

# Church of St. Joan of Arc



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent March 4, 2018

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**Music Ministry: 856-985-5461**

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### **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**God's love knows no boundaries  
and neither do we!**

Consider making St. Joan of Arc  
your home parish. Register online  
at [www.stjoans.org](http://www.stjoans.org)  
or stop in the office.

### **SUNDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm**

**Sunday: 7:30am, 9am,  
10:30am & Noon**

**Korean Mass: 3:30pm on the 2nd  
Sunday of the month**

### **DAILY MASS SCHEDULE**

**Monday thru Friday:  
7am & 9am**

**Tuesday & Thursday:  
7pm**

**Saturday: 9am**

### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday, 4pm  
Anytime by appointment.

### **BAPTISMS:**

We celebrate Baptisms most Sunday  
afternoons at 1:30pm.

The baptism of your child is a  
great time to renew your own faith  
in Jesus Christ.

Call the Office to schedule  
856-983-0077

### **WEDDINGS and BLESSING OF CIVIL MARRIAGES:**

Congratulations on your  
engagement! We are happy you  
have chosen to have a Church  
wedding! Please call the Office as  
soon as possible to schedule a date  
and to begin Marriage Preparation.

Before planning a destination  
wedding, please call the Church to  
discuss ways in which you can have  
your marriage blessed in the Church.  
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.

### Parish Office Hours:

#### Daytime Hours:

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

Saturday: 9:30am-12pm

#### Evening Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 6pm-8:30pm

### Pastoral Staff:

**Rev. Msgr. Richard D. LaVerghetta,**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. Jorge Bedoya,** *Parochial Vicar*

**Rev. Leon Buni,** *Parochial Vicar*

**Rev. Richard Regan,** *Weekend Assistant*

**Deacon Tom Murphy,** *Pastoral Associate*

#### Permanent Deacons:

Barry Tarzy, Jeff DeFrehn, Bill Mueller

**Sr. Patricia Pycik, SSJ,** *School Principal*

**Sr. Peg. Boyle, SSJ,**

*Director of Pastoral Care*

**Mrs. Linda Mueller,**

*Director of Religious Education*

**Sr. Stephanie Cymerman, SSJ,**

*Director of Music*

**Mr. Jay Keesler,** *Youth Minister*

#### Parish Pastoral Council:

Tony Smaldone, *Chairperson*

Paula Kotowski, *Vice Chairperson*

Anastasia Bouillon, *Secretary*

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Mike Smithwick

#### School Board:

Nancy DiBlasi, *Vice Chairperson*

Joy McGarrigle, *Secretary*

Michael Balabon, Mary Clare Brandt,

Chuck Fleischman, Joe Gallombardo,

Amy Nihill

## LOOKING FOR A FEW STRONG MEN

We need four to eight young men, 20-39, to help carry the altar out of the church after the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday and then back into the Church at the Easter Vigil.

For more information contact

Gene Kotowski

at 609-238-6807 or email

eugenekotowski@aol.com



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT/2018

## GOOD GOSPEL FOR A SCRUTINY

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Say hello to Johnnie. Dallas. Jim. George. Karen. Heather. Samantha. And pray for them. You can read about them in the main church vestibule.

They, along with hundreds of others, will enter into the Church at the Easter Vigil through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. This Sunday, as well as the next two, in a short Rite the Church calls a "Scrutiny," we will pray for them in a special way, asking God to prepare their hearts for the Sacraments. During the Scrutiny we ask God to deliver them from temptation and to root out any sin.

Isn't this how we all should prepare for Easter? Isn't this what Lent is for? Isn't this how we should prepare for every Sunday, every Eucharist? This is what we ask of God each time we pray, "Lord, have mercy! Christ, have mercy!" During Lent, we have been singing these words in Latin: **Kyrie Eleison! Christe Eleison!**

An Examination of Conscience followed by a good Act of Contrition is like a daily Scrutiny for all of us. Every day we should examine how we sinned and how we have been faithful to the Gospel: in our thoughts and words, in what we have done and in what we have failed to do.

Lent, therefore, is a great time to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance, to be reconciled with God, the Church and with one another. We hear confessions every Saturday, 4-5pm. We will have a Day of Mercy on Saturday, March 17, when confessions will be heard from 10am until 5pm. Two area Penance Services will also be held: at St. Mary of the Lakes, Medford, on Tuesday, March 20, 7:30pm and at St. John Neumann, Mt. Laurel, on Tuesday, March 27, 7:30pm. Many priests will be available for individual confessions. I urge you to celebrate this Sacrament in time for the great Paschal Triduum, the celebration of the death and resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Good Lent!

## WOMAN AT THE WELL

March 6th 7:30pm Pedata Hall

The Lenten story when Christ meets the Woman at the Well is written for us. Why are we so thirsty? What part of our journey is in a foreign land and why are we so afraid? Come spend some time as we begin to trust in the miracle of confession and experience a rush of living water when we hear Christ say, "I need to go to Samaria to find her and bring her back." This is why our hearts scream out for Him.

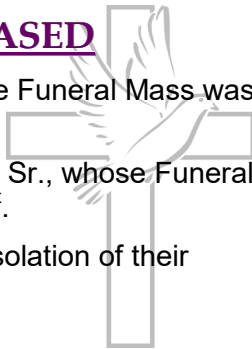
# PRAYERS AND INTENTIONS

## REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Please pray for the soul of Richard Ford, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>.

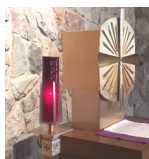
Please pray for the soul of James McDonough, Sr., whose Funeral Service was celebrated on Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Also please remember in your prayers the consolation of their families.



## TABERNACLE CANDLE INTENTION

Our Tabernacle Candle will remain lit during the week of  
**March 4, 2018 to March 10, 2018**  
In Memory of Killian Baldwin  
Requested by Godmother



## WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Anna Geroni, Gloria Diodato, Irene Westfield, Addison Wright, Judy Keesler, Marie Moffa, Pauline Scrocca, Frank Campo, Sr, Bernice Palazzo, Margaret Zeidler, Mildred Leber, Marie DiMartini, Luann Tierno, Kathleen O'Connor, Rita Jones, Joan Kirk, Sandra Kile, Lori Radwell, Violet Simmons & Wilhelmina Vagnoni

## PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY

Kindly pray for the welfare of PFC. Elliot Adkisson, III, Jason Alexander, Matthew Alexander, CMS Michael Allen, Cpl. Jason Annese, Josh Blassman, USCGA Cadet 2/C Justin Beck, Bryan Bolt III, Marine Cpl. Justin Ryan Booth, USCGA Cadet 2/C Jack Brandt, Kevin Brodwater, USN, Kyle Brodwater, USN, Col. Denis Brown, Maj. Ryan Brunk, LCpl. Kevin Robert Cassel, Staff Sgt. John Ciacci, Michael Costello, Joseph DeStefano, Josh Dikmak, Lt. Col. Christopher DiNote, John Dixon, Sgt. Kevin Dougherty, LCpl. Silvio Duplechan Jr., Sgt. Mohamed Embaby, Pvt. Andrew Ensign, James Brent Evans, Col. Gerard Gagnon, Pvt. Nicholas Gianni, E3 Lucas Goergen, Cpl. Michael Goncalves, SPC Evan Grabowski, Andrew Guattari, Maj. John Harding, Lt. Col. Bill Harkins, James Hayes, Rick Heipertz, Sgt. Jeffrey Jayne, PFC. David Johnson, Brian Kohler, Sgt. Jonathan Krall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Trevor Kuroczka, 2 Lt. Scott Lafferty, USAF, Lt. John Paul Lamorte, USCG, Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Daniel Little, Staff Sgt. Stephen MacCrory, William Mace, Bryan Marines, Cpl. Anthony Mastrangelo, Pvt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Matthew Mastrangelo, LT Shane Mauro USN, Brenden McKittrick, Sgt. Brian McNally USAF, Sgt. Luke McNally USMC, S.Sgt. Richard Miller III, Cpl. Timothy Miller, Lt. JG Maggie Montesanti, Cpl. Shannyn Noone, Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Anthony Orlando, Jr., USMC, Sgt. Michael Peterson, Bob Poller, Sr Chief USN Kimberly Ripoli, Doug Sackett, Clinton Scheibner USN, Col. Dan Shanahan, Pfc. Joseph Seller, Molina Semple, Lt. Col. Matthew Stanley US Army, Dallas Thorp, Luke Williams, PFC. Tristan Wood, LCpl. Joseph Yecco, SSgt. Jaried Zavatter, USN Robert Zielinski & Cpl. Alexander Zink, USMC.

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b>	March 5
7:00 AM	<b>Peg Pycik</b> r/o Frank & Ann Schwartz <b>Pat Bakey</b> r/o Daughter Theresa
9:00 AM	<b>Patricia O'Neill</b> r/o The Liturgy Committee <b>Killian Baldwin</b> r/o Josephine McBride <b>Denise Moree</b> r/o The Giordano Family
<b>Tuesday</b>	March 6
7:00 AM	<b>Harry McCracken Jr</b> r/o Friends
9:00 AM	<b>Salvatore Savino</b> r/o Daughter & Family <b>The Bernard &amp; Boyle Families</b> r/o Mary Bernard
7:00 PM	<b>Killian Baldwin</b> r/o Peg Crammer <b>Carmen Capri Sr</b> r/o Betty & George Zink
<b>Wednesday</b>	March 7
7:00 AM	<b>Peg Pycik</b> r/o Michael & Anita Balabon
9:00 AM	<b>Margaret Matties</b> r/o Angela Hudson <b>Killian Baldwin</b> r/o Peg Crammer
<b>Thursday</b>	March 8
7:00 AM	<b>Harper Mae Graham</b> r/o Friends
9:00 AM	<b>Ninita Albarracin</b> r/o Maria Lizardo <b>Patricia O'Neill</b> r/o The Tencer Family <b>Killian Baldwin</b> r/o Mary Bernard
7:00 PM	<b>Greg Lyons</b> r/o Religious Education Staff <b>Bernice Sehmais</b> r/o Frank & Maria Conte
<b>Friday</b>	March 9
7:00 AM	<b>Peg Pycik</b> r/o Jack & Mickey Marczely
9:00 AM	<b>Irene Metzgar</b> r/o Wiley EM's <b>Killian Baldwin</b> r/o Mickey & Jack Marczely
<b>Saturday</b>	March 10
9:00 AM	<b>Mary Kate Marchesani</b> r/o The Cassidy Family <b>Killian Baldwin</b> r/o Joe & Charlene Grabowski
5:30 PM	<b>Denise Moree</b> r/o Angelina & Julia <b>Patricia O'Neill</b> r/o Joanne, Dean, Jon & Alexis DeRose <b>Killian Baldwin</b> r/o Kipp & Elaine Gaynor
<b>Sunday</b>	March 11
7:30 AM	<b>Killian Baldwin</b> r/o Joan & Sam Rescigno <b>Rose Girardo</b> r/o Maria & Frank Rutolo <b>Pietro Faiola</b> r/o Susan Screnci
9:00 AM	<b>Joe Francolino Sr</b> r/o Dave & Donna Doelp <b>Danny Tolan</b> r/o Aunt Fran <b>Leonard Iannelli</b> r/o Cherokee Main Office Secretarie
10:30 AM	<b>Claire Gillespie</b> r/o Loraine & Sandy Roland <b>Joseph Cataldo</b> r/o Joanne Swift
12:00 PM	<b>Parishioners &amp; Benefactors</b> <b>Leonard Serpiello</b> r/o Jon & Marleen Mabry <b>Patricia O'Neill</b> r/o Pat Clark Brothers <b>Barb McHugh</b> r/o The McHugh Family



# YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

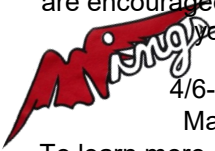
## YOUTH MINISTRY

**Attention all Parish teens & 8th Graders!**  
Wings meets every Sunday at 6:30 pm. All Parish teens are encouraged to attend. Come make new friends, be yourself & have a great time!

### Upcoming Events

4/6-8 - Jr./Sr Retreat - Cape May  
May Gettysburg trip Info Soon

To learn more contact Jay at [Jaykeesler@yahoo.com](mailto:Jaykeesler@yahoo.com)



## PASSION PLAY



**Friday March 23rd**  
**Saturday, March 24th**  
**7:30pm**  
**St. Joan of Arc Church**

## KIDS LIT



All Children are Invited to come pray together  
& learn about Jesus at the  
Weekly Children's Liturgy of the Word

### Join us on

**March 11 at 9am Mass**  
**March 18 at 10:30am Mass**

## ST. JOAN OF ARC SCHOOL

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Years of Catholic Education  
1965-2015

## EMBRACE GOD'S UNIVERSE!

- ◆ Standardized testing will begin on Monday, March 5th, for grades 2 through 8. As with all testing, we recommend a good night sleep, a healthy breakfast and a positive attitude. We know our students will apply the brain strategies they use daily. The actual test will be given each morning and the afternoon will be filled with special activities.
- ◆ Due to standardized testing, all students (K-8) are encouraged to wear their gym uniform to school (with any SJA shirt) for the entire week of March 5th.
- ◆ The third and final trimester will begin on March 5th. We ask that you take time to review your child's goals for the 2017-2018 academic year. May these last three and a half months be successful for all.
- ◆ 4th grade families! Let the PTA treat you to a spaghetti dinner on Wednesday, March 7th, at 6:15 pm in the cafeteria. Hope you are able to make it!

# ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The St. Joan of Arc Health Ministry Presents  
An Educational Seminar

## ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING

**Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:30pm Pedata Hall**



Guest speaker Kathleen Coll SSJ  
In working to eliminate human trafficking,  
Sr. Kathleen educates on the epidemic,  
as well as, services provided to victims.



## WOMEN OF FAITH

**March 12th 6:45pm Pedata Hall**

Parishioner Paula Kotowski will discuss the Holy Spirit's Gift of Piety. Join us as we continue our Lenten Journey together, guided and strengthened by the Holy Spirit and encouraged by each other.

Meetings begin with fellowship and light refreshments at 6:45pm and speakers begin promptly at 7pm. Registration is not required and all women are encouraged to attend any or all of the meetings and bring friends! For more information please fill out a registration form, which can be found in the church vestibule or on

[www.stjoans.org/ministries/women-of-faith](http://www.stjoans.org/ministries/women-of-faith)  
or contact Kathy Burns  
609-923-7222 or [kathleensburns@aol.com](mailto:kathleensburns@aol.com).

It's Lent....  
Join us for a little  
**"Cross" - training.**

**TMIY**  
THAT MAN IS YOU!

Men come join us.  
Pedata Hall at St. Joan's  
Fridays 6:00am  
Sign up or just show up  
[www.stjoans.org/tmiy](http://www.stjoans.org/tmiy)

# MINISTRIES

## TAI CHI ANYONE???

Instructions on Tai Chi will be offered this spring beginning on March 13 and continuing for 6 weeks in Pedata Hall at 7PM. There will be a fee which will be determined by how many people sign up for this program. It should be approximately \$5.00 or \$10.00 each session. Tai Chi Chuan is an ancient Asian art form of relaxation and exercise that is easy, fun and low impact. The exercises can be performed seated or standing. Our Instructor, Alexandria Goldman, has presented Tai Chi to many Senior Residences, Nursing Homes, and Rehab Centers in the Area. Alexandria has been teaching the Art of Tai Chi for over 25 years. Please contact Mary Bernard at 856-596-3227 or [webernards@comcast.net](mailto:webernards@comcast.net) to register for this program.

## SPIRITUAL ADOPTION 7th Month

Your spiritually adopted baby is approaching two pounds. If born prematurely at this time, he would have a very good chance of surviving. Each passing year, we witness medical advances that allow younger and younger premature infants to be saved. Pray that the Lord of Life gives your baby's mother the love to give her baby life. Please pray daily the prayer of Bishop Fulton Sheen:

*Jesus Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted who may be in danger of abortion. Amen*

## "ABIDE IN ME"

*Abide In Me*  
**Intercessory Prayer Ministry**  
**DO YOU NEED PRAYER OR**  
**WANT TO PRAY FOR OTHERS?**

Wednesdays 1-2 pm - Gathering Room  
&/or join our email prayer chain  
[www.stjoans.org/ministries/abide-in-me](http://www.stjoans.org/ministries/abide-in-me)  
To ask for prayer or to pray with us email  
[abideinme@stjoans.org](mailto:abideinme@stjoans.org) or  
call Marijane 609-744-7579

## AOA

**"ACCOMPANYING ONE ANOTHER"**  
**on the Journey through**  
**"ADDICTION TO RECOVERY"**

**Every Sunday @ 7 pm in the School Cafeteria**

A Christ centered ministry of spiritual support, AOA is for anyone on their journey through addiction to recovery or anyone accompanying a loved one on their journey.

- AOA meetings follow the powerful "Twelve Steps" that lead toward recovery
  - AOA is open to any person affected by this disease
- For More Information visit [www.stjoans.org/AOA](http://www.stjoans.org/AOA), contact Deacon Tom 856-983-0077 ext. 306 or email [tom.murphy@stjoans.org](mailto:tom.murphy@stjoans.org).

## SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

### **Individual sessions held at St Joan's Rectory**

There are times when we are moved to respond to God's personal invitation to a deeper relationship and to discover God's presence in all things. God desires a deeper relationship with you; a desire to grow in intimacy. Spiritual direction is an experience that enables a person to become more fully aware of God's abiding presence in their life, and live more fully in that relationship.

To schedule a session or if you have questions, please contact; Deacon Jeff DeFrehn [Jeff.DeFrehn@stjoans.org](mailto:Jeff.DeFrehn@stjoans.org) or call the Office 856-983-0077

## PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY

- Difficulty hearing, please ask the usher for a **hearing amplifier**.
- Dietary restrictions, a **low gluten host** is available for Holy Communion. Line up in the center aisle before everyone else receives Communion. First time you are receiving the low gluten host, please let the priest or deacon know before Mass begins.
- A **Transport wheelchair** is available to assist transitioning from the car to the church. Please see an usher.
- **In case of emergency, an AED is located in the hall by the Sacristy door near Pedata Hall.**

*For More Information about the Heath Ministry Contact Carolyn Bitzer 732-887-0898 or email [health@stjoans.org](mailto:health@stjoans.org)*

Blood pressure screenings are scheduled every Community Sunday (the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month) after each Mass.

Questions, contact Patti Clifford 856-983-7187 or [P31155@comcast.net](mailto:P31155@comcast.net).

## ARISE & SHINE

### **Morning Parenting Group**

**Meetings Every Friday in Room 8 at St. Isaac's**  
[ariseandshine@stjoans.org](mailto:ariseandshine@stjoans.org)

Arise & Shine is a morning preschool playgroup aimed at inspiring fellowship, personal growth & knowledge based on our faith. We are dedicated to nourishing parents and children with the virtues needed to enrich our Christ based family lives.

*Our Group is about Growing, Living & Building Together!*

## EASTER BASKET DRIVE

**March 24/25 Pedata Hall**

Donations of Easter baskets, canned hams, frozen turkeys or food certificates will be accepted in Pedata Hall on **Palm Sunday weekend, March 24 and 25**. More than 100 children locally and in Trenton, through the Mt. Carmel Guild, will benefit from your generosity. Baskets are needed for children between 3 years -12 years old. Baskets for boys are particularly needed. Anything you can provide will be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to contact Karen Stroker at [kstroker@icloud.com](mailto:kstroker@icloud.com) for more information.

# Lent with a Heart



## Sunday Mass

Sunday Mass is still the heart of our Catholic Christian life and worship of God. If you have been away from Mass, or not consistent, try to come the Sundays of Lent. Check the cover of this Bulletin for Mass times.

## Daily Mass

Monday thru Friday: 7am  
Monday thru Saturday: 9am  
Tuesday, Thursday: 7pm

## Stations of the Cross

Fridays: 12:05pm and 7pm

Soup before Stations 5:30pm

♦ March 16<sup>th</sup>

## Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

*"Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the world"*



**Tuesday evening's  
Eucharistic Adoration 5:00pm – 6:30pm  
Benediction 6:30pm**

On the Cross Jesus said "I thirst." From the Blessed Sacrament Jesus continues to say to each of us "I thirst." He thirsts for our personal love, our intimacy, our union with Him in the Blessed Sacrament.

~St. Teresa of Calcutta



Is your faith "reception" improving....but the message still "drops" from time to time?



**Strengthen your  
Spiritual "signal" with the  
Sacrament of Reconciliation.**

## DAY OF MERCY

**Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

*Confessions will be heard in our church from **10am until 5pm.***

## AREA PENANCE SERVICES

**St. Mary of the Lakes, Medford:**  
Tuesday, March 20, 7:30pm

**St. John Neumann, Mt. Laurel:**  
Tuesday, March 27, 7:30pm.

## **THE DAYS WE LIVE FOR**

**Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>**

**7:30pm Pedata Hall**

Fr. Rich will give a presentation on the most important days of the Christian Calendar: the Paschal Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday). Come learn about the signs and symbols of these beautiful Liturgies, as well as the Scriptures and prayers. Everyone is invited, even if you have heard the talk before!

*Easter Triduum*



It's never too late to connect with a Small Group



**SJA Small Groups**

To sign-up go to:

[www.stjoans.org/smallgroups](http://www.stjoans.org/smallgroups)

Call 856-983-0077 ext \*246

# Lenten Connections

Daily Reflections to help you pray,  
journal, connect with God, others  
and yourself this Lent.

## Sunday, March 4: 3rd Sunday of Lent

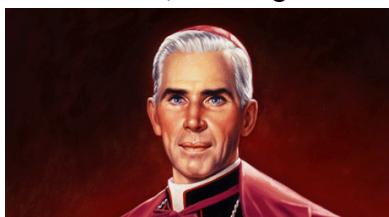
Today our catechumens (those to be baptized) and candidates (those to be received into the Church) are prayed for in a special way at Mass. In a short rite called "Scrutiny" we pray that whatever keeps them from loving God with their whole heart will be cast out. Pray for them today and all who will be baptized and welcomed into the Church at Easter!

## Monday, March 5

*"Athirst is my soul for God, the living God. When shall I go and behold the face of God?"* (Psalm 42:3) What do you hear or feel when you read this psalm taken from today's Mass? Longing, waiting and hoping? Such are the stirrings of a heart seeking God. Our prayers, like this psalm, are our conversations with God. Conversation is important to any relationship, even one with God. Prayer connects us to God. The Psalms express a wide range of human emotions to God, from awe and gratitude to despair and repentance to hope and love. The authors, David and others, trust that not only is God there but that God is listening. Read **Psalm 42** or **Psalm 91** or any psalm out loud. Hear how beautiful these prayers are. Then converse with God in your own words, eloquent or not. Make a habit of this and observe how your reservations fade and your relationship with God grows. The Lord is listening!

## Tuesday, March 6

"We can think of Lent as a time to eradicate evil or cultivate virtue; a time to pull up weeds or plant good seeds. Which is better is clear, for the Christian ideal is always positive rather than negative." (*Venerable Fulton J. Sheen*) What good seeds will you plant this Lent to lovingly connect with others and "grow" your faith life and theirs?



## Wednesday, March 7

Pope Francis said "Don't be afraid to go to the Sacrament of Confession, where you will meet Jesus who forgives you." Beautiful sentiment, but what if we are afraid or don't know what to do? Here is a hint that will help, tell the priest if you are scared or unsure. Let him help you encounter the love, mercy, healing and forgiveness that Jesus is longing to give you. Whether it's been 40 days or 40 years, come and be wrapped in Jesus' warm embrace.

## Thursday, March 8

In the eleventh chapter of Luke, we hear Jesus say, 'Whoever is not with me is against me'. It is easy to profess our faith when surrounded by other believers. When we are at school or at play or at work, may the grace of our Lord Jesus help us to 'stand up' for Him. Let our words and actions tell the world we belong to Jesus.



## Friday, March 9

Fast from Hurting Words and say Kind words.  
Fast from Sadness and be filled with Gratitude.  
Fast from Anger and be filled with Patience.  
Fast from Pessimism and be filled with Hope.  
Fast from Worries and Trust in God.  
Fast from Complaints and contemplate Simplicity.  
Fast from Pressures and be Prayerful.  
Fast from Bitterness and fill your heart with Joy.  
Fast from Selfishness and be Compassionate to others.  
Fast from Grudges and be Reconciled.  
Fast from Words and be Silent so you can listen.

## Saturday, March 10

Today is the 21<sup>st</sup> day of our 40 day journey and now we begin the second half of Lent! We've been in the desert and climbed the mountain with Jesus ... Let's pause ... and rest and reflect. **"Lent is a time to allow our hearts to beat once more in tune with the vibrant heart of Jesus."** (*Pope Francis*). Are we becoming more compassionate, tender and responsive to the needs of others? There's still time! Let's pray for the grace to allow this Lent to change our hearts and our world to become more like Jesus!



# MINISTRIES

## COMMUNITY SUNDAY

After All Masses March 11<sup>th</sup> Pedata Hall

This year, along with coffee and donuts, different ministries will be highlighted each month, and will be available for any questions or concerns you may have. We have a ministry for everyone, so come check us out!!! Did you know students can help out and earn service hours for NHS, Confirmation etc...? Please contact Paula Kotowski at 609-760-1706 or [communitysunday@stjoans.org](mailto:communitysunday@stjoans.org)

**Ministry Spotlight:** Home Bound, Wiley Eucharistic Ministers, Wiley Rosary, Parish Health, Church Transportation, Bread Runners, Prayer Shawls, Rosary Makers, The Good Dogs Club



## 2018 SENIOR TRIPS

### JESUS SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER LANCASTER, PA WITH MEAL

Friday, March 23rd  
Depart 10:00am Return 7:30pm \$120.00

Jesus is the action packed musical stage adventure that takes you on a miraculous journey alongside the most famous person to ever walk on the earth and everyday people whose lives he changed forever. Meal at the Eden Resort before the 3:00 p.m. show.

Make checks payable to ST. JOAN OF ARC  
Mail checks to:

Bob and Sue DeNight  
20 Florence Avenue  
Marlton, N.J. 08053

Call for more info 856-596-9393 or 609-304-1968

### SOUND OF MUSIC WITH DINNER Academy of Music in Philadelphia

Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup> Depart 2:30pm Return 10:30pm \$118.00

In the heart of the Austrian Alps, a young woman named Maria is in training to become a nun. Unsure that such a free spirited soul as Maria is ready for a life of pious devotion, the head sister assigns her to the role of governess to the children of Captain Georg Von Trapp. Maria with a little love and lot a singing wins over the mischievous children. Her kindness dispels the gloom around their father after losing his wife and the two begin to fall in love. But danger looms on the horizon with the advent of World War II.

Dinner before the 6:30 Show  
\$25.00 deposit is required for a reservation  
Balance is due 30 days prior to event date



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## THE KNIGHTS ARE COOKIN' AGAIN!

March 4<sup>th</sup> After all Masses  
Adults - \$5; Kids - \$3; Family max - \$15



We will be serving breakfast after all Masses on Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> in the School Cafeteria. Come and enjoy great pancakes, bacon, sausage, sweets and breakfast beverages along with your fellow parishioners.

## COMMUNITY PIZZA PARTY

Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>  
6:30pm - Pedata Hall



Compliments of the Knights of Columbus  
Come enjoy free pizza, Soft drinks & dessert as a Thank You for all the support you give our council.  
BYOB event

## AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1pm-6pm Pedata Hall

One pint of blood donated can help to save up to 3 lives. The donation is painless and lasts about one hour. Walk-ins are always welcome but it is strongly suggested that you schedule an appointment at the Red Cross website: [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE. For more information please contact Dean DeRose at 856-596-6404 or email [roseman1957@comcast.net](mailto:roseman1957@comcast.net)

## ST. ISAAC JOGUES K OF C

Lenten Fish Bake Dinner  
Friday March 9<sup>th</sup>

Dine in or Take out  
Take out 4:30 - 6:30pm  
Dine in 4:30 - 6pm (BYOB)

Pre-Orders taken by email [kofc12229@gmail.com](mailto:kofc12229@gmail.com)

- ◆ \$11 Baked Cod Fillet w/ Fries & Cole Slaw
- ◆ \$15 Crab Cakes, Fries, Cole Slaw



COMING SOON  
1<sup>st</sup> Annual Classics for Charity Auto Show  
Saturday April, 14<sup>th</sup>  
10am - 2pm

Proceeds benefit the "Helping Hands Ministry" at St. Joan of Arc Church. Watch for a flyer in the church bulletin the weekend of March 17/18



## THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thank you to all of the parishioners of St. Joan of Arc Parish. Because of your unbelievable & overwhelming generosity last weekend, all 1000 roses were distributed, 82 Precious Feet Pins and \$3,401 was collected to help support the efforts of the 1st Way of Burlington County Pregnancy Center in Beverly, NJ. An organization that was near and dear to the heart of our Past Grand Knight, Jack Keesler. Thank you so very much again for your continued support for Life. May God Continue To Bless You



## STEWARDSHIP

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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

February 24/25.....\$24,081  
Electronic Giving .....\$ 4,115

Thank you for your continued generosity!

### SECOND COLLECTION

**March 10/11**

There will be a second collection next weekend, March 10/11 for Catholic Relief Services which provides legal support service for poor immigrants, resettlement for victims of persecution, peace and reconciliation work and advocacy on behalf of the powerless.



Please join our growing number of families who have elected to make their contributions online through Parish Giving.

#### **It's Simple:**

- Log onto [www.stjoans.org](http://www.stjoans.org) and click on the Giving tab and choose Parish "Online" Giving and follow the easy registration instructions.

#### **It's Secure:**

- Parish Giving is PCI compliant and uses the strongest SSL encryption technology available.

#### **It's Convenient:**

- No more searching for the check book on Sunday or morning stops at the ATM machine.

#### **Tax Benefits:**

- You will be able to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year.

#### **Parishioner Benefits:**

- Ability to choose date and frequency of contributions. Contact Theresa Segin at 856-983-0077 ext. 311 should you have any questions.

### MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

**March 3/4**

Please remember those in need! When coming to mass this weekend, March 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>. Bring along a few staple foods such as pasta, canned fruits, cereals and meats to donate to the Food Pantry. Paper products are always needed.

Thank you for your continued kindness & generosity!

### MALL WALK TO FIGHT HUNGER

**Sunday, March 11th 1pm**

Voorhees Town Center

Proceeds benefit the Cherry Hill Food Pantry

For more information contact Rich at 856-546-9133

or [cherryhillfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:cherryhillfoodpantry@gmail.com)

[www.cherryhillfoodpantry.com](http://www.cherryhillfoodpantry.com)



### EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

Used children's books will be collected now through March 18th

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### SUNDAY, 3/4

**K of C Pancake Breakfast**  
after all Masses **Cafeteria**  
**PreCana - 2pm Pedata Hall**  
**Wings - 6:30pm Pedata Hall**  
**AOA Meeting - 7pm Cafeteria**

### MONDAY, 3/5

**K of C Degree Mtg - 7pm Pedata Hall**  
**Abide in Me Prayer Group**  
**7pm Gathering Room**  
**Bible Study - 7:30pm Arc Room**

### TUESDAY, 3/6

**Adoration - 5pm Church**  
**Benediction - 6:30pm Church**  
**Adult Faith "Woman at the Well"**  
**7:30pm Pedata Hall**  
**Liturgy Meeting - 7:30pm Gathering Room**

### WEDNESDAY, 3/7

**Bible Study - 9:30am Arc Room**  
**Abide in Me Prayer Group**  
**1pm Gathering Room**  
**Rosary - 7pm Church**  
**RCIA Meeting - 7pm Pedata Hall**

### FRIDAY, 3/9

**TMIY - 6am Pedata Hall**  
**Stations of the Cross - 12:05pm Church**  
**Marion Stations of the Cross - 7pm Church**  
**Loving Your Baby Workshop - 7:15pm Arc Room**

### Saturday, 3/10

**K of C Pizza Social - 6:30pm Pedata Hall**

### WEDDING BANNERS

#### **Second Publications**

Stephen Valinski & Regina Lyons



### PRAY THE ROSARY

#### **The Path To Jesus Is Through Mary**

Monday to Saturday 8:25 am - Church

Wednesday Nights 7:00 pm - Church Rosary

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of Every Month 3:00 pm Pedata Hall

The Blessed Mother has told us to pray the rosary every day. This is Heaven's intervention to achieve world peace. Please Join Us In Prayer.

### BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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