



**SEPTEMBER 15, 2024**

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: SEP 14-SEP 22, 2024**

SAT, SEP 14 4:00 PM FOR GEORGE & DOROTHY WERTZ  
BY GEORGE & REBECCA WERTZ  
SUN, SEP 15 9:00 AM FOR HILDA & GEORGE WHARTON  
BY PAT PARTNER & FAMILY  
MON, SEP 16 8:00 AM FOR SISTER THERESA NELEN  
BY SISTER LINDA LAMAGNA  
TUE, SEP 17 6:00 PM FOR HELEN ROSSI  
BY CHRIS STONER  
WED, SEP 18 7:30 AM HOLY HOUR WITH COMMUNION  
SAT, SEP 21 4:00 PM FOR THE INTENTIONS OF OUR  
PARISHIONERS  
BY SUSAN WOLF  
SUN, SEP 22 9:00 AM FOR THE PEOPLE  
BY THE PASTOR

**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 21, 4:00 PM:**

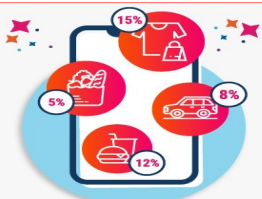
LECTORS: 1st Reading: A. Bucher  
2nd Reading: T. Evanskey  
Introduction & Intercession: T. Bucher  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:  
Host: M. Kissell  
Cup: J. Shelow & J. Steinbauer  
ALTAR SERVERS: A. Bucher & T. Smith  
HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, D. Kissell, B. Risbon

**Sunday, Sep 22, 9:00 AM:**

LECTORS: 1st Reading: T. Colabove  
2nd Reading: W. Zapotoczny  
Introduction & Intercession: L. Krug  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:  
Host: C. Weyandt  
Cup: J. Chestney & T. Belis  
ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & E. Wolfe  
HOSPITALITY: R. DelGrosso, T. DelMastro, M. Kowalski, W. Rossi

**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.



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WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	AUG 26-SEP 01, 2024	
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	2,462.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$	1,110.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	1,540.00
ROOF REPAIR	\$	13,465.00
<b>TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>18,577.00</b>
<b>2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>19,753.00</b>
<b>CMD DONATIONS FOR 2024:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>29,712.42</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-FOURTH 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).

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SR. LINDA LAMAGNA, CCW, PASTORAL MINISTER  
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ALISON BISHOP-AMATO, ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCIAL ASSISTANT  
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
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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.

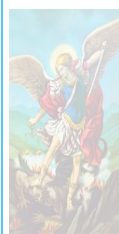
SCHOOLS: St. Joseph Parish supports St. Matthew and Holy Trinity Catholic Schools, and Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School.

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

"You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Jesus' words in our Gospel today challenge us to become imitators of Christ. This is not an easy request. It takes sacrifice, endurance, and commitment. Yet, it is profoundly rewarding. Jesus encourages us to think, not as human beings, but as God. He is calling us not to look at life in relation to ourselves. Rather, He wants us to be open-minded and look at life in relation to God. This requires acceptance on our part – accepting the will of God and allowing it to mold us into Christ-like people. Jesus re-echoes this message as He addresses His disciples saying, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." This week let us sit in Jesus' presence and listen to what He is calling us to at this point in our lives. Let us rise each day with a commitment to follow Him, carry our daily crosses with Him, and live in total gratitude and service to God, family and neighbor.

**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 host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.



### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- ◆ **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** - The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday, September 16, at 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ **PICNIC COMMITTEE MEETING** - Tuesday, September 17, at 6:30 p.m., Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING** - Wednesday, September 18, at 6:30 p.m., Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **PARISH ASSOCIATION MEETING** - Monday, September 23, at 6:30 p.m., Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING** - Wednesday, September 25, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. In the Parish Meeting Room. Please contact Cheryl Weyandt if you are unable to attend.

**MARIANNA'S HOAGIE & PIZZA FUNDRAISER for the BACKYARD BRAWL** - Please remember to pick up your hoagies and pizzas this Friday, September 20, from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m., in the Parish Social Hall.



**WANT TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?** This is the week of our first gathering. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please tell them about our first gathering, this week, on Tuesday, September 17, from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., in the chapel area. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Sr. Linda at 814-742-7894.

**REST IN PEACE** - Please pray for the soul of Donald Schirf's daughter, Dawn Evans, who passed away on September 08, 2024. May our good gracious God grant her eternal peace and happiness in His kingdom and her loved ones comfort and strength.

**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.

**HELPERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE HARVEST FEST** the weekend of September 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheets with days and time are posted at both entrances and exits. Please give consideration to helping the Knights of Columbus in their booth at the Delgrosso Park. We would also like to have a High School Students sign up for a few hours as part of their Service hours.

**SAVE THE DATE! A Women's Day of Reflection:** St. Benedict Parish, Johnstown will be hosting Award Winning Author and Speaker, Liz Kelly for A Women's Day of Reflection, "Jesus Approaches: What Contemporary Women Can Learn about Healing, Freedom & Joy from the Women of the New Testament" This event will be held 8:30 AM-4:00 PM, September 28. The day will include Mass, Adoration, opportunities for confession and fellowship and the opportunity to strengthen the tether between your heart and the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Free and open to all, A Lunch and Refreshments will be served so an RSVP is required. A love offering will be taken. For more information contact St. Benedict Rectory (814) 266-9178 or Deacon Michael Russo 814-288-3036 or email at michael.russo@atlanticbb.net.

**SHARE YOUR VEGETABLES** - Anyone having an abundance of vegetables growing in their gardens and would like to share 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.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

We are pleased to welcome our Religious Education Students back to Faith Formation.

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

#### PARENT MEETINGS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**PARENT MEETING-** A meeting will be held today, September 15, from 10:00 - 11:15 a.m. for all parents having children in our Kindergarten and Grade School Religious Education. This meeting will be held in the Church during the time that our children are attending Religious Education.

Please remember to bring with you all the forms which need to be filled out and signed. (Virtus, Protecting God's Children, Flock notes and consent for photographs) I will have containers to collecting these items. The three forms can be found in your child's folder.

**PARENT/STUDENT MEETING FOR JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH-SCHOOL STUDENTS** - A meeting will be held **next Sunday, September 22, from 6:00 - 7:15 p.m.** In the Parish Social Hall.

Snacks and beverages will be provided. The students may leave with their parents when the meeting is completed. Please remember to bring with you all the forms which are in your son/daughter's folder, completed and signed.

**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**

**BAPTISM CLASS FOR EXPECTANT PARENTS:** September 18, at 5:30-6:30 p.m. Contact Sister Linda at 814-742-7894.

**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).

#### SR. ANGELA MARIE TO SPEAK AT NIGHT OF WORSHIP

Sr. Angela Marie Igou, Vocation and Novice Director, for the Sister Servants of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, will be the guest speaker at the Tuesday, September 17th Night of Worship sponsored by Holy Spirit Ministry. The evening of prayer will begin at 7pm, at St. Michael Church, Hollidaysburg. Praise and worship music will precede Sr. Angela Marie's talk. Sister will share her own vocation story and share about her life as a Sacred Heart Sister. Everyone is encouraged to come and learn about vocations, as well as to pray for vocations. All ages are most welcome!

#### JOIN US FOR LAST FALL ZOOM CLASS OF 2024!

The following class is open to all! Christian Prayer and Spirituality taught by Deacon Michael Russo, Thursdays from 6:30-9:00 PM (8 weeks) beginning October 3 with one Wednesday night class in November. The cost of this class is \$35.00 and must be turned in with the Registration Form. To register, please visit the Diocesan Website at [www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry](http://www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry), or contact Jessica, Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry at (814) 361-2000 or [jgramling@dioceseaj.org](mailto:jgramling@dioceseaj.org).

**Please note that the Registration Deadline is Monday, September 23. No Registration Forms will be accepted after this date.**

**The Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona will sponsor a Longaberger Basket and Vera Bradley Bingo** on Sunday, September 29, at 1:00 p.m. at Father Kelley Hall, 429 Twenty-fifth Avenue in Altoona. Doors open at Noon. The event supports the ministries offered by the Cathedral to children and teenagers. For more information, please contact the Cathedral Parish Office at (814) 944-4603 or [pclemens@dioceseaj.org](mailto:pclemens@dioceseaj.org).

**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.

## PENNSYLVANIA MARCH FOR LIFE

**SEPTEMBER 23, 2024**  
State Capitol, Harrisburg

- 09:30 a.m. **Kick-off Mass,** St Patrick's Cathedral
- 10:00 a.m. **Prayer & Praise Gathering,** Main Stage
- 11:00 a.m. **Rally,** Main Stage
- 12 Noon **MARCH** around Capitol
- 1:30 p.m. **Mass,** St. Patrick's Cathedral



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