



OCTOBER 06, 2024

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: SEP 28 - OCT 06, 2024**

SAT, OCT 05 4:00 PM FOR THE PEOPLE  
BY THE PASTOR  
SUN, OCT 06 9:00 AM FOR TOM JACKSON  
BY ANN JACKSON  
MON, OCT 07 8:00 AM FOR STANLEY BISHOP  
BY THE BISHOP & AMATO FAMILIES  
TUE, OCT 08 6:00 PM FOR THE INTENTIONS OF OUR PARISH  
BY SUSAN WOLF  
WED, OCT 02 7:30 AM HOLY HOUR WITH COMMUNION  
SAT, OCT 12 4:00 PM FOR GERALD & DOLORES SCHIRF  
BY BERT & KEVIN LEAR  
SUN, OCT 13 9:00 AM FOR RALPH & MARY LAMAGNA  
BY SR. LINDA

**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, Oct 12, 4:00 PM:**

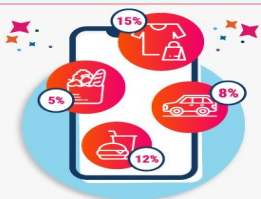
LECTORS: 1st Reading: B. Pennington  
2nd Reading: Sr. Linda  
Introduction & Intercession: A. Bucher  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:  
Host: M. Kissell  
Cup: T. Hoffer & J. Steinbauer  
ALTAR SERVERS: A. Bucher & T. Smith  
HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, D. Kissell, B. Risbon

**Sunday, Oct 13, 9:00 AM:**

LECTORS: 1st Reading: D. Morrissey  
2nd Reading: A. Bishop-Amato  
Introduction & Intercession: B. Paranich  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:  
Host: T. Belis  
Cup: P. Krug & B. Shedlock  
ALTAR SERVERS: C. Shedlock & E. Wolfe  
HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, T. DelMastro, E. Hunter, W. Rossi

**DON'T FORGET TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR RAISERIGHT (formerly SCRIP) PROGRAM to purchase your grocery shopping gift cards as well as gift cards for all of your needs.**

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.



Turn everyday shopping into fundraising dollars



WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	SEP 23-SEP 29, 2024
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$ 5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$ 2,773.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$ 7,664.30
MISSIONARY PRIEST COLLECTION:	608.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$ 1,030.00
<b>TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:</b>	<b>\$ 12,075.30</b>
<b>2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET</b>	<b>\$ 19,753.00</b>
<b>CMD DONATIONS FOR 2024:</b>	<b>\$ 30,952.42</b>

**SAINT JOSEPH ON-LINE GIVING**

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: [WWW.SAINTJOSEPHBELLWOOD.ORG](http://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-SEVENTH 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](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, PASTOR  
Church Office at St. Joseph's: (814) 742-7075  
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Rectory: (814) 684-1480  
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SR. LINDA LAMAGNA, CCW, PASTORAL MINISTER  
Office: (814) 742-7894  
Email: [llamagna@dioceseaj.org](mailto:llamagna@dioceseaj.org)

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  
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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

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

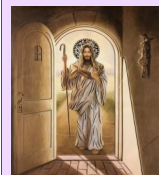
Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Sr. Linda 814-742-7075.

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Our readings this week speak to each of our domestic churches – the little churches that we call our families. They bring us back to the very beginning of time and call us to restore what God had intended for each of us.

As Genesis reminds us, God created woman as a partner for man and He desires that they become unified. It is in this union of marriage that man and woman work together to bring their family to Heaven. This is the mission that our families must be united in. We must ask ourselves, how are we living out that mission? It should be the very heart and soul of our families.

As we think about our families this week – whether it be a single household or a family of 10 – let us find small ways in which we can live out our mission to bring our families to heaven.



**THE CHURCH DOORS ARE STILL OPEN FOR ANYONE WHO MAY BE INTERESTED IN EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH.**

Just contact Sr. Linda at 814-742-7894 to set up a time to meet.

**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

### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- ◆ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING** - Monday, October 14, 7:00 p.m., Parish Meeting Room
- ◆ **PARISH ASSOCIATION MEETING** - Tuesday, Oct. 22, 6:30 p.m. after mass.
- ◆ **FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING** - Wednesday, October 23, 6:30 p.m., Parish Meeting Room

#### Save the Date:

- \* *Parish Thanksgiving Dinner - Sunday, November 3, 5:00 p.m.*
- \* *Christmas Tea - Saturday, December 7, 1:00 p.m.*
- \* *Parish Association Christmas Dinner at Marzoni's - Monday, January 13, 2025, 5:30 p.m.*

**RESPECT FOR LIFE:** During the month of October, we are asking parishioners to collect money and NEW baby items to be given to ELM and Precious Life. Items needed include: diapers, sleepers, blankets, onesies, etc. Please place donated items in the baskets by the exits. If you have any questions, call Stella Genesi at 742-9127.

**ADULT ENRICHMENT CLASSES** - Video presentations on "**JESUS, THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE,**" featuring Dr. Edward Sri, Jeff Cavins and Marcellino D'Ambrosio, and facilitated by Sr. Linda LaMagna. Since this is a ten-week course, we will do five weeks leading into Advent, and then five weeks during the Lenten Season. The dates for the first five include: November 12, November 19, November 26, December 3 and December 10, from 6:30 -8:00 p.m. In the Parish Social Hall. We will provide a sign-up sheet as the beginning time draws near.

### BASKET RAFFLE DONATIONS

It is that time of the year again, time for our Christmas Tea Committee to prepare for our annual Christmas Tea which is scheduled for Saturday, December 7. We are asking for your help in collecting for our always amazing Basket Raffle.

We have an envelope attached to today's bulletin for you to choose whether you would like to donate a gift basket, door prize, or if you would rather, a cash donation for us to shop for you. We would like to have the donations in by Friday, October 18, so we can sell chances during our Parish Thanksgiving Dinner (Sunday, November 3.) Thank you from the Fundraising Team..



**CHRISTMAS TEA**-Tickets for the Christmas Tea, which is Saturday, December 7, will be on sale beginning the weekend of October 19/20. **Reservations cannot be taken before this date.**

Tickets will be available before and after mass, in the Vestibule or by calling Cheryl at 814-931-1754.

**All Tickets must be picked up and paid for no later than Sunday, November 24.**

**A ROSARY RALLY** will be held at the Saint Matthew School parking lot (near the statue of the Blessed Mother) on Saturday, October 12, at noon to mark the **107th Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima Portugal.** Please consider participating. Chairs will be provided. Light refreshments afterwards. In case of inclement weather, the rosary will be held in the Gathering Space. Any questions please contact the St. Matthew parish office 814-684-1480.

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH, PORTAGE, BASKET PARTY** to be held on Sun., Oct. 20 at 2 PM. Doors open at 11:30 AM. Tickets are \$5 for 25 chances on baskets and 1 Door prize chance. Chances on larger value prizes will be Available. Complimentary cake and coffee. Other food and soft drinks will be available to purchase the day of the Party. Pre Ticket Sales available in the Parish Hall before and after all weekend Masses now through the day of the party. Also, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 8 PM.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Sunday, October 06, 2024**

Grade School (K-6): 10:00-11:15 a.m.

**SPONSOR/CANDIDATE/PARENT MEETING** - A meeting will be held on Sunday afternoon, October 20, from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. for the sponsors of our 11th grade candidates preparing for Confirmation from both Saint Joseph and Saint Matthew parishes. This meeting will be held in the Saint Joseph Parish Social Hall, and is for 11th Grade Candidates, their parents, and their Sponsors.

**VIRTUS-PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN SESSION** will be conducted on Sunday, October 27, for both the Grade and High school students during their regular time of Religious Education. Parents are reminded to sign the permission forms and return them to Sr. Linda by October 20, if you have not already done so. Since this is a shorter session, both the Grade and High School students will learn to pray the rosary after the session. If they have rosary beads, we ask them to bring them with them. Otherwise, we will provide them for them.

**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).

**HEALING MASS: HOLY SPIRIT MINISTRY WILL HOLD A SPECIAL HEALING MASS** on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 7 pm, at St. Michael Church, Hollidaysburg. This powerful night of hope and healing is for all who are suffering physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Fr. Brad Baldwin, TOR, Fr. David Dodd, TOR, Fr. Jeremy Mohler:, and others con@celebrating. Praise and worship will precede the Mass at 6:30pm and prayer ministry will follow the Mass. If you are suffering physically, or from an addiction, or hurting or struggling in any way, come and experience the healing power of Jesus and be set free! All are welcome!

### PARISH MISSION PRESENTS FR. GREG BRAMLAGE FROM MISSIONARIES OF THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

St. Benedict Parish, 2310 Bedford Street, Johnstown will be hosting Fr. Greg Bramlage for their Community-Wide Parish Mission, "Built Upon the Rock". This three-night event will be held at 7:00 pm on October 21, 22, 23, 2024. Each evening you will worship God in "Spirit and Truth" as you pray for God's healing in your lives. Please come with an open heart ready to be awed by the extravagant love of God. Open to adults and children in the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese tickets are not required. A love offering will be taken. For more information contact Deacon Michael Russo at 814-288-3036 or email - Michael.russo@atlanticbb.net

**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

### 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*

**FATIMA DEVOTIONS:** The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Sunday, October 13, 2024, at 6:30 pm at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. Malachi van Tassell, T.O.R. We are really looking forward to seeing you.