



## OCTOBER 05, 2025


### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: OCT 04-OCT 12, 2025

Sat, Oct 04	4:00 PM	for Tom Jackson by Ann Jackson
Sun, Oct 05	9:00 AM	for the People by the Pastor
Mon, Oct 06	8:00 AM	for June Yingling by Louise & Paul Krug
Tue, Oct 07	6:00 PM	for Dawn Evans by Dave & Sandy Schirf
Wed, Oct 08	7:30 AM	HOLY HOUR
Sat, Oct 11	4:00 PM	for Mary Kay McCracken by Beth Corless
Sun, Oct 12	9:00 AM	for Jennie & Joseph Skonieczki & Mary & Andy Paranich by Barbara Paranich

### Sanctuary Candle Oct 05-Oct 11, 2025

for Thomas & Arlene Hoover by Donnie & Wendy Moore

**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.*

 **SANCTUARY CANDLE** – If you would like to donate for the Sanctuary Candle to burn in memory of your loved one, for a particular week, please contact the parish office and it will be entered and scheduled as we do for mass intentions. *(The suggested candle offering is also \$10.00. If possible, please use the designated envelope and not a mass intention envelope)*

### VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

#### **Saturday, Oct 04, 4:00 PM:**

LECTORS: 1st-T. Evanskey; 2nd-T. Burr; Int-Sr. Linda  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: J. Lovrich; Cup: T. Hoffer & J. Steinbauer  
ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin & T. Smith  
HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, D. Kissell, B. Risbon

#### **Sunday, Oct 05, 9:00 AM:**

LECTORS: 1st-D. Morrissey; 2nd-M. Zapotoczny; Int-Sr. Linda  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: C. Weyandt, Cup: T. Belis & L. Krug  
ALTAR SERVERS: K. Shanafelt & E. Wolfe  
HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, R. DelGrosso, E. Hunter, M. Kowalski

#### **Saturday, Oct 11, 4:00 PM:**

LECTORS: 1st-M. Riggie; 2nd-T. Evanskey; Int-J. Bequeath  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: J. Lovrich; Cup: J. Steinbauer & J. Shelow  
ALTAR SERVERS: T. Smith  
HOSPITALITY: A. Bucher, J. Genesi, M. Kissell, B. Risbon

#### **Sunday, Oct 12, 9:00 AM:**

LECTORS: 1st-W. Zapotoczny; 2nd-T. Finn; Int-  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: T. Colabove; Cup: K. Diebold & B. Shedlock  
ALTAR SERVERS: K. Shanafelt & C. Shedlock  
HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, J. Chestney, T. DelMastro, W. Rossi

### **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 Genesi: 814-742-9127.

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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](mailto: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**  
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](mailto:mpleva@dioceseaj.org)

**SR. LINDA LAMAGNA, CCW, PASTORAL MINISTER**  
Office: (814) 742-7894  
Email: [llamagna@dioceseaj.org](mailto:llamagna@dioceseaj.org)

**ALISON BISHOP-AMATO, ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCIAL ASSISTANT**  
Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM  
Parish Office: (814) 742-7075  
Email: [abishopamato@dioceseaj.org](mailto:abishopamato@dioceseaj.org)

**DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (DRE): SR. LINDA LAMAGNA**  
Religious Education Office and Hall: (814) 742-7894  
Church: (814) 742-7075  
Email: [llamagna@dioceseaj.org](mailto: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.

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING		Sep 22 - Sep 28, 2025
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL		\$ 5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:		\$ 1,717.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)		\$ 1,767.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:		\$ 935.00
<b>TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:</b>		<b>\$ 4,419.00</b>
<b>2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET</b>		<b>\$ 20,500.00</b>
<b>CMD COLLECTION TO DATE</b>		<b>\$ 30,619.25</b>

### 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

- **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING** - Monday Oct. 13, 7:00 pm, in the Parish Meeting Room
- **PARISH ASSOCIATION MEETING** - for Monday, Oct. 20, at 6:30pm, in the Parish hall.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Our Parish Thanksgiving dinner will be held on Sunday, Nov. 2, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. , in the Parish hall.

**THE CHRISTMAS TEA is just around the corner.** We are currently collecting monetary donations and/or gift basket items for the basket raffle that takes place during the Christmas Tea on Saturday, December 6. Donation envelopes available in the vestibule. *The Christmas Tea Committee is hoping to have the baskets ready in time for chances to be sold on the baskets during the Parish Thanksgiving Dinner on November 2, 2025.*

**A YOUNG COUPLE IN OUR PARISH IS SEEKING CHILDCARE** for their 7-month-old son. They require care from Monday to Friday, between 7:30 AM and 4:00 PM. If you are interested in this opportunity, please reach out to Sister Linda. They are prepared to offer compensation for your services. Thank you for your consideration, and may God bless you.

**RESPECT LIFE:** During the month of October, we are asking parishioners to donate money and NEW baby items to be given to ELM and Precious Life. Items needed include: diapers, sleepers, blankets, onesies, etc. Please place items in the baskets by the exits. If you have any questions, call Stella Genesi at 742-9127.

**HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS** are invited to the first in a series of active, inspiring, age-appropriate opportunities: A guided small group tour of Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament with Msgr Stanley Carson on **Sunday, 10/26/25 from 1:30-2:30 p.m.** This is a unique opportunity to join Msgr Carson to learn more about our beautiful Cathedral's history, architecture, rich art and stained-glass that together symbolize the presence of God in a different and transformed world. Invite a friend to join you! **RSVP interest by 10/12/25: akcurtis@verizon.net**

**THE 2026 CALENDARS HAVE ARRIVED.** They are available at each church entrance. Thank you to **Jon C. Russin Funeral Home** for generously sponsoring these calendars for our parish.

**JOIN IN GROUP KNITTING CLASSES!** Join in making fun and practical knitting projects for yourself or as gifts! If you know how to cast on, knit and purl, you will be good to go for many of the projects. If you are more advanced, that is even better! We will be making a scarf, hat, sweater, and more! Classes are on Thursdays at 10:30 AM at St. Matthew Parish, beginning October 9, 2025. Participants must be 18 years of age or older. 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. Thank you and happy knitting!

**Parish Mission Presents Fr. James DiLuzio, C.S.P from Paulist Fathers** St. Benedict Parish, 2310 Bedford Street, Johnstown will be hosting Fr. James DiLuzio, C.S.P for their Community-Wide Parish Mission, "Perpetual Pilgrimage". This three-night event will be held at 7:00 pm on October 14, 15, 16, 2025. Come and Journey with us through faith, history, and promise as we explore: Biblical Foundations of HOPE in Christ, Historic contributions of the Church through the ages and the enduring trust in God's promises that unites believers today. Please come with an open heart ready to be awed by the extravagant love of God. Open to adults and children in the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese tickets are not required. A love offering will be taken. For more information contact Deacon Michael Russo at 814-288-3036 or by email at dcmlr@icloud.com

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Sunday, October 05, 2025:**

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

There will be a **SPONSOR-CANDIDATE MEETING** for all **10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>** Grade students who are hoping to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in April of 2026, on **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, from 11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.,** which will include Lunch. This meeting will be held at Saint Joseph Church Social Hall for **both Saint Matthew and St. Joseph Students.** **10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>** Grade Students are reminded to inform their sponsors of the meeting.

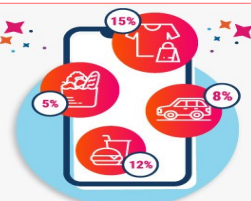
**JUBILEE 2025 Pilgrims of Hope Ecumenical Choral Concert:** You and your friends are invited to Saint John Gualbert Cathedral, Johnstown for a Jubilee Expression of Music, Sunday, October 5, at 2:00 p.m. The choirs featured will be: Diocesan High School Choir: featuring students from Bishop Carroll, Bishop Guilfoyle and Bishop McCort; Westmont Presbyterian Choir, Greater Johnstown Community Choir and Greater Johnstown Diocesan Festival Choir. Before and following the concert In the Zion Lutheran Hall next door you can view the Expressions of Hope Art and Photo display and refreshments.

**FOR SALE:** Two Cemetery Lots at Blair Memorial Park, Bellwood, PA A beautiful perpetual care cemetery with flat memorial markers. Location: Garden of Savior, Lot 174-A, Spaces 1 & 2, in a private and shaded area. Asking price \$1,000. Contact Owner: 717-843-6911 (landline) Reason for sale-live out of area.

**FATIMA DEVOTIONS:** The Franciscan Friars, T.OR., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Monday, October 13, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. Brian Norris. **Bring a Friend!**

**GRIEF HEALS WITH KINDNESS PRESENTATION:** St. Benedict Parish, 2310 Bedford Street, Johnstown will be presenting a Community-Wide Grief Presentation "Grief Heals with Kindness". This one-day event will be held at 3 P.M. on Sunday, October 26, 2025. Come and discover the stages of grief and the corresponding forms of caregiving for each stage. This workshop will emphasize on the importance of expressing one's feelings and needs to others, as well as encouraging them to make decisions about activities in which to participate, who to be with and how to regain a sense of control. Adults in the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are welcome to attend. Tickets are not required. For more information contact Deacon Michael Russo at 814-288-3036 or by email at dcmlr@icloud.com

**BG CLASS OF 1978 ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP:** If your child transferred into the BG school system this year (Pre-K through 12), he or she may be eligible to receive one \$850 scholarship from the BG Class of 1978 Endowment. Please visit the Independent Catholic Foundation's "Grants & Scholarships" webpage via [www.icfoundation.us](http://www.icfoundation.us) to download an application. Please give your pastor or parish administrator ample time to sign it. Parents may submit applications to the Foundation until 4:00 PM, Thursday, November 6.



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**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH, 1114 N Cambria St, Bellwood, has a Clothing Giveaway** on the second Saturday of each month, 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-Janice Endress 814-742-7416.*