



FEBRUARY 15, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: FEB 14-FEB 22, 2026

Sat, Feb 14 4:00 PM for Helen Lovrich
by her Family
Sun, Feb 15 9:00 AM for Kathleen Glunt
by Beth Rossi
Mon, Feb 16 8:00 AM for Ermy Ruggiere
by Peg Behe
Tue, Feb 17 6:00 PM for Fr. Raymond Crosser & the
Deceased members of his Family
by his Estate
Wed, Feb 18 7:30 AM **NO HOLY HOUR**

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

† 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph for Jerry & Dolores Schirf
by Dave Schirf & Janine Schirf
† 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Matthew
† 12:00 noon Service with Ashes at St. Joseph
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† 6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph for Frank & Jennie Pulcinello
by Marlene Halbedl

† 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Matthew

Sat, Feb 21 4:00 PM for the People by the Pastor
Sun, Feb 22 9:00 AM for Gary Huff, Jr.
by his Parents

Sanctuary Candle for Feb 15-21, 2026

In memory of Al Poppenweimer by Mary

MASS INTENTIONS: If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for the deceased or for special intentions, you will find envelopes in the Vestibule or you can stop in or call the office.

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, Feb 14, 4:00 PM:

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

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: J. Shelow; Cup: J. Lovrich & J. Steinbauer

ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin & T. Smith

HOSPITALITY: A. Bucher, D. Kissell, M. Kissell, N. Lovrich, Sr.

Sunday, Feb 15, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st-N. Gulvas; 2nd-W. Zapotoczny; Int-N. Lovrich

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: B. Shedlock; Cup: Alison Amato

ALTAR SERVERS: K. Shanafelt & C. Shedlock

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

Saturday, Feb 21, 4:00 PM:

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

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

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

ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin & T. Smith

HOSPITALITY: A. Bucher, D. Kissell, M. Kissell, N. Lovrich, Sr.

Sunday, Feb 22, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st-T. Colabovic; 2nd-G. Finn; Int-D. Morrissey

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: L. Krug; Cup: T. Belis & K. Diebold

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & E. Wolfe

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

SIXTH 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

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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 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

Feb 02-Feb 8, 2026

WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	1,874.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS, ETC.)	\$	566.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	915.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$	3,355.00
2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET	\$	20,500.00
2025 CMD FINAL TOTAL	\$	49,369.07

SAINT JOSEPH ON-LINE GIVING

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.SAIN TJOSEPHBELLWOOD.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

•**DON'T FORGET FAMILY SIGHT & SOUND SUNDAY TODAY, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, from 1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.** at St. Joseph Church Social Hall. Both adults, children and their friends are welcome to join us. Popcorn, Ice cream, and beverages will be served. Children can be dropped off and picked up if parents are not able to attend. Admission is free. To sign up, contact Sr. Linda at 814-742-7894. with number attending.

•**ADULT ENRICHMENT CLASS on Heaven, Hell, Death and Judgment – Life Everlasting**, will begin this Friday, February 20, from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

•**A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** will be held on Monday, February 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room.

•**SAVE THE DATE:** We will be celebrating the Feast of Saint Joseph on Thursday, March 19, with mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by a St. Joseph Table reception in the church hall.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held each Friday of Lent beginning this Friday, February 20, 6:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church. I encourage our parents to bring our young people and children to the Stations of the Cross. It is a powerful devotion for the Lenten Season.

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH – We as a Faith Community will be sending eight individuals to the Cathedral for the **Rite of Elect on Sunday**, February 22, to meet and be welcomed by Bishop Mark and to also be declared the Elect who choose to come into the Catholic Faith on Sunday, April 12, 2026. Please keep them in your prayers. They are Tyler McNellis, Russell Reed, Jason Yon, Donna Aikens, Ilene Fellabaum, Anna Quirin, Jennifer Quirin, and Jill Welch

WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO BE MONEY COUNTERS. If you would like to hear more, you are invited to an informative meeting (no obligation) in the church hall on Thursday, February 19, at 6:30 p.m.



INVITING YOUTH AND ADULTS WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE TRAINED FOR SERVICE AS AN ALTAR SERVER, READER, EUCHARISTIC MINISTER OR USHER. Please contact Sr. Linda at 814-742-7894 if you are interested and a training session will be scheduled for you.

Knights of Columbus #8075
Custom Fly Rod Raffle
9' 5wt 4 piece rod
From McFarland Rod Co.
\$999.00 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.

The Knights of Columbus #8075 support many local organizations in addition to our parish: Every Life Matters, Precious Life, the Hope Center, B-A Public Library, Special Olympics, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, B-A Council of Churches, et al.

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.

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.

NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION for today, FEBRUARY 15, 2026, for President's Day Weekend

PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE! JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH

SCHOOL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: The next class scheduled for our Junior High and High School students is set for **February 22**. Since I need to be at the Cathedral for the eight people coming into the church, and we don't want to forgo another class, the students have agreed to come at **11:15 a.m. on this day and end around 1:00 p.m.** We will provide a light lunch for them.

FIRST CONFESSION FOR OUR SECOND GRADE STUDENTS – Our Second-grade students will celebrate their First Confession on Saturday, February 21, at 10:00 a.m. in the Church. Please have the children wear dress clothes for this special occasion of their First Confession. Parents, grandparents, and God parents are most welcome to attend.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Saturday, February 21 - First Reconciliation

Sunday, March 22 - Second Grade Retreat at St. Joseph

Saturday, April 25 - First Holy Communion

Sunday, April 26 - 9:00 a.m. Mass Rite of Sending for Confirmation for Grades 10 & 11.

Monday, April 27 - Rehearsal for Confirmation is at 6:00 p.m., at the Cathedral

Tuesday, April 28 - Confirmation is at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral.

Candidates and Sponsors - Please Arrive at 6:00 p.m.

Next week, our parish will take up the 142nd annual **NATIONAL BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION**. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

Stewardship Reflections – 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings challenge us to reflect on the true state of our hearts as it relates to stewardship. Do we think of stewardship as something we take care of once a year, simply a matter of ticking off boxes on a commitment card – or do we choose to embrace it as a spirituality and way of life that allows us to grow in conformity to Christ every day?

The concept of stewardship helps us to live out the fundamental choice to put God first. Stewardship is not meant to be a mere external exercise in which we participate on an occasional basis. It is meant to be embraced as a way of life that involved a continuous conversion of heart.

Our Lord is asking us not only for exterior acts, but for a true change of heart. In stewardship terms, that means seeing everything as a gift from Him, to be used for His glory and the good of others. In the week ahead let us examine the state of our hearts to ask ourselves if we have chosen to allow stewardship to become a way of life for us. Only then will we experience its true depth and heart-changing possibilities. The choice is ours.

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!**