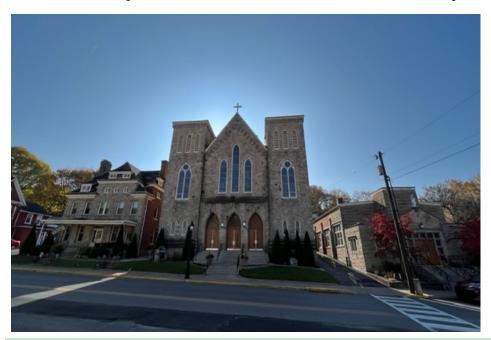
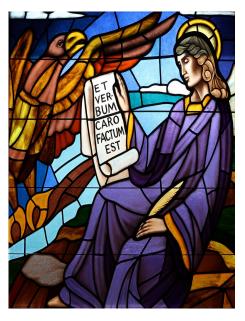
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

February 16th, 2025/ Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time





MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. Weekday: Varies—see weekly

Mass schedule

St. Kateri Church: 12:00 p.m.

Sunday

CONFESSION

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

CONTACT US

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Join us on FlockNote! Text "SJ814" to the number 84576

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Brian Saylor, Pastor | Deacon Tom Boldin
Fr. Joshi Narisetti, HGN, Parochial Vicar
Lorraine Fello and Rose Truglio: Office Staff
Kristina Tice: St. John School Principal
Tony and Paula Roland: Directors of Rel. Ed.
David Harry: R.C.I.A. Coordinator
Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin:
Confirmation Directors
Natalie Stanton: Music Ministry Coordinator
Joe Baummer: Maintenance

SACRAMENTS

Confession: Saturday 4:00-4:30 p.m.
Baptism: Call the rectory
R.C.I.A.: Call the rectory
Marriage: Notify pastor 9 months
in advance

Masses for the week

<u>Saturday, February 15</u>

5:00 PM People of the Parish

<u>Sunday, February 16</u>

8:00 AM Francis Granite (Karen & Phil Pipta)

10:15 AM Ann & Paul Oesterling (Oesterling Family)

Monday, February 17

9:00 AM Peter A. Rose (Ed Rose Family)

Tuesday, February 18

8:00 AM Joe & Connie Moseri (Brezler Family)

<u> Wednesday, February 19</u>

8:00 AM Mary Jane Davidson

(John & Rosemary Pipta)

Thursday, February 20

6:00 PM Mary Jane Davidson

(Christine & Kevin Svitana)

Friday, February 21

8:00 AM Stan & Patricia Bathgate

(Rich & Kim Fornicola & Family)

Saturday, February 22

5:00 PM Donald & Vilma Anspauch

(Anspauch, Neidigh & Kowalski Families)

Sunday, February 23

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:15 AM For the Health of Sherri Gehringer

(Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin)

Eucharistic Minister/Lector / Altar Server/Music

Saturday, February 22 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Connie McCulley/Volunteer

Lector: Stephanie Mullin

Servers: Matthew & Josie DeRemer

Music: Stephen St. Amant

Sunday, February 23 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: David Harry/Volunteer

Lector: Adam Rawding

Servers: Henry & Oliver St. Amant

Music: Traditional Sunday, February 23 10:15 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Margaret Gorzelnik/Volunteer

Lector: Michael Jurewicz

Servers: Luke Russell /Braxton Hosterman

Music: Youth

Religious Education

CCD grades k-10

Sundays 9-10 AM in the school February 16th—No CCD February 23rd—Class

March 2nd—Class

March 9th—Class, CCD Mass 5th & 6th grade

11th Grade Confirmation Class

Sundays from 11:15 am-12:30 pm in the school auditorium

Sunday, February 16—No Class Sunday, February 23—Class Sunday, March 2—Class Sunday, March 9—No Class

Questions - please contact Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin at 814-355-4234(H) or text to 814-883-8123 or email at stboldin@verizon.net

BAPTISM CLASS DATES 2024: Families who would like their first child baptized must attend a baptism class. Class dates for 2025 are March 9, June 8, September 14, December 14. For additional information or questions contact Deacon Tom Boldin at 814-355-4234(H) or text to 814-883-8123 or email stboldin@verizon.net

TRAVELING VOCATION CRUCIFIX PROGRAM: The

Traveling Vocation Crucifix will began traveling the First Sunday of Advent! The Vocation Crucifix will be available to travel from home to home for one-week intervals. During that week the host family will be asked to make a special effort to pray together with emphasis on an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, as well as a clear understanding as to the vocation Christ is calling each family member. A booklet of prayers will accompany the chalice. Sign-up by calling or emailing the Church Office.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

Monday, Weekday

Gen 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday, Weekday

Gen 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday, Weekday

Gen 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday, Weekday

Gen 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18; 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Mk 8:27-33

Friday, Weekday

Gen 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 8:34 - 9:1

Saturday, Weekday

1 Pet 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:13-19 Sunday, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103; 1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1

Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

Weekly events

Sunday February 16

Monday February 17 Thursday February 20

Saturday February 22

8:30-Noon KOC Breakfast

9:30 AM Adoration

6:30 PM Healing Through Faith

9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Centering Prayer



SPRING BUS TRIP

Father Brian at St. John's will be hosting a bus trip to Sight and Sound in Lancaster to see NOAH.

Returning for one season only, this landmark production takes you on board one of the world's best-known voyages as live animals fill the stage and aisles. Set sail inside the enormous ark as this extraordinary story comes to life in this special 30th anniversary season.

The bus trip is on Thursday, April 10th, for the 11:00 am showing. Travel will be by Fullington Trailways. We will be stopping after the show at Cracker Barrel in Harrisburg. The bus will be boarding in front of St. John's at 6:30 am and returning approximately at 7:00 pm. Cost of the trip is \$150.00 per person which includes show ticket and transportation. Meals will be on your own. All reservations and money must be received in St. John's parish office by Friday, March 7th. Please note — no reservations will be accepted without payment. Space is limited. If you have any questions, please contact St. John's parish office at (814) 355-3134

A <u>Centering Prayer Introductory Session</u> lead by Nancy Cord-Baran will be offered on Saturday, February 22, 2025, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, at St. John's Rectory in the basement meeting room. Anyone interested in learning about this silent method of prayer and those interested in refreshing their Centering Prayer practice are invited to attend.

Centering prayer is a receptive method of silent prayer that prepares us to receive the gift of contemplative prayer in which we experience God's presence within us, closer than thinking, closer than consciousness itself. This method of prayer is both a relationship with God and a discipline to foster the relationship. Centering prayer is not meant to replace other kinds of prayer. Rather it adds depth and meaning to all prayer and is a receptive prayer of resting in God. Centering Prayer emphasizes prayer as a personal relationship with God and as a movement beyond conversation with God to communion with Christ. Please call the Rectory Office at 814 355-3134 during regular office hours, 8:30 am -1:00 pm, Monday to Friday, to register for this Centering Prayer Session.

Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of February 9, 2025	
ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:	
Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 5,844.95
Loose Offertory:	\$ 957.00
Latin Mass	\$ 436.00
Children's Offertory:	\$ 8.00
Special Monthly:	\$ 843.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 227.90
ORDINARY TOTAL	\$ 8,316.85
EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:	
Maintenance:	\$ 555.00
EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$ 555.00
ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL:	\$ 8,871.85
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SCHOOL COLLECTION:	\$ 235.00
***********	*****
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)	
Holy Name of Mary	\$ 30.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 50.00
Thank you for your generosity!	

EMPOWERED BY THE SPIRIT SERIES

Holy Spirit Ministry will be hosting the "Empowered by the Spirit Series" on 4 consecutive Tuesdays beginning March 18th, at St. Michael Activity Center & Church, Hollidaysburg. The prayer experience begins at 7PM and includes dynamic speakers, testimonies, praise & worship, small group discussions and more! Refreshments and fellowship will begin in the Activity Center at 6:30PM. The purpose of the series is to explore and equip the faithful for evangelization through the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit. There is no charge, but registration is required: holyspiritministry20@gmail.com or calling 814-207-9110. All are welcome for this exciting series.

<u>St. John's in Stitches</u> is in need of lap blankets for our homebound parishioners. They can be knit, crocheted or quilted and of any size. Completed blankets can be dropped off in the rectory meeting room. If you have any questions contact, Rosie Wood at rosieandwoody3@hotmail.com.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church

P.O. Box 159, 3503 Penns Valley Rd Spring Mills, PA 16875 | www.stkaterichurch.org | Rev. Brian Saylor, Pastor

Mass is celebrated Sunday at 12:00 Noon | Confession: 1st Sunday after Mass (1:00 pm)

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, February 16

12:00 PM

James Trexler (Father Brian)

Sunday, February 23

12:00 PM

For Those Undergoing **Medical Treatment**

LECTOR SCHEDULE

February 16 Gail Anderson February 23 kb Boomer

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

February 16 kb Boomer February 23 Millie Turner

WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTALS

(regular & online)

February 2, 2025 \$ 1.820.45 **February 9, 2025** \$ 1,197.00

HOSPITALITY

February 16 Adam Bowser and Celina Jovel February 23 Millie Turner and Barb Cole March 2 kb and Rick BB and Mandy Stitzer

ROSARY at St. Kateri is prayed before Mass most Sundays beginning at 11:30 am. Why not come a little early to church that day to pray the rosary to Our Lady with us! Contact Millie Turner (mlt3557@verizon.net) if you would like to lead the rosary on occasion.

<u>COMMUNION SERVICE</u>
There will be a Communion Service this Tuesday, February 18th at 11:00AM. followed by Adoration.

CCD SCHEDULE

February 16—CCD February 23—No CCD

Knights of Columbus

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST on Sunday, Feb. 16th hosted by the Bellefonte Knights of Columbus. Open to the public from 8:30 am until Noon. Price is \$10 for adults. \$5 for children under 12, and free for children under 7. The menu includes orange juice, bacon, sausage, potatoes, eggs, French toast, pancakes, sausage gravy, oatmeal, hot syrup, peaches, waffles, coffee and hot chocolate. We make specialty eggs and Blueberry or Chocolate chip pancakes upon request. Please come enjoy a great breakfast at the Bellefonte Knights of Columbus Home at 315 Stoney Batter (up the hill from Dollar General). Eat in and Take out is available.



FISH FRY HELP:

Parishioners who would like to volunteer their time or desserts can contact Pam Callahan by email psb146@msn.com or cell phone (814)571-0207, so you can be put on the Fish Fry volunteer list. If there are high school students looking to earn community service hours this is a good way to do it. Please contact Pam Callahan if you would like to volunteer.

Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown STRENGTH IN CHRIST Men's Conference-Sunday, March 30th, 2025 from 11:30 AM-5:30 PM at Mount Aloysius College, Cresson. Join us for a day that includes lunch, Sunday Mass, talks from local priests, personal testimonies, and a panel discussion with local Catholic men. There is no cost to attend. Visit www.dioceseai.org to register online. For those unable to register online, paper registration forms can be found at each parish to complete and return via mail. Registration closes March 21st. Online registration is

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE: **February Specials:**

encouraged due to limited seating.

- Brand New LuLaRoe comfort wear Now only \$1.00! Get them while they last!
- Winter Blazers & Vests \$5
- Winter Coat Overstock Sale! Newly stocked short & long Winter Coats at low prices.
- Vintage Furs \$20

The Thrift Store is in urgent need of a cashier (or assistant cashier) and a donations greeter on Saturday afternoons from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Please come give it a try and join our Family of Volunteers—we enjoy working together to serve those in need in our community. Stop by the Thrift Store (open 10:00am-4:00pm Monday Saturday) for a tour and to learn more; or call 814-867-3131 for more information.

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MEMORIALS & DONATIONS

Thank you to all of our benefactors and God bless your generosity to and support of our school.

REGISTRATION FOR 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR:

Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now open! Registration documents can be found on our website. Registration form, birth certificate, copy of the most recent immunization records, and \$100 registration fee must be submitted to the office to complete the application process. Please contact the school office if you have any questions or wish to schedule a visit.

GARDNERS EASTER CANDY

Saint John School is selling Gardners Easter Candy. Order forms are available in the back of the church. All items are priced identical to those in the Gardners store locations. Order forms and payment (payable to Saint John School) are due to the school office by Monday, March 17, 2025. Out-of-town family and friends can order online and support the school when they reference Group ID# 10-0987 at GardnersCandiesFundraising.com. Online orders ship directly to the buyer. Orders submitted to the school will be available for pick-up at the School Office after 1 PM on Friday, 4/4/25. We appreciate your support!

EITC (Educational Improvement Tax Credit)

Let your PA tax dollars help Saint John School! We have partnered with RedefinED Advisors to help local businesses and individuals direct 90% of their already owed tax dollars to help Saint John School through the Educational Improvement Credit (EITC). Please contact Hayley Younkin if you are interested in learning more, or share her information with an individual or business you know that might be interested.

814-505-9835 hayley@redefiningeducation.org Redefiningeducation.org

St. Joseph's Catholic Academy

Joseph's Fund Annual Challenge: Every \$1.00 donated to the St. Joseph's Annual Fund before February 28, 2025 will be matched 100% up to \$100,000.00. This fund supports student tuition assistance, scholarships, technology enhancements, educational enrichment activities and opportunities. All Annual Fund Challenge funds are taxdeductible and go directly to the students! Two ways to give:1.) Go to the website www.stjoeacad.org and click on the bright orange Donate button on the homepage. 2.) Pay by check to: "St. Joseph's Catholic Academy" with "St. Joseph's Annual Challenge" in the memo. Drop by the school office, Mon.-Fri. 8:00-3:00 or mail to: 901 Boalsburg Pike, Boalsburg, PA 16827. Questions, call 814-808-6118 or email sjca@sjcacademy.org.

NORTHERN DEANERY REFFLE

Tickets for the Northern Deanery Raffle are again available. Tickets are \$10.00. Prizes include: 1sr Prize: \$30,000 voucher at Miller Brothers Auto or \$25,000 cash; 2nd: 3 day Seven Points Ponton rental or \$1,500 cash; 3rd: Tussey Mountain Passes or \$750 cash; 4th: Yeti Tundra Cooler package or \$200 cash. Drawing June 7th, 2025 at Holy Spirit Festival, Lock Haven.

VOCATION CORNER

February prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life



Pope Francis asks Catholics all across the world to join in prayer for special petitions each month. In February he has asked us to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

O Holy Spirit, Spirit of wisdom and divine love, impart Your knowledge, understanding, and counsel to youth that they may know the vocation wherein they can best serve God. Give them courage and strength to follow God's holy will. Guide their uncertain steps, strengthen their resolutions, shield their chastity, fashion their minds, conquer their hearts, and lead them to the vineyards where they will labor in God's holy service.

Amen.