

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

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

APRIL 13, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE



Saturday, April 12, 2025-Palm Sunday Vigil

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

Monday, April 14

5:30 PM SJWP For all those enrolled in the Memorial Fund
—SJWP Adoration 1:00 to Mass Time—

No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo

Tuesday, April 15

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 16

8:30 AM SJWP No Mass—Chrism Mass at Diocese
—SJWP Adoration 9 a.m. to Noon—

No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo

Thursday, April 17-Holy Thursday

7:00 PM SJWP Hall Charles Yonalunas requested by Wife,
Daughters and Families

Friday, April 18-Good Friday

3:00 PM SJWP Hall Religious Service

12 Noon *NO Mass at SCB, Ashland*

Saturday, April 19-Easter Vigil

8:00 PM at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*

5:30 PM SJWP Hall NO Mass at SJWP, Frackville

Sunday, April 20—Easter Sunday

6:30 AM Cemetery Mass in St. Joseph the Worker Cemetery
8:00 AM at *St. Vincent Worship Site, Girardville*
9:30 AM at *St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland*
11:00 AM SJWP Hall For all living & deceased 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.



CANDLE OFFERINGS



The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Sacred Heart** burns in memory of Father Luke Anderson by the Chaklos Family.
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. Joseph** burns for Special Intention by MFC.
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 Joseph, Albert & Margaret Geary by Darlene and Dennis.
The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Anthony** burns for a Special Intention by TMS.
The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns in memory of Maryann K. Hudson by Barb T. Kushwarra.

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 23, 2025—\$3,639.00

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.sjwccemeteries.org or you can go to our website to find the link.

Parish website: www.stjoesfrackville.com

PARISH NEWS

Ministry Schedule—April 19-20, 2025

St. Joseph the Worker Parish

Holy Week & Easter Masses in Parish Hall

SERVERS:

Holy Thursday, April 17

7:00 p.m. Emily and Johnny Walsh, Eleanor Rall & Lucia and Rocco Sanfilippo

Good Friday, April 18

3:00 p.m. Olivia Yukonis, Michael Fantanarosa, Kyra and Alexander Krapf

Sunday, April 20

11:00 a.m. Mark, Matt and Maria Monahan

LECTORS:

Holy Thursday, April 17

7:00 p.m. Deacon John Sutter

Good Friday, April 18

3:00 p.m. Deacon John Sutter and Paul Luke Domalakes

Sunday, April 20

11:00 a.m. Peggy Fetterolf

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

Holy Thursday, April 17

7:00 p.m. Deacon John Sutter **Choir:** Maggie Scherer

Good Friday, April 18

3:00 p.m. Deacon John Sutter

Choir: Paul Luke Domalakes

Sunday, April 20

8:30 a.m. **Nursing Home:** Bill Rowan

11:00 a.m. Mary Lou Michaels **Choir:** Gerald Campomizzi

Easter Sunday, April 20

Mass in St. Joseph the Worker Cemetery, Frackville

Mass at 6:30 a.m. Please bring your own chairs.

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 - last session April 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.



ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

April 17—Food Truck and Food Pantry 8 to 9:30 a.m.

April 20—NO Kid’s Choir

April 20—NO PREP 6 to 7:30 p.m. w/Living Stations

April 21—NO Adoration, NO Confessions, NO Mass

April 23—(NO Mass) Adoration 9 to 12 noon

May 3—Combined First Holy Communion SJWP & SCB at 11:00 a.m. in St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland

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*.

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.

A COMBINED FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

St. Joseph the Worker and St. Charles Borromeo will have a combined First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 3, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. in St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Ashland. Practices April 29 and 30 each day at 4:30 p.m. at St. Charles Borromeo.

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.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LADIES’ AUXILIARY- Fr. Sheridan Council #748 (previously #2580)

Monthly meetings have resumed in the Social Room at 34 South Line Street, Frackville. We continue to seek new members. For membership consideration, you must be a spouse, or child 18 years of age or older, of a Knight of Columbus member and a Catholic in good standing with your church. For more info, contact Carole Syzdek 570-467-3744.

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.

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.

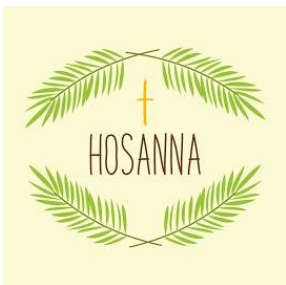
St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland9:30 a.m.

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

Blessing of Easter Food

Saturday, April 19, 2025

SJWP Church, Frackville10:00 a.m.



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Palm Sunday, also known as Passion Sunday, falls on **April 13, 2025**. Palm Sunday is the Sunday before Easter and marks the start of Holy Week, which is greatly important for Christians. Palm Sunday is the Christian moveable feast that falls on the Sunday before Easter. The feast commemorates Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem, an event mentioned in each of the four canonical Gospels.