

# ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

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Office Hours:  
Monday through Friday—8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

## PARISH OFFICE

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

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The office is closed for federal holidays/holydays.

## PARISH REGISTRATION AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

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

## REGIONAL SCHOOLS

Trinity Academy at the Father Walter J. Cizek, SJ,  
Sr. Margaret M. McCullough, Principal  
233 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah, PA 17976  
Telephone: (570) 462-3927,  
[www.TrinityMatters.com](http://www.TrinityMatters.com)

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

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

St. Joseph Center for Special Learning, Inc.  
2075 West Norwegian Street, Pottsville, PA 17901  
570-622-4638 Fax: 570-622-3420 [www.stjosephctr.com](http://www.stjosephctr.com)

## St. Joseph Parish Complex Locations

49 North Line Street &  
33 S. Broad Mountain Avenue

## SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism- The sacrament of Baptism is ordinarily celebrated immediately following the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays. 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  
[www.victimsassistance@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:www.victimsassistance@allentowndiocese.org)

## DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR:

Sister Meg Cole, S.S.J., MS, LMFT  
Phone: (610) 332-0442, Ext. 2019  
[mcole@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:mcole@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.

# THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

## December 29, 2019

### Mass Intentions For The Week



#### Saturday, December 28, 2019

4:00 PM Carol Boychak requested by Fred, Colette & Jacob

#### Sunday, December 29

8:30 AM Helen Dunn requested by Marian & Dennis Marham

10:00 AM Robert & Anna Smith requested by Family

11:30 AM Deceased of the Susan & Cickavage Families requested by Dot and Frank

#### Monday, December 30

7:30 AM NO MASS

#### Tuesday, December 31—Vigil Mass

4:00 PM Mary Ann Tyson requested by mother, Helen Kuzma

#### Wednesday, January 1, 2020—Solemnity of Mary

10:00 AM Alice Oshman requested by Joe & Angie Babatsky

#### Thursday, January 2

7:30 AM Robert T. Eye, Jr. requested by Janet & David Gilli

**Adoration from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

#### Friday, January 3

7:30 AM Helen Mae Wayne requested by Mary (Moe) Portz

#### Saturday, January 4

4:00 PM Joe Stetz requested by Andy & Michele Smarkanic

#### Sunday, January 5

8:30 AM Mary Pascavage requested by Diane Pavalko

10:00 AM Robert Bergman requested by Tom & Jean Miller

11:30 AM Charles Gownley requested by Erin, Frank, Katie and Frank Blozusky

#### PRAY FOR:

All those in need. Especially those who are sick, are feeling weak or lonely. Increase their faith and assist them in knowing that they are not alone and all they need comes from You.

### CANDLE OFFERINGS

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Sacred Heart** burns as a memorial for Stanley F., Ann and Stanley G. Rakowsky requested by Family.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Sacred Heart** burns for a Special Intention by Chris Kastroba.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Sacred Heart** burns in memory of Delmar Phillips, Sr. requested by Wife & Sons.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Eva Kubeyka requested by Children and Grandchildren.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns for God's blessings and healing for Sylvia Yonalunas love from her Family.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Joseph Alshon requested by wife, Eve and Family.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Joseph Arcuri requested by wife, Kathleen.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Francis Goncalves by wife, Mary

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. Anthony** burns for a Special Intention requested by TMS.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Ann** burns in memory of Robert and Anna Smith requested by Family.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Ann** burns in memory of Rose Marie & Andrew Kergick by Dennis & Darlene.

The **Sanctuary Light** burns for a Special Intention requested by Mary Jane Recla.

### WEEKLY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 3:15 p.m. & Sunday: 8:05 a.m.,

Thursdays: 7:30 p.m.—7:55 p.m.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Chapel & Youth Center** at 27 South Broad Mountain Avenue, Frackville. **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.**

**Every Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 8 p.m. (Silent) Adoration in St. Ann Church. 7:30 p.m. Confessions, 7:55 p.m. Benediction.**

The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be said at 3:00 p.m. during the Chapel Adoration.

**HOLY HOUR**—The Pro-Life Holy Hour takes place the second Sunday of every month at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

Anyone wishing to commit to thirty minutes or an hour may call 570-874-3001. Please remember there is always a substitute available, if you are unable to make your designated time.

### BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Bereavement Ministry is available for those needing assistance in planning a funeral service and to provide grief support. Your option of a call or visit. Call **Parish Office 570-874-0610** if you wish to be contacted.

**RCIA**- If you know anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Fr. Miller at the Parish Office 570-874-0610.

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

**Sunday Collection: December 15, 2019: \$4,992.10**

**Second Collection: December 15, 2019: \$216.28**

*Thank you for your continued support of your Parish.*

# PARISH NEWS

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD - FOR CHILDREN—"ALLELU"**



Allelu! — Children's Liturgy of the Word—is available every other Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. All parish children ages Pre-school through second grade are welcome to attend.

**Next Allelu, Sunday, January 5, 2020**

## **Solemnity of Mary Schedule—December 31/January 1 St. Ann Church Complex**

### **Servers: December 31**

4:00 p.m.—Abbey & Kerrigan Digris

### **January 1, 2020**

10:00 a.m.—Mark & Maria Monahan

### **Lectors: December 31**

4:00 p.m.—Carolyn Tenaglia

### **January 1, 2020**

10:00 a.m.—Mary Jo Jones

### **Eucharistic Ministers: December 31**

4:00 p.m.—Ron Whalen **Choir:** Sr. Patricia

### **January 1, 2020**

10:00 a.m.—Maggie Scherer **Choir:** Larry Domalakes

## **Ministry Schedule—January 4-5**

### **Servers:**

4:00 p.m. Emily Walsh and Johnny Walsh

8:30 a.m. Matthew & Katherine Dimmick

10:00 a.m. Megan Bane

11:30 a.m. Ryan Evert

### **Lectors:**

4:00 p.m. Marlene Borzok

8:30 a.m. Angie Babatsky

10:00 a.m. Larry Domalakes

11:30 a.m. Bridget Quick

### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

4:00 p.m. Marlene Borzok **Choir:** Bill Rowan

8:30 a.m. Angie Babatsky **Choir:** Mary Lou Michaels

**Nursing Home:** Mike Boychak

10:00 a.m. Larry Domalakes **Choir:** Patti Domalakes

11:30 a.m. Bridget Quick **Choir:** Frank Susan

**NATIVITY BVM HIGHSCHOOL** Please join us for our 5th Annual Nativity Athletic Hall of Fame Induction ceremonies on **Saturday, January 18, 2020**. Inductees: Kiely Chaklos '11, Robert Herndon '02, Lindsey Williams Phillips '00, John M. Ryan '60, Danielle Kadingo Thompson '97, John Toomey '74, David M. Wixted '65 (Coach) and the 2000-2002 Nativity Girls Cross Country Championship Teams. Ceremonies will take place between the JV & Varsity boys basketball games against Hamburg on Saturday, January 18, 2020. JV game begins at 12:30 p.m. All are welcome!! Please contact the School at 570-622-8110 or [nativity@infionline.net](mailto:nativity@infionline.net) with any questions.

## **ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS**

January 1— NO Bible Study

January 2— Adoration 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**January 6 CAT I—The Creed Online Announcement  
CAT I—The Creed.** An overview of fundamental Catholic teachings based on the founding Symbol of our Faith. This course provides catechists with a foundation in the basic tenets of the Catholic Faith, and is a good starting point leading to further study. The course is highly recommended for Catechists; but everyone is invited to learn more about what it means to say, *I believe...* This course will be presented Online by Cassie Boccardi and is scheduled from Monday, January 6 to Sunday, February 2, 2020. Cost is \$35. Register at [www.allentowndiocese.org/icf](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/icf). *\*ICF Courses are meant for any adult Catholic looking to grow deeper and learn more about the Faith. There are no prerequisites for these course.\**

**NATIVITY BVM HIGH SCHOOL**—on Sunday, January 12, Nativity will be hosting an Open House and Registration for the 2020-2021 school year. School tours, presentations and displays will begin at 1:00 p.m. We invite you and your family to join us for this event. Members of the entire Nativity community will be available to answer your questions. No pre-registration is required. All are welcome! Please contact the school at 570-622-8110 or [jldaubert@nativitybvm.net](mailto:jldaubert@nativitybvm.net) with any questions.

**TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND—WOLF channel 56 (Fox) at 8:00 a.m.**—Is someone you love unable to join us at church. For the faithful at home or in healthcare settings, the Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessings. Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in Catholic Mass on TV or watch online anytime on Sundays at [www.HeartoftheNation.org](http://www.HeartoftheNation.org). (For those who can get to church, the TV or online liturgy does not fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation.)

**HOMESCHOOL FAMILIES:** Homeschool families of the Diocese of Allentown are invited to a First Friday gathering on Thursday, January 2 at St. Ignatius of Loyola Church, 2700 Street Albans Dr., Reading. Mass will be celebrated at 6:00 p.m. by Father Kevin Bobbin, Chaplain to the Homeschool Community. Mass will be followed by a period of Adoration and Confessions until 7:00 and then an informal social. Please join us for this opportunity to meet each other as we come together for prayer and fellowship. (Questions: Fr. Bobbin 610-866-0791 ext. 332 or [kbobbin@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:kbobbin@allentowndiocese.org))

## **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:**

“Joy is a net of love by which we catch souls.”  
-Blessed Teresa of Calcutta