

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

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

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 23, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE



Saturday, March 22, 2025

4:00 PM at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*
5:30 PM SJWP Ron McCloskey requested by Don & Linda Lindenmuth

Sunday, March 23

9:00 AM at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*
11:00 AM SJWP Robert Alexander requested by Mother

Monday, March 24

5:30 PM SJWP Charlie Thomas requested by Family
—SJWP Adoration 1:00 to Mass Time—

No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo

Tuesday, March 25

SJWP No Mass
8:30 AM *No Mass at SCB-Ashland*
—SCB Adoration 9:00 to 11 a.m. in Chapel—
6:00 PM Bible Study St. Charles Borromeo Hall

Wednesday, March 26

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

No Mass at St. Charles Borromeo

Thursday, March 27

8:30 AM SJWP No Mass at either parish

Friday, March 28

8:30 AM SJWP No Mass at SJWP
12 Noon No Mass at SCB, Ashland
(below at SCB, Ashland)
6-7 PM Adoration
6:30 PM NO Confessions
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 29

4:00 PM at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*
5:30 PM SJWP Rose Matthews requested by Diane Hayek

Sunday, March 30

9:00 AM at *St. Charles Borromeo-Ashland*
11:00 AM SJWP Living & deceased of Wayne, Croake & Waegelien Families requested by Eileen Wayne & Sons

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. Joseph** burns in memory of Gaughan and Kneib Families by Peggy Gaughan.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Joseph** burns in memory of Charles J. Scherer, Jr. by Margaret Scherer.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Joseph** burns in memory of Michael Kastroba by Chris.

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 Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Joseph, Albert & Margaret Geary by Darlene and Dennis.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns for the living & deceased members of Petrus & Gergal Families by John and Barb.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Anthony** burns for a Special Intention by TMS.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns for the safety and blessings of Max requested by Mom, Dad and Toni.

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 2, 2025—\$5,223.25

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—March 29-30, 2025 St. Joseph the Worker Parish

SERVERS:

Saturday, March 29

5:30 p.m. Johnny & Emily Walsh

Sunday, March 30

11:00 a.m. Eleanor Rall and Kyra Krapf

LECTORS:

Saturday, March 29

5:30 p.m. Carolyn Tenaglia

Sunday, March 30

11:00 a.m. Deacon John Sutter

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

Saturday, March 29

5:30 p.m. Carolyn Tenaglia **Choir: Any EM available**

Sunday, March 30

8:30 a.m. **Nursing Home:** Gerald Campomizzi

11:00 a.m. Deacon John Sutter **Choir:** Joe Bane

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 -March 25, April 1, 8 & 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.

ASSUMPTION BVM HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

invites you to join them at their 3rd Annual Cash & Gift Card Bingo (w/\$1,000 Cash Jackpot) on Sunday, April 6th at St. Ambrose Parish Center, Schuylkill Haven. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. and bingo begins at 1:00 p.m. Advance tickets—\$35; at door tickets—\$40.

Email or call to purchase advance tickets and secure your spot.

Abvm.bingo@gmail.com or 570-590-0503.

For more info, please visit: tinyurl.com/abvmbingo

Holy Family Parish of Minersville is holding their annual **Ham Bingo** on Sunday, April 6th. Doors open at 11am and bingo begins at 1pm at the Parish Center at Hillcrest. This is a great family event as tickets are \$5 for 20 games! There will also be specials, a 50/50 drawing, drawings for other prizes, and the kitchen will be open!

ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

March 30—Kid’s Choir 5:00 to 5:45 p.m.

March 30—PREP 6 to 7:30 p.m. w/Confessions

March 31—Adoration 1 to 4:00 p.m.

NO Mass & NO Confessions

April 1—Bible Study 6:00 p.m. in the St. Charles Borromeo Hall, Ashland

April 2—Adoration 9 to 12 noon

Fridays during Lent:

6-7 p.m. Adoration

6:30 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

(SJWP, Frackville March 7, 14 & 21)

(SCB, Ashland March 28, April 4, 11)

No Confessions on March 28 and April 4

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](https://t.me/stjosephfr) to 81010. This is for anyone who has not yet signed up for **Remind**.

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.

ST. ANNE GUILD EASTER EGGS (St. Charles Borromeo in Ashland)

—Peanut Butter, Coconut, Butter Cream and Cherry. \$1.25 each/\$15.00/dozen. Candy making began on February 24. **The last day to order will be Friday, April 4.** To place orders, please call the SCB Parish Office at 570-875-1521.

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC RESULTS FOR PARISH

St. Joseph the Worker Parish (Frackville)

2024 BWAC Goal = \$17,383

2024 BWAC Results = \$20,854

2025 BWAC Rebates

As you know the ability to support Diocesan ministries in the future requires actively enrolling new donors in the Appeal today. Recognizing that you are the most effective advocate for the Appeal in your Parish, 100% of gifts from new donors are returned as a rebate to your Parish. In addition, as has been true in the past, 25% of gifts received in excess of your goal goes back to your parish.

We had three new donors to the “**Because We Are Catholic Campaign**” and they donated \$620.00. We just received this as a rebate to our parish along with a rebate of \$867.75 for exceeding our goal.

**2025 BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC
APPEAL GOAL-\$19,119**

Thank you to everyone who participated in BWAC!

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Congratulations to the following children from our parish along with children from St. Charles Borromeo Parish who received for the first time the sacrament of Penance.

Noel Corrales, Brock Huben, Gwendalyn Jacobs, Roslyn Jacobs, Eliana Rex, Quinn Sabaday, Knox Sajone, Ellianna Slimmer, Rylee Sullivan, Jonas Swope, Rayla Wirtz and Xander Zelusky, Delaney Brobst, Juliana Colihan, Jase Dengler, Otto Troutman, Michael Whalen.

We lift up to You these precious children who have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Strengthen them with the grace of this sacrament, that they may grow closer to You and strive to live a life of goodness and virtue. Bless their families and catechists who have supported and prepared them for this sacred moment. May they continue to nurture these young souls in faith, hope, and love.

FRACKVILLE MINISTERIUM LENTEN SERVICES

Lenten Theme: Complaints

Wednesday, March 26—6:00 p.m. St. John the Baptist PCC, 414 West Oak Street, Frackville
Wednesday, April 2—6:00 p.m. ECC Trinity Evangelical Church, 56 North Balliet Street, Frackville
Wednesday, April 9—6:00 p.m. First United Methodist Church, 25 South Balliet Street, Frackville

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

Will resume their monthly meetings beginning, Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 6:10 p.m., 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 LENTEN DINNER

Choice of Devil Crab, Fish or Chicken Finger Dinner (for kids). Dinner will come with mac & cheese with stewed tomatoes, Green beans, roll and chocolate pudding

Date of dinner: Friday, April 4, 2025 **(TAKE OUT ONLY)**

Pick up: 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Location: Trinity School, 233 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah, PA

Cost: \$10.00 per dinner

Call: 570-462-1968 for any questions or information.

Payment needed at the time order is placed!

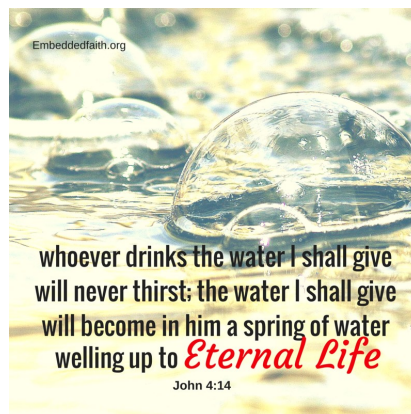
SIGHT AND SOUND—NOAH TRIP UPDATE

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.

MARIAN CATHOLIC HS DAY OF CARING

From **March 25 at 12:00 p.m. until March 28 at 10:00 a.m.** we will spend 70 hours in honor of the 70th Anniversary, United to support Marian Catholic High School. Every dollar you give will be matched up to \$75,000. Gifts are being gratefully accepted beginning today here: <https://boostmyschool.com/mariancatholicshs-day-of-caring-2025>



The third Sunday of Lent marks a midpoint in the Lenten season and is a reminder that our journey towards Easter and the resurrection of Jesus Christ is one of hope and joy.