



MAY 18, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: MAY 17 - MAY 25, 2025

Sat, May 17	4:00 PM	for Rayne & Maddy Burger by Rebecca Wertz
Sun, May 18	9:00 AM	for the People by the Pastor
Mon, May 19	8:00 AM	for Mary Harker by Mary Ann & Carl Crider
Tue, May 20	6:00 PM	for our War Veterans by St. Joseph Parish
Wed, May 21	7:30 AM	HOLY HOUR
Sat, May 24	4:00 PM	for Darlene Schirf & Dawn Evans by Dave Schirf & Janine Schirf
Sun, May 25	9:00 AM	for Lynn M. Zapotoczny by Wally & Melissa Zapotoczny

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 17, 4:00 PM:

LECTORS: 1st Reading: Volunteer needed
2nd Reading: Sr. Linda
Intercessions: Volunteer needed
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
Host: T. Hoffer
Cup: T. Burr & J. Lovrich
ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin & T. Smith
HOSPITALITY: A. Bucher, D. Kissell, N. Lovrich, Sr., B. Risbon

Sunday, May 18, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st Reading: N. Lovrich
2nd Reading: M. Zapotoczny
Intercessions: T. Finn
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
Host: C. Weyandt
Cup: J. Chestney & B. Shedlock
ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & C. Shedlock
HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, R. DelGrosso, E. Hunter, M. Kowalski

Saturday, May 24, 4:00 PM:

LECTORS: 1st Reading: P. Wills
2nd Reading: Sr. Linda
Intercessions: A. Bucher
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
Host: J. Shelow
Cup: M. Kissell & Volunteer needed
ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin & T. Smith
HOSPITALITY: A. Bucher, D. Kissell, N. Lovrich, Sr., B. Risbon

Sunday, May 25, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st Reading: T. Colabove
2nd Reading: A. Amato
Intercessions: L. Krug
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
Host: Sr. Linda
Cup: P. Krug & C. Weyandt
ALTAR SERVERS: C. Shanafelt & E. Wolfe
HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, R. DelGrosso, E. Hunter, M. Kowalski

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	May 05—May 11, 2025	
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	3,121.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$	1,531.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	905.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$	5,557.00
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

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 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.

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.

CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY

CLOSING MASS FOR THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL



JUNE 22ND
CATHEDRAL OF
THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT,
ALTOONA

 NATIONAL
Eucharistic
Revival

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.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

◆ **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:** This **MONDAY, MAY 19**, at 6:30 P.M., IN THE PARISH MEETING ROOM. Please contact the parish office if you are unable to attend.

◆ **BIBLE CAMP MEETING** – We will have a Bible Camp meeting for all those who have volunteered to assist with our annual Bible Camp VBS, on **WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, AT 6:00 P.M.** in the Parish Meeting Room. Please let me know if you are not able to come, but still planning to help.

◆ **PARISH PICNIC AND PARISH ASSOCIATION MEETING** – A combined meeting of the Parish Association and the Parish Picnic Committee will be held on **TUESDAY, JUNE 3, AT 6:30 P.M.** in the Parish Meeting room.

MASS TO HONOR THREE OF OUR PARISH WORLD WAR II VETERANS – This Tuesday evening, May 20, the 6:30 p.m. Mass, celebrated by Father Michael, will be offered for three of our Parish veterans: Walter Morasco, Lee Owen and Frank Pulcinello to honor them for their Service and the reception of their Victory medals and campaign medals while serving in World War II. Following Mass there will be a social time in the Social Hall to provide the opportunity for the veterans to share a time of conversation and celebration. Any one is welcome to join us for Mass and for fellowship.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: Pick up a Baby Bottle Mass, fill it with your donation, and return by Father's Day, June 15, in the designated basket at each entrance.

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.

MASS FOR WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS TO BE TELEVIEWED—Remember your loved ones on Sunday, May 25, 2025 with a televised Mass Celebrated by Bishop Mark Bartchak at 11:00 am on WATM ABC 23 and will rebroadcast that night at 9:00 p.m. on the Breezeline channel 9. All spouses will be acknowledged and remembered at Mass. All persons who have lost a spouse through death throughout the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to register by contacting the Family Life Office 814-317-2643 or email familylife@dioceseaj.org. When registering, please give your name, address, phone number and the name of your spouse who has passed away. The last day to register is Wednesday, May 21, 2025. The event is sponsored by the Diocesan Family Life Office & the Catholic Ministries Drive. Please be advised, a special broadcast of a sporting event on WATM ABC 23 may delay the broadcast. All names of loved ones will be seen during Communion.

THE FAITHFUL OF THE DIOCESE OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN ARE INVITED TO OUTDOOR MASSES AT THE OUR LADY OF THE ALLEGHENIES SHRINE IN LORETTO every Sunday evening at 7 PM beginning on the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend (May 25) and concluding on the Sunday of Labor Day weekend (August 31). Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel.

Special Masses this Summer...

June 8 "Come and See" Vocations Awareness – Fr. Brian Norris

June 29 Solemnity of SS. Peter & Paul - "Missionary Spirit of Fr. Gallitzin"

July 20 Bishop's Mass for Married Couples

August 3 Bishop's Mass for Young People—Return to College, Work, Military

The historic Prince Gallitzin Chapel House, next to the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine, will be open on the following Sunday afternoons from 3:00 – 6:00 PM for self-guided tours, pilgrimages and visits: June 1, 15 and 29, July 20, August 3, 17, 31

HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO LEARN HOW TO KNIT BUT NEVER HAD THE TIME OR THOUGHT IT WOULD BE TOO DIFFICULT? Now is the perfect opportunity. 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's Parish on Tuesday afternoons at 3 pm beginning June 24 and Saturday at 1:30 pm beginning May 31, 2025. Participants 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.

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! If interested, please contact Sister Linda.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Reminder: The meeting of students entering 8th, 9th, 10th grade this fall, with their parents, is today, Sunday, May 18, after Mass, from 10:00-10:45 a.m., in the Church, to introduce the new Confirmation process 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.

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT CLASS: June 16-20, 6:00—8:00 p.m.
Topic: 'Untold Blessing' with Fr. Robert Barron. This is a Facilitated Video Series with sr. Martha Burbulla, CCW leading.

This class is offered for parents and any adult who is interested, at the same time and place while the children are at VBS. Sign-up sheets are located at each church entrance.

MENTORS ARE NEEDED FOR OUR NEW CONFIRMATION PROCESS, which will begin this fall. We are seeking faith-filled adults and Parents who are willing to serve as mentors for our new Confirmation Process which begins in the fall. We will have a group training process for anyone expressing interest. The training process is simple and will require just a few hours. We will conduct it with food, snacks and fun and make it easy without added burden. Those who are willing to engage in the Mentoring process must have completed their Child and Youth Requirements and Clearances.

ST. JOSEPH VOLUNTEER MINISTERS: I am now scheduling volunteers for the summer season. Please let me know your availability from June to August. You can call the office at 814-742-7075, drop a note in the collection basket or email me at abishopamato@dioceseaj.org. Thank you, Alison Amato

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS, 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 Di Napoli's, reservations for Broadway show- Mamma Mia, 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 25th through Wednesday, August 27th. Departure will be from Lowes in Altoona. For more information call, text, or email Amy Brisbin at 814-931-4702, amylbrisbin@gmail.com. Pricing based on number per room- \$895 per person double occupancy. 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.

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.

THE BELLWOOD-ANTIS 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.**

RAISERIGHT: Help our Parish earn money by purchasing gift cards for all of your shopping needs. **See a representative in the Vestibule to order gift cards** for places like Hometown Market, Martin's, Sheetz, Sam's Club, Walmart, Lowe's, Home Depot... Go to <https://www.raiseright.com/> for a complete list. **Place an order after mass & PICK UP YOUR CARD THE FOLLOWING WEEKEND.** *(Bellwood Hometown Market cards are usually on hand.)*

Our parish will receive a percentage back.
Thank you for your support.

