



JANUARY 25, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: JAN 24-FEB 01, 2026

Sat, Jan 24	4:00 PM	for the People by the Pastor
Sun, Jan 25	9:00 AM	for Esther Potter by Vicki Ellen & Rob
Mon, Jan 26	8:00 AM	for Jerry & Dolores Schirf by Dave Schirf & Janine Schirf
Tue, Jan 27	6:00 PM	for Helen Tomassetti by Debbie & Ken Kleppe
Wed, Jan 28	7:30 AM	HOLY HOUR
Sat, Jan 31	4:00 PM	for Joseph Wharton by Cate Rossi
Sun, Feb 01	9:00 AM	for Joey Potter by Vicki, Ellen & Rob

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, Jan 24, 4:00 PM:

LECTORS: 1st-T. Burr; 2nd-P. Wills; Int-T. Bucher

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: J. Steinbauer; Cup: T. Hoffer & J. Shelow

ALTAR SERVERS: A. Bucher

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

Sunday, Jan 25, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st-L. Krug; 2nd-D. Morrissey; Int-A. Amato

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: T. Colabovo; Cup: K. Diebold & P. Krug

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & E. Wolfe

HOSPITALITY: R. DelGrosso, T. DelMastro, E. Hunter, W. Rossi

Saturday, Jan 31, 4:00 PM:

LECTORS: 1st-B. Pennington; 2nd-A. Bucher; Int-M. Riggle

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: J. Lovrich; Cup: T. Hoffer & Marie Kissell

ALTAR SERVERS: A. Bucher & T. Smith

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

Sunday, Feb 01, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st-G. Finn; 2nd-T. Colabovo; Int-K. Diebold

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: T. Belis; Cup: P. Krug & B. Shedlock

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & E. Wolfe

HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, J. Chestney, R. DelGrosso, M. Kowalski

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF 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**. Office hours: Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Church Office at **St. Matthew's: (814) 684-1480**

Rectory: (814) 684-1480

Email: mpleva@dioceseaj.org

SR. LINDA LAMAGNA, CCW, PASTORAL MINISTER

Office: (814) 742-7894

Email: 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

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (DRE): SR. LINDA LAMAGNA

Religious Education Office and Hall: (814) 742-7894

Church: (814) 742-7075

Email: 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 Gufoyle 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	Jan 12-18, 2026
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$ 5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$ 1,887.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$ 907.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$ 995.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$ 3,789.00
2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET	\$ 20,500.00
CMD COLLECTION TO DATE	\$ 49,369.07

SAINT JOSEPH ON-LINE GIVING
VISIT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.SAINTOSEPHBELLWOOD.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 COUNCIL MEETING**, Monday, Jan 26, 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room.
- **FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING**, Wednesday, Jan 28, 6:30 p.m.
- **ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT CLASSES**: Our Adult Enrichment Class on Catholicism continues this Tuesday from 6:30-8:00 p.m., and again on February 3 & February 10.
- **PARISH ASSOCIATION MEETING** - Tuesday, Feb 10, 2026, at 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room
- **SIGHT AND SOUND FAMILY AFTERNOON** – Since it is very expensive to take a group to Sight and Sound, the Parish Association thought that we could do it here in the parish, using our sight and sound video, and our large screen television, and have some Sunday Afternoon Family fun, on Sunday, February 15, at 1:00 p.m., in the Parish Hall. Bring your favorite comfortable lawn chair and relax. We will provide popcorn, ice cream, and refreshments. We will have a sign-up sheet the first weekend in February.
- **LENTEN ADULT ENRICHMENT** will begin on Friday, February 20. The topic is **LIFE EVERLASTING: Heaven, Hell, Death and Judgment**. This also is a video series by Dr. Edward Sri and Jeffrey Morrow and is a series of five sessions. It will occur after the Friday Stations and end on March 20.

Knights of Columbus #8075
Custom Fly Rod Raffle
9' Swift 4 piece rod
From McFarland Rod Co.,
\$995.00 value
Drawing April 13th 2026
\$5.00 Donation

THE BELLWOOD KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
are selling RAFFLE TICKETS for a CUSTOM
FLY ROD DONATED by MCFARLAND CO.
Tickets are \$5 and the Drawing is APRIL 13.

PLEASE SEE A KOC MEMBER IF INTERESTED.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS: Anyone who would like a Contribution Statement for 2025, please drop a request in the collection basket or email Alison at abishopamato@dioceseaj.org. Please state whether you would like your statement emailed or sent through the regular mail.

Stewardship Reflections: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings remind us that stewardship is not just a thing we do – rather, stewardship is at the core of who we are as disciples of Christ. Our first reading, from Isaiah, contains this prophecy of Christ and what His saving message would mean to all who embrace it. "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone." We are among those blessed people on whom the light of Christ has shone. By virtue of our Baptism, we who were once in the darkness and gloom of original sin have been born again into the great light that is God's grace in us.

We have become cherished members of God's family. What a privilege! Yet, with this privilege comes the responsibility to actually live for God and to bring His good News to all those we meet at work, at school, in our community and right in our own home. This is the essence of a stewardship way of life – to be always ready for the ways that our Lord is calling us to bring His light to others. It's more than something we do – it's who we are.

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.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION for January 25, 2026

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR BOTH GRADE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS HAS BEEN CANCELLED FOR THIS WEEKEND due to the severe weather expected to occur.

Next Sunday, February 1, we will have the **MENTOR SESSIONS** WHICH WE MISSED for our Junior High and High School Students from 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. followed by regular Class and Youth Ministry from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

THE SECOND GRADE PARENT-CHILD RETREAT in preparation for the children's first confession is also **CANCELLED and is RESCHEDULED** for next Sunday, February 1, at Saint Matthew's Hall, from 11:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. Second Grade students should have the Act of Contrition memorized and be able to follow the ritual for going to confession. All their papers are in their folders. We are hoping that parents can review them with their children.

FRANCISCAN FRIARS, TOR LENTEN SERIES AT ST. BERNARDINE MONASTERY: WEDNESDAYS OR FRIDAYS

Join the Franciscan Friars for five weeks of Lenten Reflections, beginning on Wednesday, Feb. 18. Through reflection, prayer, and fellowship we will journey together towards the abundant life of Easter! Class topics are "Lent and Social Teaching of The Church" and are as follows:

Feb. 18/20: Foundation of the Church's Social Justice Teachings (Old & New Testament, Life of the early Church, Conciliar Documents * *Ashes will be distributed during Mass on Feb. 18th.*

Feb. 25/27: Foundation (cont'd) and the Life and Dignity of the Human Person

March 4/6: Call to Family, Community and Participation Rights & Responsibilities

March 11/13: Option for the Poor and Vulnerable the Dignity of Work and Rights of Workers

March 18/20: Solidarity and Care for God's Creation

Please choose the Wednesday OR Friday schedule (no switching between days). The Lenten Reflections will begin at 10:00 AM and include a Lenten reflection, the celebration of Holy Mass, and lunch with the friars. This workshop series will be a free will offering. All classes will be held at St. Bernardine Monastery, 768 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg. To register for the workshop, please call 814-695-3802 by Friday, Feb. 13th. We look forward to seeing you! ***Note: This fulfills the pilgrimage intention for the Year of St. Francis.**

FRIAR'S NOOK GIFT SHOP – LENTEN ITEMS AVAILABLE!

Start your Lenten journey at The Friar's Nook Gift Shop by picking up a Lenten daily devotional, Lent with the Saints series book, Stations of the Cross, prayer cards, and more! The gift shop is located on the campus of St. Bernardine Monastery at 793 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg. You can find new items and updates by following The Friar's Nook Gift Shop on Facebook!

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.

GRIEF SHARE: Fr. Patrick Corrigan, TOR, will be hosting the "Grief Share" program beginning on Thursday, February 5, at 2:00 PM at St. Bernardine Monastery, 768 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg. The "Grief Share" program is a 12-week bereavement workshop for those who have experienced a significant loss, and to assist in understanding and processing emotions. A workbook and resources will be provided for use throughout the program. For questions regarding the program or to enroll, please call 814-695-3802. You may also contact Fr. Patrick via email at pcorrigan@dioceseaj.org.