

Church of St. Joan of Arc

We are a Eucharistic People.

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



**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 1, 2024**

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Religious Education: 856-983-7575
School: 856-983-0774
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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 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.

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: richard.laverghetta@stjoans.org

jm.patilla@stjoans.org

PRAYERS & INTENTIONS

TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

Our Tabernacle Candle will remain lit during the week of December 1st to December 7th for the intention of :

Edward Havens

Requested by: Loving Friends

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Isabella Petitto, Eleanor Kane, Tammy Torrez, Deborah J. Rando, Rick Gawarzewski, Noreen Muth, Tommy Arlotta, Rosie Obara, Michael Madden, James Coghlan, and Rob Moore.

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, SSG 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, SSG Jaried Zavatter, Robert Zielinski, Pvt. Ian S. Evans & Cpt. Shaun T. Lieb EOD, Jack M. Tarzy, MIDN USN

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	December 2
9:00 AM	Warren and Eleanor Kremer <i>r/o Tony & Karen Rodrigues</i> Donald Staudt, Sr. <i>r/o Eileen Schank</i> Michael Kurzeja <i>r/o Dolores Kreal & Family</i> Mary Faccone <i>r/o Husband Frank</i>
Tuesday	December 3
7:00 AM	Marian Taranto & Teresina Pilla <i>r/o The Pilla Family</i>
9:00 AM	Rachel Carla Vergara <i>r/o Loving Parents</i> Beverly Angelo and John Sharp <i>r/o Joanne Swift</i> Michael Kurzeja <i>r/o Otto & Barbara Schaefer</i> Grandparents <i>r/o James & Susan</i>
Wednesday	December 4
9:00 AM	Jim Hambrose <i>r/o The Golden Family</i> Bob Lang <i>r/o Mary Bernard</i> Annette Scola <i>r/o Betty Fleming</i>
Thursday	December 5
7:00 AM	Ralph and Joanna Dodaro <i>r/o Family</i> William O'Donnell <i>r/o The Crosby Family</i>
9:00 AM	Gina Migliore <i>r/o Loving Sister Joan & Family</i> Mary Lou Clayton <i>r/o Theresa & Hank</i> Arlene Harvey <i>r/o Sue Osborne</i> Alexandra Haney <i>r/o The Haney Family</i>
Friday	December 6
9:00 AM	Peter S Adams <i>r/o Lloyd Adams & Family</i> Edie Phipps <i>r/o Jerry Manco</i> Molly Sergi <i>r/o Mary Bernard</i> Joan Montgomery <i>r/o Bernie</i>
Saturday	December 7
9:00 AM	Joseph and MaryAnn LoCasale <i>r/o Gary Kopchinski</i> Emelita Nofuente Sales <i>r/o UST BSN Friends '78</i> Carol Logsdon <i>r/o Joan Schlindwein</i>
5:30 PM	Gregory Franchetti <i>r/o Joseph & Dorothy Balabon</i> Edith Phipps <i>r/o Lloyd & Dolores Humphrey</i> James Sweitzer <i>r/o Wife Ginny</i> Geraldine Barsocchi <i>r/o The Mulholland Family</i>
Sunday	December 8
7:30 AM	Mary Eisenhower <i>r/o Jeannette McFarlane</i> Bruce L. Lord, Sr. <i>r/o Jason, Kimberly & Olivia Lord</i> John and Gertrude Wilkie <i>r/o Family</i>
9:00 AM	Kevin Kane <i>r/o His Loving Parents</i> Jack Veasy <i>r/o Joan Veasy & Family</i> Margaret Hill <i>r/o Joe Serenelli</i>
10:30 AM	Charles and Joanna Devlin <i>r/o Barbara Ross</i> Jennifer Polidora-Puca <i>r/o Cetta</i> Anna Dillio <i>r/o Marie Riley</i> Maria Todd <i>r/o Joan & Michele Savoca</i>
12:00 PM	Bill Riches <i>r/o Roberto Mary Osler</i> Paul Swenson <i>r/o Colleen Forrester & Family</i> Geraldine Barsocchi <i>r/o The Chalmers Family</i>

GOSPEL

Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus said to his disciples: "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on earth nations will be in dismay, perplexed by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.

"Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap. For that day will assault everyone who lives on the face of the earth. Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man."

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

Christmas Mass Schedule



Christmas Eve

- 3 PM Mass Church
- 3 PM Mass Gym
- 5 PM Children's Mass
- 8 PM Mass
- 12 AM Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

8 AM 10 AM 12 PM

All Masses Will Be Held in the Church

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Join us for the Feast that celebrates Grace
working even before we ever
recognize the Gift!

**Mass on Monday, December 9
at 5:30pm**

*Welcome
Visitors, Guests &
College Students
Home for Thanksgiving*

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL



- **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.
- **December 6th** is SJA's **Annual Christmas Concert** for 1st – 6th grade students. The matinee rehearsal begins at 1:30 PM, the nighttime performance is 7:00 PM in the church.
- Join us for the **SJA Annual Holiday Hayride at Johnson's Farm on Wednesday December 11th**. Details available in the SJA Weekly Newsletter. **Order your tickets early**, this fun event sells out fast!
- Thank you to all who made a donation to SJA on **Giving Tuesday!** We appreciate your support!
- All school volunteers are required to complete Virtus Certification. Register at www.virtusonline.org/virtus or contact Janet Polidora at virtus@stjoans.org
- 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 the **Gift Card program**. Scan the QR code for the Raiseright enrollment code.



WINGS

Next Meeting Today, December 1st at 7pm. All are welcome to join.



SJA PTA INVITES YOU TO
Mom's Advent Morning

Join us

Friday, December 6th for 9am Mass

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



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.

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. 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

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 this Sunday, December 1st during 9am & 10:30am Mass



We will see you on Sunday December 8th 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 childrensliturgy@stjoans.org

www.stjoans.org/ministries/kidslit

PARISH LIFE

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 PM on
Sunday, December 8.**

For more information, email stnicktoydrive@stjoans.org.

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** or

Elaine at aoa@stjoans.org or **609-923-6525**

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.



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.



SIMBANG GABI MASS

Simbang Gabi will be celebrated
**December 3rd & December 9th
at 7:00 PM**

in the Church with Father JM! All are welcome to the Mass and reception following!



PARISH LIFE

CHRISTMAS WREATHS

The Knights of Columbus are offering Christmas Wreaths for display outside the Church. Purchase your wreath in memory of loved ones, family or a festive Christmas theme! Individuals or families can receive their individual wreaths and assigned spots with a **sponsorship of \$50**. Place orders by email knights@stjoans.org and send a check to Knights of Columbus 10 Patrick Henry Drive Marlton NJ 08053. Start with your very own 20" lighted wreath prominently displayed on a 4-foot post secured around the island and walkways in front of our Church. Make it your own with decorations and remembrances of your loved ones and family. We suggest your memories or greetings be laminated prior to attaching them to your wreath. Decorate to your hearts content, but no extra lights please. Your wreath will remain lit and displayed throughout the Christmas Season, from Advent to The Epiphany (Jan 6th) .



MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE THIS WEEKEND!

December 2nd & 3rd Food drive collection after all Masses! Donations will go to Catholic Charities. Any non-perishable food items and paper items are greatly appreciated! Bags in the gathering room are available for your donations to our monthly food drives. Please drop off donations in the gathering room.

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

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 6th.

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!



PARISH LIFE

NEW LISBON CHRISTMAS PARTY COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND!

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting donations to offset the cost of a Christmas party for the residents of the New Lisbon Community. The New Lisbon Community consists of intellectually disabled adults who find great joy in an afternoon of fun, dancing and a visit with Santa. We are privileged to have sponsored this event for more than 40 years. Once again we need your help to fund their fun. Please give what you can. Your donation will help bring joy and dignity to some of God's most special people.

Wednesday Faith Group

Wednesday, December 4th

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, December 4th 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.

Women of Faith Advent Celebration

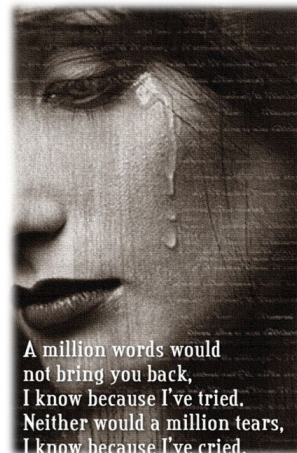
Come celebrate the Joy of the Christmas Season at Saint Joan of Arc Women of Faith's Advent Celebration Monday, December 9, 2024 6:30 p.m. in Pedata Hall



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"



A million words would
not bring you back,
I know because I've tried.
Neither would a million tears,
I know because I've cried.

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.

1st Annual Sparkle of Hope Charity Gala

Join us for the Sparkle of Hope Gala Fundraiser which will provide assistance to our neighbors in need who may come upon hard times, struggling with everyday expenses. This is done through our Helping Hands Ministry.

Please Save the Date

Friday, January 31st
Time: 6:30 pm - 11 pm
Location: Westin Hotel, Mt Laurel

- * Cost: \$125 per person
- * Cocktail Hour & Hors D'Oeuvres
- * Plated Gourmet Dinner
- * Full Open Bar Throughout
- * Dancing with a Ten Piece Live Orchestra
- * 50/50 Tickets and other Games of Chance

We Hope You Will Attend the Gala to enjoy a wonderful evening while supporting a cause that matters.

Can't attend?

Make a Donation – Your contribution will still make a huge impact.

Invite Friends & Family

The more, the merrier—and the more we can do together!

Tickets are limited and will be on sale soon.

Tickets will be an awesome Christmas gift.

This beautiful evening will be the Social Event of the Year!



CHRISTMAS CAROL FESTIVAL
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15th 3:00PM
SAINT JOAN OF ARC CHURCH

Come with your family and friends to CELEBRATE
CHRISTMAS THE “THE SAINT JOAN OF ARC WAY”

Help your children grandchildren & great grandchildren
learn to sing the carols that are dear to us that have
almost disappeared.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS & CHRISTMAS COOKIES

(Gluten & Sugar Free too!)

BLESSING OF ST. JOSEPH

Bring the SAINT JOSEPH from your Manger to be
Blessed.

BRING BELLS ALONG!!

Please bring some of your homemade
Christmas cookies to share.

We need gluten free, sugar free,
and peanut free too.

We want to have
cookies for everyone!

No charge. Bring some non perishable food to donate.

Thank you!





St. Joan of Arc School

Faith, Knowledge, Service

November 2024

Thankful for the Gift of SJA School

Thank you to our Parish Family for your amazing support of our school!

November Blessings

All Saints Day

All Souls Day

Spaghetti Dinners

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Brain Symposium

Veterans Day Liturgy

Christmas Bazaar

Saints-in-Training

Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast





Dear Parishioners,

Peace! Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours. May this sacred season find each of us grateful for the extraordinary and ordinary blessings of each day.

We began November celebrating All Saints and All Souls Days. In communion with all that have gone before us into the heart of God, we wrote the names of our loved ones on paper sunflowers that hang on the wall in the gym hallway. Each day we pass by and remember their lives and their love.



We were blessed to have a day in November that we worked with our prayer partners and learned how to be a "Saint in Training". To be saint-like we learned that we need to be filled with the "Fruits of the Spirit" ... Love, Joy, Peace, Kindness, Goodness, Gentleness, Faithfulness and Self Control. (St. Paul to the Galatians 5:22 -23)

With our prayer partners we made placemats of a Cornucopia depicting the "Fruits of the Holy Spirit". We were able to combine saint-like living, prayers for those that would be confirmed in God's Spirit and Thanksgiving all in one activity. It was a grace filled day for sure. Blessed are we that our parents value Catholic education where we can learn about God daily.



Throughout the November days we also collected nonperishable food for Prince of Peace Community food pantry, and diapers/baby items for the SSJ Neighborhood Center in Camden.

During the 2024-2025 school year we are taking part in a Brain Symposium. We are learning about the parts of our brain and how each part plays a vital role in our learning. With our prayer partners we designed neurons with yarn, pom poms, beads and construction paper. We also made brain hats that proclaimed the brain is "the control center that's running the show. Everything you touch, taste, smell, hear and know. What you see and feel, what makes it all real. It's the brain." We look forward to more activities in the months ahead.



We celebrated our annual Veterans Day on Friday, November 8th. Thanks to all who were able to join us at our traditional liturgy, breakfast and spaghetti dinner. It is always a wonderful experience to pray with and for our veterans. We are so very grateful for your service to our country for our freedom and peace. Father Rich gave a special shout out to Father Richard who was not able to join us in person but with us in spirit. We were all able to turn and face the camera saluting him. We look forward to celebrating with him in-person.

Many thanks to all who supported our annual Christmas Bazaar. It was a great day for all!

Thanksgiving weekend leads us to the special season of Advent. Join us please as we bring God's light to our world through acts of kindness. HAPPY ADVENT.



God's Blessings,

Sister Pat



STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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

Thank you for your continued generosity!

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

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024



Gifts: **590**

Total Pledged: **\$103,894 (94% of Goal)**

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

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024

Parish Goal: \$110,000

One Time Gift of \$ _____

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

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

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Parish _____

Email _____

Phone _____

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 \$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.

[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, December 1st

Gift Card Sales Food Drive

New Lisbon Collection

7:00 PM: AOA— *Knight's Hall*

7:00 PM: Wings— *Pedata Hall*

Tuesday, December 3rd

5:00 PM: Adoration— *Church*

6:30 PM: Benediction— *Church*

7:00 PM: Simbang Gabi— *Church & Pedata Hall*

7:00 PM: Spirit and Mind— *Arc Room*

Wednesday, December 4th

6:30 AM: WWP— *Pedata Hall*

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

10:00 AM: WWP— *Pedata Hall*

1:00 PM: Abide in Me— *Knight's Hall*

7:00 PM: OCIA— *Pedata Hall*

7:00 PM: WWP— *Knight's Hall and Arc Room*

Thursday, December 5th

7:00 PM: Spirit and Mind— *Knight's Hall*

7:00 PM: Loss of a Spouse Presented by Cathy Amico
— *Pedata Hall*

Friday, December 6th

6:00 AM: TMIY— *Pedata Hall*

9:30 AM: Moms Advent Morning— *Pedata Hall*

3:00 PM: Blaze— *Pedata Hall*

7:00 PM: School Christmas Show— *Church*

Saturday, December 7th

10:00 AM: Advent Family Retreat

7:00 PM: Simbang Gabi— *Church and Cafeteria*

