

St. Joseph the Worker Parish

FATHER GUENCY ISAAC
PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR
Deacon John M. Sutter

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 Lawton's 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 the Third Sunday at 12:15 p.m. 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
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 16, 2025



Saturday, November 15, 2025

4:00 PM *at St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*

5:30 PM SJWP Michael Gudleski requested by Family

Sunday, November 16

9:00 AM *at St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*

11:00 AM SJWP Mary Anne McCormick requested by Mike & Diane Bloschichak

Monday, November 17

5:30 PM SJWP Special Intentions requested by Irene Roman and Family
—SJWP Adoration 1 p.m. to Mass Time—

No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo

Tuesday, November 18

8:30 AM No Mass at SJWP

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

Wednesday, November 19

8:30 AM SJWP Steven Joshua Molina requested by Family
—SJWP Adoration 9 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.—

No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo

Thursday, November 20

8:30 AM No Mass at either parish

Friday, November 21

8:30 AM No Mass at SJWP, Frackville

8:30 AM *Mass at SCB-Ashland*

Saturday, November 22

4:00 PM *at St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*

5:30 PM SJWP Mabel and Joseph Ackell requested by daughter, Valerie & John Bukowski

Sunday, November 23

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

11:00 AM SJWP Elaine Booble requested by Mike & Amy Prock

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. Anthony burns in memory of Joseph, Albert & Margaret Geary by Darlene and Dennis.

The Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Joseph burns in memory of Gaughan and Kneib Families by 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 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 John and Arlene Davis by Darlene and Dennis.

The Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother burns for a Special Intention.

The Vigil Light at the Statue of the Sacred Heart burns in memory of Steven Joshua Molina Family.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for blessings and health for all our priests within the Diocese.

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)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday: 1:00 to Mass time (5:30 p.m.) (SJWP)

Tuesday: 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. (SCB) in chapel

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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

October 26, 2025—\$5,288.25

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—November 22-23, 2025 St. Joseph the Worker Parish

SERVERS:

Saturday, November 22

5:30 p.m. Jacobs

Sunday, November 23

11:00 a.m. Michael Fantanarosa

LECTORS:

Saturday, November 22

5:30 p.m. Ron Whalen

Sunday, November 23

11:00 a.m. Paul Luke Domalakes

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

Saturday, November 22

5:30 p.m. Marlene Borzok **Choir:** Mike Boychak

Sunday, November 23

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

11:00 a.m. Deacon John Sutter **Choir:** Maggie Scherer

Thanksgiving Day—November 27, 2025—8:30 a.m. Mass at SJWP

Lector/EM—Larry 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.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE RETIRED AND INFIRMED PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN

Please take advantage of the opportunity to offer support to the retired priests of our Diocese by helping provide for their care in retirement! Your donation will help serve those who have faithfully served us. You should have received a request letter in the mail within the last few days. You may return your gift in the mail or drop it in the collection basket at Mass. For more info visit the website www.weloveourpriests.org. Thank you in advance for your generous support!



ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

November 16— PREP 6 to 7:30 p.m. at SCB, Ashland

November 17—Adoration 1 p.m. to Mass time, Confessions 5:10 to 5:25 p.m., Mass at 5:30 p.m.

November 19— Mass 8:30 a.m. Adoration until 11 a.m.

November 20—Food Truck and Food Pantry 8-9:30 a.m.

2026 MASS BOOK IS NOW OPEN

PREP Sacrament Dates:

March 7, 2026— 11:00 a.m. First Penance at SJWP, Frackville

May 2, 2026—10:00 a.m. Both St. Charles and St. Joseph will receive First Holy Communion on May 2 at St. Charles Borromeo in Ashland.

THANKSGIVING OFFICE HOURS

Parish Office will be closed on November 24, 27, 28 and December 1.

Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 8:30 a.m. in St. Joseph the Worker Parish.

Monday, December 1 there will be Adoration, Confessions and Mass at the usual time.

*Father Guency and Staff wish everyone
a blessed and peaceful Thanksgiving.*

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.

PREP VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for a volunteer PREP teacher to begin teaching December 7, 2025. The individual will need their diocesan background check and clearances. Please call the parish office at 570-874-0610 ext. 4 for more info.

FREE THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER

November 27, 2025 at Holy Apostles Episcopal Parish Hall
307 East Hancock Street, St. Clair, PA 17970

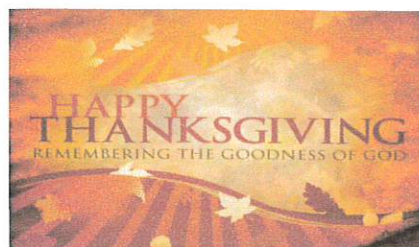
Please RSVP by **November 20** by calling 570-590-0450 or 570-429-7107.

Eat In or Take Out and delivery available.

Delivery — 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Pick Up — 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Eat In — 1:30 p.m.



FRIENDS OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER HEATING OIL RAFFLE

Friends of St. Joseph the Worker is sponsoring a holiday heating oil raffle to help support our parish. You will be mailed two \$10 tickets in October. Please help by selling or purchasing. The ticket returns are to be returned by way of Collection basket or dropping off at the office by December 10, 2025. Those who win will be given the choice of where to get their heating source from....whether oil, coal, etc. Three winners will be drawn.
Winners will be drawn on December 13, 2025 after 5:30 p.m. Mass by Fr. Guency.
Thank you in advance for your support and help with this event.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASSES WITH BISHOP SCHLERT

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.

WOMEN'S ADVENT RETREAT

The Bishop's Commission for Women invites all women of the Diocese to a peaceful day of community, prayer, and reflection this Advent season. Join us on **Saturday, December 13, 2025**, at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Allentown from 8:30am - 1:00pm. As Advent Women, we are called, like Mary Our Mother, to be bearers of Hope to our families and communities. Come, in this Jubilee Year of Hope, and rediscover your identity as a bearer of light in a world of darkness. **Space is limited, so please register as soon as possible.**

Learn more and register at <https://www.allentowndiocese.org/catholic-life/resources-women/womens-advent-retreat-2025>.

TURKEY DINNERS IN SCHUYLKILL COUNTY

The **Schuylkill County Knights of Columbus Councils** will be delivering a Turkey Dinner complete with Turkey, Filling, Yams, Gravy, Vegetable, and dessert to all residents of Schuylkill County who are in need of a meal for this Thanksgiving Day (27 November 2025). If you know of 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, 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 20 November 2025 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.

BIRTHRIGHT INTERNATIONAL OF FRACKVILLE

Just as in the past few years there will be no Birthright Giving Trees, however, for those who wish to participate, Birthright will be accepting monetary donations or gift cards. The donations will be used by only the Birthright staff to purchase Items needed for babies. Families will not receive the cards or donations.

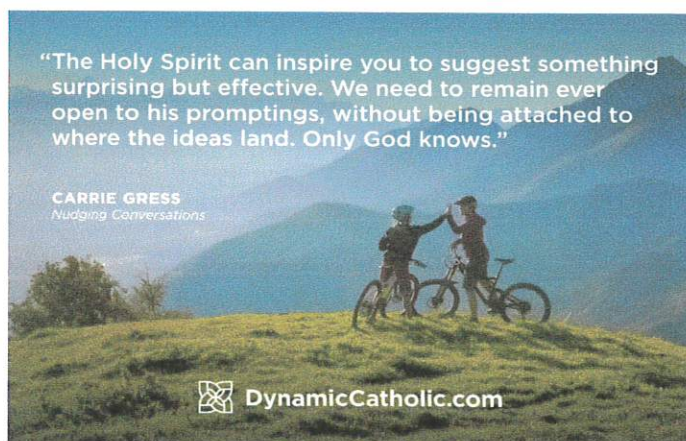
Your contribution can be **mailed to the Birthright Office at 10 North Lehigh Avenue, Frackville, PA 17931. If there are any questions, you can contact the Birthright Office at 570-874-2621 or 570-874-4307.**

The staff of Birthright is very thankful for your past and present donations and continued support. Because of your generosity, we are able to care for babies in need. We wish each of you a very healthy and happy holiday season.

May God bless and watch over you and pray for an end to abortion.

A prayer for perseverance and witness:

"Lord, our God, give us the wisdom and courage to bear witness to your love, even in the face of suffering and persecution. Strengthen us with your Holy Spirit, that by our perseverance we may possess our own selves, and may find our hope and salvation in you."



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2026 LOTTERY CALENDARS

SALES BEGINS NOV. 15/16

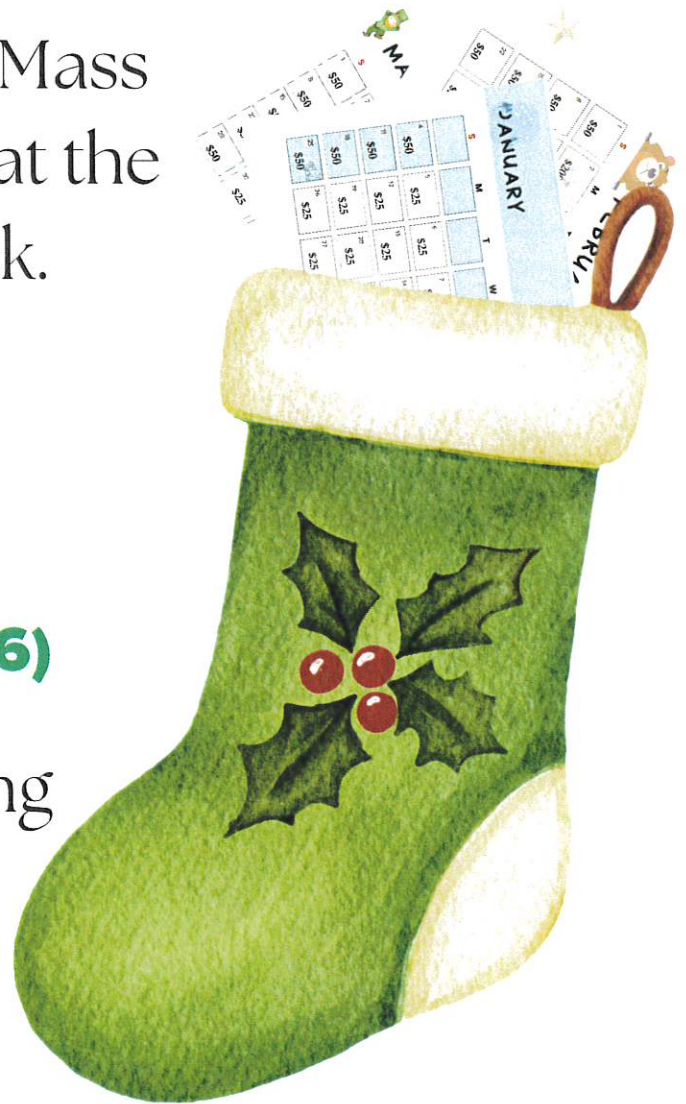
Can be purchased after Mass
in the back of church or at the
office during the week.

**\$15 FOR THREE
MONTH SET**

(JAN., FEB., MAR. 2026)

They make great stocking
stuffers!

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PLANNED GIVING TO THE ENDOWMENT FOR THE CARE OF RETIRED PRIESTS

There are many types of planned gifts you could make to The Endowment. Please review these opportunities and choose the gift that helps you to meet your goals and support the future costs of caring for retired priests.

Gift of Securities (Stocks and Appreciated Property):

Many parishioners prefer making a gift of appreciated securities because they will receive the full value of the securities as the gift value and pay no capital gains tax. Please consult your personal tax advisor regarding the special rules for gifts of appreciated property.

Bequest:

Making a bequest gift is as simple as adding an amendment to your will stating you will leave a portion of your estate to The Endowment for the Care of Retired Priests.

Life Insurance:

A modest investment can yield a significant gift by making The Endowment the beneficiary of a life insurance policy.

Charitable Trust:

A charitable trust could be a great way to give a significant gift of appreciated real estate or securities while limiting estate or capital gains taxes.

Charitable Gift Annuity:

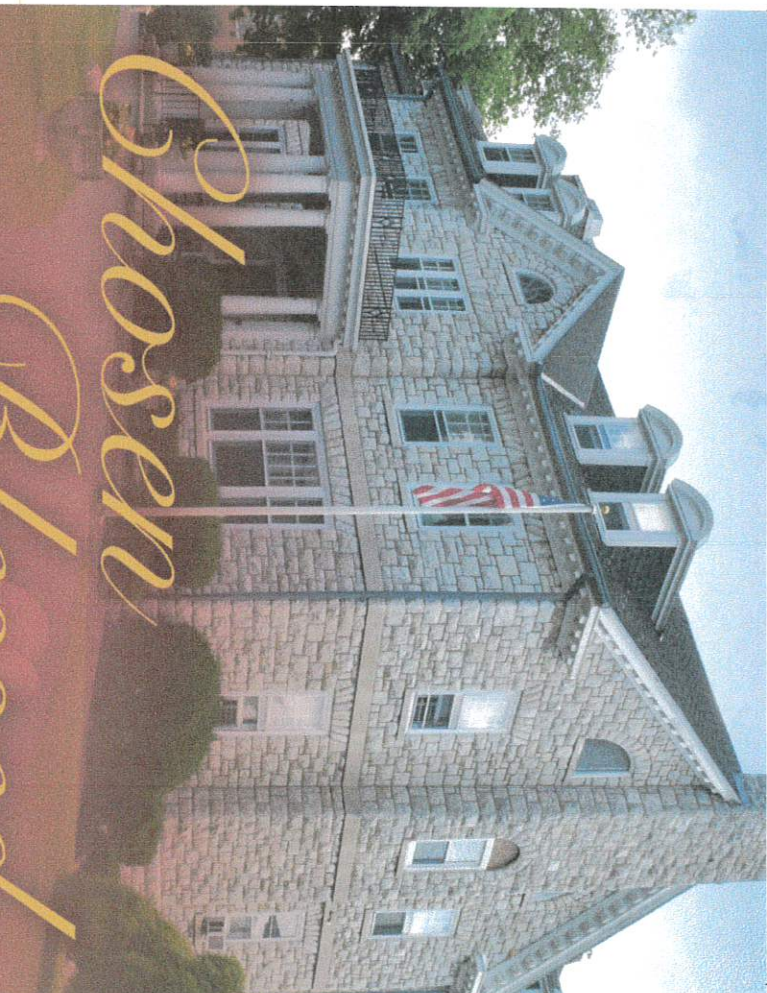
A charitable gift annuity allows you to contribute assets to The Endowment and receive a charitable deduction. The annuity also provides you with a guaranteed income stream for life.

Gifts of Retirement Plan Assets:

Naming The Endowment as full or partial beneficiary of your IRA, 401(k), 403(b), pension or other retirement plan avoids all income and estate taxes on those retirement plan assets and allows you to leave less heavily taxed assets to your heirs.

By giving a planned gift to The Endowment for the Care of Retired Priests, you will become a member of the Diocese of Allentown's Legacy Society. For more information on the Legacy Society or how to make a planned gift, please call 800-831-4443.

** Please consult your tax, financial or legal advisor concerning any gift arrangements you are considering.*



Chosen Blessed Shared

THE ENDOWMENT FOR THE CARE OF RETIRED PRIESTS

