

St. Joseph the Worker Parish

Father Guency Isaac
Parochial Administrator

Deacon John M. Sutter
Permanent Deacon

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The office is closed on federal holidays and holydays of obligation.
Monday through Friday – 8:30 a.m. 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
Parish web site: www.stjoesfrackville.com

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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
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REGIONAL SCHOOLS

Assumption B.V.M. School
112 South Seventh Street, Pottsville, PA 17901
Telephone: (570) 622-0106
www.assumptionbvmhs.org

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

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

Nativity B.V.M. High School
One Lawtons Hill, Pottsville, PA 17901
Telephone: (570) 622-8110,
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

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.

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DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC
DIRECT Phone line: (800) 791-9209
wkrisak@allentowndiocese.org
www.victimsassistance@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 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 & click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner of the page. 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 or by calling 1-800-276-1562.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 1, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE



Saturday, January 31, 2026

4:00 PM *at St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*
5:30 PM SJWP Richard Kemmery requested by Family

Sunday, February 1

9:00 AM *at St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*
11:00 AM SJWP Charles & Julia Naspinski requested by Family

Monday, February 2

5:30 PM SJWP Thomas Kennedy requested by Geri & Joe Griffin & Sons
—SJWP Adoration 1 p.m. to Mass time—
No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo

Tuesday, February 3

8:30 AM No Mass at SJWP
8:30 AM *Mass at SCB-Ashland*
—SCB Adoration 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.—

Wednesday, February 4

8:30 AM SJWP Frank & Stella Komosinski requested by Daughter, Dorothy
—SJWP Adoration 9 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.—
No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo

Thursday, February 5

8:30 AM No Mass at either parish

Friday, February 6

8:30 AM No Mass at SJWP, Frackville
8:30 AM *Mass at St. Charles Borromeo*

Saturday, February 7

4:00 PM *at St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*
5:30 PM SJWP Harviletz Family

Sunday, February 8

9:00 AM *at St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland*
11:00 AM SJWP Walter Fronczak requested by Tom Fronczak and 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 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 Sanctuary Lamp burns for vocations to the priesthood in the Diocese of Allentown.

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)

EUCARISTIC 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 11:00 a.m. (SJWP) (change)

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

January 11, 2026--\$4,672.00

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 or you can go to our website to find the link.

Parish website: www.stjoesfrackville.com

PARISH NEWS

Ministry Schedule—February 7—8, 2026 St. Joseph the Worker Parish

SERVERS:

Saturday, February 7

5:30 p.m. Any server available

Sunday, February 8

11:00 a.m. Michael Fantanarosa

LECTORS:

Saturday, February 7

5:30 p.m. Marlene Borzok

Sunday, February 8

11:00 a.m. Patti Domalakes

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

Saturday, February 7

5:30 p.m. Deacon John Sutter **Choir:** Ron Whalen

Sunday, February 8

8:30 a.m. **Nursing Home:** Eileen Barlow

11:00 a.m. Patti Domalakes **Choir:** Paul Luke 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.

IMPORTANT:

Those of you that have had collection envelopes given to you, we ask that you kindly use them when making your donations to the parish. When the envelopes are not given, it makes it very difficult for the counters to do their jobs accurately. Each different envelope has a designated column and must be counted separately. We appreciate your assistance in making this process as easy and precise as possible.

If you have not received envelopes and would like them, kindly contact the parish office 570-874-0610 ext. 4.

May God bless you and the Blessed Virgin Mary protect you.

SIGHT AND SOUND BUS TRIP TO JOSHUA TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2026

Due to increasing ticket costs the price is \$172.00. The total cost includes your ticket to Sight and Sound production of Joshua, after show buffet lunch at Hershey Farm, and round-trip coach bus transportation. A non-refundable deposit of \$85 is due at your time of reservation. (**If you call the parish office to make your reservation, please make your down payment within a week.) Final payment is due on March 20, 2026. All reservations can be made at the St. Charles Borromeo Parish Office at 570-875-1521. Father Isaac will be teaching a class about Joshua on Monday April 20th. Surely this class will enrich our understanding of the journey and life of Joshua! More details will follow in a few weeks!



ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

February 1—PREP 6—7:30 p.m. Katie Albright will do catechesis with parents of PREP students.

February 2—Adoration 1 to Mass, Confessions 5:10 to 5:25 and Mass 5:30 p.m.

February 4—Adoration 9 to 11 a.m.

February 7—Men's Spirituality Group at 8:30 a.m. in SJWP, Frackville

OFFERTORY GIFTS

We ask that if family members (or whoever requested the Mass Intention) for weekend Masses would like to take up the Offertory gifts, kindly let the ushers know. Please sit near where the gifts are located and bring them up during the Offertory.

MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

Why are we here? What is life all about? What happens when we die? Explore these questions about life with other committed Catholic Men from our parish community.

Join us on Saturdays from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. for a series of 7 videos which will answer your questions and empower you to be the man God is calling you to be.

The meeting location will alternate with each session:

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Office—

7 S Broad Mtn. Avenue,
Frackville

St. Charles Borromeo Parish Hall—

1115 Walnut Street, Ashland

SCHEDULE FOR GROUP

Week 3—02/07/2026-Frackville

Week 4—02/21/2026-Ashland

Week 5—03/07/2026-Frackville

Week 6—03/21/2026-Ashland

Week 7—04/11/2026-Frackville

COMBINED PARISH RETREAT-ST. CHARLES BORROMEEO AND ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

Our first combined Parish Retreat for St. Joseph the Worker and St. Charles Borromeo Parishes will be held on Saturday, February 28, 2026, the first Saturday in Lent, at St. Charles Borromeo Hall beginning at 8:30 AM and concluding with 4:00 Mass (optional) at St. Charles Borromeo Church. The theme of the retreat is

“Be Not Afraid” This is a perfect way to begin the holy season of Lent by coming away from the distractions of everyday life to listen to what God wants to tell us about the relationship of trust into which He longs to draw us.

"VATICAN FOR ALL" News App

The Dicastery for Communication has released a free App entitled "Vatican for All" to provide information on the activities of the Pope and the Church in the world for people with sensory disabilities, as part of the "No One Left Out" project. It is available for free on the App Store and Google Play. Once the app is downloaded, click "impostazioni" then "seleziona lingua" then choose preferred language. The app otherwise defaults to Italian.

SHENANDOAH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD IN HONOR OF DR. STANLEY G. RAKOWSKY

The Shenandoah Knights of Columbus Council #618 is proud to offer a scholarship to a graduating senior attending Shenandoah Valley High School, Marian Catholic, or Nativity BVM and residing within the boundaries of the Shenandoah Valley School District. This scholarship, honoring a deceased member of the Shenandoah Knights of Columbus, is intended to recognize a student who exemplifies the values of faith, service, leadership, and character, while pursuing further education, training, or service after graduation. Applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- - Be a graduating senior at Shenandoah Valley High School, Marian Catholic, or Nativity BVM
- - Must reside within the boundaries of the Shenandoah Valley School District
- - Plan to attend a college, university, trade/technical school, or enter military service following graduation
- - Complete and submit the full application by the stated deadline. Applications may be picked up in the church vestibule, parish office or downloaded from the Shenandoah Knights of Columbus Facebook site.

ST. JOSEPH CENTER FOR SPECIAL LEARNING

St. Joseph Center is seeking a **part-time PAES Lab Supervisor** to help students develop real-world job skills for the future. This hands-on role is perfect for a **creative, caring individual** who enjoys working with students with special needs in a supportive and positive environment. The position is 29 hours per week, year-round, and requires a high school diploma (experience with children with special needs recommended) and clearances. Interested applicants can **email their resume to Principal Bob Giba at rgiba@stjosephctr.com** or stop by the school between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to complete an application.

THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Thank You for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for Revealing Christ's love to those who are poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more information. iGiveCatholic also accepts funds for this collection if you prefer to donate online.

Retrouvaille Marriage Healing Retreat Weekend

Retrouvaille of Delaware Valley is a Catholic-based program to help marriages that are stressed or in trouble. Retrouvaille has helped countless married couples in all stages of disillusionment or distress. Retrouvaille can help your marriage too. No marriage is beyond hope. The next program will be held at The Family Life Center at the Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA on February 6-8, 2026. All calls are confidential. For more information call 215-766-3944 or visit the web site at www.MarriageHelpDelVal.org

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Join us for an intimate spiritual journey for anyone seeking healing after abortion. In a safe, supportive, non-judgmental environment, you can focus on this painful time in your life and enter into the process of healing. Through scripture readings, guided meditations and activities flowing from the meditations, you can experience God's compassion and forgiveness. For registration information contact: Carol Swavely, MA, OSF at 1-866-3RACHEL (Toll free) or 610-435-1541 ext 5341. You may also email Carol at cswavely@allentowndiocese.org. The retreat will be held April 24-26, 2026.
Deadline for registration is April 17, 2026.

DIVINE MERCY PARISH, SHENANDOAH

Krispy Kreme Glazed only donuts (by the dozen) \$14.00. Orders due by Monday, February 9. Pick up date Monday, February 16th from 3-4:30 p.m. at Trinity School, 233 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah, PA. Call office at 570-462-1968 to place your order. Order forms in Divine Mercy bulletin or the Parish Office.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2026

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (February 1, 2026) focuses on the radical counter-cultural message of the **Beatitudes**, emphasizing that true happiness (blessedness) comes from spiritual poverty, mourning, meekness, and hunger for justice, not worldly success, challenging us to embrace humility and rely on God, finding strength in weakness and living with authentic, vulnerable love. Reflections highlight this call to inner transformation, seeing the world through Jesus' eyes, and choosing love over fear and violence, turning personal limitations into holy opportunities for growth in God's kingdom.

Lenten Parish Retreat



Be Not Afraid
Be Not Afraid

To the Parish Family of St. Joseph, the Worker and St Charles Borromeo, you are invited to our first Lenten Parish Retreat! Set aside a portion of your day for our Lord so that He might minister to you through prayer, witness, and song. Join others from our parish family as we respond to Jesus's words to us from the Gospel of Matthew: "Do Not Be Afraid!"

When: February 28, 2026

Time: 8:30-3:30 (Complimentary - Lunch included)

Where: St Charles Borromeo Parish Hall, Ashland

To register, sign the sheet at the back of the church by 2/22/26



Community Café

FOOD TRUCK

Come hungry and ready to
enjoy a meal on us from the truck!

Thursday, February 19, 2026

8am to 9:30am

Catholic Charities
Diocese of Allentown



In Partnership with
St. Joseph the Worker Parish
7 S Broad Mtn. Avenue
Frackville