

# St. Joseph the Worker Parish

FATHER GUENCY ISAAC  
PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR  
Deacon John M. Sutter

## 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;  
Ext. 5--Mass Schedule;  
Ext. 6--Holy Day Mass Schedule;  
Ext. 7--Confession/Adoration Schedule;

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](mailto: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.

# TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## AUGUST 24, 2025



### Saturday, August 23, 2025

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

5:30 PM SJWP Steven Joshua Molina requested by Family

### Sunday, August 24

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

11:00 AM SJWP Gudleski Family requested by Family

### Monday, August 25

5:30 PM SJWP Bernie Tomko requested by Mike Kost  
—Adoration 1 p.m. to Mass time—

*No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo*

### Tuesday, August 26

8:30 AM SJWP No Mass at SJWP

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

### Wednesday, August 27

8:30 AM SJWP Marie Vinski requested by Family & Friends  
—SJWP Adoration 9 a.m. to Noon—

*No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo*

### Thursday, August 28

8:30 AM No Mass at either parish

### Friday, August 29

8:30 AM No Mass at SJWP, Frackville

8:30 AM *Mass at St. Charles Borromeo*

### Saturday, August 30

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

5:30 PM SJWP Jim Gober requested by Maryann Kitzer

### Sunday, August 31

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

11:00 AM SJWP Robert Markey, Jr. requested by Ann & Kevin Hansen

**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 Sacred Heart** burns in memory of John and Arlene Davis by Darlene and Dennis.  
The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Joseph** burns in memory of Gaughan and Kneib Families by Family.  
The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Steven Joshua Molina requested by Family.  
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. Ann** burns in memory of Dawn Magot Ross requested by Family.  
The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns for St. Joseph the Worker and St. Charles Borromeo Parishes and our Pastor, Fr. Guency Isaac.

### WEEKLY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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 COLLECTION

August 3, 2025—\$3,429.50  
*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—August 30-31 2025 St. Joseph the Worker Parish

### **SERVERS:**

**Saturday, August 30**

5:30 p.m. Emily and Johnny Walsh

**Sunday, August 31**

11:00 a.m. Olivia Yurkonis

### **LECTORS:**

**Saturday, August 30**

5:30 p.m. Pat Kurpell

**Sunday, August 31**

11:00 a.m. Peggy Fetterolf

### **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:**

**Saturday, August 30**

5:30 p.m. Pat Kurpell **Choir:** Mike Boychak

**Sunday, August 31**

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

11:00 a.m. Maggie Scherer **Choir:** Patti Domalakes

**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.

### **NOTE:**

There are special Kids Bulletins in the vestibule of the church that introduces the children to our new Pope, Pope Leo XIV. They are on the card table and you are welcome to take them.

**ST. CLARE OF ASSISI/ST. AMBROSE** sponsoring a bus for the Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.—**Trip is on October 7, 2025. The bus will depart from St. Clare of Assisi (Carroll St. lot in St. Clair) at 7 a.m. and St. Ambrose (church parking lot in Schuylkill Haven) 7:30 a.m. Box lunches included and dinner will be on your own at Cracker Barrel on the way home. Cost \$120.00 which includes transportation, driver tip, box lunch, donation to the Shrine. \$20 deposit is due at time of registration with full payment due by Friday, September 19. To register visit [stambrosehaven.com/nationalshrine](http://stambrosehaven.com/nationalshrine) or call St. Ambrose office at 570-385-1031.**

**BOYER'S CARE AND SHARE PROGRAM**—We have just received a check in the amount of \$232.48 from Boyer's Care and Share Program. All you need to do is use the key tag that you can obtain in the Parish Office and have the clerk swipe each time you shop at Boyer's. An easy way to help support our Parish.

### **St. Charles Borromeo—St. Ann's Guild Fall Candy Time**

St. Ann's Guild will be taking orders for candy. Fritch is \$12.00 a roll and chocolate peanut butter crackers are 10 for \$7.00. Order deadline is September 9 and we will start making the orders on September 14. You will be notified when the order is ready. **To place your order, please call the St. Charles Borromeo parish office at 570-875-1521.** The kitchen is also in need of was paper if anyone would like to donate. Thank you for your support!!!



## ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

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

**August 26**—K of C #748 will hold their monthly meeting in the St. Ann Hall behind the church at 6:30 p.m.

**August 27**—Mass at 8:30 a.m. —Adoration 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon

**NOTE:** Anyone wanting to make a monetary donation to the Frackville Food Bank/Ministerium, please make check payable to Frackville Ministerium and send to: Don Dillman, 37 South Nice Street, Frackville.

**Hold the dates**—Forty Hours September 7, 8 and 9.

Beginning at 7:00 p.m. each night.

Forty Hours will be preached by Fr. Robert T. Finlan.

**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**. When Father needs to change anything you will be notified on your cell phone by a text message. **Remind**. When Father needs to change anything you will be notified on your cell phone by a text message.

**PREP REGISTRATIONS**—Please note that the 2025-2026 PREP registrations have been mailed out to those who were on the rosters last year. If you are new to the program, kindly call the parish office 570-874-0610 ext. 4 or pick up a registration packet in the vestibule of the church or parish office. One for each child should be picked up.

### **FORTY HOURS SCHEDULE FOR PREP/ PARISHIONERS**

**September 7** at 7:00 p.m. all PREP (both parishes) students invited to St. Charles Borromeo for Forty Hours

**September 8** at 7:00 p.m. all PREP (both parishes) students and especially the First Communion Class from 2025 (both parishes) at St. Joseph the Worker.

**September 9** at 7:00 p.m. all PREP (both parishes) students invited—**8th grade students (both parishes) must attend as this will count as their retreat. Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers from both parishes** also asked to attend the closing of Forty Hours at St. Charles Borromeo.

### **PREP TEACHERS NEEDED**

We are looking for additional substitute teachers and/or classroom aids for our PREP program. It is a great opportunity for you to share your faith with the youth of our parish. Please contact the parish office or Deacon John Sutter, Director of Religious Education, for more information if you feel God calling you to help with this important parish ministry. **PREP classes begin Sunday, September 14. All teachers/aids need to be vetted according to the rules of the Diocese of Allentown.**

### **CATECHETICAL SUNDAY FOR PREP STUDENTS**

**Sunday, September 21, 2025** is Catechetical Sunday. PREP students from St. Joseph the Worker Parish will attend Mass at St. Joseph the Worker (St. Ann's Church), 49 North Line Street, Frackville at 6:15 p.m. Eighth grade Confirmandi will sign the Book of Inscription at this Mass. Parents and other family members are welcome to attend as well. **Confirmation is Wednesday, October 15 at 4:30 p.m. at St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland.**

**St. Joseph the Worker Parish is seeking a dedicated and organized part time secretary to join our staff.**

Hours will be approximately 15 hours per week.

Qualified candidate will be responsible for maintaining and keeping the Safe Environment records for all staff and volunteers up to date, answering the phones, filing, working with parishioners and others in a professional and polite manner, as well as providing general clerical support to the pastor and other church staff.

**Candidate must possess:**

- High school diploma or equivalent.
- Proven administrative and clerical experience, some computer skills are a must.
  - Ability to maintain confidentiality and handle sensitive information.

The ideal candidate will be a friendly, detail-oriented individual with strong communication and organizational skills.

Must be willing to complete all Diocesan background checks and clearances.

**If interested, kindly send a resume to St. Joseph the Worker, Seven South Broad Mountain Avenue, Frackville, PA 17931.**

**Deadline is September 25, 2025**

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

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.

**UPCOMING DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL BASILICA SHRINE  
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IN WASHINGTON D.C.-  
ST. CHARLES BORROMEO IS SPONSORING A BUS**

Join Fr. Guency and our fellow and neighbor parishioners on the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary in this, the Jubilee Year of Hope. The Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary offers a uniquely special day for the faithful to join Bishop Alfred A. Schlert for a day-long event of adoration, devotion, and worship. The National Shrine, also known as Mary's Shrine, receives nearly one million visitors annually and has been visited by Pope Francis, Pope Benedict XVI, Pope Saint John Paul II, and Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, among others. The Basilica is the only nationally designated "Jubilee site" in the U.S. The offerings of this pilgrimage will meet the requirements to gain an indulgence for the Year of Hope. The schedule for the day's activities will begin at 10:00 am with the closing Mass at 3:00 pm. The estimated departure time would be 4:30 pm. However, the Basilica is open to the public until 6:00 pm.

**Date: Tuesday, October 7, 2025 Cost of bus: \$55.00**

**Lunch on your own. You can bring your lunch or eat in the Basilica cafeteria upon arrival.**

**Dinner on your own at Inner Harbor. Please call Jan at the St. Charles Borromeo parish office in Ashland to reserve your spot. (570-875-1521)**

**Men Alive in Christ Full Day Annual Conference - "Pilgrims Anchored in the Hope of Christ"**

**Saturday, October 11, 2025 8AM - 5PM**

Renew and strengthen your pilgrim journey of hope and trust in Christ at our annual full day Men's Conference at the Delta Marriott, 7736 Adrienne Dr., Breinigsville, PA 18031. Embrace your mission to live virtuous masculinity and deepen your relationship with God through a powerful day of men's fellowship, sacraments, and talks by Bishop Alfred Schlert, Fr. Chris Alar MIC, Fr. Bill Casey, and Jeff Schiefelbein.

Registration & breakfast at 8am, Conference talks begin at 9am, Mass with Bishop Schlert at 4pm (fulfills Sunday obligation). Event includes lunch and confession. Contact: Mark McDewitt [markmcd@outlook.com](mailto:markmcd@outlook.com) 610-334-0330

**ST. AMBROSE FALL WINE AND BEER FESTIVAL**

Saturday, evening September 13th from 5:00 to 10:00 p.m. The evening will feature local wineries, craft breweries, food trucks, and music.

Music by: *Another Side and New Individuals.*

**Admission \$15.00** — A complimentary Fall Fest logo tasting glass with every paid admission.

Hope to see you there!!!

**BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC DAILY MASS**

**Daily Mass with Bishop Schlert**

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.

*Monday, October 20 (NEW DATE)* — St. John the Baptist, Pottsville

(S. Tenth and Mahantongo Sts.) 6:30 p.m.



St. Charles Borromeo  
and St. Joseph the Worker Parishes

# 40 HOURS EUCHARISTIC DEVOTIONS

Sunday, Sept. 7, 2025 at St. Charles Borromeo  
(Main Church)

Monday, Sept. 8, 2025 at St. Joseph the Worker,  
Frackville

Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2025 at St. Charles Borromeo  
(Main Church)

**Preached by: Rev. Robert T. Finlan**

Pastor of St. Richard Parish, Barnesville and  
St. John XXIII Parish, Tamaqua

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

ADDRESS:  
1115 Walnut St.  
Ashland, PA

Kids Prizes  
Gift Cards  
& More



## St. Charles Borromeo Church

SHOP & DROP: TIME:      FOOD TRUCK:

Sept. 4th	4pm-7pm	Chick-Fil-A Sand.
Sept. 6th	11am-5pm	Pizza Buds
Sept. 7th	9am-12pm	The Brees Knees Coffee Shop
Sept. 11th	1pm-6pm	Vince's Cheesesteaks
Sept. 12th	3pm-7pm	Mr. Yum Yum
Sept. 13th	3pm-6pm	Tommy's Dogs
Sept. 14th	9am-1pm	Our Kitchen

Grand Prizes:

\$1500 CASH

2 Tickets - Keith Urban w/ Parking at Giant Center, Hershey  
Holiday Dinner for 10 by Hess Catering  
\$300 in Lottery Tickets - \$200 in Cash