



November 20, 2022

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: Nov 19 - Nov 27, 2022

SAT, NOV 19 4:00 PM FOR RAYNE & MADDY BURGER
BY GEORGE & REBECCA WERTZ

SUN, NOV 20 9:00 AM FOR THE NEEDS OF KATHLEEN PFALER
& FAMILY
BY BILL & JEANINE CHESTNEY

MON, NOV 21 8:00 AM FOR SHARON MEGAHAN
BY PAUL & LOUISE KRUG

TUE, NOV 22 6:00 PM FOR JOEY BELIS
BY TIM KOST & FAMILY

WED, NOV 23 NO HOLY HOUR
6:00 PM IN THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S ABUN-
DANT BLESSINGS

SAT, NOV 26 4:00 PM FOR JOHN KOST
BY THE WILLS FAMILY

SUN, NOV 27 9:00 AM FOR THE PEOPLE
BY THE PASTOR

MASS INTENTION SCHEDULING: Weekend Mass intentions/requests are limited to 3 masses for the deceased, per year. **Weekday** Mass intentions/requests are limited to 3 masses for the deceased, per requestor, per year. *We schedule as we receive mass intentions and will do our best to honor your requests. 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.*

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Saturday, Nov. 26, 4:00 PM:

LECTORS: T. Evansky-First Reader, M. Riggle-Second Reader, Sr. Linda-Introduction & Intercession
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: J. Steinbauer
ALTAR SERVERS: T. Smith
HOSPITALITY: A. Bucher, D. Kissell, N. Lovrich, Sr., B. Risbon

Sunday, Nov. 27, 9:00 AM:

LECTORS: T. Colabove-First Reader, D. Morrissey-Second Reader, L. Krug-Introduction & Intercession
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: B. Paranich
ALTAR SERVERS: K. Shanafelt & C. Shedlock
HOSPITALITY: J. Chestney, R. DelGrosso, T. DelMastro, M. Kow-

UPCOMING HOLIDAY & RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

THANKSGIVING MASSES

Wed., Nov. 23 6:00 pm Mass at St. Joseph Bellwood
Thu., Nov. 24 9:00 am Mass at St. Matthew Tyrone

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES:

St. Joseph Church in Bellwood on Sunday, December 4 at 5:00 PM
St. Matthew in Tyrone on Monday, December 12 at 7:00 PM

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

St. Joseph: Wed., Dec. 07 at 6:00 pm
St. Matthew Thu., Dec. 08 at 9:00 am & 7:00 pm

CHRISTMAS MASSES:

St. Joseph:
Christmas Vigil: 4:00 PM & 9:00 PM
Christmas Day: 9:00 AM

St. Matthew:
Christmas Vigil: 5:30 PM, Midnight
Christmas Day: 10:30 AM

AREA PENANCE SERVICES

(A COMPLETE LISTING IS POSTED AT EACH ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH)

December 4
Saint Joseph Parish, Bellwood – 5:00 PM

December 10
Saint Therese of the Child Jesus Parish, Altoona – 10:00 AM

December 11
Saint Mary Parish, Hollidaysburg – 4:00 PM

December 12
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Altoona – 7:00 PM
Saint Matthew Parish, Tyrone – 7:00 PM
Saint Rose of Lima Parish, Altoona – 7:00 PM

December 14
Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona – 6:00 PM

December 18
Saint John the Evangelist Parish, Lakemont – 4:00 PM

December 22
Sacred Heart Parish, Altoona – 5:30 PM

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 Wednesday 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 JOZEF KOVACIK, PARISH ADMINISTRATOR
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SR. LINDA LAMAGNA, CCW, PASTORAL MINISTER
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ALISON BISHOP-AMATO, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
Parish Office: (814) 742-7075
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

DRE: SR. LINDA LAMAGNA
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PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Stuart Crocker, Peter Gardella, Jr., Filomena Long, David Schirf, Janine Schirf, David Schroth, Dominic Tornatore, Jessica Steinbauer

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.

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	Nov 07 - Nov 13, 2022	
Weekly (Sunday) Collection Goal	\$	5500.00
Regular Weekly (Sunday) Collection:	\$	2100.00
Other:	\$	888.00
Weekly Online Donations:	\$	763.00
TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:	\$	3751.00
2022 Catholic Ministries Drive Target:	\$	19,337.00
CMD Donations to date for 2022:	\$	29,007.58

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.

SAINT JOSEPH ONLINE GIVING

Visit our website: www.saintjosephbellwood.org

LOTTERY CALENDAR WINNERS

Nov. 7th: 211 \$25 Christopher Schroth
Nov. 8th: 273 \$25 Mitch Halbdel
Nov. 9th: 469 \$25 Andrew Farrell
Nov. 10th: 332 \$25 Audrey Gregg
Nov. 11th: 155 \$75 Rob Shade
Nov. 12th: 043 calendar not sold
Nov. 13th: 992 calendar not sold



ST. JOSEPH PIPE ORGAN RESTORATION DRIVE UPDATE

We have raised **\$12,210** towards our goal of **\$15,000** to restore our 84-year-old Moller Pipe Organ. **Thank you for your support thus far.**

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE MEETING - Tuesday, November 22, following the 6:00 p.m. Mass, in the Parish meeting room.

CHRISTMAS TEA: DECEMBER 3, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Tickets are SOLD OUT.

SMALL FAITH SHARING GROUPS WILL BEGIN DURING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27.

We have five groups thus far that plan to meet. Signup sheets are in the chapel on the Table:

Ted and Bonnie Belis will lead a group on Monday evenings from 6:00-7:30 p.m., starting November 28.

Kathy Tomchik and Lois Loncher's group will meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., in the Chapel, beginning November 30.

Sr. Linda will lead a group on Monday mornings from 8:30 -9:45 a.m., in the Chapel beginning Monday, November 28.

Paul Krug will lead a group on Tuesday Mornings from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m., beginning November 30

Beth Rossi will lead a group on Thursday evenings from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., in the Chapel, beginning December 1.

CALLING ALL SINGERS...

All are welcome to join the St. Joseph's Singers. This is just a group of volunteers who love to sing. If you would like to join us for the Christmas holiday services, we are having 3 rehearsals to prepare. We will be singing a few new songs that will need some work. Most of the other hymns and carols will be familiar old favorites. Please consider joining us!

Practice dates are as follows in the choir loft...

Monday, December 5, 2022 from 7:00-8:30

Monday, December 12, 2022 from 7:00-8:30

Monday, December 19, 2022 from 7:00-8:30

PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE - DECEMBER 4 - Father Jozef will conduct our Advent Reconciliation Service with visiting priests on Sunday Evening, December 4, beginning at **5:00 p.m.** This is the time that we have also scheduled Confessions for Grade and High School Students. Please mark your calendars and plan to be present. Junior High and High School Students will have Religious Education following the Reconciliation Service from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., with dismissal at 7:00 p.m.

I would like to thank everyone who did baskets, prizes, or donations for the Christmas Tea this year. We are close to 70 prizes! All of them are awesome! Again, thank you so much for your generosity and making this an AMAZING Christmas Tea! Tanya Hoffer

SHOP FOR A CAUSE THIS CHRISTMAS!

Ten Thousand Villages is partnering with the State College Chapter of Catholic Relief Services to offer a community shopping event on Saturday, December 3 from 11:00am to 6:00pm at their store at 1341 South Atherton Street. An exciting collection of handmade fair trade artisan gifts are available and 15% of your purchase will be donated to Catholic Relief Services in support of their agricultural, educational, and emergency relief work around the world.



LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS PRESENT?

Please take advantage of our **Parish Scrip Program**. A representative is in the Vestibule of the Church to take orders for gift cards for Shopping at Hometown Market or Martins, for Gas at Sheetz's or for Spending at Sam's Club or Walmart, as well as Home Improvement at Lowe's or Home Depot. Place an order after mass and pick up your card the following weekend. Our parish will receive a percentage back which we will use for necessary repairs. Thank you for your support.

ORDER EARLY TO ENSURE YOUR GIFT CARDS ARRIVE IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS...

THE SISTERS OF SAINT ANN ANNOUNCE AN ADVENT RECOLLEC-

TION. Saturday, December 3, 2022, at St. Ann Retreat Center, 1120 N. Center St, Ebensburg. Time: 9:00 AM till 4:00 PM., Spiritual Director, Reb. Mark Pattock, OFM Cap. Donation \$40.00 (including Lunch). For more information and Reservation Call: Sisters of St. Ann: 814-472-9354. All are welcome.

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, November 24, Friday November 25, and Monday, November 28, so that we can enjoy the Thanksgiving Holiday.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Pre-School/Kindergarten-Grade 6, 10:00 - 11:15 AM. Jr. High/High School, 6:00 - 8:00 PM.

REMINDER FOR 10TH GRADE STUDENTS: The Gifts of the Holy Spirit and Parable Retreat is this afternoon, Sunday, November 20, from 1:00 - 3:00 P.M., at Saint Mary's Gym in Altoona.

REMINDER FOR ALL TEEN RELIGIOUS ED STUDENTS: A TEEN HOLY HOUR will be held this evening, Sunday, November 20, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., here at St. Joseph, with a Holy Hour which includes Praise and Worship and Witness talks, from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., followed by a Taco Bar and snack Celebration from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., in the Parish Social Hall.

CHRISTMAS TOY COLLECTION THROUGH BELLWOOD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES - St. Joseph Church is doing its annual collection of Christmas toys for children and teens beginning this Weekend. Boxes have been placed at both entrances to the Church. Our collection of toys will be through both the Parish and our Religious Education Program. The Final Date for donations is December 18, 2022.

THANK YOU TO THE TEENS who came to assist with the Thanksgiving Dinner. When I made the announcement last week, I missed Cory Shanafelt's name. He, too, served along with Marissa Cacciotti, Vincent Cacciotti, Owen Hoover and Curtis Shedlock.

Thank you, Sister Linda

GIVE BACK THROUGH #IGIVECATHOLIC!

#iGiveCatholic on #GivingTuesday is coming soon...on **November 29!** But, if you want to Give Back before the big day to support your favorite parish, school or ministry in our community, giving them a boost toward their goal, **visit our site now through November 28, during our Advanced Giving Day phase of #iGiveCatholic 2022!**

We invite you to pray and discern what God wants to do through your gifts in your favorite Catholic parish, school or ministry this #GivingTuesday. What is God putting on your heart? Where can you make a heartfelt impact to benefit lives in our community? Through our faith-filled responses, we unite with thousands across the nation, and the world, giving back, and Giving Catholic, as we feed the multitudes, and watch the ordinary become extraordinary.

Just a reminder, 100% of the donations from #iGiveCatholic go directly to your parish, school or ministry. The Diocese keeps nothing!

Thanksgiving Prayer

Lord, we thank you for the goodness of our people and for the spirit of justice that fills this nation. We thank you for the beauty and fullness of the land and the challenge of the cities. We thank you for our work and our rest, for one another, and for our homes. We thank you, Lord: accept our thanksgiving on this day. We pray and give thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE FIRST EVER ST. MARY & ST. MICHAEL NATIVITY FESTIVAL is being offered as a gift to the Hollidaysburg parish communities including all in the surrounding community area. This festival encourages attendees to reflect on the humble birth and life of Jesus Christ, our Savior, and is a two-day, self-guided, FREE public event. It will feature magnificently crafted nativity sets, including the historic nativity sets from both parishes. Loaned by parishioners and friends, these works reflect the culture and perspective of artists around the world. This amazing event for the whole family includes a free Christmas Concert by the Altoona Community Band. The event will be held in the St. Mary social hall (312 Clark St- Hollidaysburg) on Saturday, Dec. 17 from 3 PM to 7 PM and on Sunday, December 18 from 8:30 Am - 6 PM. A free Christmas Concert by the Altoona Community Band will be held in St. Mary Church at 3:00 PM.



We fly to Your patronage, O Virgin Mother of God. Despise not our prayers in our needs, but deliver us from all dangers, since you alone are pure and blessed.

O most glorious Ever-Virgin Mary, the Mother of Christ our God, accept our prayers and present them to Your Son and our God, that for the sake of You, He enlighten and save our souls.

FREE SOUP & DESSERT EVERY WEDNESDAY THRU THE HOPE CENTER. Lunches will be delivered to the elderly & disabled. This is an outreach of the Council of Churches. If you would like a meal or know of someone who would, call Stella: 814-742-9127. **Volunteers also needed to bake desserts or deliver meals.**