

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/
holidays 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.nativitybvmschool.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.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

February 25, 2024



Saturday, February 24, 2024

5:30 PM Maura Marnell requested by Atty. & Mrs.
St. Ann Paul Domalakes

Sunday, February 25

8:00 AM Claire Dura requested by John & Elaine
St. Ann Harkins

11:00 AM John J. O'Connor requested by Hayek
St. Ann Family

Monday, February 26

8:30 AM John Sutter (on his journey to becoming a
St. Ann Deacon) requested by Friends of SJWP

6:00 PM *Third session of The Mass at St. Charles
 Borromeo, Ashland*

Tuesday, February 27

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

Wednesday, February 28

8:30 AM Tony Brophy requested by Nancy & Ed
St. Ann Kardisco

Adoration after Mass until 12 noon

6:00 PM Lenten Ministerium Service at Zion Lutheran
 Church (BVM), Frackville

Thursday, February 29

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

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

Friday, March 1

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

6-7 PM *Adoration, Confession 6:30 p.m. and
 Stations 7:00 p.m. at St. Charles
 Borromeo, Ashland*

Saturday, March 2

5:30 p.m. Larry Rounds requested by Theresa
St. Ann Hanincik & Michael Kormonick

Sunday, March 3

8:00 a.m. Patricia Tarson requested by Barbara Jean
St. Ann Storm

11:00 a.m. Jonas Smith requested by Annie & Tom
St. Ann Hull

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 the Sacred Heart** burns for Special Intentions..

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Florence Sienkiewicz by Family.

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

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

February 11, 2024—\$5,762.35

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.

PARISH NEWS

Ministry Schedule—March 2—3 St. Ann Church Location

SERVERS:

5:30 p.m. Helena Jacobs
8:00 a.m. Michael Fantanarosa
11:00 a.m. Monahans

LECTORS:

5:30 p.m. Diane Rowland
8:00 a.m. Angela Pyzowski
11:00 a.m. Janelle Ziegmont

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

5:30 p.m. Carolyn Tenaglia **Choir:** Tom Sullivan
8:00 a.m. Angela Pyzowski **Choir:** Bernard Bruni
Nursing Home: Mike Boychak
11:00 a.m. Jean Dando **Choir:** Joe Bane

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LADIES' AUXILIARY,

COUNCIL #748-GIRARDVILLE—will resume their monthly meetings beginning, Wednesday, March 20 at 6:0 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. *Whenever there is a questions of a member's failure to remain a practical Catholic, the officers should consult with the chaplain and the member's pastor so that no injustice will be done and no unjust or un-Christian gossip is permitted to be spread. If the situation cannot be adjusted satisfactorily, the laws of the Order provide appropriate procedures for the exclusion of such a one from membership in the Order.

MARIAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION SESSION

Monday, March 11th, 4:00 to 6 :00 p.m.
Tour the school with our Student Ambassadors and learn how to make a Marian education possible. Contact Mary Milosh with any questions:
mmilosh@mariancatholic.org or 570-467-3335 ext. 117.



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.

ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

February 26—Third Lenten Session at St. Charles Borromeo Hall at 6:00 p.m.
February 27—Knight of Columbus Council 748 will be Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in St. Ann Hall, Frackville
February 28—Adoration after Mass until 12 noon
February 29—Adoration 1 to 4 p.m. in St. Ann Church Location
March 1—6 to 7 p.m. Adoration, 6:30 p.m. Confessions & 7:00 p.m. Stations at St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland
March 3—Children's Choir 5 p.m. in BVM Church
March 3—PREP at 6:00 p.m.

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

There are six consecutive sessions (3 in Ashland and 3 in Frackville)

Dates: Monday, February 26 in St. Charles Borromeo Parish Hall.

Monday, March 4, March 11 and March 18 in St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall.

Nothing to purchase.

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.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER TEXT ALERTS

With the winter season, if St. Joseph the Worker or St. Charles Borromeo wants to send out a reminder and you want to be notified, please add the following: Text @acb3gga to 81010. This will be a great way to keep up on Mass cancellations or postponements. If anyone has any questions regarding the text alerts, please do not hesitate to contact either parish office.

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.



NEWS FROM DIOCESE AND PARISHES

Thank You

A sincere thank you to the Knights of Columbus Council #748 who have agreed to pay for the new commercial refrigerator needed for the Social Room. We are deeply grateful for your generosity to our Parish. The refrigerator is in and will be put to good use in making our food for the upcoming Festival. The cost of the new refrigerator was \$2,133.00. May God bless you in your continuing endeavors with the Knights of Columbus.

SIGHT AND SOUND BUS TRIP THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024



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 Ciszek 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.

MAHANOEY CITY BLESSED TERESA GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Reservations are being accepted for the bus trip to Cape May, NJ May 21-24, 2024.

Includes: 3 nights at the Grand Hotel in Cape May, 3 breakfasts, 2 dinners, full day in Atlantic City, Trolley tour of Historic District, Cape May Zoo, Doo Wop Tour in Wildwood, shopping at Washington Street Mall. For more information, call 570-773-1752.

SHENANDOAH VALLEY PTO BASKET AUCTION

Held at: Shenandoah Valley Elementary Gym, 805 West Centre Street, Shenandoah

March 1st from 4 to 8 p.m. and March 2nd from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tickets will be pulled at 3 p.m. on Saturday. Refreshments available in the cafeteria. Shop and Drop both days!!!

You do **NOT** need to be present to win!

Some prizes include: \$3,000 trip of your choice, Meat, Smoker & Freezer package, Nintendo Switch, Yeti Coolers Concert tickets, large TV, Blackstone Grill, Household supplies, sports tickets.

For more info: 570-462-2796.

HOMEMADE SHOO FLY PIE & PIE CRUSTS

Wet Bottom Pie—\$9.00 Crust—\$3.00

Made by Members of St. Mary's Church Choir, Ringtown

*Pick up at St. Mary's Church Rectory, Ringtown Tuesday, March 19th from 10 a.m. to noon.

***Deadline to order: Wednesday, March 13th.** Call the Parish Office at 570-889-3850

leave a message with name, phone and your order or call Marie at 579-8889-3825 or see any Choir member or use the order form at church.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT — February 25, 2024

O God, you know us better than we know ourselves. You know what we are able to bear, and you know what would destroy us (1 Corinthians 10:13). We pray for all who face danger on this day both in our community and in the communities of our world.