

St. Joseph the Worker Parish

FATHER GIUSEPPE C. ESPOSITO, M.Div., M.A.
PASTOR

SAINT

JOSEPH
THE WORKER

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
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
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

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.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

March 24, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE



Saturday, March 23, 2024

5:30 PM Blessing and prayers for a Special Intention
Parish Hall

Sunday, March 24—Palm Sunday

8:00 AM NO MASS

11:00 AM Irene Chaya requested by Carol Thomas &
Parish Hall Sylvia Yonalunas

Monday, March 25

8:30 AM Living and deceased of the Kluss Family
St. Ann requested by Dolores

Tuesday, March 26

8:30 AM NO MASS
St. Ann

Wednesday, March 27—Christ Mass at Cathedral

8:30 AM NO MASS
St. Ann

NO Adoration after Mass until 12 noon

Thursday, March 28—Holy Thursday

7:00 PM M/M Vincent Reichwein & Son
Parish Hall

NO Adoration from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday, March 29—Good Friday

3:00 PM Friday of the Passion of our Lord
Parish Hall

Saturday, March 30—Easter Vigil

8:00 PM Vigil at St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland
SCB

Sunday, March 31

6:30 AM For all those remembered in our Memorial
SJWP Fund
Cemetery

8:00 AM NO MASS

11:00 AM For all St. Joseph the Worker Parishioners
Parish Hall

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 knowing that they are not alone and all they need comes from You.



CANDLE OFFERINGS



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 Special Intention by TMS.

The Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Anthony burns in loving memory of Charles L. Thomas, Sr., 2nd Anniversary requested by Carol and 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 the Sacred Heart burns for a Special Intention.

WEEKLY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:10 to 5:25 p.m. (St. Ann Church)

Sunday: 7:45 to 7:55 a.m. (St. Ann Church)

The St. Ann Church location will be open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for those that want to visit and spend time with our Lord.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please remember that we have Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday after Mass until 12 noon and Thursday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the St. Ann Church location. Please schedule some time with our Lord. Holidays and various other dates..... times may differ. The Church is open daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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 10—\$5,341,05

Thank you for your continued support of your Parish.

PARISH SURVEY-Disciple Maker Index

Our parish is on a journey to know, love, and serve Christ as a parish community. Together we must embrace Christ's vision for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place for others to grow together in faith.

The very first step in this process involves **assessing our greatest strengths and opportunities**, and that is where the **Disciple Maker Index (DMI)** comes in! The DMI is an important survey tool that invites you to reflect on your discipleship journey here at St. Joseph the Worker Parish.

Take the DMI survey today.

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/byc68b>

Your input helps strengthen our parish.

Results help leadership prepare for the future.

If you prefer a paper copy, you may pick up your survey Parish Office. To submit the completed paper survey, please drop off at Parish Office before March 22, 2024. Info also on our website: www.stjoesfrackville.com

NEWS FROM DIOCESE AND PARISHES

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE FOR ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER AND ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO

Palm Sunday Masses—Saturday, March 23 at 5:30 p.m., Sunday, March 24 at 11:00 a.m. both in the SJWP Parish Hall. Also, Saturday, March 23 at 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 24 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland

NO Mass on Wednesday, March 27, 2024

Holy Thursday, March 28 at 7:00 p.m. in St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall—after Mass Father and congregation will process to St. Joseph the Worker Church (St. Ann). Adoration will take place until 11:00 p.m. with Night Prayer beginning at 10:45 p.m. There will be no Mass or Adoration at St. Charles Borromeo.

Good Friday—March 29 at 3:00 p.m. in SJWP Parish Hall (for both Parishes)

Blessing of Easter Food—Saturday, March 30 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Frackville (for both parishes)

Saturday Easter Vigil—March 30 at 8:00 p.m. in St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland (for both parishes)

Easter Sunday— 6:30 a.m. St. Joseph the Worker Cemetery, Frackville (**bring your own chair**)
(Inclement weather we will have Mass in Parish Hall)
8:00 a.m. St. Vincent Worship Site, Girardville
9:30 a.m. St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland
11:00 a.m. St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall, Frackville

PLEASE NOTE: We will have bins to collect old/used palm in the Parish Hall. The bins will be marked. Feel free to bring any and all old palm that week to deposit into these bins.

SIGHT AND SOUND BUS TRIP THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024 (9 seats left)

COST: \$150.00 (ticket to Sight and Sound Theatre production of Daniel.

DINNER: after show, Buffet style meal at Shady Maple (included)

TRANSPORTATION: Round-trip Coach bus transportation (included)

Reserve your seat early.

A non-refundable deposit of \$75.00 is due at time of reservation. Total payment due by April 5, 2024. Come enjoy a one-of-a-kind panoramic theatrical performance including live animals and special effects. Spend an enjoyable day with Father Esposito and our fellow parishioners. All reservation can be made at St. Charles Parish Office 570-875-1521.

DRAMATIC STATIONS OF THE CROSS PRESENTATION

St. John the Baptist Church, 10th and Mahantongo Sts., Pottsville, is presenting their Annual Dramatic Stations of the Cross on Palm Sunday, March 24th at 7:30 p.m. in the main church.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome!

Daily Masses With Bishop Schlert, Because We Are Catholic

Thursday, April 25 - Sacred Heart, Palmerton - 8:30 am
Wednesday, May 22 - St. Joseph the Worker, Orefield - 8:30 am
Monday, September 9 - Our Lady of Mercy, Easton - 8:00 am
Thursday, September 12 - Holy Guardian Angels, Reading - 8:00 am
Monday, September 16 - St. Teresa of Calcutta, Mahanoy City - 6:00 pm

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD — March 24, 2024

“Heavenly Father, crowds cheered and welcomed Jesus and later yelled for his crucifixion. I try to honor and celebrate You, but I know there are areas of my life where I reject or ignore You. Today, give me the strength to sing Your praises at times I might otherwise dishonor You. Amen.”

