



**NOVEMBER 03, 2024**

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: Nov 02-Nov 10, 2024**

SAT, Nov 02	4:00 PM	FOR THE PEOPLE BY THE PASTOR
SUN, Nov 03	9:00 AM	FOR ART PARTNER BY PAT & FAMILY
MON, Nov 04	8:00 AM	FOR SISTER CELESTE CIESIELKA BY SISTER LINDA
TUE, Nov 05	6:00 PM	FOR DOLORES SCHIRF BY VICKI HAMER
WED, Nov 06	7:30 AM	HOLY HOUR WITH COMMUNION
SAT, Nov 09	4:00 PM	FOR CHARLES WEBB BY DONALD SCHIRF
SUN, Nov 10	9:00 AM	FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**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, Nov 09 4:00 PM:**

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

**Sunday, Nov 10, 9:00 AM:**

LECTORS: 1st Reading: T. Finn  
2nd Reading: W. Zapotoczny  
Introduction & Intercession: S. Caldwell  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:  
Host: Sr. Linda  
Cup: L. Krug & P. Krug  
ALTAR SERVERS: K. Shanafelt & C. Shedlock  
HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, B. DeGrosso, E. Hunter, M. Kowalski

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	OCT 21-OCT 27, 2024	
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	1,781.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$	2,304.00
HURRICANE SPECIAL COLLECTION	\$	2,846.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	1,085.00
<b>TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,016.00</b>
2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET	\$	19,753.00
CMD DONATIONS FOR 2024:	\$	\$30,952.42

**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 THIRTY-FIRST 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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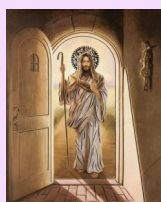
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
DRE: SR. LINDA LAMAGNA  
Religious Education Office and Hall: (814) 742-7894  
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PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS  
Stuart Crocker, Peter Gardella, Jr., Filomena Long,, Barbara Paranich, Janine Schirf, , Dominic Tornatore, Jessica Steinbauer, 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.

**DO YOU HAVE A FRIEND, FAMILY MEMBER OR CHILD WHO MAY BE INTERESTED IN EMBRACING THE CATHOLIC FAITH?**



We have done some revision on our schedule and sessions for folks interested in seeking the Catholic Faith. Our Sessions will begin in January of 2025. If interested, please contact Sr. Linda at 814-742-7075 to inquire and we will set up a schedule for anyone expressing interest.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- ◆ **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING** - Wednesday, November 06, 6:00 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING** - Monday, November 11, 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING** - Monday, November 18, 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **CHRISTMAS TEA**-Saturday, December 7, 1:00 p.m., Parish Hall.
- ◆ **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING** - Wednesday, January 08, 2025, 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **PARISH ASSOCIATION CHRISTMAS DINNER** at Marzoni's in Greenwood - Monday, January 13, 2025, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆ **PARISH ASSOCIATION MEETING** - Tuesday, January 21, 2025, 6:30 p.m. after mass.

**ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT** - We will offer an Adult Faith Enrichment class for the Advent and Lenten Season beginning on Tuesday November 12, at 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Hall.

We will have five weeks of class with one break in between and ending December 10. Classes will pick up again during the Lenten Season for five weeks. The Topic is Jesus the way the truth and the Life, which is a video presentation with Sr. Linda serving as the facilitator.

**CHRISTMAS TEA** - Tickets for the Christmas Tea, are **SOLD OUT**. All Tickets must be picked up and paid for no later than Sunday, November 24.

**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).

#### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS – 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel reading brings us to the very essence of a stewardship way of life, as Jesus responds to a question posed to Him by one of the scribes: "Which is the first of all the commandments?" His answer is a beautiful and concise description of a Christian steward's life: "The first commandment is this... You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Let's consider these 'greatest commandments' as they relate to the three aspects of a Christian steward's daily life – the use of our time, our talents, and our treasure. The use of time refers primarily to our relationship with the Lord – or in other words, our prayer life. The use of talents refers to the way I offer the abilities, skills and interests the Lord has given me for the good of those around me. And the use of material gifts demonstrates both a love of God and neighbor. When I trustingly offer a sacrificial gift to God through the offertory collection, I am showing Him in a very tangible way that He comes before all else in my life. At the same time, my gift is showing my love for my neighbor as others are helped through my financial offering.

**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.



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Sunday, November 03, 2024**  
Grade School (K-6): 10:00-11:15 a.m.

**THANKSGIVING FAMILY DINNER** today, Sunday, November 3, at 5:00 p.m. It's not too late to sign up and bring a covered dish. We will have music provided by Mark Schultz.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** Our Memorial Mass for deceased members is Sunday November 10th at 9:00 a.m. We will have breakfast after Mass at Excelsior Fire Hall for members and their families as well as families of deceased members. Please use the sign up sheets at either entrance so we can plan. Hope to see you there.

#### SAVE THE DATE: Good Shepherd Advent Retreat Saturday December 7th. 8:30am – 3:00pm

Advent is often consumed with the frantic buying of gifts. Think of the care you put into choosing the right gift for your loved ones. How does that compare to the gift of God gave us in Jesus? Because of our brokenness we are often scared to open His gift. Take time out to discover how God's mercy can heal our brokenness and lead us to become a gift to others.

Join us for a retreat presented by Brian Pusateri, founder of Broken Door Ministries. Brian is no ordinary speaker. His life story weaves through faith, resilience, and a profound message of God's Mercy. This is a message that resonates deeply with broken hearts seeking healing.

Matthew 26:26 tells us the bread was blessed, broken and shared. Brian's dynamic style challenges everyone to undergo a transformation from a broken and scared life to a blessed and shared life that draws others to Christ. The retreat draws each attendee to a personal conversion.

Make this an Advent to remember! "Come away to a quiet place and rest awhile." Mark 6:31

Register at <https://www.goodshepherd-sc.org/> on the Advent Retreat button.

**FALL HARVEST FEST**  
**St Matthew Church**  
1105 Cameron Avenue  
Tyrone, PA  
**Saturday**  
**November 9 2024**  
10AM-1PM  
SOUPS, SALADS  
BAKED GOODS  
SAINT MATTHEW VENDORS

**BASKET RAFFLE**  
Raffle Tickets on sale after Masses beginning  
Saturday October 12 th 2024  
Drawing to be held after 10:30AM  
Mass November 17th 2024

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**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.