




SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: SEP 27-OCT 05, 2025

Sat, Sep 27 4:00 PM for Patricia A. Rickabaugh
 by Jerry & Debbie Shelow
 Sun, Sep 28 9:00 AM for Raife Bailey
 by Pete & Michele Stetter
 Mon, Sep 29 8:00 AM for Mary Kay McCracken
 by the Chihon Family
 Tue, Sep 30 6:00 PM for Souls in Purgatory
 by Cate Rossi
 Wed, Oct 01 7:30 AM HOLY HOUR
 Sat, Oct 04 4:00 PM for Tom Jackson
 by Ann Jackson
 Sun, Oct 05 9:00 AM for the People
 by the Pastor

Sanctuary Candle Sep 28-Oct 04, 2025
 for Michael Long by Marie & Dave Kissell

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, Sep 27, 4:00 PM:

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

Host: J. Shelow; Cup: T. Hoffer & M. Kissell

ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin & T. Smith

HOSPITALITY: J. Genesi, S. Genesi, D. Kissell, B. Risbon

Sunday, Sep 28, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st-L. Krug; 2nd-A. Amato; Int-S. Shaulis
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: P. Krug; Cup: T. Colabove & W. Zapotoczny

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & C. Shedlock

HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, R. DelGrosso, E. Hunter, M. Kowalski

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

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-SIXTH 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

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
 Church Office at **St. Joseph's: (814) 742-7075**
 Church Office at **St. Matthew's: (814) 684-1480**
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SR. LINDA LAMAGNA, CCW, PASTORAL MINISTER
 Office: (814) 742-7894
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ALISON BISHOP-AMATO, ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCIAL ASSISTANT
 Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
 Parish Office: (814) 742-7075
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DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (DRE): SR. LINDA LAMAGNA
 Religious Education Office and Hall: (814) 742-7894
 Church: (814) 742-7075
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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		Sep 15 - Sep 21, 2025
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	2,460.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$	2,964.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	1,195.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$	6,619.00
2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET	\$	20,500.00
CMD COLLECTION TO DATE	\$	30,619.25

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

- **MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE MEETING** – A meeting with the members of the Maintenance Committee will be held on Monday, Sep. 29, at 6:00 p.m. Please contact Sr. Linda If you cannot attend. 814-742-7894
- **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING** - Tuesday, Sep. 30, 6:30 p.m.
- **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.

BLESSING OF PETS – Father Michael will have a blessing of Pets on the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, on Saturday, October 4, at 11:00 a.m., in the yard on the side of the church. *All God's critters and their caretakers are invited.*



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 December 7. 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 FOR LIFE: During the month of October, we are asking parishioners to collect money and NEW baby items to be given to ELM and Precious Life. Items needed include: diapers, sleepers, blankets, onesies, etc. Please place donated 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**

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!

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday, September 28, 2025:

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

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

There will be a **SPONSOR-CANDIDATE MEETING** for all **10th and 11th** 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**. **10th and 11th** Grade Students are reminded to inform their sponsors of the meeting.

SAINT CARLO ACUTIS – This Sunday, September 28 as part of our Junior High/High School Students second hour, our students will continue to watch the documentary on St. Carlo Acutis. I know that when we showed the first hour two weeks ago, the students took away many life changing memories and seemed to be edified by this young saint. If any parent would like to join us at the 7:00 p.m. hour of their Religious Education, know that we will make a space for you and you will be glad that you came.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IS HOSTING ITS ANNUAL GOLF OUTING on October 4, 2025 at Scotch Valley CC. Additional information such as the player brochure and sponsor letter is available in the back of the church.

Enrichment Days at St. Bernardine Monastery:

The Franciscan Friars, TOR at St. Bernardine Monastery welcome you to join us for our Wednesday Enrichment Days Workshop: Oct. 8: History of the Immaculate Conception Province (*register by Oct 3*). The workshop includes a class on the given topic, Mass, and lunch with Friars. The Monastery is located at 768 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648. Pre-registration is required and space is limited, so please register early at 814-695-3802.

Feast of St. Francis – Day of Celebration:

- * Saturday, Oct. 4th - Pet Blessing 9:00 AM
- * Rummage/Garage Sale & Friar's Nook Gift Shop Fall Fling Sale following Pet Blessing/Food and Baked Goods for Sale/Rain or Shine!

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.*

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 the following weekend - Our parish gets a percentage back.** *Bellwood Hometown Market cards are usually on hand.* Thank you for your support.