KINDLY BRING SOME



MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW! Hope to see you there!



We are in need of cookies and ask that everyone bring some to the Christmas Carol Festival on Sunday, December 15th. We are in need of sugar free, gluten free, and peanut free too. If you can bring either of these special cookies, please let us know so that we can plan ahead. We want to be sure that there is something for everyone to enjoy on this day.

Please contact Mary Bernard at webernards@comcast.net if you can help. Thank you!

ONE IN THE SPIRIT

Thursday, November 21st 7:00pm 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 3rd 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 or email onespirit@stjoans.org



Come as you are.

YOUARE WELCOME HERE

WWP will NOT be meeting on November 20th & 27th

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 4th

LOVE IN ACTION:

The Letter: A Message For Our Earth.

Gatherings are as follows: Thursday afternoons Nov. 21 in Pedata Hall from



1:00-2:15pm. Please email SueAnn for questions: sueann.jeral@stjoans.org

NexTrex Challenge

Start saving all your non-recyclable plastics!!

The LOVE IN ACTION ministry is excited to announce that our parish is participating in the NexTrex Recycling Challenge. Our goal is to collect 1,000 pounds of plastics in 1 year, ending 11/1/2025. Bins will be marked and located in the main entrance and the side entrance of the church and Pedata Hall. If we win, we will be given a bench made out of recycled plastic! Help us clean up our planet! https://nextrex.com/

Love in Action Volunteered at the SSJ Neighborhood Center in Camden helping with the food pantry, sorting diapers and clothing.



SSJ ANNUAL CHANCE DRIVE TO **BENEFIT SAINT JOSEPH VILLA!**

Please help us make this year's Chance Drive especially successful by getting your ticket online! The chances are \$5.00 each, or a "book" of 5 chances for \$20.00.

Turn \$5 into \$10,000! - 6 ways to win.

Grand Prize - \$10,000 also 5 prizes of \$500 each! Donation - \$5 each or \$20.00 for a book of 5 chances! Visit the Chance Drive page on the Sisters of Saint Joseph website at <u>www.ssiphila.org</u>. Must be 18 years and older to participate. Please place completed chances in the donation boxes in the church vestibule

Please submit by December 8 Winners will be drawn on December 11, 2024. For more info, contact any Sister of Saint Joseph or the Development Office at (800) 482-6510 and development@ssjphila.org



PAPER TURKEY DRIVE This weekend November 16/17

Our annual Paper Turkey Drive will be after all masses today, November 17th. This collection helps bring Thanksgiving to many people in town and in our Diocese. Thank you!

Would you like to help a family in need this Christmas? Consider donating to St Joan of Arc Helping Hands Christmas Fund

All donations will be distributed to families who are struggling financially here in Marlton. You can donate gift cards from local stores such as Target, Walmart, Kohl's, Old Navy, etc. or you can send in a monetary donation. All monetary donations will be used to purchase gift cards from SCRIP to help the families in need.

Please send in your donations by Friday, December 8th. If you are in need of help, please call Pat (856) 983-0077 ext 312. The SJA Helping Hands Christmas Fund takes the place of our "Family to Family" Christmas Outreach Project. Thank you for your generosity, and for making a family's Christmas brighter!

USHERS MINISTRY

The Ushers Ministry is always looking for men, women and young adults to join the ministry and help out at all the Masses. We currently need help for the 5:30 Saturday Mass and covering the upcoming Christmas Masses. If you can help out or would like more information regarding the Usher's Ministry please contact Dean DeRose at ushers@stjoans.org

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Now that the weather is getting colder, the Prayer Shawl Ministry would like to remind you that there are blankets available at the Parish Office for you or someone you know that is going through a difficult time with an illness or a loss of a loved one. There is no charge but donations are graciously accepted. If you crochet or knit and would like to "Share your Talents", please consider joining us. We make blankets, baby blankets, hats, scarves and we make them from the comfort of our homes. Blankets are donated to the ICU at the Virtua hospital in Marlton, the Baby blankets are donated to Good Counsel Home in Riverside, Helpers of Precious Infants and Lily's Hope which is an organization for Preemie babies. If you have any yarn or spools of narrow ribbon that you are no longer using, please consider donating them to our ministry. Be assured they will be put to good use. Just drop them off at the Parish Office at your convenience. For more information, email Rita Smith at prayershawl@stjoans.org

We need your help to get the word out and share this invitation with anyone in our community who might benefit from this Thanksgiving Meal!

YOU ARE INVITED

Don't eat alone on Thanksgiving! Come and celebrate a Thanksgiving Meal at St. Joan of Arc!

November 28, 2024



Serving Time: 11:30 - 12:30

This Thanksgiving Dinner is intended for all to enjoy a hot meal, musical entertainment and an opportunity for fellowship with other members of the community!

Meals may be delivered to those Homebound within a 5 mile radius.

Reservations Needed for either In Person Guests or **Homebound**: There is no charge for this meal, but reservations are requested so that we can plan for the number of persons who would like to attend or need a meal delivered.

Reservations can be made by contacting Peg from St. Joan's (856) 298-5153 or email Thanksgiving@stjoans.org from October 13, 2024 through November 20, 2024. Please indicate your name, address (if Homebound), phone number, and number of guests.

> Dinner will be served in St. Joan of Arc School Cafeteria 101 Evans Road Marlton, NJ 08053

ST. NICHOLAS

TOY DRIVE

Our toy drive for children served by Mt. Carmel Guild in Trenton has begun.

New and unwrapped toys, books, crafts, board games, dolls (variety of ethnicities), science kits, cars and trucks, or popular toys of the year for children from 1 year old to 12 years old will

be greatly appreciated.

Kindly place your gift in Pedata Hall before

or after weekend Masses no later than 12:00 p.m. on

Sunday, December 8.

For more information, email stnicktoydrive@stjoans.org.

JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF Loss of a Child

Tuesday, November 19th 7:00pm in Arc Room

St. Joan's Bereavement Support Group, Journey Through Grief, meets monthly. This group is for the loss of a child. We welcome parents and family members; let us support and comfort each other. We will meet in the St. Joan of Arc Parish Office in the Arc Room at 7PM - 8:30 PM. For more info or questions, please email bereavement@stjoans.org.



Wednesday Faith Group Wednesday, November 20th

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

For more information email emilyhrem@stjoans.org

ABIDE IN ME

Wednesday, November 20th 1:00pm in Knight's Hall



DO YOU NEED PRAYER OR WANT TO PRAY FOR

OTHERS? Email Marijane at <u>abideinme@stjoans.org</u>. 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 <u>abideinme@stjoans.org</u> or call the parish office at (856) 983-0077.

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 <u>stjoans.org/AOA</u>. To have a conversation, please contact: **Dan** <u>aoa@stjoans.org</u> or <u>856-313-9758</u> or **Elaine** at <u>aoa@stjoans.org</u> or <u>609-923-6525</u>

"Thinking of You" Cards

We have many parishioners who are young college students living away from home or active military stationed away from home, so we thought it would be nice to send them a "Thinking of You" card to let them know their St. Joan of Arc family is thinking and praying for them. We will be collecting names and addresses for the next few weeks and starting the mailing in the winter months. If you would like for a card to be sent to your family member, please email their full name and address to: parishcouncil@stjoans.org

BAPTISMS We warmly welcome the following children who were baptized into our community the weekend of November 10th:

Drew Nicole Hatler James Martin Muldowney Sophie Anne Rodriguez Theodore Charles Simon Emilia Paige Walker

PARISH LIFE God's diet plan: Beduce the number of words you have to eat. Store of the formation of the

COMMUNITY SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND!



Please join us today, November 17th in Pedata Hall , after all Sunday Masses, for donuts, coffee, and fellowship!

We welcome the Kindergarten SJA students at 9am Mass.

Service hours are available for students. We hope to see you there!

WOMEN OF FAITH November 25th 7pm in Pedata Hall MOVING THROUGH LIFE WITH JESUS



On Monday, November 25, 2024, the Women of Faith will meet once again from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in Pedata Hall. This season, our theme is Your Journey with Jesus. This month, our speaker, parishioner Jackie Abruzzo, will offer reflections on her own journey and give us all the opportunity to think about the path of our own relationship with Jesus.

Our speaker will be followed by table discussions and fellowship. Bottled water will be available. We welcome all new members, family and friends. Please contact Kathy Burns at (609) 923-7222 for more information or to sign up for our email list



ANNUAL MARCH for LIFE washington, d.c. friday, january

24th,2025



ANNUAL MARCH for LIFE

All are welcome to join five area parishes, as we

march to demonstrate our commitment for **LIFE**. Bus will depart from the St. Mary of the Lakes parking lot after the <u>7:15am</u> Mass.

Enjoy the Food, And Support our Troop!!

The cost for adults is **\$20** and for all students **\$15**.

Students under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult and have parental permission. For those unable to walk in the march,

arrangements have been made for you to stay at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

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. We will only make a brief stop at either the Maryland or Chesapeake House Travel Plazas. For more information or to reserve your seat please contact: Deacon Gene Kotowski at gene.kotowski@stjoans.org

Please provide your sandwich selection and whether you'll be staying at the Basilica or attending the March.

Deadline to register for the march is Friday January 6th, 2025

MARY STATUE HOME VISIT

Our Lady of Fatima has already blessed many parishioners who have welcomed the Mary statue into their homes. Consider signing up to host the Mary statue in your home for one week. ARE YOU READY TO FEEL BLESSED?



The sign-up sheet is located in the Church Gathering Room (Cry Room). You simply pick up the

statue in her travel case on Sunday at 11 am and return her the following Sunday no later than 10:30 am. Pick-up and drop-off in the Gathering Room.

What is involved with a Mary statue home visit?

- You create a special place in your home for the statue (flowers, candle)
- Bring the Blessed Mother statue into your home with love and reverence
- Pray the rosary daily-invite family and friends to gather with you

Questions? marystatue@stjoans.org

HUNGRY FOR HOPE

Thursday, November 21st at 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

Women of Faith Advent Celebration



Come celebrate the Joy of the Christmas Season at Saint Joan of Arc Women of Faith's Advent Celebration Monday, December 9, 2024 6:30 p.m. in Pedata Hall

All women are invited to join us for a fun-filled evening of Fellowship, Dinner (Balsamic Glazed Chicken, Eggplant Roulatine, Asian Noodle Salad, Grilled Vegetables and Caesar Salad, Beverages, Dessert), Games & Live Entertainment. Kindly respond by December 1 so we will know how much food to order. Feel free to invite all the special women in your life! Please make checks for \$30 per person payable to SJA and mail to Maria Chalmers, 44 Brittany Boulevard, Marlton, NJ 08053.

LOSS OF A SPOUSE "LIFE HAS CHANGED NOT ENDED"



Presenter: Cathy Amico

Thursday, December 5th 7pm - 8:30pm in Pedata Hall

For all who have lost a spouse please join me as I will address The broken heart – your ache and loneliness – Your struggle with being able to cope day to day and moving forward one day at a time.

Join us Join Friday, December 6th for 9am Mass

SJA PTA INVITES YOU TO

Mam's Advent

Morning

Slow down & enjoy the beginning of the Advent season! Moms, grandmoms & aunts are encouraged to attend this meaningful morning. Following morning liturgy, activities in Pedata Hall will include a special opening discussion & video from Sister Pat, crafts & light refreshments.

Click HERE to RSVP



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FRANCIS HOUSE OF PRAYER

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Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center & Retreat House 84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ 08501

609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net

Please check <u>www.FHOP.org</u> for dates, registration, directions and for our other offerings! All programs will be offered online and in-person unless otherwise indicated.

DOROTHY DAY

BIG THINGS COME IN SMALL PACKAGES

Wednesday, November 20 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

We will use a sampling of Dorothy's essays to meet her at the heart and to learn how she lived out God's call to serve in every small way possible. She lived and loved, following in the footsteps of her mentor, St. Thérèse of Lisieux. Donation: \$20

ADVENT RETREAT DAY

Monday, December 2 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

We will travel through Advent this year with *Christmas at the Nativity* by Pope Francis. What a perfect companion for this busy and stressful season! Again, we begin this holy season together doing what we can to make it more peaceful and prayerful. Donation: \$35, includes lunch and book. Zoom: \$20

PERSONAL RETREAT DAY

Wednesday, December 4 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Take a day away from the busyness of your life to rest a while in the Lord and experience God's presence. Come to Francis House for silence, personal prayer, and optional spiritual direction. The day begins and ends with a brief prayer together. Please bring your lunch. Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual direction.

ADVENT

WAITING IN HOPE FOR THE LIGHT

Friday, December 6 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Before the Christmas hustle and bustle takes over, come bask in the Advent season of waiting, wonder, and longing. In music, prayer, and shared faith, let the God of hope speak to you. Donation: \$30, includes lunch. Zoom: \$20

RP Foundation

Help Those in Need Get Their Taxes Done For Free

Each year AARP volunteers offer free assistance to low and middle-income

taxpayers in the preparation of their federal and state tax returns. Sites usually are open one day a week, from February 1st until April 15th. Clients and volunteers do not have to be members of AARP or a senior to participate in this program.

In order to keep the program going we need volunteers willing to work as Tax Counselors and Client Facilitators. All returns are done on AARP provided Chromebook computers and electronically filed. Tax Counselors should be comfortable using a computer and willing to learn how to prepare non-complex returns. Client Facilitators should be comfortable welcoming clients and assisting them checking in. New Tax Counselors will receive four days training in early December, another three days training in January and ample resources to ready them for tax preparation. If you are interested in joining this rewarding and fun volunteer activity, have questions or would like more information, please email Ron Cary, at ronald.cary@gmail.com or call 720-415-3270.



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

November 9/10\$15,791

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

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024



Gifts: **583**

Total Pledged: **\$103,579 (94% of Goal)** Parish Goal: **\$110,000**

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Online donations can be made by logging on to <u>www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal</u>



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 \$7,000 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.





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 <u>Monday at Noon</u>** before the weekend you would like them published.

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Sunday, November 17th Gift Card Sales Paper Turkey Drive SSJ Chance Drive Community Sunday 11:30 AM: OCIA Teens—*Cafeteria and Knight's* Hall

7:00 PM: AOA— Knight's Hall 7:00 PM: Wings— Pedata Hall

Tuesday, November 19th 9:30 AM: Book Discussion Led by Sr. Barbara

—Arc Room

5:00 PM: Adoration—*Church* 6:30 PM: Benediction—*Church* 7:00 PM: Journey through Grief: Loss of a Child

—Arc Room

Wednesday, November 20th

10:00 AM: Wednesday Faith Group—*Knight's Hall* 1:00 PM: Abide in Me—*Knight's Hall* 1:30 PM: OCIA—*Knight's Hall*

Thursday, November 21st

1:00 PM: Laudato Si The Letter: A Message for our Earth — *Pedata Hall*3:30 PM: Hungry For Hope—*Zoom*7:00 PM: One in the Spirit—*Arc Room*7:30 PM: Adult Faith Enrichment Presentation by Father Rich—*Pedata Hall*Friday, November 22nd

6:00 AM: TMIY—*Pedata Hall* 3:00 PM: Blaze—*Knight's Hall*