


SEPTEMBER 01, 2024
MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: AUG 31-SEP 08, 2024

SAT, AUG 31 4:00 PM FOR ALOIS POPPENWIMER
 BY STEVE & PAM O'SHEA

SUN, SEP 01 9:00 AM FOR JOE WHARTON
 BY MARLENE HALBEDL

MON, SEP 02 **9:00 AM*** IN HONOR OF HELEN ROSSI'S
***NOTE TIME CHANGE** GRANDCHILDREN
 BY PAT SHERIDAN

TUE, SEP 03 6:00 PM FOR JAMES REED, SR.
 BY MARLENE HALBEDL

WED, SEP 04 7:30 AM **NO HOLY HOUR WITH COMMUNION**

SAT, SEP 07 4:00 PM FOR THE PEOPLE
 BY THE PASTOR

SUN, SEP 08 9:00 AM FOR WALTER 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, Sep 07, 4:00 PM:

LECTORS: *1st Reading:* B. Pennington
2nd Reading: Sr. Linda
Introduction & Intercession: M. Riggle

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
Host: J. Lovrich
Cup: T. Hoffer & M. Kissell

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Smith
 HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, D. Kissell, B. Risbon

Sunday, Sep 08, 9:00 AM:

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

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
Host: W. Zapotoczny
Cup: T. Colabove & C. Weyandt

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & E. Wolfe
 HOSPITALITY: R. DelGrosso, T. DelMastro, M. Kowalski, W. Rossi

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	Aug 19-Aug 25, 2024	
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	2,592.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$	282.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	975.00
ROOF REPAIR	\$	0
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$	3,849.00
2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET	\$	19,753.00
CMD DONATIONS FOR 2024:	\$	29,337.42

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.

THE TWENTY-SECOND 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
 Church Office at St. Joseph's: (814) 742-7075
 Church Office at St. Matthew's: (814) 684-1480
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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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
 DRE: SR. LINDA LAMAGNA
 Religious Education Office and Hall: (814) 742-7894
 Church: (814) 742-7075
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PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS
 Stuart Crocker, Peter Gardella, Jr., Filomena Long,, Barbara Paranych, 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.

LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT GIFT for Weddings, Anniversaries, Birthdays, Christmas?

Please try our Parish **RAISERIGHT (formerly SCRIP) PROGRAM**. See a representative in the Vestibule after mass to order gift cards for shopping at places like Hometown Market, Martin's, Sheetz, Sam's Club, Walmart, 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.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- ◆ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING** - Monday, September 9, at 7:00 p.m., Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** - The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday, September 16, at 6:30 p.m.



THIS YEAR'S MARIANNA'S HOAGIE & PIZZA FUNDRAISER FOR THE BELLWOOD-TYRONE BACKYARD BRAWL is Friday, September 20. Order Pick-up Time is from 4:00-5:30 p.m.

If you didn't get an order form, there are forms at each entrance. Please make out checks to **St. Joseph Church** and return the order forms with payment by Sunday, September 8.



DONATIONS FOR THE CHURCH ROOF - We have two parishioners from our Parish who would like to help us raise money to cover the cost of the new roof for our Church, rectory and garage, all of which will be done all at the same time in the spring of 2025. They are willing to match any donation that is made by any parishioner, up to \$50,000 dollars total. Thus, if someone donates \$10.00, the donors will match it and make \$20.00; if someone donates \$20.00 they will match it and make \$40.00, etc. Envelopes are still available at each entrance of the church.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO EXPLORE THE FAITH OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH? DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO SIMPLY INQUIRE OR ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT OUR FAITH? Invite them to our First Inquiry Session which will be held on **TUESDAY, September 17, from 4:30 - 5:30, in the Chapel area.** They can call Sr. Linda to sign up in advance, or to talk if they would like, (814) 742-7894, or just show up on September 17, at 4:30 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Our readings today call us to pause for a moment and consider how we respond to God's love for us each day. It begins by rising each day with a prayer of thanksgiving, offering our daily tasks as a prayer to the Lord, seeking ways to share our gifts and talents with others, saying a prayer of thanksgiving before meals, sharing words of affirmation to a loved, or taking time to reflect on how much God loves us and how we can best love Him in return. This is how we ought to live our lives as Christian stewards – by recognizing our lives as a gift and an opportunity to love God in response to how He has loved us.
So let us look inward at our hearts and ask ourselves why we live our faith the way we do. Let us strive to pray with meaning, attend Mass with attention, serve others out of love for God and recognize just how blessed we are. It is in these simple moments that we love extraordinarily and honor God wholeheartedly.

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 Table inside the glass doors of the Chapel. Please bring them on Saturday evening or Sunday morning before Mass.

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

Religious Education for Grade and High School students begins on Sunday, September 8, at 10:00 a.m. for Kindergarten and Grades 1-6, and Sunday evenings for Junior High (grades 7 & 8) and High School students (grades 9-11), from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

PARENT MEETINGS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- ◇ A meeting will be held for the **Parents of our Grade School Students on Sunday, September 15, from 10:15-11:15 a.m.** In the Church. This meeting will be held while the children are in Religious Education Class.
- ◇ A meeting will be held with **Parents and Junior High/High School Students together**, on Sunday evening, September 22, at 6:00 -7:15 p.m. in the parish School Hall. Students may leave with their parents as soon as the meeting is completed.

11th GRADE STUDENTS should begin to pray about and talk with their parents about whom they would like to choose for their sponsor. Please review the Qualifications paper before choosing your sponsor.

A SPONSOR-CANDIDATE/PARENT MEETING for the 11th Grade Students, with their chosen sponsors, and their parents, will be held on Sunday Afternoon, October 20, from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m., in the Parish Social Hall. **11th Grade Students should inform their chosen sponsors of this meeting**

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BECOME A DEACON? Do you believe that God might be calling you to discern the Ordained Ministry of Christ the Servant, as a Permanent Deacon in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown? If so, you and your wife (if married) are invited to join Bishop Mark and Deacon Michael Russo at the "Bishop's Night of Vocations" on Wednesday, October 2nd at 7 p.m., at the US Hotel Tavern, Hollidaysburg. Reservations for this event are required and can be made by contacting Jessica at (814) 361-2000. The deadline for reservations is Sept. 2. For more information on the Permanent Diaconate please visit us online at www.dioceseaj.org/Diaconate/ or by contacting Deacon Michael Russo, Director at (814) 288-3036. All are welcome!

FREE SOUP & DESSERT EVERY WEDNESDAY THRU THE HOPE CENTER. This is an outreach of the Council of Churches. Lunches will be delivered to the elderly & disabled. If you would like a meal or know of someone who would, call Stella (814-742-9127).

40 HOURS DEVOTION at Our Lady of the Alleghenies Parish in Lilly (608 Main Street). All are invited to 40 Hours Devotion in Lilly on the following days: Sunday, September 8 to Tuesday, September 10. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament along with a Devotional Service each evening at 7:00pm. Fr. Timothy Harris, T.O.R. will be the guest Presider and Homilist each evening. Confessions will be offered at the end of each Devotional Service. All are welcome!

TIM FRANCIS, A NATIONAL SPEAKER OUT OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS, who gives parish missions on Eucharistic Miracles and how the science has led people to faith, will be speaking at Saint John Gualbert Cathedral on Saturday, September 14th following the 6 PM mass from 7:30 to 10:00 PM and Sunday, September 15, following the 5 PM mass from 6:30-9:00 PM. He will also be speaking on Monday, September 16th at Saint Francis University in the Immaculate Conception Chapel. The website for the event is: www.sciencetestsfaith.com/pa