


APRIL 06, 2025
MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: APR 05 - APR 13, 2025

 Sat, Apr 05 4:00 PM for Patrick Wills, Sr.
 by Joyce Wills

 Sun, Apr 06 9:00 AM for the People
 by the Pastor

 Mon, Apr 07 8:00 AM for Darlene Schirf
 by David Schirf & Family

 Tue, Apr 08 6:00 PM for Joe Wharton
 by Beth Rossi

 Wed, Apr 09 7:30 AM **HOLY HOUR with Communion**

 Sat, Apr 12 4:00 PM for Helen Rossi
 by Joan Miner & Family

 Sun, Apr 13 9:00 AM for Joey Belis
 by his Parents

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, Apr 05, 4:00 PM:

 LECTORS: 1st Reading: T. Evanskey
 2nd Reading: T. Burr
 Intercessions: B. Pennington

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

 Host: Sr. Linda
 Cup: J. Shelow & W. Zapotocny

ALTAR SERVERS: A. Bucher & D. Irwin

HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, D. Kissell, N. Lovrich, Sr.

Sunday, Apr 06, 9:00 AM:

 LECTORS: 1st Reading: M. Zapotoczny
 2nd Reading: L. Krug
 Intercessions: Sr. Linda

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

 Host: P. Krug
 Cup: T. Colabove & C. Weyandt

ALTAR SERVERS: K. Shanafelt & E. Wolfe

HOSPITALITY: J. Chestney, R. DelGrosso, T. DelMastro, E. Hunter

Saturday, Apr 12, 4:00 PM:

 LECTORS: 1st Reading: Sr. Linda
 2nd Reading:
 Intercessions: P. Wills

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

 Host: J. Steinbauer
 Cup: T. Hoffer & M. Kissell

ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin

HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, D. Kissell, N. Lovrich, Sr.

Sunday, Apr 13, 9:00 AM:

 LECTORS: 1st Reading: T. Finn
 2nd Reading: W. Zapotoczny
 Intercessions: D. Morrissey

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

 Host: B. Shedlock
 Cup: L. Krug & Sr. Linda

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel

HOSPITALITY: J. Chestney, R. DelGrosso, T. DelMastro, E. Hunter

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	MAR 24-MAR 30, 2025	
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	2,597.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$	405.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	1,790.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$	4,792.00
2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET	\$	20,500.00
CMD COLLECTION TO DATE		\$11,641.25

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. JOSEPH PARISH is a charitable trust of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, the Most Reverend Mark L. Barchak, 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, PASTOR
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 Church Office at **St. Matthew's: (814) 684-1480**
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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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DIRECTOR OF 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, Alison Bishop-Amato. Contact Sr. Linda 814-742-7075.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE
Monday, April 14

Chrism Mass - 11 am @ the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, April 16

B-A Council of Churches Stations of the Cross - 6:30 pm @ St. Joseph

Holy Thursday, April 17

7 pm @ St. Matthew

Good Friday, April 18

 1 pm @ St. Joseph
 3 pm @ St. Matthew

Blessing of the Easter Baskets, Saturday, April 19

 11:00 am @ St. Joseph
 12:00 pm @ St. Matthew

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 19

8 pm @ St. Joseph

Easter Sunday, April 20

 9:00 am @ St. Joseph followed by Easter Egg Hunt
 10:30 am @ St. Matthew

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)

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, April 14, at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **PARISH ASSOCIATION MEETING** - Tuesday, May 6, at 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Hall.
- ◆ **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** - Monday, May 19, at 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Hall.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ARE PRAYED EACH FRIDAY OF LENT at 6:00 p.m. In the Church. Please join us and bring the children and grandchildren. It is so important that they come to experience this devotion as one of our Catholic practices.

ADULT ENRICHMENT CLASS - Our adult Enrichment class on "Jesus, the Way the Truth and the Life" will continue this Friday from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. In the Parish Social Hall.

ATTENTION St. Joseph Singers... Practice Reminder

Monday, April 7 - 7:00-8:30 pm

Any questions, please contact Beth Rossi @ 814-932-0358

Lenten Services 2025: Join us Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m., as we look at the book of Luke during this Lenten season.

Apr. 9 - Bellwood Cross of Calvary Church with Pastor Josh Crumlich

Apr. 16 - St. Joseph Catholic Church for Stations of the Cross with Father Michael Pleva

FOOT WASHING - We are still in need of five people to have their feet washed on Holy Thursday, at the service which will be held on Holy Thursday, April 17, at Saint Matthew Church. Connect with Sister Linda if you are willing to volunteer.

AREA LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Mon., Apr. 7- Our Lady of Mt Carmel Parish, Altoona, 7:00 PM

Tue., Apr. 8 - Good Shepherd Parish, Port Matilda, 7:00 PM

Wed., Apr. 9 - Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona, 6:00 PM

Thu., Apr. 10 - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Altoona, 5:30 PM

St. Rose of Lima Parish, Altoona, 7:00 PM

Sun., Apr. 13 - St. Mary Parish, Hollidaysburg, 4:00 PM

Our Lady of Victory, State College, 6:00 PM

Tue., Apr. 15 - St. Mary Parish, Altoona, 5:30 PM

Wed., Apr. 16 - St. Catherine of Siena, Duncansville, 6:00-7:30 PM

**for a complete list of Penance Services throughout the Diocese, please visit*

<https://www.dioceseaj.org/lent-penance-services/>

NEEDED - Ministers are needed for our Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter Vigil Services. Please check your schedule to determine which Services you are able to attend and contact Sr. Linda to sign up for your ministry.

Dear parishioners, **We have a St. Joseph's family who is seeking a nurturing daycare or babysitter starting August 2025 for our son, who will be 6 months old.** The hours needed would be roughly 7:30am to 3:30pm Monday – Friday. We value a faith-filled environment that supports our family's beliefs and encourages a strong moral foundation. If you have any recommendations or know of any local daycares or babysitters that align with these values, please reach out to us. Your support means so much to us during this exciting time! Thank you for your kindness and help! If interested, please contact Sister Linda.

NIGHT AT THE RACES - BISHOP GUILFOYLE ACADEMY

Saturday, April 12, 2025, St. Rose Gymnasium.

Doors open at 5:30pm - Dinner is at 6:00pm. Horse

Races start at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$50.00 per person

and include: food, drinks and ownership of one horse, jockey or trainer. The evening's format is 11 pre-recorded horse races available for betting. There are only bets to "win" the race, with each race being random. Bets will be accepted in \$2 increments.

For more information and to purchase tickets, scan the QR code.



VISITATION PARISH PILGRIMAGE: We are planning a jubilee year pilgrimage to The National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg Maryland for Friday, May 16, 2025. The Pilgrimage will include luxury bus transportation to and from the Shrine, a tour of the basilica and the grounds, Mass and dinner. We will be leaving from the lower section of the Home Depot parking lot at 8:00 AM and leaving the Shrine at 4:00 PM, stopping for dinner along the way. The cost of the trip is \$65 per person. There are currently 20 seats left for this trip. **If you are interested, please call the rectory office at (814) 536-6110 ext.1 by April 15th.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Sunday, April 6, 2025

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

High School (Grades 7-11): 6:00-8:00 p.m.

SECOND GRADE CLASS OF SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will be held on Saturday, May 3, at the 4:00 p.m. Mass.

PRACTICE FOR FIRST COMMUNION will be on Thursday, May 1, at 4:00 p.m., in the Church.

"THE LIGHT ARE ON" Confessions will be held for the Junior High and High School Students this Sunday, April 6, at 6:00 p.m., in the Church. We will continue Mike Isola's practice of Penance and Pizza. The DelGrossos have donated Pizza for a Pizza party following Confessions. We will have a Youth Ministry Session after the Social and dismissal will be at its regular time of 8:00 p.m.

CHILDREN ARE NEEDED FOR THE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, COUNCIL OF CHURCHES SERVICE HERE AT SAINT JOSEPH to hold up the Stations of the Cross for each station and to bring forth symbols at the beginning of the service. Please contact Sr. Linda as soon as possible.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - Registration forms are available in the Vestibule of the church. Please sign up as soon as possible so that materials can be purchased.

NEW STAINED-GLASS WINDOW OF DIVINE MERCY - You will notice that we have a new Stained-Glass image of Jesus, of Divine Mercy. It was donated by Marlene Halbedl in memory of her husband Gerald Halbedl. Bob Sitman installed it on the glass door so that it can be seen from the Church and also from the Chapel side. We are very grateful for this donation.

LENTEN ALMS FOR MIKAYLA – Mikayla is a 26 year old parishioner our St. Joseph Parish. Mikayla is in urgent need of a multi-visceral transplant, which is four organs or more. The organs she needs are the stomach, pancreas, small and large intestine. Depending on how long she is on the transplant list, the liver may be added as well. St. Joseph and St. Matthew Parishes are taking up a special collection to help Mikayla and her family through this lengthy and costly journey. Donation boxes will be located throughout Lent for you to place your donations. Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Easter Bunny has been in touch with Saint Joseph Church and has declared **Easter Sunday, April 20**, as an Easter Egg Hunt day for the Children of St. Joseph Church, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. *(Pre-school through Grade 4)*



CDA COURT SAINT RITA #523 FROM TYRONE IS SPONSORING A CHARTERED BUS TRIP TO NEW YORK CITY. Included in the trip: Round trip motor coach transportation, two nights at the Edison Hotel (Time Square), dinner at Tony Dinapoli's, reservations for Broadway show- Lion King, visit to CDA Headquarters, visit to Ellis Island and Statue of Liberty, admission to 911 Memorial Museum and Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The trip is scheduled for Monday, August 25 - Wednesday, August 27. Departure will be from Lowes in Altoona. For more information call, text, or email Amy Brisbin at 814-931-4702, amybrisbin@gmail.com. Non-refundable deposits Of \$100 per person will be due on June 1st, 2025. Balance by check to "Catholic Daughters of the Americas" will be due by August 1, 2025. Payments may be sent to Amy Brisbin, 1740 Decker Hollow Road, Tyrone, PA 16686.

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