



**MAY 19, 2024**

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: MAY 18 - MAY 26, 2024**

SAT, MAY 18 4:00 PM FOR KAY PFAHLER  
BY SALLY YOUNG

SUN, MAY 19 9:00 AM FOR ALOIS POPPENWIMER  
BY VICKI & ROD HAMER

MON, MAY 20 8:00 AM FOR JOE WHARTON  
BY MARLENE HALBEDL

TUE, MAY 21 6:00 PM FOR HELEN ROSSI  
BY PAT SHERIDAN

WED, MAY 22 7:30 AM HOLY HOUR WITH COMMUNION

SAT, MAY 25 4:00 PM FOR THE PEOPLE  
BY THE PASTOR

SUN, MAY 26 9:00 AM FOR JOSEPH & JENNIE SKONIECZKI  
BY BARBARA PARANICH

**MASS INTENTIONS:** If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for the deceased or for special intentions, you will find envelopes at each entrance of the church or you can stop in or call the office. *Please keep in mind that we schedule as we receive mass intentions (we cannot schedule more than one year in advance) and will do our best to honor your requests. Let us be kind and considerate of others and allow as many as possible in our parish family to be able to request a celebration of Mass and remember that the value of a Mass is infinite no matter when it is celebrated.*

**VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, May 25, 4:00 PM:**

LECTORS: *1st Reading:* T. Evanskey  
*2nd Reading:* A. Bucher  
*Introduction & Intercession:* T. Bucher

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:  
*Host:* T. Hoffer  
*Cup:* J. Steinbauer & M. Riggle

ALTAR SERVERS: A. Bucher & T. Smith  
HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, D. Kissell, M. Kissell

**Sunday, May 26, 9:00 AM:**

LECTORS: *1st Reading:* T. Finn  
*2nd Reading:* D. Morrissey  
*Introduction & Intercession:* G. Finn

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:  
*Host:* T. Belis  
*Cup:* B. Paranich & Sr. Linda

ALTAR SERVERS: K. Shanafelt & E. Wolfe  
HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, D. Cole, T. DelMastro, M. Kowalski

**May 19, 2024 – Pentecost Sunday**

Our Easter season culminates with the glorious feast of Pentecost. Meaning “fifty”, Pentecost is the day the Holy Spirit descended on Mary and the apostles in the form of tongues of fire fifty days after Easter. We also celebrate this day as the birthday of the Church, for shortly after this event, St Peter preached his first homily. We can imagine how incredible that moment was for the apostles and all who witnessed it. The Holy Spirit was alive and working.

On this Pentecost Sunday, let us give thanks to God for sending us His Holy Spirit. Let us strive to be in tune with the Holy Spirit by looking for the ways God has been working in our lives and let us ask for the grace to know our gifts and talents so that we can put them to good use.

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	MAY 6-MAY 12	
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	1,927.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS,	\$	959.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	750.00
<b>TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,636.00</b>
2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET	\$	19,753.00
<b>CMD DONATIONS FOR 2024:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$14,853.77</b>

**THANK YOU for your Support and Generosity.** Please remember that one can have a lot of money but still live a really poor life and one can have no money at all and live a really rich life, that's because what makes a person truly rich is not how much they have but how much they give.

**SAINT JOSEPH ON-LINE GIVING**

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE: [WWW.SAINTJOSEPHBELLWOOD.ORG](http://WWW.SAINTJOSEPHBELLWOOD.ORG)**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

ST. JOSEPH PARISH is a charitable trust of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, the Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak, bishop and trustee.

**BAPTISM OF INFANTS:** Notify pastor during pregnancy for arrangements and parental/God-parent Faith formation. A Preparation class for Parents and God-parents is required prior to Child's Baptism. Please contact Sr. Linda LaMagna to make arrangements to attend a Preparation Class. (814) 742-7894 or [llamagna@dioceseaj.org](mailto:llamagna@dioceseaj.org)

**CONFIRMATION:** Formation, classes, and service hours as required by the Diocese.

**HOLY MATRIMONY:** Notify pastor at least six months before the desired wedding date; Diocesan-approved marriage preparation course required.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** By request.

**PENANCE:** Saturdays at 3:30 PM and anytime by request.

**MASS SCHEDULE:** Weekend: Saturday-4:00 PM, Sunday-9:00 AM Holy Days of Obligation and Daily Mass as published.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** The deadline to have information considered for the bulletin is Thursday at 12:00 NOON for the upcoming weekend. Information can be placed in the box on the office door, in the collection basket, or emailed to [abishopamato@dioceseaj.org](mailto:abishopamato@dioceseaj.org).

REVEREND FATHER MICHAEL PLEVA, PARISH ADMINISTRATOR  
Church Office at St. Joseph's: (814) 742-7075  
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SR. LINDA LAMAGNA, CCW, PASTORAL MINISTER  
Office: (814) 742-7894  
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ALISON BISHOP-AMATO, ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCIAL ASSISTANT  
Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM  
Parish Office: (814) 742-7075  
Email: [abishopamato@dioceseaj.org](mailto:abishopamato@dioceseaj.org)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
DRE: SR. LINDA LAMAGNA  
Religious Education Office and Hall: (814) 742-7894  
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PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS  
Stuart Crocker, Peter Gardella, Jr., Filomena Long, Barbara Paranich, Janine Schirf, Dominic Tornatore, Jessica Steinbauer, Christopher Wagner, Rebecca Wertz

*Interested in becoming Catholic?* Contact Sr. Linda 814-742-7075 or our RCIA LEADER: Judy Diebold: (814) 944-2317

SCHOOLS: St. Joseph Parish supports St. Matthew and Holy Trinity Catholic Schools, and Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School.

**LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT GIFT** for Graduation, Anniversaries, Birthdays? Please try our Parish **Scrip Program**. See a representative in the Vestibule after mass to order gift cards for shopping at places like Hometown Market, Martins, Sheetz's, Sam's Club or Walmart or Lowe's or Home Depot. Place an order after mass and pick up your card the following weekend. (Bellwood Hometown Market cards are usually on hand.) Our parish will then receive a percentage back. Thank you for your support.

**CATHOLIC BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT**

**Blair County**

- \* St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Hollidaysburg, PA  
Contact Debbi Chapman at 912-713-5412
- \* St. John the Evangelist Parish, Lakemont, PA  
Mary Petrak (814) 502-6076 or [mfpetrak@hotmail.com](mailto:mfpetrak@hotmail.com)

**Suicide Bereavement Support Group**

*for those who have lost a loved one to suicide*

**Meeting Time & Location:**

1st & 3rd Wednesday of Each Month  
6:00- 7:00 pm  
UPMC WBHA, 500 E. Chestnut Ave., Altoona

**No registration required.**

**For more information, please contact:**  
Bill Yon, Behavioral Health Therapist  
UPMC WBHA, Adult Community Health Center  
814-940-7476 or Mary Jo McConnell, Survivor of Loss  
in Altoona - (330) 875-1974

*If you have an immediate crisis, please call one of the following:*  
Altoona Crisis Center, 814-889-2141  
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, 1-800-273-8255

**Sponsored by:**  
UPMC WESTERN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
of the Alleghenies

**THE HEALING PATCH**-a peer support program based in Altoona and Ebensburg, designed specifically for children and their families who have suffered the death of a loved one, such as a parent, sibling, grandparent, or close family member: <https://www.homenursingagency.com/services/childrenservices/healing-patch>

**UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

- ◆ **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** - Monday, May 20, at 6:30 pm, Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING** - Monday, June 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE MEETING** - Monday, June 24, 6:30 pm, Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **PARISH ASSOCIATION MEETING** - Wednesday, June 26, at 6:30 pm, in the Parish Meeting Room. *We invite all parishioners to attend and to join our newly formed Parish Picnic Committee. We will be planning our upcoming Parish Picnic to be held on Sunday, August 4, at 5:00 pm., in the side yard of the church.*

**COFFEE AND DONUT SUNDAY SPONSORED BY THE PARISH ASSOCIATION ON JUNE 2, following the 9:00 am Mass.**

A video series on a **Biblical Walk Through the Mass** will take place in the parish meeting room. Anyone who is interested in the class can get their refreshments and move to the parish classroom .

**MASS FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS TO BE TELEVISED**

Remember your loved ones on **Sunday, May 26, 2024 with a televised Mass Celebrated by Bishop Mark Barchak at 11:00 am on WATM ABC 23 and will rebroadcast that night at 9:00 p.m. on the Breezeline channel 9.** All spouses will be acknowledged and remembered at Mass. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to register by contacting the Family Life Office 814-317-2643 or email familylife@dioceseaj.org. When registering, please give your **name, address, phone number and the name of your spouse who has passed away.** The last day to register is **Wednesday, May 22, 2024.** The event is sponsored by the Diocesan Family Life Office and the **Catholic Ministries Drive.**

**THE CARMELITE COMMUNITY OF THE WORD GOLF TOURNAMENT WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 2024 at the Scotch Valley Country Club, Hollidaysburg.**

**Registration begins at 7 a.m.; Golf begins at 8:30 a.m.**

**Cost:** Foursome – \$450.00; Individual Golfer – \$150.00 Attend lunch/auction only – \$20 per person. Fee includes a continental breakfast, snacks and drinks during your play, and lunch. Lunch will be catered by Villa Capri, an Altoona-based Italian restaurant that will be opening in Scotch Valley’s clubhouse this spring. **Registration Deadline is Wednesday, May 29th or when we reach 28 teams.** Mail payment and Registration to: Carmelite Community of the Word, 394 Bem Road, Gallitzin, PA 16641 For more information, call Kelly Murphy, Development Director at 814-886-4098 or email communityofficeccw@gmail.com.



**Our annual 80’s/90’s + Birthday Celebration Dinner** is scheduled for Tuesday, June 25, after the 5:30 pm Mass, which includes the Sacrament of the Sick. More details to come...

**MAY DAYS 2024 AT THE BASILICA OF ST. MICHAEL IN LORETTO-**

May 25th and 26th at Our Lady of Loretto Community Hall – live entertainment, cinch tournament (call Mag 421-2867 to join) basket raffle, flea market, silent auction, and refreshments. Saturday, 4pm-8pm and Sunday, 11am-4pm. Chicken dinner Sunday at 11AM. \$10 per person. All are welcome!

**MONICA’S TEARS:** Saint Rose of Lima Parish, Altoona, hosts an hour of adoration with the recitation of the rosary every Thursday night from 6 pm to 7 pm to pray for our loved ones who have left the practice of the Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome, please join us.

**FATHER JOZEF KOVACIK AND DEACON JACK ORLANDI INVITE YOU TO JOIN THEM ON THE JOURNEYS OF ST. PAUL IN GREECE PILGRIMAGE MAY 12-19, 2025** as we visit Amphipolis, Philippi Neapoli, Thessalonica Veria, Meteora, Delphi, Corinth, and Athens. If you are interested, please sign up on the Good Shepherd website for further information. <https://www.goodshepherd-sc.org/> or contact Deacon Jack at jorlandi@dioceseaj.org

**Grace Lutheran Church**

114 N. Cambria Street  
Bellwood, PA

Any questions,  
please call Janice Endress at  
814-742-7416

*Grace’s Closet Clothing Give-Away*

2nd Saturday of every month.

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**REGISTER FOR SUMMER BIBLE CAMP**



If you plan to send your child to Summer Bible Camp, please register soon, so materials can be ordered, name tags prepared, and T-Shirts made. Registration forms can be found in the Vestibule of the Church.

**TEEN HELPERS FOR BIBLE CAMP** should contact Sr. Linda as soon as possible so that the online Protecting God’s Children session can be completed before Bible Camp begins.

**The Bellwood-Antis Council of Churches 2024-2025 Scholarship**

As in the past, the Council has agreed to award the eligibility for the scholarship to those who are presently enrolled in an accredited undergraduate program and are presently in their second or third year, entering their third or fourth year; or enrolled in a seminary program. To qualify for the scholarship, one must be a practicing member of a participating faith community of the Bellwood Council of Churches. In addition, the student must be studying for the ministry or some type of helping field including, but are not limited to: teaching, social work, or medicine. Finally, the student should demonstrate financial need. The underlying intent is a scholarship based on Christian dedication and need, designed to help one or more Christian young people to go on to higher education if they might not be able to do so otherwise. Applications are available in the Vestibule and must be completed and returned **no later than June 15th.**

Please submit applications to: **B-A Council of Churches**

**Attn: B-A Council Scholarship  
P.O. Box 135, Bellwood, PA 16617**

**NATIONAL Eucharistic Pilgrimage**

**Eucharistic Procession Days**

Join pilgrims traveling the Seton Route throughout the eastern part of the country as they visit holy sites in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown on their way to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis

<p><b>Sunday June 9</b> <b>Our Lady of Alleghenies Shrine, Loretto</b></p> <p>5:00-7:00 p.m. - Confessions 7:00 p.m. - Outdoor Mass with Bishop Mark 8:00 p.m. - Procession</p>	<p><b>Monday June 10</b> <b>Saint John Gualbert Cathedral, Johnstown</b></p> <p>12:00-3:45 p.m. - Exposition and Confessions 4:00 p.m. - Procession 5:30 p.m. - Mass with Bishop Mark</p>
<p><b>Tuesday June 11</b> <b>Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona</b></p> <p>9:00 a.m. - Mass</p>	<p><b>Tuesday June 11</b> <b>Saint Catherine of Siena Parish, Duncansville</b></p> <p>10:30 a.m. - Confessions 11:00 a.m. - Exposition 12:30 p.m. - Procession</p>

Be part of this solemn and public witness of our faith in the True Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist

For more information: [dioceseaj.org/eucharistic-pilgrimage/](https://dioceseaj.org/eucharistic-pilgrimage/) or scan below:

On behalf of the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel Parish Family in Loretto, all the faithful of the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to **OUTDOOR MASSES EVERY SUNDAY EVENING AT 7 PM AT THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE ALLEGHENIES** beginning on Sunday, May 26 and concluding on Sunday, September 1. Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel.

**Special Masses this Summer:**

- June 9** The Eucharistic Revival Celebration
  - July 21** Mass for Married Couples
  - TBA** “Welcome to the Heralds of the Good News” Priests from India
  - August 4** Mass for Young People-Return to College, Work, Military
- The historic **Prince Gallitzin Chapel House**, next to the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine, will be open on the following Sunday afternoons from **3:00 – 6:00 PM** for self-guided tours, pilgrimages and visits: **June 9, 16 and 30, July 21, August 4 and 18**