



## JUN 01, 2025

### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: MAY 31 - JUN 08, 2025

Sat, May 31	4:00 PM	for the People by the Pastor
Sun, Jun 01	9:00 AM	for Leonard Rossi by Cate Rossi
Mon, Jun 02	8:00 AM	for Ann Nesbella by the Halbedl Family
Tue, Jun 03	6:00 PM	for Mary Harker by her Family
Wed, Jun 04	7:30 AM	HOLY HOUR
Sat, Jun 07	4:00 PM	for Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus by the Knights of Columbus
Sun, Jun 08	9:00 AM	for Walter E. Chihon, Jr. by his Family

**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, May 31, 4:00 PM:**

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

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: Sr. Linda  
Cup: T. Hoffer & J. Lovrich

ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin & T. Smith

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

#### **Sunday, Jun 01, 9:00 AM:**

LECTORS: 1st Reading: W. Zapotoczny  
2nd Reading: N. Gulvas  
Intercessions: S. Shaulis

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: A. Lovrich  
Cup: T. Belis & J. Chestney

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & K. Shanafelt

HOSPITALITY: R. DelGrosso, T. DelMastro, M. Kowalski, W. Rossi

#### **Saturday, Jun 07, 4:00 PM:**

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

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: J. Lovrich  
Cup: T. Hoffer & J. Steinbauer

ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin & T. Smith

HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, M. Kissell, N. Lovrich, Sr., B. Risbon

#### **Sunday, Jun 08, 9:00 AM:**

LECTORS: 1st Reading: A. Amato  
2nd Reading: N. Gulvas  
Intercessions: T. Finn

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: C. Weyandt  
Cup: A. Lovrich & B. Shedlock

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & C. Shedlock

HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, J. Chestney, E. Hunter, M. Kowalski

## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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](mailto:abishopamato@dioceseaj.org).

**REVEREND FATHER MICHAEL PLEVA, PASTOR**

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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		May 19-May 25, 2025	
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL		\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:		\$	2,352.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)		\$	8,258.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:		\$	1,160.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:		\$	11,770.00
2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET		\$	20,500.00
CMD COLLECTION TO DATE		\$	\$15,636.25

### 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.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

#### ◆ THE PARISH PICNIC COMMITTEE AND PARISH ASSOCIATION

**COMMITTEE** will have a combined planning meeting on Tuesday, June 3, at 6:30 p.m. (following the 6:00 p.m. Mass), in the Parish Meeting room.

#### ◆ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING - Monday, June 9, at 7:00 P.M., in the Parish Meeting Room.

**PARISH BIRTHDAY PARTY CELEBRATION FOR SUPER SENIORS 80, 90 AND 100, AND THIS YEAR ADDING SWINGING 70 YEAR OLDS, on Tuesday, June 24, with Mass and the Anointing of the Sick at 5:30 p.m. in the Church, followed by the party celebration in the Parish Social Hall.**

**CONGRATULATIONS KARLY DIEBOLD AND DOMINIC TORNATORE**, two young people from our parish who are holding fast to the faith and are engaged in service. Karly and Dominic were recently honored by the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown for their evangelizing spirit and dedication to the Church and are featured in the Proclaim! Magazine along with eleven outstanding individuals who acknowledge how important the Catholic faith has been and will always be in their lives. They are our joyful hope for the future of the Catholic Faith. They engaged in an evening of fellowship, food and fun this past Friday and were congratulated by Bishop Mark and our Pastor, Father Michael. Please take the time to congratulate them and to view their faith stories in the Spring 2025 edition of Proclaim! [Congratulations](#), Karly and Dominic. St. Joseph Parish is very proud of you.

**HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO LEARN HOW TO KNIT BUT NEVER HAD THE TIME OR THOUGHT IT WOULD BE TOO DIFFICULT?** Take a Knitting for Beginners Class to learn the basics of this fun and productive hobby. Four to six weeks of classes for \$40 are offered at St. Matthew Parish, Tuesday afternoons at 3 pm, beginning June 24, and Saturdays at 1:30 pm, beginning May 31. Must be 18 years of age or older and need to contact Tammy Terosky at 814-883-1233 (text/phone) to enroll or with any inquiries. Must have a minimum number of participants for the course to be offered.

#### **CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY CLOSING MASS for the NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

**JUNE 22, 2025 - Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona**

*The Eucharist will be exposed for quiet adoration starting at 10 AM*

3:00-4:15 PM - Confession / 3:00 PM - holy Hour for Vocations

4:00 PM-Chaplet of Divine Mercy for those who have fallen away from the Church

4:15 PM - Indoor Eucharistic Procession & Benediction

5:00 PM - Mass with Bishop Mark

#### **Bishop Mark extends a special invitation to the following:**

†*Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Daughters with special seating to the right and left of the Cathedral reserved for them.*

†*Extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist, and Altar Servers dressed in their robes can be seated with their families and will receive a special Blessing from Bishop Mark for the Ministry they perform within the Eucharist.*

†*The First Communicants of 2025 are invited to wear their First Communion Clothes. They can be seated with their families, and they too will receive a blessing from Bishop Mark.*

†*Newly Confirmed and Young people in general from across the diocese are invited by Bishop Mark to be seated throughout the Cathedral to show their support for the power of the Eucharist and to be empowered to carry on the Great Commission.*

**Grace Lutheran Church, 1114 N Cambria St, Bellwood, PA 16617 has a Clothing Giveaway** on the second Saturday of each month from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Clothing (**especially men's and children's**) may be dropped off at the church (top of covered ramp at the side of the church). Contact person is Janice Endress 814-742-7416.

### **VBS SUMMER BIBLE CAMP FOR ST. JOSEPH AND ST. MATTHEW PARISHES and FOR ANY CHILD INTERESTED IN ATTENDING**

Those going into kindergarten and up to grade 5 are encouraged to attend. Our theme for this year is "TRUE NORTH," Trusting God in a Wild World. The Music is fun and fantastic! The Bible Stories include: The Baptism of Jesus, The teaching of Jesus on Love, a Roman Officer who accepts Jesus as Lord, The death of Jesus on the Cross and why he died for us, The victory of Jesus over death and his coming back to life in the Resurrection, Jesus gives the Great Commission, and the Coming of the Holy Spirit. We have special Arts and Crafts, and the Parish Association is preparing a unique theme snack for each day. Each participant is asked to bring a light green T-Shirt on the First day. From the generous donations of both parishes, we are able to give each participant a backpack and their own water bottle. **SIGN UP TODAY!** Registration forms can be found on the Website, or in the Vestibule of the church. They can be mailed to the churches or placed in the collection basket.

**AN ADULT ENRICHMENT CLASS ON "UNTOLD BLESSINGS," IS BEING OFFERED WHILE THE CHILDREN ARE AT VBS.** This is for the convenience of the parents whose children attending but also for any adult who is interested in learning more about their faith. Sister Martha Burbulla, CCW, will be facilitating this video series class. You can sign up by calling Sr. Linda @ 814-742-7894 or by signing up on the SIGN-UP Sheet in the vestibules of both churches.

#### **B-A COUNCIL OF CHURCHES 2025-2026 SCHOLARSHIP**

As in the past, the Council has agreed to award the eligibility for the scholarship to those who are presently enrolled in an accredited undergraduate program and are presently in their second or third year, entering their third or fourth year; or enrolled in a seminary program.

To qualify for the scholarship, one must be a practicing member of a participating faith community of the Bellwood Council of Churches. In addition, the student must be studying for the ministry or some type of helping field. Examples of a helping field include, but are not limited to: teaching, social work, or medicine. Finally, the student should demonstrate financial need. The underlying intent is a scholarship based on Christian dedication and need. Applications are available in the Vestibule and must be completed and returned by June 15, 2025.

**ANDREW MOSER SCHOLARSHIP:** Each year the Knights of Columbus Monsignor Edward O'Malley Council #8075 awards a \$500.00 scholarship to an eligible high school Senior. (Applicant must be a son/daughter of an active member of Council #8075—*Grandchildren will be considered ONLY when there are no eligible sons or daughters in a given year.*) Applications are available in the Vestibule and must be submitted by June 30, 2025. For more information, please contact a Knights member.

**RAISERIGHT:** Help our Parish earn money by purchasing gift cards for your shopping needs. **See a representative in the Vestibule to order gift cards** for places like Hometown Market, Martin's, Sheetz, Walmart, Home Depot... Visit <https://www.raiseright.com/> for a complete list. **Place an order after mass & Pick up on the following weekend - Our parish gets a percentage back.** Bellwood Hometown Market cards are usually on hand. Thank you for your support.