



**APRIL 05, 2026**

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: APR 04 - APR 12, 2026**

Sat, Apr 04 *Easter Vigil Mass - St. Matthew, Tyrone at 8:00 p.m.*

Sun, Apr 05 9:00 AM for Kathleen Glunt  
by Mike & Paula Glunt

Mon, Apr 06 8:00 AM **NO MASS**

Tue, Apr 07 6:00 PM for Ermy Ruggiere  
by Peg Behe

Wed, Apr 08 7:30 AM **NO HOLY HOUR**

Sat, Apr 11 4:00 PM for Lorraine "Peggy" Bieniek  
by Michele & Janel Belsey

Sun, Apr 12 9:00 AM for Bunny Glunt  
by Pete & Michele Stetter

**Sanctuary Candle for Apr 05-11, 2026**

In memory of Walter Marasco by Brian Marasco

**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**

**EASTER SUNDAY, APR 05, 9:00 AM:**

LECTORS: 1st-B. Pennington; 2nd-N. Gulvas ; Int-T.Burr

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: T. Hoffer; Chapel & Choir: Sr. Linda; Cup: J. Shelow & B. Shedlock

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & C. Shedlock

HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, R. DelGrosso, M. Hoffer, E. Hunter, O. Shedlock

HOSPITALITY: J. Chestney, J. Genesi, D. Kissell, M. Kissell

**Saturday, Apr 11, 4:00 PM:**

LECTORS: 1st-M. Riggle; 2nd-P. Wills; Int-Sr. Linda

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

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

ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin & T. Smith

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

**Sunday, Apr 12, 9:00 AM:**

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

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: T. Belis; Cup: J. Chestney & C. Weyandt

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & E. Wolfe

HOSPITALITY: T. Carosielli, T. DelMastro, E. Hunter, M. Kowalski

**RECEIVED INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH** - Next Sunday, April 12, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, we have eight (8) adults who desire to come into the Catholic Church. We ask you to pray for them and support them as they come forward to be baptized, confirmed and to receive Holy Communion for the first time. Throughout this Easter Week, please keep them in your prayers: Tyler John McNelis, Russell Mark Reed, Jason Dale Yon-Quirin, Donna Akins, Ilene Louise Fellabaum, Jennifer Lynn Quirin, Anna Quirin and Jill Welch.

**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

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](mailto: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

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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**

Jeanine Chestney, Peter Gardella, Jr., Diane Irwin, Filomena Long,, Barbara Paranich, Richard Peo, Janine Schirf, Dana Tornatore, Dominic Tornatore, 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	Mar 23-Mar 29, 2026	
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	2,170.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS,	\$	372.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	790.00
<b>TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,332.00</b>
<b>2026 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>20,100.00</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, Apr 13, at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room
- **THE FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING** has been rescheduled for May 6, at 6:30 p.m.

**2026 PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**- We are pleased to announce that we will be compiling a 2026 Pictorial Parish Directory with the Universal Church Directories. Our last Parish Directory was in 2015. This directory will include all parishioner family portraits and roster information to help our parishioners stay connected. We are proud to say that we have had many new people join our parish family SINCE 2015, and this is a beautiful way for you to meet them.

The Process is different from what you may remember in the past.

1. If you feel comfortable with the process, you can now sign up online at [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com), and then click on session sign-up .  
The Code is: pa1255  
The Password is Photos.
2. You may also sign up at Church after Mass in the Chapel Area. Date to be announced.
3. If you need assistance, you can contact the Church office at 814-742-7894. We will add another contact number soon. There is no cost to be photographed, and each household will receive a complimentary 8 x10 portrait. Only participating households will receive a free directory. The dates and times for photographs will take place at St. Joseph Church, Social Hall.

**COLLECTION ITEM FOR THE COUNCIL OF CHURCHES FOR THEIR SPRING GIVE-AWAY:** The Council of Churches is collecting laundry detergent and pods. Boxes are at each of the Church entrances for the collection of these items. The deadline for the collection is Tuesday, April 7.

**GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**CARMELITE COMMUNITY OF THE WORD** (Sr. Linda's Community) will have their annual Golf Tournament on **Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**, at the Scotch Valley Country Club.

We welcome anyone who would like to golf with a foursome, at the cost of \$450.000, or donate toward a Tee Sign (\$100.00) or donate items for our basket auction, please contact Sr. Linda at 814-934-0699.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION for APRIL 05, 2026**

No Religious Education

**IMPORTANT DATES FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

- ◇ Thursday, April 23, at 4:15 p.m. - Practice for First Communion
- ◇ **SATURDAY, APRIL 25 - FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** (Pictures will be taken at **3:00 p.m.** in the Chapel Area on their First Communion Day)
- ◇ 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 & Sponsors, Please Arrive at 6:00 p.m.**
- ◇ Sunday, May 3 - May Crowning during the 9:00 a.m. Mass

**MORE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS...**

- **MAY CROWNING** - A Reminder that it has been the custom over the years for the Confirmation Candidates and First Communicants to participate in the annual May Crowning, which will be held on Sunday, May 3, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Again, this calls for dress clothes. The Second-Grade class should wear the First Communion clothes. Please mark your calendars. I will practice with you before the event.
- **ATTENTION 10TH AND 11TH GRADE STUDENTS:** The Rite of Sending will be held at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on April 26. Please remember to inform your sponsors of this date and time. Remember to wear dress clothes and that we will have an area in front of the Church in the first four pews on the left side.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** – Our 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Students will be confirmed on Tuesday, April 28, at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Blessed. Please pray for our candidates in these last weeks before their Confirmation. They have worked hard and are truly seeking a deeper relationship with the Lord. Please pray for: Hailey Evans, Noah Gulvas, Peton Hammond, Julie Kraft, Callista Long, Nicolee Lovrich, Sarah Papi, Bradyn Partner, Blake Pennington, Olivia Rishel, Keagen Shanafelt, Curtis Shedlock and Hunter Shura

**NOW IS THE TIME- TO SIGN UP FOR BIBLE CAMP- VBS** – Early registration helps us to order materials and prepare for our spectacular Bible Camp week. VBS is set for June 15-19 at Saint Joseph church, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Admission is free. Registration is necessary. Registration forms can be found in the vestibule of the Church or online.

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA - ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, BELLWOOD**

Day	Date	Day's Intention	Time
Day 3 (Easter Sunday)	April 5	All devout and faithful souls	3:00 PM
Day 4 (Easter Monday)	April 6	Those who do not believe in Jesus and those who do not yet know Him	6:00 PM
Day 5 (Easter Tuesday)	April 7	The souls of separated brethren	5:30 PM*
			*Mass following devotion
Day 6 (Easter Wednesday)	April 8	The meek and humble souls and the souls of children	6:00 PM
Day 7 (Easter Thursday)	April 9	The souls who especially venerate and glorify Jesus' mercy	6:00 PM
Day 8 (Easter Friday)	April 10	The souls who are detained in purgatory	6:00 PM
Day 9 (Easter Saturday)	April 11	The souls who have become lukewarm	11:00 AM*

\*Confessions after chaplet followed by refreshments in the basement.

DIVINE MERCY MASSES	at St. Joseph	at St. Matthew
April 11	Saturday 4:00 PM	Saturday 5:30 PM
April 12	Sunday 9:00 AM	Sunday 7:30 AM, 10:30 AM

