



JUNE 30, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: JUN 29-JUL 07, 2024

SAT, JUN 29	4:00 PM	FOR KAY PFAHLER BY ED & CAROL KRUG
SUN, JUN 30	9:00 AM	FOR THE PEOPLE BY THE PASTOR
MON, JUL 01	8:00 AM	FOR GERALD & DOLORES SCHIRF BY DAVID SCHIRF
TUE, JUL 02	6:00 PM	FOR JOHN KIENZLE, JR. BY CHRIS & JERRY SMITH
WED, JUL 03	7:30 AM	HOLY HOUR WITH COMMUNION
SAT, JUL 06	4:00 PM	FOR JACOB POLITZA BY MARY ANN POLITZA
SUN, JUL 07	9:00 AM	FOR CHET GAINES BY HIS FAMILY

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, Jul 06, 4:00 PM:

LECTORS: *1st Reading:* A. Bucher
2nd Reading: P. Wills
Introduction & Intercession: T. Bucher
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
Host: Sr. Linda
Cup: J. Lovrich & J. Shelov
ALTAR SERVERS: A. Bucher & T. Smith
HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, N. Lovrich, Sr., B. Risbon

Sunday, Jul 07, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: *1st Reading:* T. Finn
2nd Reading: S. Shaulis
Introduction & Intercession: N. Lovrich
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
Host: B. Shedlock
Cup: C. Weyandt & T. Colabove
ALTAR SERVERS: C. Shedlock & T. Rishel
HOSPITALITY: J. Chestney, T. DelMastro, M. Kowalski,
W. Rossi

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	JUN 17- JUN 23	
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	2,295.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$	485.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	1,180.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$	3,960.00
2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET	\$	19,753.00
CMD DONATIONS FOR 2024:	\$	18,163.77

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. What makes a person truly rich is not how much they have but how much they give.

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

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.

REVEREND FATHER MICHAEL PLEVA, PARISH ADMINISTRATOR
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Parish Office: (814) 742-7075
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
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PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS
Stuart Crocker, Peter Gardella, Jr., Filomena Long,, Barbara Paranch, Janine Schirf, , Dominic Tornatore, Jessica Steinbauer, Christopher Wagner, Rebecca Wertz

Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Sr. Linda 814-742-7075.

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

SAINT JOSEPH ON-LINE GIVING

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.SAINTJOSEPHBELLWOOD.ORG



**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY, JULY 4,
IN OBSERVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY.**

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- ◆ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING** - Monday, July 08, 2024 at 7:00 pm. Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE MEETING** - Tuesday, July 9, following the 6:00 pm mass. Please contact Sr. Linda if you are not able to attend.
- ◆ **PARISH ASSOCIATION PICNIC COMMITTEE MEETING** - Wednesday, July 24, at 6:00 pm, Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **FUNDRAISING MEETING** - Tuesday, August 13, following the 6:00 pm mass. We will be working on the order forms for the Sep. 20th Backyard Brawl Marianna's Hoagie & Pizza Sale, looking ahead to the Christmas Tea, and planning events for 2025. Please plan to attend.

OUR FIRST ANNUAL OLD FASHIONED PARISH PICNIC will be celebrated on Sunday evening, August 4, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Courtyard.

The parish will provide hotdogs and buns, as well as non-alcoholic refreshments and an ice cream parlor. We are asking that parishioners bring a picnic food item to share.

Games for young and old will take place throughout the evening: corn hole toss, duck-pond and fishpond games, face painting, etc.



Please be sure to sign up as soon as possible. A sign-up sheet is posted in the vestibule.

We look forward to an evening of Food, Fun and Fellowship with our St. Joseph Parish Family.

PARISHIONERS OR VISITORS INTERESTED IN UNDERSTANDING THE MASS THROUGH THE VIDEO PRESENTATIONS of Dr. Edward Sri (A biblical Walk through the Mass) are invited to come to the parish Social Hall after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays. If you have questions, contact Sr. Linda at 814-742-7894

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-7 pm to pray for our loved ones who have left the practice of the Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome.

Stewardship Reflections - June 30, 2024 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Our readings today remind us that our God is a tender and loving God. Our First Reading, from the book of Wisdom, helps answer a common question in our Catholic faith – why is there suffering and death? We are tempted to be angry at God for the death of loved ones or of innocent people. We are also tempted to be angry at Him for our sufferings – like illness, car troubles or a terrible week at work. Wisdom teaches us, “God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living.” Rather, “God formed man to be imperishable; the image of his own nature he made him.” Whether we are healed like the little girl in our Gospel today in this life, or we carry our suffering with us until we reach the next, if we remain faithful, Jesus will one day say to us, “Little girl or little boy, I say to you, arise!” Today, let us reflect on how much our good and gracious God loves us. Remember that whatever we are suffering in this life, do not be afraid, God is right there with us. Offer it to Him, seek His healing and remain faithful so that one day we might rise.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

REGISTRATION FOR KINDERGARTEN, FIRST GRADE AND NEW STUDENTS FOR 2024/25 IS NOW OPEN - It is already time to order materials for next year and to begin the planning of our yearly schedule for 2024/25. Registration Forms can be found in the vestibule of the church or parents can register their children online by going to our website <https://saintjosephbellwood.org/religious-education/>. Please remember to provide us with your child's Baptism Certificate if this is a first-time registration.

TODAY IS THE PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION NEWS

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC - You may know of someone seeking new meaning for their life. Often when someone searches for deeper meaning and purpose, they discover a spiritual dimension inside themselves that has never been explored. One may find that they have a longing to experience God.

Persons seeking God or wanting to inquire about the Catholic Faith may find themselves transforming from having "no belief" to suddenly discovering what it means to be a Christian. Embracing the Catholic Faith is not an event with a defined beginning or end. It is an ongoing process of conversion that can lead to a new encounter with Christ and a journey which helps one discover the presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

We will soon begin inquiry sessions for anyone interested in simply inquiring about the Faith of a Catholic Christian in early September. Before the inquiry sessions begin, we would like to have a brief get-together with anyone who may feel that they are interested. **This get-together will be on Sunday, July 21, from 10:00-11:00 a.m., in the Parish Meeting room.** If you know of anyone who may have an interest, please personally invite them to come. Please call Sr. Linda if you have questions. 814-742-7894. If someone is interested but not able to attend the July 21 gathering, just give us a call and a time will be made for them.

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** until 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:

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 30, July 21, August 4 and 18.**