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DECEMBER 22, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: DEC 14 - DEC 22, 2024				
SAT, DEC 21	4:00 PM	FOR TOM JACKSON		
		by Ann Jackson		
Sun, Dec 22	9:00 AM	for Alois Poppenwimer		
		by Ann Jackson		
Mon, Dec 23	8:00 AM	for Walter E. Chihon		
		by his Family		
Tue, Dec 24	4:00 PM	for Leonard & Helen Rossi		
		BY BETH ROSSI		
	9:00 PM	for Bonnie Pasquini		
		by Donald Belsey		
Wed, Dec 25	9:00 AM	for Robert Paranich		
		by Barbara Paranich		
SAT, DEC 28	4:00 PM	FOR THE PEOPLE		
		BY THE PASTOR		
Sun, Dec 29	9:00 AM	for Ann Nesbella		

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.

BY PAT PARTNER & FAMILY

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Dec 24

4:00 PM:

LECTORS: 1st Reading: N. Lovrich

2nd Reading: S. Caldwell Intercessions: W. Zapotoczny

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: M. Kissell, T. Hoffer (Chapel), Sr. Linda (Back)

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & C. Shedlock

HOSPITALITY: B. Edmiston, M. Hoffer, D. Kissell, N. Lovrich, Sr.

9:00 PM:

LECTORS: 1st Reading: F. Weyandt

2nd Reading: A. Bucher Intercessions: D. Morrissey

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: P. Krug

Cup: L. Krug & J. Shelow

ALTAR SERVERS: A. Bucher HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi

Wednesday, Dec 25

9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st Reading: B. Paranich

2nd Reading: J. Bequeath Intercessions: T. Colabove

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host:
Cup:
ALTAR SERVERS:
HOSPITALITY: F. Hunte

HOSPITALITY: E. Hunter

Saturday, Dec 28, 4:00 PM: LECTORS: 1st Reading: Sr. Linda

> 2nd Reading: M. Riggle Intercessions: T. Evanskey

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: J. Steinbauer Cup: J. Lovrich & T. Burr ALTAR SERVERS: A. Bucher & T. Smith

HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, N. Lovrich, Sr., B. Risbon

Sunday, Dec 29, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st Reading: T. Finn
2nd Reading: B. Parani

2nd Reading: B. Paranich Intercessions: T. Colabove

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: T. Belis

Cup: A. Lovrich & J. Kost ALTAR SERVERS: S. Caldwell & T. Rishel

HOSPITALITY: B. DelGrosso, E. Hunter, M. Kowalski, W. Rossi

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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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 abishopa-mato@dioceseai.org.

REVEREND FATHER MICHAEL PLEVA, PASTOR Church Office at St. Joseph's: (814) 742-7075 Church Office at St. Matthew's: (814) 684-1480

Rectory: (814) 684-1480 Email: mpleva@dioceseaj.org

Sr. Linda LaMagna, CCW, Pastoral Minister

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Alison Bishop-Amato, Administrative & Financial Assistant

Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DRE: Sr. Linda LaMagna

Religious Education Office and Hall: (814) 742-7894

Church: (814) 742-7075 Email: llamagna@dioceseaj.org 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 School and Bishop Guilfoyle Academy.

Interested in becoming Catholic?

OCI *(Order of Christian Initiation)* Director: Sr. Linda LaMagna. Team: Judy Diebold, Dick & Denny Nicewonger. Contact Sr. Linda 814-742-7075.

CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph - Bellwood

Christmas Eve: 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Christmas Day: 9:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve: 6:00 p.m. New Year's Day: 8:00 a.m.

St. Matthew - Tyrone

Christmas Eve: 5:30 p.m. and Midnight Christmas Day: 10:30 a.m.

New Year's Day: 9:00 a.m.

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	DEC 09-DEC 15, 2024				
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00			
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	3,694.00			
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$	1,732.00			
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	1,080.00			
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:		6,506.00			
2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET	\$	19,753.00			
CMD Donations for 2024:	\$	\$40,087.93			

SAINT JOSEPH ON-LINE GIVING
VISIT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.SAINTJOSEPHBELLWOOD.ORG

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- ◆ FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday, January 08, 2025, 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room.
- ♦ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING Monday, January 13, 7:00 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.

Be sure to come early for the CHRISTMAS MASSES: There will be a Prelude performed by the Saint Joseph Singers for 20 minutes before each Christmas Mass.

WE NEED HELP TO DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS -

Today, Sunday, December 22. We are looking for helpers to assist with the decorating of our Church at 2:00 p.m. If we have enough help, it should only take about 1 1/2 hours. High School students are invited to join us and can use the time for Service hours.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT - Journey Through loss is a nine-week program for those who have lost a loved one through death recently or in the past. The program provides the opportunity to share or to listen and offers positive ideas for coping. The next session begins on Tuesday, January 21. We will meet weekly from 1:30 to 3:00 PM in the convent building next to St. Michael's Church in Hollidaysburg. All faiths are welcome. For more information or to register contact Mary Petrak at 814-502-6076.

REST IN PEACE - Please pray for the soul of Mary Harker, sister of Pete Stetter & Stella Genesi, who passed away on December 11. May our good gracious God grant her eternal peace and happiness in His kingdom and her loved ones comfort and strength.

Jumpstarting Jubilee 2025 - Advent Love



The fourth Advent candle symbolizes love. Our renewed sense of hope that accompanies the Jubilee Year results in a commitment to love one another. The Jubilee Year offers the opportunity to be "ambassadors of hope" through loving service. Join in the efforts to serve the poor offered by your parish. See what outreach ministries such as Catholic Charities have to offer. "God so loved the world that he sent his only Son," share that love in return.

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

Sunday, December 22, 2024

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

PRACTICE FOR THE CHRISTMAS GOSPEL FOR OUR GRADE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. We will have one practice for the Christmas Gospel outside of Religious Education, and that will take place on Monday, December 23, at 4:00 p.m. In the Church. Also, please remember to be at the church at 3:15 p.m., in Costume, on Christmas Eve.

SHOE DRIVE: "Saving Soles" Please put your donations in the collection boxes.

ON MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2025, THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IS SPONSORING A BOWLING AND PIZZA PARTY AT THE BAVARI-AN HALL FOR K-12 STUDENTS FROM THE ST. JOSEPH AND ST. MATTHEW PARISHES AS WELL AS A GUEST FROM 1-3 PM. PLEASE SIGN UP EITHER IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH OR SIDE ROOM OF ST. JOSEPH OR SIGN UP IN THE GATHERING ROOM OF ST. MATTHEW.

Don't forget your ornament for the St. Joseph Parish Family

Tree - The tree which is adorned with each of our individual ornaments shows our unity, especially under Christ who became one of us. It is an example of the beautiful things we can create when we join together as one family in Christ. You can pick them up after Epiphany Sunday or leave them for us to hang next year.

JOIN US FOR THE JANUARY ZOOM CLASSES! (Open to all!)

·Sacraments taught by Deacon Michael Russo, Tuesdays from 6:00-8:30 PM (8 weeks) beginning January 7. The cost of this class is \$35.00 and a \$20.00 material cost fee that can be turned in with the Registration Form.

·History of the Catholic Church in the U.S. taught by Deacon Michael Russo, Thursdays from 6:00 to 8:30 PM (8 weeks) beginning January 9. The cost of the class is \$35.00 and a \$20.00 material cost fee that can be turned in with the Registration Form.

To Register please visit the diocese website at www.dioceseaj.org/layecclesial-ministry, or see your parish priest or secretary for a registration form or by contacting Jessica, Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry at (814) 361-2000 or via email at jgramling@dioceseaj.org. All are welcome! Please Note that the Registration Deadline for these classes is Friday, December 27. No registrations will be accepted after this date.



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CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING



In Memory of: †Stan Bishop †Ray & Joyce Amato by Mike and Alison Amato & Flo Bishop †Patricia A. Brown by Francis Brown **†Justin Allen Bauer†Jeanne L. Taylor** by Margaret Burns **†Walter E. Chihon** by Stella Chihon **†Jason Colabove†Paul** Murí†Brían Colabove†Paul & Velda Colabove by Louis & Terri Colabove †Fredrick DelGrosso by Cathy DelGrosso †Mr. & Mrs. Angelo DelMastro†Mr. & Mrs. Archie Lowery by Tom & Amy DelMastro †Raymond Diebold†Merril Barroner†Family & **Friends** by Ken & Cheryl Diebold **†Mike and Sarah Evanskey†Mickey and Stacy Evanskey†John & Nancy Frey Evanskey by** Thomas Evanskey †Carl & Mary Jane Fraundorfer by David & Deborah Fraundorfer †Mikayla Glunt†Ernestine Legacy†Mary Torok†Lewis Legacy by Michael & Paula Glunt †Mr. & Mrs. Austin Hallinan†Mr. & Mrs. John Hazenstab by Dennis & Sheila Hazenstab †Mr. & Mrs. Jack Bettwy†Delbert Hoffer†Ann Anderson†Virginia Kimberly by Mike & Tanya Hoffer †Frank Hopnick†Florence Pyzowski by Veronica Hopnick †Gary Huff, Jr.†Zachary Huff†Logan Huff†Colby Greiner†Parents by Gary & Judy Huff †Guy Isola by Míke & Marlana Isola †Tom Jackson†Tom & Leona Moser†Tom & Paulíne Jackson†Tom & Andrew Moser+Terry & George Knab by Ann Jackson +Edna Long+Bill Long+Mic & Deb Kissell+Mr. & Mrs. Kissell by Dave & Marie Kissell **†Joseph Minerich†Mary Minerich†James Krumenaker†Alice Krumenaker** by Dennis and Rosemarie Krumenaker †Domenick Kurtz Sr.†Franklin & Ann Roesch†Fr. David Roesch,†Barbara Roesch†Frank & Elaine Kranjac†Tony & Derna Kurtz by Domenick & Mary Kurtz †Bill Maloney Jr.†Mr. & Mrs. Walter Maloney Sr†Mr. & Mrs. James Yingling†Walter Maloney Jr. by Bill & Jenny Maloney + Charles Miner Sr. + Grandparents + Terri Miner + Janet Miner by Andrew Miner + Charles Miner Terri Miner Tom & Leona Moser by Joan Miner Theresa Miner by Mark Miner Tall Family Members by Donald & Wendy Moore †Charles Miner†Jerry & Elaine O'Shea by Steve & Pam O'Shea †Jacob Politza by Mary Ann Politza †James A. Reed, Sr. † James A. Reed, Jr. by Mary Reed † Parents by Esther Shock † Eugene Siters † Martin & Ethel Carey † Billy Carey by Janet Siters †Deceased Stetter family and Deceased Bettwy family by Pete & Michele Stetter †Deceased members of St. Joseph Parish by Darín & Dana Tornatore †James L. Veign by Diane Veign-Irwin †Dorothy Wertz by George & Rebecca Wertz †Patrick Wills Sr.

For their Intentions: Dan & Kay Geis, Victoria Hamer, Ronald Johnson, Dick & Denny Nicewonger, Lee Owen, Barbara Paranich, Pat Partner, Beth Rossí, Robert & Gloría Stultz, Mary Walker, Joseph & Sherryll Whiteford

In Honor of: Our Military and Our Veterans by Donald & Wendy Moore