


APRIL 27, 2025
MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: APR 26 - MAY 04, 2025

Sat, Apr 26 4:00 PM for Olga Lawruk
 by Carol & Pierre Lachaussie

Sun, Apr 27 9:00 AM for Joey Potter
 by Vicky Hamer

Mon, Apr 28 8:00 AM for the Intentions of our Parishioners
 by Susan Wolf

**Tue, Apr 29 6:00 PM for the Repose of the Soul of Pope Francis
 by St. Joseph Parish**

Wed, Apr 30 7:30 AM HOLY HOUR

Sat, May 01 4:00 PM for the People
 by the Pastor

Sun, May 02 9:00 AM for Lucy Krug
 by Louise & Paul Krug

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 26, 4:00 PM:

LECTORS: 1st Reading: W. Zapotoczny
 2nd Reading: A. Bucher
 Intercessions: Sr. Linda

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
 Host: J. Steinbauer
 Cup: T. Hoffer & M. Kissell

ALTAR SERVERS: A. Bucher & T. Smith
 HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, D. Kissell, N. Lovrich, Sr.

Sunday, Apr 27, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st Reading: Sr. Linda
 2nd Reading: N. Gulvas
 Intercessions: N. Lovrich

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
 Host: C. Weyandt
 Cup: P. Krug & B. Shedlock

ALTAR SERVERS: C. Shedlock & E. Wolfe
 HOSPITALITY: J. Chestney, R. DelGrosso, T. DelMastro, E. Hunter

Saturday, May 03, 4:00 PM:

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

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
 Host: T. Hoffer & J. Lovrich
 Cup: T. Burr

ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin
 HOSPITALITY: A. Bucher, D. Kissell, N. Lovrich, Sr., B. Risbon

Sunday, May 4, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st Reading: L. Krug
 2nd Reading: B. Paranich
 Intercessions: T. Colabove

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
 Host: J. Chestney
 Cup: P. Krug & W. Zapotoczny

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & K. Shanfelt
 HOSPITALITY: T. Carosilli, R. DelGrosso, E. Hunter, M. Kowalski

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 abishopamato@dioceseaj.org.

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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 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.

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	APR 14-APR 20, 2025	
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	2,212.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$	6,708.59
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	1,225.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$	10,145.59
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.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- ◆ **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.

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.

THIS WEEKEND WE ARE COLLECTING FOR CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS



What is a "Home Mission" Diocese? Home mission dioceses are those Catholic dioceses in the United States, its territories, and former territories that cannot provide basic pastoral services without outside help. Basic pastoral services include Mass, the sacraments, religious education, and ministry training for priests, deacons, religious sisters, and lay people. Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered home mission dioceses.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH CONGRATULATES Ava Beiswenger, Marissa Cacciotti, and Chase Yaniello who were confirmed at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament by Bishop Mark Bartchak and presented by Fr. Michael Pleva.

WE WELCOME INTO FULL COMMUNION INTO THE CHURCH Zachary Killinger, Karen Messner, Jasmine Walk and Jocelyn Walk

Friends, We are pleased to announce our 2025 Choral Institute!

Singers and church musicians of all skill levels are welcome to refine their skills under the direction of Robert Long. The choral institute consists of two evenings of skill development followed by an evening concert. We are grateful to St. John the Evangelist Church in the Lakemont section of Altoona for hosting all three evenings.

Although we are still refining the repertoire, please note the following details at this time:

Location (Accessible; Air-Conditioned): St. John the Evangelist Church

344 Baynton Avenue, Altoona, PA 16602

Skill Development Sessions

6:30 PM - 9:00 PM, Wednesday, June 25

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM, Thursday, June 26

Public Performance

Friday, June 27

Call Time: 6:00 PM / Start Time: 7:00 PM

Registration: \$25 payable by check to: Academy of Sacred Music
1668 Sylvan Drive, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648

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MAY DAYS 2025 AT THE BASILICA OF ST. MICHAEL - May 24-25, at Our Lady of Loretto Community Hall – live entertainment, cinch tournament (call Mag 421-2867 to join) basket raffle, flea market, silent auction, and refreshments. Saturday, 4pm-8pm and Sunday, 11am-4pm. Turkey dinner Sunday at 11AM. \$10 per person. All are welcome!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Sunday, April 27, 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

THE SECOND GRADE CLASS WITH THEIR PARENTS is reminded of First Communion practice this Thursday, May 1, at 4:00 p.m., in the Church.

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

MAY CROWNING - NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 4TH AT THE 9:00 A.M. MASS - Next Sunday, we will have our annual May Crowning with the newly Confirmed students crowning the Blessed Mother and the Jr. High and High School students arranging the flowers. All students are encouraged to bring either a small bouquet or a single flower to present to the Blessed Mother. Any child or adult is welcome to come forward at the appropriate time to offer flowers to her image. We will have extra flowers if you forget to bring them.

PARENT-STUDENT MEETING IN PREPARATION FOR CONFIRMATION NEXT YEAR - A meeting of 8th, 9th, 10th grade students (this year) with their parents will be held after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on SUNDAY, May 18, from 10:00 - 10:45 a.m., in the Church, to introduce the new Confirmation process which will occur in our Diocese this fall.

DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR VBS SUMMER BIBLE CAMP - It is coming up soon and there are many preparations to be done. Knowing the number of students in advance helps us to plan better. Registration forms are in the vestibule of the Church and may also be in the children's folders since we gave them out to our Religious Education students.

BIBLE CAMP MEETING - A meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 20th**, at 6:30 p.m. for all those who volunteered to work with Bible Camp this year. This meeting does include Teen Helpers. This meeting will be held in the Parish Meeting Room. The is Mass at 6:00 p.m. You are welcome to attend Mass before the meeting.

A BONFIRE FOR THE JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS will be held today, April 27, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. In front of the Church rectory. Please remember to bring your own beverage and the item you volunteered to bring. This will be the last **CLASS** for this year; however, we want all Junior High and High Students to attend and participate in the May Crowning, next **Sunday, May 4th at the 9:00 a.m. Mass.** Please remember to bring a flower to present to the blessed Mother image and to wear dress clothes. The Junior High and High School students **will assist** with collecting the flowers from the grade school students and placing them in the vases provided. All students should sit together on the left side of the church in front of the Ambo, in the pews reserved for them.

THERE WILL BE A LIGHT LUNCHEON FOR OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS SUNDAY, MAY 4 AT 11:30AM., IN THE SOCIAL HALL. Please let Sister Linda know if you are able to attend.



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