

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 17, 2024



Saturday, March 16, 2024

5:30 PM Oliver Klitsch requested by Sue & John
St. Ann Wislosky

Sunday, March 17

8:00 AM Enice Biacco requested by a Friend
St. Ann

11:00 AM Catholic Daughters of America,
St. Ann Ct. St. James #1029

Monday, March 18

8:30 AM Helen Chernetsky requested by daughter,
St. Ann Mary Ann and Family

6:00 PM Sixth & final session of *The Mass* at
St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall,
Frackville

Tuesday, March 19

8:30 AM **NO MASS**
St. Ann

Wednesday, March 20

8:30 AM John E. Lavelle requested by Kathryn & Ed
St. Ann Stetts

Adoration after Mass until 12 noon

6:00 PM Lenten Ministerium Service at New Hope
Wesleyan Church

Thursday, March 21

8:30 AM **NO MASS**
St. Ann

Adoration from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Lenten Penance Service at SJWP (SA) at 6:00 p.m.
two priests will be hearing confessions

Friday, March 22

8:30 AM **NO MASS**
St. Ann

6-7 PM Adoration, Confession 6:30 p.m. and
Stations 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph the Work-
er Parish, Frackville

Saturday, March 23

5:30 PM Blessings 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

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. 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 Lynette Cipione requested by Family.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of John and Arlene Davis by Darlene and Dennis.

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 3—\$8,199.25

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**

PARISH NEWS

Ministry Schedule—March 23—24

Parish Hall location

SERVERS:

5:30 p.m. Johnny and Emily Walsh
8:00 a.m. **NO Mass**
11:00 a.m. Jacob and Janelle Ziegmont

LECTORS:

5:30 p.m. Diane Rowland and Tim Sullivan
8:00 a.m. **NO Mass**
11:00 a.m. Bridget Quick and Paul Luke Domalakes

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

5:30 p.m. Carolyn Tenaglia **Choir:** Tom Sullivan
8:00 a.m. **NO Mass** **Nursing Home:** Eileen Barlow
11:00 a.m. Bridget Quick
Choir/Downstairs: Patti Domalakes

NURSING HOME EM —after the 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass is the time in which to leave to go to the Nursing Home. This gives them time to be ready for you when you arrive. Thank you for your understanding.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

Holy Thursday, March 28—Parish Hall

SERVERS:

7:00 p.m. Helena Jacobs, Johnny Walsh & Emily Walsh

LECTORS:

7:00 p.m. Carolyn Tenaglia

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

7:00 p.m. Carolyn Tenaglia
Choir/Downstairs: Bernard Bruni

Good Friday, March 29—Parish Hall

SERVERS:

3:00 p.m. Rocco & Lucia Sanfilippo

LECTORS:

3:00 p.m. Peggy Fetterolf and Patti Domalakes

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

3:00 p.m. Maggie Scherer
Choir/Downstairs: Mary Lou Michaels

Easter Sunday, March 31—6:30 a.m. at SJWP Cemetery

11:00 a.m. in Parish Hall

SERVERS:

6:30 a.m. N/A
11:00 a.m. Maria, Mark and Matthew Monahan

LECTORS:

6:30 a.m. Josh Kuzmitsky
11:00 a.m. Patti Domalakes

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

6:30 a.m. N/A
11:00 a.m. Patti Domalakes **Choir/Downstairs:** Jean Dando

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LADIES' AUXILIARY,

COUNCIL #748-GIRARDVILLE—will resume their monthly meetings beginning, **Wednesday, March 20** at 6:10 p.m. in the Social Room, 34 South Line Street, Frackville. We continue to seek new members. For consideration for membership, you must be a spouse, or child 18 years of age or older, of a Knights of Columbus member and a *Catholic in good standing with your church. For more info, contact Carol Syzdek at 570-467-3744.

ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

March 18—Sixth & final Lenten Session at St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall at 6:00 p.m.

March 20—Adoration after Mass until 12 noon

March 21—Adoration I to 4 p.m. in St. Ann Church Location

March 21—Lenten Penance Service SJWP 6:00 p.m.

March 22—6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Adoration, 6:30 p.m. Confessions & 7:00 p.m. Stations at St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Frackville

March 24—Children's Choir 5 p.m. in BVM Church

March 24—PREP at 6:00 p.m. w/Stations of the Cross

THE MASS— Lenten Series —Presented by Fr. Esposito **Session will begin at 6:00 p.m.**

Dates: Final session—March 18 in St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall.

You can also view the video on our website:

www.stjoesfrackville.com

The Mass by acclaimed author, speaker and theologian, Bishop Robert Barron has created *The Mass* as an opportunity for Catholics to more fully understand and participate in the Mass—to realize its true value and beauty. As Bishop Barron guides you through the Mass, you will see how it transports us from the fallen world into the heavenly realm, called by God to be intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ through the Holy Eucharist.

APRIL SHOWERS MEAT RAFFLE!

Friends of St. Joseph the Worker is sponsoring a Spring Meat Raffle. We are asking for the support of our parish. Two \$10 tickets were sent to each family. Please either purchase or sell the two tickets. Ticket returns can be put in the collection basket in an envelope with your name or dropped off at the parish office. There are 5—\$100 Marlin Meat Gift Card Prizes. Father will draw the winners after 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday April 13. You need not be present to win. If you would like to obtain extra tickets, please see any Friend's member or come to the parish office. Thank you in advance for your support.

FEBRUARY LOTTERY CALENDAR WINNERS

Robin Reilly #339-2/2/24; John Smolock #958-2/5/24; Laura Smith #417-2/12/24; Kathy Kemmerly #260-2/14/24; Mary Ellen Bane #440-2/18/24; Bert Robert Freiler #508-2/23/24; Phyllis Yesalusky #725-2/27/24.

Congratulations to all of the February winners and good luck to all the March calendar holders.

ALTAR SERVER MASS—Saturday, April 13th 2024 at

11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Church of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown. All altar servers throughout the diocese are invited to attend this special Mass celebrated by Bishop Schlert. This Mass is to bless and thank all those serving in this important ministry. Participants are invited to bring and vest in their parish's altar server robes. A reception for altar servers and their families will be held after the Mass. Each family will receive an invitation.



NEWS FROM DIOCESE AND PARISHES

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

Lenten Penance Service—Thursday, March 21—St. Joseph the Worker Parish at 6:00 p.m. (for both parishes)

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—St. Joseph the Worker Cemetery, Frackville 6:30 a.m. (**bring your own chair**)
St. Vincent Worship Site, Girardville 8:00 a.m.
St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland 9:30 a.m.
St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall, Frackville 11:00 a.m.

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.

OPEN REGISTRATION FOR THE 2024-2025 DIVINE MERCY PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Pre-School will be held at the Fr. Walter Cizek Education Center (Trinity Academy), 233 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah, PA.

Phone: 570-462-3927. *Registration Fee for 2024-2025 is \$75.00. Children ages 3, 4 and 5 welcome for half and/or full day Pre-school classes Monday through Friday. Our Pre-School Program follows a modified Montessori method to prepare your child for the world of learning and his/her admission to Kindergarten. Attendance five days per week allows your child to benefit by participating in more of the learning opportunities provided.

The Pre-School is under the direction of Mrs. Sharon Tobin, B.A. Exceptional Child Study.

Please call Sr. Patricia Mount at 570-462-3927 for more info or to request a registration packet.

All community registrations will begin the week of February 20th. Please mark this on your calendar.

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT — March 17, 2024

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

