



**October 01, 2023**

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS: SEP 30 - OCT 08, 2023**

SAT, SEP 30	4:00 PM	FOR THE PEOPLE BY THE PASTOR
SUN, OCT 01	9:00 AM	FOR HELEN ROSSI BY TED & BONNIE BELIS
MON, OCT 02	8:00 AM	FOR TOM JACKSON BY ANN JACKSON & FAMILY
TUE, OCT 03	6:00 PM	FOR JENNIE & JOSEPH SKONIECZKI BY BARBARA PARANICH
WED, OCT 04	7:30 AM	HOLY HOUR WITH COMMUNION
THU, OCT 05	8:00 AM	ST. MATTHEW, TYRONE
FRI, OCT 06	8:00 AM	ST. MATTHEW, TYRONE
SAT, OCT 07	4:00 PM	FOR BEN & WALTER WERTZ BY GEORGE & REBECCA WERTZ
SUN, OCT 08	9:00 AM	FOR GERRY HALBEDLY BY MARY ANN & CARL CRIDER, SR.

**MASS INTENTION SCHEDULING: Weekend Mass** intention requests are limited to **3 masses for the deceased, per year.** **Weekday Mass** intention requests are limited to **3 masses for the deceased, per requestor, per year.** *Please keep in mind that we schedule as we receive mass intentions 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.*

**VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, Oct 07, 4:00 PM:**

LECTORS: A. Bucher-1st Reader, T. Bucher-2nd Reader, T. Evanskey-Introductions/Intercessions

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: J. Steinbauer-Host, Sr. Linda & J. Lovrich-Cup

ALTAR SERVERS: T. Smith

HOSPITALITY: A. Bucher, J. Genesi, D. Kissell, M. Kissell

**Sunday, Oct 08, 9:00 AM:**

LECTORS: C. Shanafelt-1st Reader, G. Finn-2nd Reader, T. Finn-Introduction & Intercession

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: B. Paranich-Host, J. Chestney & T. Belis-Cup

ALTAR SERVERS: E. Caldwell & S. Caldwell

HOSPITALITY: B. DelGrosso, T. DelMastro, M. Kowalski, W. Rossi

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING	Sep 18-Sep 24, 2023	
<b>Weekly (Sunday) Collection Goal</b>	\$	<b>5,500.00</b>
Regular Weekly (Sunday) Collection:	\$	2,141.00
Other:	\$	657.00
Weekly Online Donations:	\$	1,443.00
<b>TOTAL WEEKLY COLLECTION:</b>	\$	<b>4,241.00</b>

**2023 Catholic Ministries Drive Target** \$ 18,910.00

**CMD Donations to date for 2023:** \$ 26,428.31

**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](http://www.saintjosephbellwood.org)

**The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in 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](mailto: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, PARISH ADMINISTRATOR  
Church Office at St. Joseph's: (814) 742-7075

Church Office at St. Matthew's: (814) 684-1480

Rectory: (814) 684-1480

Email: [mpleva@dioceseaj.org](mailto:mpleva@dioceseaj.org)

SR. LINDA LAMAGNA, CCW, PASTORAL MINISTER

Office: (814) 742-7894

Email: [llamagna@dioceseaj.org](mailto:llamagna@dioceseaj.org)

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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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

DRE: SR. LINDA LAMAGNA

Religious Education Office and Hall: (814) 742-7894

Church: (814) 742-7075

Email: [llamagna@dioceseaj.org](mailto:llamagna@dioceseaj.org)

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Stuart Crocker, Peter Gardella, Jr., Filomena Long,, Barbara Paranich, Janine Schirf, , Dominic Tornatore, Jessica Steinbauer, Christopher Wagner, Rebecca Wertz

*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.

**LOTTERY CALENDAR WINNERS**

- Sept. 18th: 571 \$25 Stephen Krug
- Sept. 19th: 221 \$25 Jenny McClellan
- Sept. 20th: 749 \$25 Mary O'Leary
- Sept. 21st: 628 \$25 Chris Schroth
- Sept. 22nd: 263 calendar not sold
- Sept. 23rd: 667 calendar not sold
- Sept. 24th: 601 \$50 Abbey Crider



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.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- ◆ **Fundraising Committee Meeting:** Wed., Oct. 4, at **6:30 pm**, in the Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **Knights of Columbus Meeting:** Mon., Oct. 9, at **7:00 pm**.
- ◆ **Finance Council Meeting:** Tue., Oct. 17, at **6:30 pm**.
- ◆ **Maintenance Committee** - A meeting of the Maintenance will be held on Thursday, October 19, at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room.
- ◆ **Parish Council Meeting** - A meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday, October 23, at 6:30 p.m.

**ADULT ENRICHMENT CLASS ON PRAYER** continues this Tuesday, October 3, at 6:30 p.m. and following the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

### ANNUAL BLESSING OF ANIMALS

Wednesday, October 4, we celebrate the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi. Traditionally, on this day we bless our pets and other animals. **This year the blessing will take place on Tuesday, October 10**, following the 6:00 p.m. Mass, on the lawn by the church. Pet owners are welcome to bring "all creatures big and small" along with leashes, crates and carriers. Even if you don't have a pet you can join us for this warm-hearted and prayerful celebration.



**FALL WORKSHOP ON "BEGINNING AGAIN"** - Diocesan Eucharistic Revival Presentations by three priests from our Diocese: Monsignor Stanley Carson, Father John Slovickovski and Father Aron Maghsoudi. You don't want to miss out on these presentations. Coming up in two weeks, October 14, from 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. Father Kelley Hall, at St. Therese of the Child Jesus Parish, Altoona. To register go to [www.dioceseaj.org/beginning-again](http://www.dioceseaj.org/beginning-again).

### SAINT JOSEPH PARISH "DESIGNER PURSE BASKET BINGO"

**SUNDAY, OCT 15, 2023**

Doors open at 11:30 am \* Lunch at 12:15 pm

**Bingo starts at 1:00 pm**

**Cost is \$50 per ticket.**



Includes lunch, 10 regular games, ONE Grand Prize Ticket, TWO Cases of Cash Tickets, Bingo Dauber.

*Each basket will include a beautiful purse made by Coach, Michael Kors, Kate Spade or Vera Bradley.*

**Seating is limited \* Reserve early!**

Saint Joseph Parish, 623 E. 3rd St, Bellwood PA 814 742 7075  
*All proceeds directly benefit Saint Joseph Parish.*

**RESPECT FOR LIFE:** During the month of October, St. Joseph Parish will be collecting money and NEW baby items to be given to ELM and Precious Life. Items needed include: diapers, sleepers, blankets, onesies, etc. Please place donated items in the baskets by the exits. If you have any questions, call Stella Genesi at 814-742-9127.



### SAINT JOSEPH PARISH THANKSGIVING DINNER

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023, at 5:00 PM., IN THE PARISH HALL. SIGN-UP SHEETS WILL BE POSTED SOON.**

### 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.

### Grace Lutheran Church

114 N. Cambria Street  
Bellwood, PA  
Any questions,  
please call Janice Endress at  
814-742-7416

### Grace's Closet Clothing Give-Away

2nd Saturday of every month.  
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TODAY:

Grade School (K-6): 10:00-11:15 a.m.

Parent Meeting with Jr. High & High School (7-11): **6:00-7:00 p.m.**

**PARENT MEETINGS TODAY** - A meeting will be held with the parents of our Grade School Religious Education from 10:00 - 11:15 a.m. in the Church and this evening at 6:00 p.m. we will hold a meeting with the parents and Teens of our Junior High and High School students. Dismissal will be at 7:00 p.m.

**OCTOBER 8 (Next Sunday)** is our safety weekend for our grade and high school students. The Grade School students will have a Fire drill at 10:15 a.m. and in the evening at 6:00 p.m. our High School students will have speaker Charles Pennington speak to them on School (Religious Education) Safety. We are blessed to have parishioners who are First Responders and willing to help our students be introduced to safety precautions.

**SPONSOR -CANDIDATE MEETING** - A meeting for the Sponsors of our 11th Grade class will be held on Sunday, October 22, from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall of St. Joseph Church. This meeting is for both **St. Joseph and St. Matthew** Candidates and Sponsors.



**BAPTISM CLASS** - (St. Matthew & St. Joseph Parishes) The last Baptism class of the year for parents of newborns or parents desiring to have their child baptized is **Tuesday, November 14, at 6:30 p.m.**, in the Chapel. Please contact Sr. Linda at 814-742-7894 to register in advance so that sufficient materials can be prepared. **This Baptism session is for both parents and the chosen Godparents.**



**A ROSARY RALLY** will be held at the Saint Matthew School parking lot (near the statue of the Blessed Mother) on Saturday, October 7th at noon to mark the 106th Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima Portugal. Please consider participating. Chairs will be provided. Light refreshments afterwards. In case of inclement weather, the rosary will be held in the Gathering Space. Any questions please contact the parish office.

### DIocese of Altoona-Johnstown CHARITABLE GIFTS OF STOCK

*Please consult your financial advisor to determine your specific benefits.* To make charitable gifts of stock to your parish or diocesan ministry within the Diocese of Altoona- Johnstown, please share this information with your broker. Complete and sign any documents as required by your broker. Communicate your contact information (stock name, number of shares, and date of the transfer and special restrictions) to the Diocese's Development Director to ensure that your gift is allocated to the specific parish, school or Diocesan ministry of your choice:

**Heather Foor, Director of Stewardship and Development Office:**  
**814.695.5579 Direct: 814.317.2604 Email: [hfoor@dioceseaj.org](mailto:hfoor@dioceseaj.org)**

*The Diocesan Development office will promptly issue a gift substantiation letter as soon as our broker communicates the transfer details.*

**Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Inc.** Altoona PA, administers the Diocese's account.

**DTC No:** 0793 / **Account Number:** VW81 5600-9287

**Name/Address:** Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Inc., 180 Charlotte Drive, Suite 100, Altoona, PA 16601, Toll-Free: 1.800.533.6401

**Local, Karen Schraff:** 814.941.6070

**Account Name:** The Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown  
2713 West Chestnut Avenue Altoona, PA 16601, 814.695.5579

**Tax EIN:** 23-1533889

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