

# St. Joseph the Worker Parish

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PASTOR

Deacon John M. Sutter

SAINT

JOSEPH  
THE WORKER

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The office is closed on federal holidays/  
holydays of obligation.  
Monday through Friday—8:30 to 3:30 p.m.  
Office closed daily from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m.

## PARISH OFFICE

Seven South Broad Mountain Avenue  
Frackville, PA 17931-1800  
**Telephone:** (570) 874-0610—**Fax:** (570) 874-0969  
Ext. 4--Parish Secretary;  
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Email: [frackvillerc3@verizon.net](mailto:frackvillerc3@verizon.net)  
Parish web site: [www.stjoesfrackville.com](http://www.stjoesfrackville.com)

## PARISH REGISTRATION AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Please call the Parish Office and we will assist you in this  
process.

## ST. JOSEPH COMPLEX LOCATIONS

49 North Line Street &  
33 South Broad Mountain Avenue

## REGIONAL SCHOOLS

Assumption B.V.M. School  
112 South Seventh Street, Pottsville, PA 17901  
Telephone: (570) 622-0106  
[www.assumptionbvmschool.net](http://www.assumptionbvmschool.net)

Marian Catholic High School  
166 Marian Avenue, Tamaqua, PA 18252  
Telephone: (570) 467-3335,  
[www.mariancatholics.org](http://www.mariancatholics.org)

St. Jerome Regional School  
50 Meadow Avenue, Tamaqua, PA 18252-4313  
Telephone: (570) 668-2757  
[www.sjrschool.com](http://www.sjrschool.com)

Nativity B.V.M. High School  
One Lawtons Hill, Pottsville, PA 17901  
Telephone: (570) 622-8110,  
[www.nativitybvm.net](http://www.nativitybvm.net)

St. Joseph Center for Special Learning, Inc.  
302 Randel Street, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972  
570-622-4638 Fax: 570-622-3420  
[www.stjosephctr.com](http://www.stjosephctr.com)

## SACRAMENTS

**Sacrament of Baptism-** The sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated on Sundays after 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please call the Parish Office at least two months in advance in order to make arrangements. Parents must be registered in the parish and active for at least three months prior to the Baptism.

**Sponsors must be canonically eligible.**

**Certificates of Eligibility-** sponsorship at Baptism or Confirmation requires that a person be an active, registered member of the parish three months prior to receiving the certificate of eligibility. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**Sacrament of Marriage-** Please call the Parish Office at least 6 months before the proposed marriage dates in order to arrange for the necessary preparation. An appointment is necessary before a wedding date may be scheduled. Parish and Diocesan pre-marital classes are required. Only parish guidelines will be followed in planning the marriage ceremony.

**Order of Christian Funerals-** At the time of death, contact the funeral home of your choice.

The funeral home will then contact the Parish Office.

## DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC

**DIRECT** Phone line: (800) 791-9209

[wkrisak@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:wkrisak@allentowndiocese.org)

[www.victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org](http://www.victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org)

## DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR:

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS, Secretary for Youth Protection, Diocese of Allentown, 1515 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, PO Box F, Allentown PA 18105-1538

Phone: (610) 871-5200 ext. 2204 FAX: (610) 871-5211

[prusso@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:prusso@allentowndiocese.org)

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited & encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more info about this program.

The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church. To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, & Code of Conduct, please visit [www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) & click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right hand corner of the page. [www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) go to "Youth Protection" to learn more about Diocese's Youth Protection programs.

**Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service.** If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 1-800-276-1562.

# SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

## APRIL 27, 2025

### MASS SCHEDULE



#### Saturday, April 26

**4:00 PM** at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*  
5:30 PM SJWP Rose Mazloom requested by John & Tina Smolock

#### Sunday, April 27

**9:00 AM** at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*  
11:00 AM SJWP Intentions of Divine Mercy

#### Monday, April 28

5:30 PM SJWP Robert Gownley requested by Margaret Mary and Family  
—SJWP Adoration 1:00 to Mass Time—

*No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo*

#### Tuesday, April 29

8:30 AM SJWP No Mass at SJWP, Frackville

**8:30 AM** *Mass at SCB-Ashland*  
—SCB Adoration 9:00 to 11 a.m. in Chapel—

#### Wednesday, April 30

8:30 AM SJWP Michael Gudleski requested by Ed & Lynda Halaburda  
—SJWP Adoration 9 a.m. to Noon—

*No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo*

#### Thursday, May 1-Feast of St. Joseph the Worker

5:30 PM For all SJWP parishioners

#### Friday, May 2

8:30 AM No Mass at SJWP, Frackville

**12 Noon** *Mass at SCB, Ashland*

#### Saturday, May 3

**4:00 PM** at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*

5:30 PM SJWP Jack Blickey requested by Family

#### Sunday, May 4

**9:00 AM** at *St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland*

11:00 AM SJWP Alice Eick requested by Family

#### **PRAY FOR:**

All those in need. Especially those who are sick, are feeling weak or lonely & all our deceased. Increase their faith and assist them in their difficulties.



### CANDLE OFFERINGS



The **Vigil Light** at the **Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns for Special Intentions.  
The **Vigil Light** at the **Statue of St. Joseph** burns in memory of Gaughan and Kneib Families by Peggy Gaughan.  
The **Vigil Light** at the **Statue of St. Ann** burns for health, guidance and God's blessings for the Kluss Family requested by El and Dol.  
The **Vigil Light** at the **Statue of St. Ann** burns in memory of Francis, Peg and Cody Chaklos by the Chaklos Family.  
The **Vigil Light** at the **Statue of St. Anthony** burns for a Special Intention by TMS.  
The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns in memory of Pope Francis the Pope of Mercy.

### WEEKLY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

(effective January 1, 2025)

Saturday: 3:30 to 3:55 p.m. (SCB)

5:10 to 5:25 p.m. (SJWP)

Sunday: 8:30 to 8:55 a.m. (SCB)

Monday: 5:10 to 5:25 p.m. (SJWP)

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday: 1:00 to Mass time (5:30 p.m.) (SJWP)

Tuesday: 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. (SCB) in chapel

Wednesday: 9:00 to 12 noon (SJWP)

St. Joseph the Worker Church will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. except as noted above.

Vigil Lights \$9.00/week and Sanctuary Lamp \$12.00/week

If you would like to reserve a candle, just please call the office or place request and money in the collection basket.

### WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION

April 6, 2025—\$5,586.52

*Thank you for your continued support of your Parish and other collections.*

### ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CEMETERY WEBSITE

Visit the newly refurbished cemetery website. It includes Annunciation BVM and St. Joseph Cemeteries. It has been expanded to include more information about our deceased loved ones.

The web address is

[www.sjwcemeteries.org](http://www.sjwcemeteries.org) or you can go to our website to find the link.

Parish website: [www.stjoesfrackville.com](http://www.stjoesfrackville.com)

# PARISH NEWS

## Ministry Schedule—May 3-4, 2025 St. Joseph the Worker Parish

### **SERVERS:**

#### **Saturday, May 3**

5:30 p.m. Lucia and Rocco Sanfilippo

#### **Sunday, May 4**

11:00 a.m. Kyra and Alexander Krapf

### **LECTORS:**

#### **Saturday, May 3**

5:30 p.m. Carolyn Tenaglia

#### **Sunday, May 4**

11:00 a.m. Patti Domalakes

### **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:**

#### **Saturday, May 3**

5:30 p.m. Carolyn Tenaglia **Choir: Any EM available**

#### **Sunday, May 4**

8:30 a.m. **Nursing Home:** Angela Pyzowski

11:00 a.m. Patti Domalakes **Choir:** Joe Bane

## ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER FEAST DAY

Thursday, May 1, 2025

5:30 p.m.

**Servers:** Olivia Yurkonis and Helena Jacobs

**Lector:** Diane Rowland

**EM:** Deacon John Sutter

**NURSING HOME EM** — at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday is the time to go to the Nursing Home. This gives them time to be ready for you when you arrive. Thank you for your understanding.

## COMBINED FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

St. Joseph the Worker and St. Charles Borromeo will have a combined First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 3, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. in St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Ashland. **Practices on April 29 and 30th both at 4:30 p.m. at St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland.**

## A LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

A “Life in the Spirit Seminar” will be offered at St. Ambrose Church (201 Randel St., Schuylkill Haven) on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. and Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. beginning April 30th and May 1st and continuing May 7/8, 14/15, 22/23 (note date change for morning session), 28/29, and June 4/5. The seminar is offered twice for your convenience; choose either morning or evening session. “LSS” is a series of teachings on how to get deeper in your relationship with God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. No matter where you are in your relationship with the Lord, your intimacy with Him will grow. Bring your expectant faith and He will not disappoint. Whatever your need is, He will satisfy as only He can; healing in spirit, mind, and body. Come and experience the healing, deliverance, peace, and joy of the Lord. Find your true identity and know how God sees you. **For more info or to register, please reach out to Jim and Teresa Heller or call St. Ambrose at 570-385-1031 to be put in touch with the Hellers.**

## ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

**May 1**—Feast Day of St. Joseph the Worker Mass at 5:30 p.m. and dinner immediately following in Parish Hall.

**May 3**—Combined First Holy Communion SJWP & SCB at 11:00 a.m. in St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland

**May 4**—Last PREP Session with May Crowning & Mass at 6:00 p.m.

**May 5**—Adoration 1 p.m. to Mass Time, Confessions 5:00 to 5:25 p.m. and Mass at 5:30 p.m.

**May 5**—Friends of St. Joseph the Worker Meeting in Social Room at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome.

**May 7**—Adoration 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon

**TEXT ALERTS**—Anyone that would like to be notified of a change in Mass or cancellations due to weather and other unforeseen events, kindly text @stjosephfr to 81010. This is for anyone who has not yet signed up for **Remind**.

## ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER FEAST DAY MASS AND DINNER—THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2025

We will celebrate our Parish Feast Day on **May 1, 2025 with Mass at 5:30 p.m. and then immediately following a spaghetti dinner in the Parish Hall at Nine South Broad Mountain Avenue.** The dinner will be prepared by Bernard Bruni with help from the Friends of St. Joseph the Worker Committee. Please contact the parish office (570-874-0610 ext. 4) if you plan to attend the dinner on or before April 25, so we can get an accurate count.

### About St. Joseph the Worker

#### Feast Day:

The Feast of St. Joseph the Worker is celebrated on May 1st, commemorating the patron saint of workers and the dignity of labor, a feast day instituted by Pope Pius XII in 1955.

This date is also International Workers' Day.



## THE NATIVITY GREEN & GOLD BOOSTER CLUB

Booster club will be holding their Annual Basket Auction on May 3rd & 4th. Shop and Drop on Saturday, May 3 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Sunday, May 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (time of auction). Grand Prize will be \$750 in gift cards from Marlin Markets, Tony's Meat Market and Adlephia Seafood. Many great prizes, refreshments will be available. Any questions please call Diane @ 570-622-8110

“Stuff is not your friend in the fourth quarter. It's a distraction. It occupies space in your heart and mind. Things require time, attention, and care, which leaves less time for what really matters.”

THE FOURTH QUARTER OF YOUR LIFE  
*embracing what matters most*

### **DIVINE MERCY PARISH, SHENANDOAH**

Our parish will have our Annual Devotions in honor of Divine Mercy Sunday on Sunday, April 27th beginning at 3:00 p.m. with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Divine Mercy Devotions at Divine Mercy Parish, 224 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah.

### **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS, COURT ST. JAMES #1029**

The Catholic Daughters, Court St. James #1029, will meet Sunday, May 18th at noon in St. Joseph the Worker Parish (St. Ann) Hall behind the church. All interested women are invited to attend. New members are always welcome!

### **SIGHT AND SOUND—NOAH TRIP UPDATE**

For those people who have already signed up for the Wednesday, May 7th trip to the Sight and Sound Theatre to see Noah, **your final payment was due Monday, April 7.**

Fr. Esposito will be teaching a class about Noah on **Tuesday, May 6th** at 6:00 p.m. in St. Charles Borromeo Hall, Ashland. Watch for more details in upcoming bulletins.

### **ITINERY**

7:40-7:45 a.m. Arrive at the former Paul Chevrolet parking lot (321 S. Hoffman Blvd., Ashland)

8:00 a.m. Bus departure

10:00-11:00 a.m. Arrival at Sight and Sound (gift shop, snacks and restrooms)

11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Noah Show (there will be an intermission)

\*After the show we will board the bus and travel to Shady Maple Restaurant for our lunch. (Approximately 16 miles) Our Reservation is 2:30-4:00 p.m. We will have an extra half hour to shop at the Shady Maple gift shop.

4:30 p.m. Departure from Shady Maple

### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASSES WITH BISHOP SCHLERT**

St. Ambrose — Schuylkill Haven — May 4, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.

St. Thomas More — Allentown — August 24, 2025 at 12 p.m.

St. Catharine of Siena — Reading — September 7, 2025 at 11:30 a.m.

St. Joseph — Summit Hill — November 23, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.

This great gift of grace offers holistic healing by praying for a cure, but, more importantly for the gift of hope and peace that the sufferer would be united to Christ on the Cross.

### **BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC DAILY MASS**

#### **Daily Mass with Bishop Schlert**

Wednesday, May 7 — St. Joseph, Summit Hill (462 W. Ludlow Street) 8:00 a.m.

Thursday, May 15 — Immaculate Conception, Douglasville (905 Chestnut Street) 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 3 — St. Joseph Coopersburg (5050 St. Joseph Road) 8:00 a.m.

Thursday, September 4 — Holy Family, Nazareth (401 W. Center Street) 8:30 a.m.

Monday, September 8 — St. John the Baptist, Pottsville (S. Tenth and Mahantongo Sts.) 6:30 p.m.

### **BIBLE MUSEUM AND WASHINGTON, DC**

#### **FREE TIME BUS TRIP**

<https://crbustours.rezdy.com/676031/bible-museum-washington-dc-free-time>

Go to this site to learn more about information to see the Bible Museum and Washington, DC or to sign up. Museum of the Bible is a global, innovative, educational institution whose purpose is to invite all people to engage with the transformative power of the Bible.

Trip is on Monday, July 14, 2025. Cost is \$99.00 per person. C&R Bus Tours is the transportation with pick ups in St. Clair, Giant Supermarket in Cressona or Hamburg Walmart.

### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

**Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, the Octave of Easter, which this year is April 27, 2025.**

It is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, which concludes the Octave of Easter. It is originally based on the Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy that Faustina Kowalska reported as part of her visions of Jesus, and is **associated with special promises from Jesus and indulgences issued by the Catholic Church.**

