



MAY 24, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: MAY 23-MAY 31, 2026

Sat, May 23 4:00 PM for August "Gus" Kneidinger by Dennis Benton
 Sun, May 24 9:00 AM for the People by the Pastor
 Mon, May 25 **NO MASS at St. Joseph**
Memorial Day Mass will be held at 9:00 a.m., at St. Matthew's, Tyrone
 Tue, May 26 6:00 PM for Frank "Nutch" Pulcinello by Barry & Darlene Weston
 Wed, May 27 7:30 AM **HOLY HOUR**
 Sat, May 30 4:00 PM for Patrick Wills, Sr. by Joyce Wills
 Sun, May 31 9:00 AM for Thomas & Arlene Hoover by Donnie & Wendy Moore

Sanctuary Candle for May 24-30, 2026

In memory of Art Partner by Pat & Family

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.**

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, May 23, 4:00 PM:

LECTORS: 1st-B. Pennington; 2nd-P. Wills; Int-M. Rigghe
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: J. Shelow; Cup: J. Lovrich & W. Zapotoczny

ALTAR SERVERS: D. Irwin

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

Sunday, May 24, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st-N. Gulvas; 2nd-W. Zapotoczny; Int-D. Morrissey
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Host: J. Chestney; Cup: A. Amato & T. Belis

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & C. Shedlock

HOSPITALITY: R. DelGrosso, E. Hunter, M. Kowalski, W. Rossi

Saturday, May 30, 4:00 PM:

LECTORS: 1st-P. Wills; 2nd-T. Bucher; Int-T. Evanskey
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

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

ALTAR SERVERS: A. Bucher & T. Smith

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

Sunday, May 31, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: 1st-M. Zapotoczny; 2nd-G. Finn; Int-N. Lovrich
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

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

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Rishel & E. Wolfe

HOSPITALITY: R. DelGrosso, E. Hunter, M. Kowalski, W. Rossi

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.

PENTACOST SUNDAY

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

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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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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	May 11-May 17, 2026	
WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION GOAL	\$	5,500.00
REGULAR WEEKLY (SUNDAY) COLLECTION:	\$	2,041.00
OTHER: (HOLY DAYS, DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS,	\$	2,957.00
WEEKLY ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$	1,000.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$	5,998.00
2026 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE TARGET	\$	20,100.00
2026 CMD COLLECTIONS TO DATE		14,516.00

ON-LINE GIVING: 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

- **ALTAR SERVER TRAINING** – today, Sunday, May 24, at 10:00 a.m. in the Church, for any youth or adults who would like to be trained for this ministry.
- **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING** – this Tuesday, May 26, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish meeting room.
- **READER TRAINING** – Sunday, May 31, at 10:00 a.m. in the Church for any youth who has completed 4th grade or adult who would like to be trained for this ministry.
- **PICTORIAL DIRECTORY MEETING:** Monday, June 1, at 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Hall.
- **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING-** Monday, June 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Meeting room.
- **PICNIC COMMITTEE MEETING** – The next Picnic Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 14, at 6:30 p.m., in the Parish Meeting room.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE PARISH PICNIC



Saint Joseph will have its annual Picnic on the Church grounds, on **Sunday, August 9**, from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN:

You can still pick up a Baby Bottle after Mass, fill it with your donation, and return by Father's Day, June 20/21. Collection baskets will be located at each church entrance.

NOTE: PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OUT TO THE BELLWOOD KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, NOT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH.

ANDREW MOSER SCHOLARSHIP: Each year the Knights of Columbus Monsignor Edward O'Malley Council #8075 awards a \$500.00 scholarship to an eligible high school Senior. (Applicants must be a son/daughter of an active member of Council #8075. Grandchildren will be considered ONLY when there are no eligible sons or daughters in a given year.) Applications are available in the Vestibule and must be submitted by June 07, 2026.

B-A COUNCIL OF CHURCHES SCHOLARSHIP: Applications are available for those who are enrolled in an accredited undergraduate program and are presently entering their third or fourth year or enrolled in a seminary program. To qualify for the scholarship, one must be a practicing member of a participating faith community of the Bellwood Council of Churches and studying for ministry or some type of helping field. Applications are available in the Vestibule and are due no later than June 15, 2026.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the soul of our parishioner Gloria "Peachy" Gaines, who passed away on Saturday, May 16, 2026. May our good gracious God grant her eternal peace and happiness in His kingdom and her loved ones comfort and strength.

FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY—DAY OF CELEBRATION: Please join us for a celebration honoring the Feast of St. Anthony of Padua on Friday, June 12, at St. Bernardine Monastery, Hollidaysburg. The event will include an outdoor anticipated Mass for the feast day, Blessing of St. Anthony's Bread, and veneration of a first-class relic of St. Anthony. Mass will begin at 10:00 AM, followed by bread distribution. At the conclusion of Mass, join us for an outdoor lunch. Please register at 814-695-3802 by June 8th if you will be staying for lunch. The celebration will be rain or shine as it will be under a tent!

NOW IS THE TIME TO SIGN UP FOR BIBLE CAMP (VBS)



SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH.

June 15-19, 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!

IN CELEBRATION OF THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIOCESE OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN, ALL THE FAITHFUL ARE INVITED TO A MASS OF THANKSGIVING celebrated by Bishop Mark on May 31 at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona. Priests, deacons, and men and women religious will be in attendance. All parishioners of the diocese are welcome and encouraged to attend the Mass. Anyone interested in being part of the festival choir for the Mass may contact Cathedral Music Director Robert Long by emailing him at rlong@dioceseaj.org.

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!**

WITH GRATITUDE TO ALMIGHTY GOD, THE DIOCESE OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN JOYFULLY ANNOUNCES THE ORDINATION of John Fontana, Matthew Marafino, and Walter Zapotoczny to the Permanent Diaconate through the laying on of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by Bishop Mark Barchak on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at 10:00 AM at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona. All are warmly invited to attend this sacred celebration of the Mass and to keep John, Matthew, and Walter in prayer as they begin their ministry of service to the Church, proclaiming the Gospel, assisting at the altar, and serving God's people in charity.

Stewardship Reflections – Pentecost Sunday

Our Easter celebration reaches its grand finale today as we celebrate the glorious feast of Pentecost. Today, we focus on the role of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church and in our individual lives.

Throughout our readings today, we see the amazing truth that the Holy Spirit gives us gifts and guidance in a very personal way – and that we are meant to use these gifts to build up the Body of Christ in a way that is unique to each one of us. What a stunning privilege and awesome responsibility. We must rely constantly on the Holy Spirit to guide us in the best use of the gifts, talents and blessings we have been given so that we can fulfill the specific mission to which we have been called.

As this Easter season comes to a close, let us be at peace. And let us resolve to lean on the Holy Spirit more and more as our guide through the stewardship way of life.