St. Joseph the Worker Parish

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 8, 2026

Father Christopher M. Zelonis
Pastor

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

99 North Line Street, Frackville, PA 17931
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.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.

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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 COORDINTOR:
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.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 8, 2026

--MASS INTENTIONS--

Saturday, November 7, 2026
4:00 PM ***at St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland***

5:30 PM **SJWP** Stanley G. Rakowsky requested by Andy & Michelle Smarkanic

Sunday, November 8
9:00 AM ***at St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland***

11:00 AM **SJWP** Thomas Antalosky requested by Patti & Paul Domalakes

Monday, November 9-Remembrance Day Mass
5:30 PM ***at St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland***

5:30 PM **SJWP** NO MASS at SJWP
—SJWP Adoration 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. --

Tuesday, November 10
8:30 a.m. No Mass at SJWP

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

Wednesday, November 11
8:30 AM No Mass at SJWP

5:30 PM ***NO Mass at St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland***

Thursday, November 12
8:30 AM SJWP NO MASS at SJWP
--SJWP Adoration 9 to 11 a.m.—

No Mass at SCB-Ashland

Friday, November 13
8:30 AM No Mass at SJWP

8:30 AM ***NO Mass at SCB-Ashland***

Saturday, November 14
4:00 PM ***at St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland***

5:30 PM **SJWP** Frank Kenesky requested by Mick and Sharon Barna

Sunday, November 15
9:00 AM ***at St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland***

11:00 AM **SJWP** **For all SJWP parishioners**

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.



--CANDLES--



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. Joseph** burns in memory of Joseph, Albert & Margaret Geary by Darlene and Dennis.
The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Alan Achenbach by Family.
The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Francis Goncalves by wife, Mary.
The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns for recovery and blessings of Taylor Houser from NS Class of 2029.

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)
10:30 to 10:45 a.m. (SJWP)
Monday: 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. (SJWP)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Monday: 1:00 to Mass time (5:30 p.m.) (SJWP)
Tuesday: 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. (SCB) in chapel
Thursday: 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. (SJWP) (change)

CHURCH HOURS
Mondays 9:30 a.m. until after Mass
Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays 9:30 a.m.--12 noon
Thursdays 7:45 a.m.—12 noon
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
October 11, 2026—$4,643.75
Thank you for your continued support of your Parish and other collections.

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PARISH NEWS

Ministry Schedule—November 14-15, 2026
St. Joseph the Worker Parish

SERVERS:
Saturday, November 14
5:30 p.m. Olivia Yurkonis
Sunday, November 15
11:00 a.m. Jacob and Janelle Ziegmont
LECTOR:
Saturday, November 14
5:30 p.m. Diane Rowland
Sunday, November 15
11:00 a.m. Peggy Fetterolf
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:
Saturday, November 14
5:30 p.m. Deacon John Sutter **Choir:** Bernard Bruni
Sunday, November 15
8:30 a.m. Nursing Home: Angela Pyzowski
11:00 a.m. Deacon John Sutter **Choir:** Joe Bane
PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEW MINISTER SCHEDULES THAT WENT OUT MAY HAVE TIME CHANGES FOR CHRISTMAS EVE. IT WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE UPCOMING FUTURE. ***Thank you!***

NURSING HOME EM — at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday is the time to go to the Nursing Home. There may or may not be someone from the Nursing Home to show you around to the rooms. Please just do your best and what you are comfortable doing.

TREASURY OF PRAYER BOOKLETS

We are grateful that people have been making use of the "Treasury of Prayer" booklets, which contain dozens of prayers new and old, outlines of the Catholic faith, a guide to Confession, and more. Please consider donating to make more copies available to take home and to keep thee racks full. Each copy costs $1.60 at the print shop we use.

Thank you to those that have made very generous donations for printing more of the Treasury of Prayer Booklets.



PARISH OFFICE HAS MOVED

Please note the Parish Office has moved to 99 North Line Street, Frackville. Please use the front door and either ring the bell or knock on the door. Hours remain the same.
Monday through Friday –
8:30 to 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Closed Holy Days of Obligation and Federal Holidays.
Thank you. Fr. Christopher M. Zelonis and Staff.

ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

November 7—Men's Spirituality Program meets at SJWP Rectory, 99 North Line Street, Frackville.
November 8—SJWP PREP 6 to 7:30 p.m.—Safe Environment Training
November 9—Remembrance Day Mass at SCB, Ashland at 5:30 p.m.
Adoration at SJWP, Frackville 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
November 12—No Mass but there will be Adoration 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at SJWP

November 30—5:30 p.m. Mass will be celebrated for the recovery and blessings of Taylor Houser. All are invited to attend.

NEW TEXT MESSAGE SERVICE

To receive emergency notification of Mass cancellations and other important information:

Text 27423
To phone number (646) 681-7694
Do not respond to messages received through this service. They are one-way messages.
Depending on your cell phone plan, text messaging rates may apply.
Please contact Parish Office if you wish to be removed from this service.

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.

2027 MASS BOOK

The 2027 Mass Book opened on Tuesday, October 27 at 9:30 a.m. Two Masses (one weekend and one weekday) per active parish family. The offering per Mass is $10.00.

ST. NICHOLAS SCHOOL ANNUAL BASKET AUCTION

St. Nicholas School Annual Basket Auction - Sunday-November 8th. Drawing 1:00 p.m.
Browse & Bid: November 5th (4-7pm); November 6th (10am-1pm) & (4-7pm); November 7th (4-7pm); November 8th (10am-12N) Homemade foods, 50/50. Kitchen open Friday, Saturday, Sunday. For more information call St. Nicholas School 570-544-2800.

PARISH NEWS

SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION FOR BAKING SUPPLIES – November 14-15, 2026

Holy Apostles Episcopal Church in St. Clair will be hosting a Thanksgiving Day dinner for those in need. We will be having a second collection on the weekend of November 14 and 15th to raise funds to offset costs for pumpkin pies that we will be baking and donating for the dinner. More information will follow if anyone is in need of a meal on Thanksgiving. If all costs are offset, the surplus of monetary donations will be given to the Frackville Area Food Pantry. Thank you for your cooperation and help with this project!

FREE THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER

Thursday, November 26, 2026 at the Holy Apostles Episcopal Parish Hall, 307 East Hancock Street, St. Clair, PA 17970.

Please RSVP by November 19th by calling either 570-590-0450 or 570-429-7107.

Eat in – Take out and delivery available.
Delivery - 11:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m.
Pick up - 12:30 p.m. -1:30 p.m.
Eat in - 1:30 p.m.

A WOMEN'S ADVENT RETREAT

The Gift Within: A Women's Advent Retreat

Join the Bishop's Commission for Women and the Catholic Women's Society of Giving for A Women's Advent Retreat on Saturday, December 12, 2026, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 8:00 AM–12:30 PM, at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Allentown.

Spend a morning preparing your heart for Christmas as we contemplate Mary, the Ark of the Covenant, and reflect on the virtues of our Blessed Mother and how we can offer our unique gifts to the King and draw others into His presence.

The retreat will feature guest speaker Dr. Carmina Chapp, Ph.D., Catholic theologian, educator, and Dean of the School of Theological Studies at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary. The morning will conclude with Mass celebrated by Bishop Alfred A. Schlert.

$15 per person, including a continental breakfast. Register and view the flyer at **allentowndiocese.org/events/the-gift-within-a-womens-advent-retreat**.

FORGIVE

ATTENTION MEN:

A Men's Spirituality Program entitled "That Man is You" for men of St. Charles Borromeo and St. Joseph the Worker parishes will begin Saturday, September 12 and continue through December 5 from 8:30-9:30am at St. Joseph the Worker Parish Rectory, 99 N Line Street, Frackville. We will take a break and then meet again from January 9 through April 3 at St. Charles Borromeo Parish. All men age 18 and older are invited to come participate in a powerful experience of spiritual growth led by Fr. Zelonis, Deacon John Sutter, and a team of men from the two parishes. Please pray about joining us!

JOB OPENING AT ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH, FRACKVILLE

Our parish is seeking an experienced and highly organized Full-Time Parish Administrator to manage our busy church office. As the central hub of our parish and community, this active role requires a professional who thrives in a fast-paced environment and can balance multiple competing priorities.

Key Requirements:

- **Experience Needed:** Minimum 2–3 years of proven office administration, executive assistant, or operations management experience
- **Computer Skills:** Advanced proficiency in Microsoft Office 365. Ability to quickly adapt to specialized church database management software (Parish Soft) and scheduling platforms.
- **Communication Skills:** Superb verbal and written communication. A welcoming, empathetic presence for visitors, alongside a strict commitment to privacy and data confidentiality.
- **Workflow Management:** Strong ability to work independently, coordinate calendars, answer high-volume inquiries at times, edit publications, and support ministry leaders.

How to apply:

Please email your resume and a brief cover letter to frackvillerc3@verizon.net with the subject line "Parish Administrator Application." Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled.

No phone calls please.

PARISH NEWS

PARISH EVENTS

On the weekend of 11/14 & 11/15, you will find family activity packets to take home. The packets contain materials and a craft to help our families with children celebrate the feast of Christ the King and the season of Advent. Please help yourself! There is one craft kit in each packet- if you have more than one child, please take one packet and then additional craft kits as needed.
We invite our children to prepare for a visit from St. Nicholas by leaving a spare shoe in church the weekend of 11/28 & 11/29. St. Nicholas should visit that week and shoes can be retrieved the weekend of 12/5 and 12/6.

FOURTH ANNUAL FREE COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

We are excited to announce our Fourth Annual FREE Community Thanksgiving Dinner, and we are once again reaching out to our wonderful community partners for their support!
This year, we are especially excited to announce that St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Frackville is partnering with St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Ashland to expand our outreach to families and residents throughout the Ashland and Butler Township communities.

ITEMS NEEDED:

BONELESS HAMS
STUFFING MIX
VEGETABLES; CORN, GREAN BEANS,
SWEET POTATOES, CRANBERRY SAUCE
INSTANT MASHED POTATOES
DESSERTS: CAKES, PIES, COOKIES
CASES OF WATER
CASES OF SODA
JUICE BOXES
COFFEE
TEA BAGS
SUGAR
LARGE ALUMINUM PANS
ALUMINUM FOIL
STERNO CHAFING FUEL CANS
TAKEOUT CONTAINERS – LARGE & SMALL

Items may be dropped off at the Parish Office during normal business hours. Address: 99 North Line Street, Frackville, PA 17931 or at SCB Parish Office, 1115 Walnut Street, Ashland, PA 17921. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

CHARITY

REMEMBRANCE DAY MASS 2026

This year the Remembrance Day Mass will be held at St. Charles Borromeo, 1115 Walnut Street, Ashland. It will be for the parishes of St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland and St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville. **Monday, November 9, 2026 beginning at 5:30 p.m.** Join us as we gather together to honor the lives and memories of those who have gone before us. A special time of prayer, remembrance and reflection as we celebrate the lives of our loved ones who remain forever in our hearts. ***Thomas M. Sullivan Funeral Home will be providing a keepsake in memory of your loved one. Please contact Tim Sullivan at 570-573-4288 if you would like the keepsake and provide your loved one's name, dates, and a picture.***

All are welcome to join!

DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE "COME HOME TO MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH"

Diocesan Men's Conference "Come Home to Mary, Mother of the Church" on Saturday, November 21, 2026 from 8:00am to 4:00pm at DeSales University, 2755 Station Ave., Center Valley, PA. Speakers include Fr. Dave Pivonka, President of Franciscan University; Nathan Crankfield, Author & National Speaker; and Mark Houck, Apologist & Founder of The King's Men. Holy Mass at 4pm with Bishop Schlert, Confessions available, Breakfast & Lunch included. **Register at: Info contact:** Mark McDevitt at **email**: markmcd@outlook.com or call 610-334-0330

DEFENDING THE FAITH LECTURE: A Theological and Philosophical Presentation

Once again, the Order of Malta will present a lecture to assist us in defending our faith. This will take place on Sunday, November 15, 2026 at 3:00 pm, at the Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 4101 Old Bethlehem Pike in Bethlehem, PA. The lecturer will be Rev. Frans J. Berkhout, M.Div., M.Ed., Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Bethlehem. Father Frans is an outstanding speaker and Pilgrimage Chaplain. This will be a timely presentation due to the increase of secularism in our world, a deterrent to our faith. The lecture is free for all, although registration is requested by November 10 to provide an accurate count. Register at tinyurl.com/MaltaNov15.

PARISH NEWS

TURKEY DINNER DELIVERED BY THE SCHUYLKILL COUNTY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCILS 2026

The Schuylkill County Knights of Columbus Councils will be delivering a Turkey Dinner complete with turkey, filling, yams, gravy, veggie, and dessert to all residents of Schuylkill County who are in need of a meal this Thanksgiving Day (November 26, 2026). If you know a person who is in need of a meal, or if you are a person who is in need of a meal, please call either 570-773-0627 or 570-516-9514 or 570-628-3333 and leave the following information if no one answers the phone **(Name and Phone number only)** and we will get back to you. You can also contact us at KofC431@yahoo.com. The only requirement we have for the meal is that the person be home. Closing date to order is November 19, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. in order to order the required items for the meal. Thank you.

Also, anyone who can give us a hand delivering the meals is asked to come to Saint Patrick's social hall in Pottsville on Thanksgiving Day by 8:00 a.m. You can sign up for an area you may know in order to deliver the meals or for any area. We are usually finished by 1:00 p.m.



Address: Immaculate Conception Parish/ National Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe (501 Ridge Ave. Allentown) For more information, call 484-838-8590 or 484-714-2351.

REFLECT

TRUNK OR TREAT A SUCCESS

Words cannot express how happy and grateful we are for the response to our Trunk and Treat! The trunks were amazing and creative! The saints' costumes were wonderful! The kids learned so much from all of your efforts! Thank you to EVERYONE who helped in any way but especially to the following for helping to plan and implement this special event:

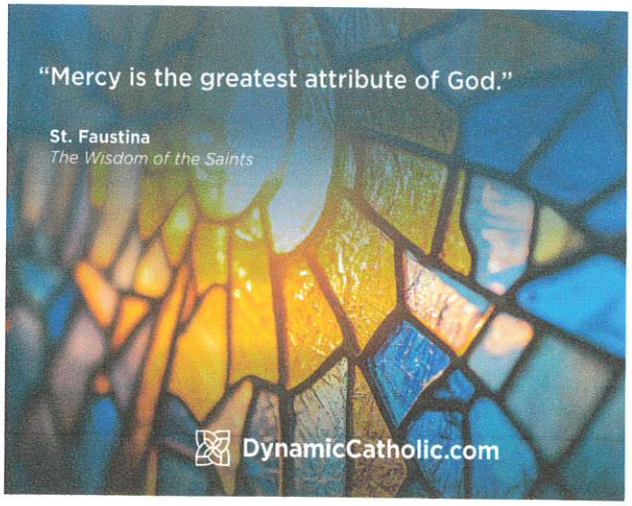
Trunks:

Joe and Theresa Yurkonis
Caleb, Katlynn and Elijah Fetterolf
Carolyn Tenaglia and Liz Beckett
Andy and Michelle Smarkanic
Diane Rowland, Melissa and Tony Tenaglia
Carol Twardzick, Dee Zack and Lazarus
Sharon Nolter and her husband
Wally and Marlene Borzok
Meredith Corrales and Patti Domalakes
Larissa and Kelly Ketchum
Meriondale family
Victoria and Paul Luke Domalakes
The Knights of Columbus

Thank you to the parish staff and pastor for their help and support!

Thank you to the parents for bringing their youngsters to meet the saints and to the parishioners who donated candy!

Thank you to Patrick Smith, campus Minister, Marian High School, and the Marian students who helped us: Amelia Degler and Natalie Moses.



THANKSGIVING DINNER

Hosted by

St. Joseph the Worker Parish – Frackville

in partnership with

St. Charles Borromeo Parish – Ashland

With the help and support of

North Schuylkill School District

Sunday, November 29, 2026

2:00 PM

North Schuylkill High School Cafeteria

FREE MEAL *for the Community!*

EAT IN, TAKE OUT OR DELIVERY

WITHIN THE NS SCHOOL DISTRICT AREA

PRE REGISTER ONLY TO:

Wendy – Call or text 570-617-9085
or e-mail wmont28@gmail.com

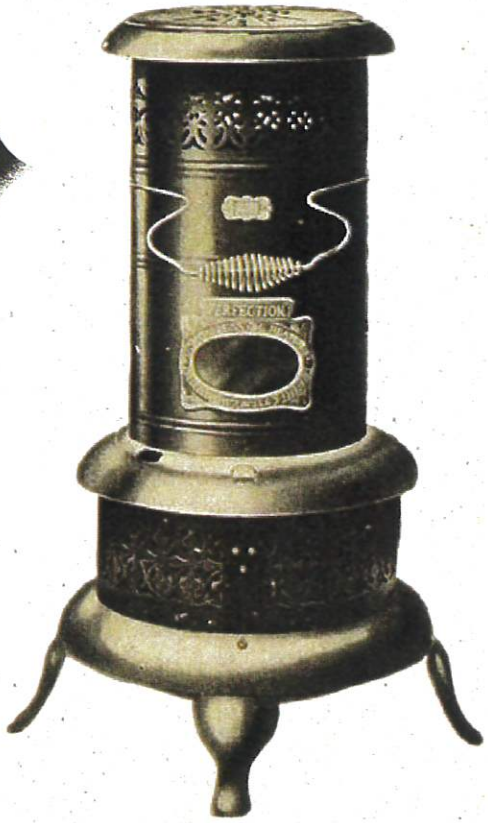
OR

Shannon – e-mail sbutler@allentowndiocese.org
or call 570-875-1521

570-874-0610 **BREAKING NEWS** frackvillerc3@verizon.net

HEATING OIL RAFFLE

St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Frackville



- Two $10 tickets will be mailed to your home.
- Buy or sell them. And if you need more, come to the parish office.
- Returns by mail, collection basket or dropping off at office on or before December 18, 2026.

- Two $300 prizes will be drawn by Father Zelonis on Saturday, December 19 after 5:30 p.m. Mass.
- Each winner will be given a $300 check made payable to the oil distributor of their choice.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER
99 North Line Street, Frackville, PA 17931

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