



JULY 14, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: JUL 13-JUL 21, 2024

SAT, JUL 13	4:00 PM	FOR THE PEOPLE BY THE PASTOR
SUN, JUL 14	9:00 AM	FOR PAUL WHARTON BY PAT PARTNER & FAMILY
MON, JUL 15	8:00 AM	FOR JOHN KIENZLE, JR. BY CHRIS & JERRY SMITH
TUE, JUL 16	6:00 PM	FOR SUE JOHNSON BY BILL & JENNY MALONEY
WED, JUL 17	7:30 AM	HOLY HOUR WITH COMMUNION
SAT, JUL 20	4:00 PM	FOR KAY PFAHLER BY JOE & LINDA DELGROSSO
SUN, JUL 21	9:00 AM	FOR THE INTENTIONS OF OUR PARISH BY SUSAN WOLF

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 20, 4:00 PM:

LECTORS: *1st Reading:* A. Bucher
2nd Reading: B. Pennington
Introduction & Intercession: T. Bucher
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
Host: J. Shelow
Cup: M. Kissell & M. Riggle
ALTAR SERVERS: T. Smith
HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, N. Lovrich, Sr., B. Risbon

Sunday, Jul 21, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: *1st Reading:* A. Bishop Amato
2nd Reading: T. Finn
Introduction & Intercession: S. Shaulis
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
Host: T. Belis
Cup: J. Kost & A. Lovrich
ALTAR SERVERS: E. Caldwell & S. Caldwell
HOSPITALITY: J. Chestney, T. DelMastro, M. Kowalski, W. Rossi

LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT GIFT for Weddings, 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.

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	JUL 01-JUL 07
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$ 5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$ 3,015.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$ 367.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$ 1,750.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$ 5,132.00
2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET	\$ 19,753.00
CMD DONATIONS FOR 2024:	\$ 22,063.77

SAINT JOSEPH ON-LINE GIVING

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.SAINTJOSEPHBELLWOOD.ORG

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.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the World, seeking the ruin of souls.



THE FIFTEENTH 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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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.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE AND ROOF REPAIR UPDATE

Thank you to our generous parishioners! Our CMD goal for 2024 is \$19,753. As of June 30, we have exceeded that target by \$2,310.77. That amount plus any other CMD donations received by the diocese this year will now be sent back to our parish, assessment free, to be used towards the Church roof repairs.

Currently, we estimate that the roof repairs will cost about \$100,000. Thanks to an incredible \$25,000 donation, as well as other generous donations, we have already raised over \$33,000!

With your continued support towards our Catholic Ministries Drive and the Roof Repair Donations, we are confident we can raise the funds needed to cover all of the repairs.

THANK YOU to all of the gentleman who volunteered their time to help with the scrubbing/waxing of the church hall. It looks wonderful!

<p>Grace Lutheran Church 114 N. Cambria Street Bellwood, PA Any questions, please call Janice Endress at 814-742-7416</p>	<p>Grace's Closet Clothing Give-Away 2nd Saturday of every month. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM</p>
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UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- ◆ **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.

SHARE YOUR VEGETABLES - Anyone having an abundance of vegetables growing in their gardens and would like to share them with parishioners is welcome to place them on the Share Vegetable Table inside the glass doors of the Chapel. Please bring them on Saturday evening or Sunday morning before each of the Masses.



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.



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Summer Cereal Collection for Children July 20-21, 2024



A Letter from Bishop Mark to All Clergy, Religious, and Parish Members
Summer Cereal Collection for Children – July 20-21

Dear Friends in Christ,

I have recently been reminded that many children in our area are going hungry because the free or reduced-price meals they receive in school are unavailable during the summer recess. Hunger has harmful effects on a child's learning during the summer. That's when a phenomenon called "summer slide" can be intensified without proper nutrition.

Research shows that summer hunger and food insecurity can cause physical and mental health problems and lead to poor performance in class when school begins again. In the meantime, food-insecure children experience higher rates of depression, anxiety and other mental health problems. Children, especially young children, who don't have enough to eat have more issues with language and motor skills (Read more at <https://www.feedthechildren.org/campaigns/summer-hunger/>).

But something can be done. A local effort is being made to collect cereal for children in need. The target date is the weekend of July 20-21. I am urging our parishes to promote the collection of breakfast cereal that can easily be brought to church during the coming weeks. It would be a great idea for children of all ages to bring boxes of cereal each weekend for the rest of the summer.

The Gospel reminds us that the Lord Jesus was filled with compassion for the crowd who had nothing to eat. It moved him to feed the crowd in an abundant manner (Mt. 15:32ff). Your contribution to this collection is an awesome way to put into practice the grace of the Eucharistic Revival that is taking place in the Church. Please be generous!

Bishop +Mark

PLEASE DROP OFF CEREAL DONATIONS IN THE BOXES LOCATED AT EACH ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH BY THE WEEKEND OF JULY 20/21.

WE ARE ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR THE B-A COUNCIL OF CHURCHES' CHRISTMAS BASKET PROGRAM.

Please look for the Red Box located at the entrance of the church.



PRAYER FOR GRACE FOR OUR COUNTRY

Dear Father united to Jesus in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the Sacrifice of Calvary sacramentally made present, celebrated around the world, in the Holy Spirit. We offer up all we do united to the Mass. We unite in one mind and one heart as members of the mystical body of Christ, with Christ our head in the pure and holy Hearts of Jesus and Mary, through the powerful intercession of Mary with all the angels and saints and souls in purgatory, and we beg for the saving grace, for our country, the United States. Please help us. We further pray for unity to always do the will of God in love. We spread the Blood of Jesus on the leaders and people of the United States and cast the devil into hell. We consecrate our country to the Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart and all our dioceses, and beg for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. God help us. We pray for our families, the priests, the Church and the world. In the Name of Jesus please hear us, we pray. We pray for our president and leaders. We pray that we are united as one nation under God to work together in love as God wants.

Shepherds of Christ PO Box 627 Madison, IN 47250

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.

UPCOMING CATECHIST'S MEETINGS

- A meeting will be held for the **JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL CATECHISTS** on Sunday, August 4, right after the 9:00 am Mass, from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. In the Parish Meeting room.
- A meeting for the **KINDERGARTEN AND GRADE SCHOOL CATECHISTS** will be held on Sunday, August 11 right after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Meeting Room.

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

Summer Enrichment Days at St. Bernardine Monastery

The Franciscan Friars, TOR at St. Bernardine Monastery welcome you to join us for our Summer Enrichment Days! Each Wednesday workshop begins at 10:00 AM and includes a class on the given topic, Mass (there will be no Mass for the "Cabrini" series), and lunch with Friars. The cost is \$20 per workshop or \$45 for the whole series. Space is limited, so please register early! The workshop themes are as follows:

July 17: "The Real Presence: What Catholics Believe About the Eucharist"

Two Part Series – "Cabrini" (No Mass for this Series):

Aug. 21: Showing of the 2024 movie "Cabrini" based on the life and works of Mother Cabrini

Sept. 18: "Cabrini" Discussion Event

Pre-Registration w/Payment Required – Please call 814-695-3802