



SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

623 E. Third Street
Bellwood, PA 16617

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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: JUL 18-JUL 26, 2020

- Sat. 4:00 PM For Gerald Schirf
By his wife Dolores & Family
- Sun. 8:00 AM For the People
By the Pastor
- Mon. 8:00 AM For Thomas Jackson
By Henry & Kathleen Glunt
- Tue. 6:00 PM For Cody & Norma Belin
By the Belin Family
- Wed. 7:30 AM HOLY HOUR**
- Sat. 4:00 PM For Thomas Jackson
By Michelle & Pete Stetter
- Sun. 8:00 AM For Fred DelGrosso
By the Gardella Family

MASS SCHEDULING: Weekend Mass intentions/requests

are limited to 3 masses for the deceased per year. Please keep this in mind. 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.

***Note:** We will not be accepting any new Mass intentions until January of 2021.*

COMMUNION TIMES OUTSIDE OF MASS : Saturday evenings at 5:15 PM, Sunday Mornings at 9:15 AM, in front of the church. Please spread the Word.

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, that's because what makes a person truly rich is not how much they have but how much they give.

PARISH OFFERING	Jul 13-Jul 19, 2020	
Weekly:	\$	1279.00
Other	\$	145.00
Repair Donations	\$	200.00
Online Donations	\$	1192.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	2816.00

SAINT JOSEPH ONLINE GIVING

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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 desired wedding date; Diocesan-approved marriage preparation course required.

Anointing of the Sick: By request.

Bulletin deadline: The deadline to have information considered for the bulletin is Wednesday at 12:00 NOON 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 JOZEF KOVACIK, PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Church Office at St. Joseph's: (814) 742-7075
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SR. LINDA LAMAGNA, CCW, PASTORAL MINISTER

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Office and Hall: (814) 742-7894
Church: (814) 742-7075
Email: stjosephbellwood@dioceseaj.org

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mary Burns, Stuart Crocker, Michael Hollen, David Schirf, David Schroth, Bridget Shedlock, Janine Schirf, Jessica Wertz, Frank Weyandt

Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Sr. Linda 814-742-7075 or our RCIA LEADER: Judy Diebold: (814) 944-2317

Schools: St. Joseph Parish supports St. Matthew and Holy Trinity Catholic Schools, and Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic High School.



2020 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE
DIOCESE OF ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN

Jan. 1 - Jun. 30, 2020

Our Diocesan goal for the 2020 Catholic Ministries Drive is \$19,083.00. As of Jun 30, our parish has received \$17,055.00, still leaving us **short by \$2,028.00**. The goal of \$19,083.00 only covers what we send to the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown. In order to help defray the cost of our church repairs, we are still hoping to raise over that amount. Remember, anything over our goal comes back to our parish to use for our needs.

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Monday, July 27, 5:30 p.m.

Catechists (CCD Teachers) Meeting

Sunday, August 2, 9:15 - 10:30 a.m., with social distancing in the Parish Social Hall.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - A meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council of St. Joseph Parish will be held this Monday, July 27. at 5:30 p.m.

DONATIONS FOR THE CHURCH CARPET - We are still accepting donations towards the payment of the Church Carpet. If anyone is able and willing, simply place your donation in an envelope marked carpeting and either send it to St. Joseph Church or drop it in the collection basket. Thank you.

Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary? If you are celebrating 1, 5, 10, 25, 30, 50, 55, 60, and 60 plus years of marriage in 2020, and you would like to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy on Sept. 13th in Altoona or Sept. 20th in Johnstown, contact the parish office for details. Reservations to attend this mass must be made by Monday, August 24th.

WE NEED SOME MAN POWER TO ASSIST WITH THE SCRUBBING OF THE CHURCH BASEMENT on Saturdays, August 1, 8 and possibly the 15th depending on the number of volunteers we gather, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. We have one large scrubber and would welcome a second one if someone happens to have one as part of their business. This will involve stripping the floor, scrubbing, waxing and buffing. If you are able and would be willing to volunteer your time, please contact Sr. Linda at 934-0699 or the church office at 742-7894.

Stewardship Reflections: July 26 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time


Like King Solomon, using God's gifts of wisdom and understanding, we should be able to discern what treasures we have been given to be used to meet the greatest public needs. The parables in today's readings from Matthew are also about choices and whether we have the discernment to choose wisely what we will share of the portions of the gifts we have been given through God's goodness and generosity.

"Good stewards understand that they are to share with others what they received, that this must be done in a timely way, and that God will hold them accountable for how well or badly they do it." (Stewardship: A Disciple's Response, USCCB, 2003)

Takes some time to think about what single gift you would request

(MT 13:44-52) *A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar*

The man in today's gospel "sold all he had" for the treasure he found. Family relationships are "treasures" and demand our total personal investment. Invest yourself in the "treasure" of your family.

 2020 Relay for Life: Plans are in the making for a one day event to be held on Saturday, August 8. Location will be at the Altoona Curve parking lot. Plans are to offer a "Driving Tour of Teams".



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

CATECHISTS MEETING - A meeting of the Catechists for St. Joseph Religious Education Program will be held next Sunday, August 2, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass, 9:15-10:30 a.m. in the Parish Social Hall, with Social distancing and masks.

WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF TEACHERS (Catechists for grades 2, 9, and 10.) Nick Lovrich has volunteered to teach grade 9, however we need a substitute for him during the Football Season. Any takers?

WE WELCOME ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO BE A SUBSTITUTE TEACHER (Catechist) for any grade level. Substitutes are valuable for keeping our Religious Education moving forward during that time when a Catechist is ill or may be traveling.

PARENT BOARD FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - We would like to establish a Parent Board of 12 or more members to assist with efforts to keep our Religious Education program growing and to keep our children involved in the parish. Any Parent who would like to be involved should contact Sr. Linda as soon as possible. 934-0699. Thank you in advance.

REGISTRATION FORMS FOR ALL GRADE LEVELS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION can be found on our Website. We would like to have all children and teens complete a new registration form so that we are able to update our files. Children entering First Grade can also find a registration form online, complete it and turn it into our Church Office.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS - Today, seven children from our parish will make their First Holy Communion at a special Mass celebrated at 12:30 p.m. Please keep them in your prayers. We are very proud to welcome to the Table of the Lord for the first time: Lucas Gonzalez, Sara Kraft, Kiera Pennington, Blake Shura, Elizabeth Shura, Conner Stere and Jacob Wallace.

WE THANK PAUL KRUG for volunteering to take their pictures. We will display them in the church as soon as they arrive.

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