

St. Joseph the Worker Parish

FATHER GIUSEPPE C. ESPOSITO, M.DIV., M.A.

PASTOR

Deacon John M. Sutter

SAINT

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.

JOSEPH
THE WORKER

PARISH OFFICE

Seven South Broad Mountain Avenue
Frackville, PA 17931-1800

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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

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

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.

DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

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

DIRECT Phone line: (800) 791-9209

wkrisak@allentowndiocese.org

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

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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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

APRIL 6, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE



Saturday, April 5, 2025

4:00 PM at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*
5:30 PM SJWP Walter Fronczak requested by Loretta Parulis & son, Greg

Sunday, April 6

9:00 AM at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*
11:00 AM SJWP For the parents of Carolyn and Tony Tenaglia requested by Tony & Carolyn Tenaglia

Monday, April 7

5:30 PM SJWP For all SJWP Parishioners
 —SJWP Adoration 1:00 to Mass Time—

No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo

Tuesday, April 8

SJWP No Mass
8:30 AM *Mass at SCB-Ashland*
 —SCB Adoration 9:00 to 11 a.m. in Chapel—
6:00 PM *Bible Study St. Charles Borromeo Hall*

Wednesday, April 9

8:30 AM SJWP Gerald, Mary & Jonas Smith requested by Maryann Smith
 —SJWP Adoration 9 a.m. to Noon—

No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo

Thursday, April 10

8:30 AM SJWP No Mass at either parish

Friday, April 11

8:30 AM SJWP No Mass at SJWP
12 Noon *Mass at SCB, Ashland*
(below at SCB, Ashland)
6-7 PM Adoration
6:30 PM Confessions
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 12-Palm Sunday Vigil

4:00 PM at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*
5:30 PM SJWP Hall Ann & Francis Leaswitch requested by Kimberly & Frank Leaswitch

Sunday, April 13-Palm Sunday

9:00 AM at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*
11:00 AM SJWP Hall John J. O'Connor requested by Jack Mouk

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 & Dennis.
 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 the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Francis Goncalves by wife, Mary.
 The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Anthony** burns for a Special Intention by TMS.
 The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns for all the St. Joseph the Worker parishioners.

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

March 16, 2025—\$5,494.00

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—April 12-13, 2025

St. Joseph the Worker Parish

All Palm Sunday and Holy Week Masses in Parish Hall

SERVERS:

Saturday, April 12

5:30 p.m. Alexander & Kyra Krapf & Rocco & Lucia Sanfilippo

Sunday, April 13

11:00 a.m. Jacob & Janelle Ziegmont & Helena Jacobs

LECTORS:

Saturday, April 12

5:30 p.m. Deacon Sutter and Marlene Borzok

Sunday, April 13

11:00 a.m. Deacon Sutter and Bridget Quick

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

Saturday, April 12

5:30 p.m. Deacon Sutter **Choir:** Marlene Borzok

Sunday, April 13

8:30 a.m. **Nursing Home:** Mike Boychak

11:00 a.m. Deacon John Sutter **Choir:** Bridget Quick

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.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

SEVEN DEADLY SINS, SEVEN LIVELY VIRTUES BY

Bishop Robert Barron

Presented by Rev. Giuseppe Esposito & Deacon John Sutter

Eight (8) consecutive sessions in all.

Tuesday evenings all beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Began on Tuesday, February 25.

SCB Hall, 1115 Walnut Street, Ashland - April 8 & 15

Bishop Barron shows us how to counteract these seven sinful patterns through a conscious process of opposition, known as the “seven lively virtues.” These offer antidotes to each sin and help set us on the right path to healing and happiness. A study guide will be provided to those attending.

ASSUMPTION BVM HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

invites you to join them at their 3rd Annual Cash & Gift

Card Bingo (w/\$1,000 Cash Jackpot) on **Sunday, April 6th** at

St. Ambrose Parish Center, Schuylkill Haven. Doors open at

11:30 a.m. and bingo begins at 1:00 p.m. Advance tickets—\$35;

at door tickets—\$40.

Email or call to purchase advance tickets and secure your spot.

Abvm.bingo@gmail.com or 570-590-0503.

Holy Family Parish of Minersville is holding their annual **Ham Bingo** on **Sunday, April 6th**. Doors open at 11am and bingo begins at 1pm at the Parish Center at Hillcrest. This is a great family event as tickets are \$5 for 20 games! There will also be specials, a 50/50 drawing, drawings for other prizes, and the kitchen will be open!

ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

April 13—Kid’s Choir

April 13—PREP 6 to 7:30 p.m. w/Living Stations

April 14—Adoration 1 to Mass Time

Confessions 5:00 p.m. — Mass at 5:30 p.m.

April 15—Bible Study 6:00 p.m. in the St. Charles Borromeo Hall, Ashland

April 16—(NO Mass) Adoration 9 to 12 noon

Fridays during Lent:

6-7 p.m. Adoration

6:30 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

(SJWP, Frackville March 7, 14 & 21)

(SCB, Ashland March 28, April 4, 11)

No Confessions on March 28 and April 4

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**.

FESTIVAL BANDUKIES

Bandukies will be made on Friday, April 11 beginning at 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. (meat mixing). Saturday, April 12 from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon (patty making and frying).

Great service hour project for students, too! Please make some time to help with this project.

PARISH EASTER EGG HUNT

It’s an Egg Hunt! Our annual parish Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Sunday, April 13 (Palm Sunday) immediately after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. All parish children (12 and under) are welcome to participate. All children will receive candy and a chocolate bunny; prizes will also be awarded. The hunt will be held rain or shine. If the weather cooperates, we’ll hunt in the parish grove behind St. Ann’s Church. If it rains, the hunt will be in the classrooms in the parish hall building on Line Street.



SPRING MEAT RAFFLE

The Friends of St. Joseph the Worker sent (2) \$10.00 tickets to our parishioners. We kindly ask that you either buy them or sell them and make returns by way of the collection basket or dropping them off at the Parish Office. The drawing will take place on **Saturday, April 26** after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. You need not be present to win. There will be (5) five \$100 prizes to Marlin Markets. Thank you in advance for your participation in this event.

ST. JOSEPH CENTER FOR SPECIAL LEARNING is looking for a dedicated & compassionate Teacher Aide to join our team. This part-time position follows a school-day schedule and provides the opportunity to work hands-on with students of all abilities in a supportive classroom setting under the guidance of a teacher. If you are enthusiastic, patient, and eager to make a difference in the lives of our students, we would love to hear from you! **For more info, or to apply, contact Principal Bob Giba, at rgiba@stjosephctr.com or call 570-622-4638.**

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.

FRACKVILLE MINISTERIUM LENTEN SERVICES

Lenten Theme: Complaints

Wednesday, April 9—6:00 p.m. First United Methodist Church, 25 South Balliet Street, Frackville

DRAMATIC STATIONS OF THE CROSS PRESENTATION

St. John the Baptist Church, 10th & Mahantongo Streets, Pottsville, is presenting their Annual Dramatic Stations of the Cross On Palm Sunday, April 13th at 7:30 p.m. in the main church. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. All are 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 is due by 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.

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.

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Lenten Penance Service

Monday, April 14

SJWP, Frackville 4:30 to 5:25 p.m.....SCB, Ashland 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Palm Sunday

SCB, Ashland ...Saturday, April 12 at 4:00 p.m.SJWP, Frackville 5:30 p.m. (Parish Hall)
SCB, Ashland.....Sunday, April 13 at 9:00 a.m.....SJWP, Frackville 11:00 a.m. (Parish Hall)

Holy Week

No Mass on Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Holy Thursday, April 17 at SJWP Hall, Frackville.....7:00 p.m.

Procession from Hall to St. Joseph the Worker Parish

Holy Thursday visitation at SJWP, Frackville.....8:30 to 11:00 p.m. (10:45 p.m. Night Prayer)

Good Friday, April 18 at SJWP Hall, Frackville.....3:00 p.m.

Saturday Easter Vigil, April 19 at SCB, Ashland8:00 p.m.

Easter Mass Times

Sunday, April 20, 2025

St. Joseph the Worker Cemetery, West Pine Street, Frackville.....6:30 a.m.

St. Vincent Worship Site, Girardville.....8:00 a.m.

St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland9:30 a.m.

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall, Frackville11:00 a.m.

Blessing of Easter Food

Saturday, April 19, 2025

SJWP Church, Frackville10:00 a.m.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

As we journey with Jesus towards Holy Week, remember all those in our world today who carry heavy crosses of poverty, homelessness, and hunger, and to love it the way Jesus did seems impossible, guided by his example.



