

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

February 18th, 2024/ The First Sunday of Lent



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

Saturday: 5:00 p.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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Text "SJ814" to the number 84576

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Brian Saylor, Pastor | Deacon Tom Boldin
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

Saturday, February 17

5:00 PM Richard Ames (Elaine Donley)

Sunday, February 18

8:00 AM Francis Granite

(Phil & Karen Pipta)

10:15 AM Jim, John & Kevin Nagel
(Ben & Sierra Riddle)

Monday, February 19

9:00 AM Stan & Patricia Bathgate
(Rich & Kim Fornicola & Family)

Tuesday, February 20

8:00 AM Special Intentions of Shao Family
(William DeMartino)

Wednesday, February 21

8:00 AM Intentions of John Rose
(The Family)

Thursday, February 22

6:00 PM Josephine Ebeling (Cecelia Doty)

Friday, February 23

8:00 AM Marian Kelley (Trish Long)

Saturday, February 24

5:00 PM Betty Nastase (Joe & Toni Beigle)

Sunday, February 25

8:00 AM Steven Luckovich (The Family)

10:15 AM Sherry Bailey (O'Donnell Family)

Eucharistic Minister/Lector Altar Server/Music

Saturday, February 24 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers Michael Pavone/Volunteer

Lector:: David Files

Servers: Elliott & Elizabeth Brezler

Music: Stephen St. Amant

Sunday, February 25 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers Kevin Trimpey/Volunteer

Lector:: Lorraine Fello

Servers: Dante & Leon Pighetti

Music: TBA

Sunday, February 25 10:15 am

Eucharistic Ministers Adam Rawding/Volunteer

Lector:: Bib Polak

Servers: Michael Herzing/Blaire Lewis

Music: Youth

Religious Education

11TH GRADE CONFIRMATION CLASS -

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

Sunday, February 18 - No Class

Sunday, February 25 - Class

Attention 9th and 10th Grade CCD classes

Sunday, March 3 - No Morning Class

** Parents Meeting following Stations of the Cross 7:00 in the church **Candidate and at least one parent must be present

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE-Tuesday, March 5-6:00 PM Mandatory Eucharistic Adoration with Bishop Mark. (this is a date change from March 12th)

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

CCD class

Sundays 9-10 AM in school

February 18th - **no class**

February 25th - class

March 3rd- no class

Please contact Paula Roland (proland@dioceseaj.org) with any questions.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Our Penance service at Saint John is scheduled for March 17, 3:00PM. Several priests will be here to assist.

Holy Spirit, Lock Haven Feb. 25, 3:00PM

Saint Joseph, Renovo, Feb. 28, 6:00PM

Holy Trinity, Huntingdon, Feb. 29 7:00PM

Queen of Archangels, Clarence, March 20 6:30PM

Our Lady of Victory, State College March 24 6:30 PM

Penn State Campus, March 26, 6:30PM

A special Thank You to Doug Moerschbacher for the donation of the Last Supper Rug on display in the front of the church and Denny Ripka for building the display stand.

MASS READINGS

18 February First Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

19 February Weekday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

20 February Weekday

Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15

21 February Weekday

Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Jl 2:12-13; Lk 11:29-32

22 February Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle

1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:18; Mt 16:13-19

23 February Weekday

Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26

24 February Weekday

Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

25 February Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

Weekly events

Monday February 19 Adoration 9:30 AM
Friday February 23 Lenten Fish Fry 4:00PM-7:00PM
School Stations 1:00 PM
Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM

Parish News

FISH FRY 2024

Parishioners who would like to volunteer their time or deserts can contact Pam Callahan by email at psb146@msn.com or cell phone (814)571-0207, so you can be put on the Fish Fry schedule. Thank you!

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.

FISH FRIES 2024 4:00 PM– 7:00 PM
February 23; March 1, 8, 15 & 22

BOX OF JOY

Box of Joy provides schools, parishes, organizations and families with an inspiring opportunity to send gifts to Haiti, Guatemala and other developing countries. Box of Joy is a Christmas shoebox that is donated and packed with toys, clothing, school supplies and other essential items. Our parish will be collecting items over the next few months and packing the boxes in the fall. Keep an eye on the bulletin for more details!

YARN DONATIONS

St. John in Stitches sewing group is in need of yarn for their many projects. Our group knits and crochets baby blankets for parish Baptisms, children's hats and mittens for those in need, and lap quilts and prayer shawls for the elderly and homebound. If you have a stash of yarn leftover from a project or yarn that will go unused, please consider donating it to Stitches. We will put it to good use! A donation box will be in the vestibule of the church. Questions - contact Liz Forstmeier at lforstmeier@gmail.com or text 814-883-7162. Thank you!

TAX LETTERS 2023 There was an error in the parish database resulting in 2022 tax letters instead of 2023. The error has been fixed and corrected tax letters will be mailed. We apologize for any inconvenience!

Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of February 11, 2024

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 7,294.35
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1,666.00
Children's Offertory:	\$ 8.50
Special Monthly:	\$ 1,246.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 235.03
ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$10,449.88

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Maintenance:	\$ 342.00
Cemetery	\$ 0.00
Local Family Assistance	\$ 0.00
EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$ 342.00

ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: \$10,791.88

SCHOOL COLLECTION: \$ 701.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Black & Indian Missions	\$ 41.00
Holy Name of Mary	\$ 50.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 51.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Knights of Columbus

Once again the Knights of Columbus are providing Lenten booklets to our parishioners. Please help yourself to a Little Black Book to enhance your Lenten experience. The may be found at the entrances of the church.

All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast on Sunday, February 18 th 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 greatbreakfast at the Bellefonte Knights of Columbus Home at 315 Stoney Batter (up the hill From Dollar General). Eat in and Take out is available.

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 18

12:00 PM Deacon Mike Sullivan
(Jan & Millie Turner)

Sunday, February 25

12:00 PM James Foresó
(Father Brian)

WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTALS (regular & online)

February 4, 2024 \$ 1157.00

February 11, 2024 \$ 910.00

HOSPITALITY

February 18 KB & Rick BB & Stephanie Perrot

February 25 Shelly Houser & Adam Bowser

March 3 Lydia Flickinger & KB & Rick BB

LECTOR SCHEDULE

February 18 Gail Anderson

February 25 KB Boomer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

February 18 Deb Cusatis

February 25 Millie Turner

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays 7:00 PM During Lent.

COMMUNION SERVICE

There will be a Communion service at 11:00 AM with Adoration following on Tuesday, February 13, 2024.

Lenten Books -Once again the Knights of Columbus are providing Lenten booklets to our parishioners. Please help yourself to a Little Black Book to enhance your Lenten experience. The may be found at the entrances of the church.

We are excited to announce that St. John's United Church of Christ has graciously agreed to host the 2024 Council of Churches Lenten breakfast series.

This includes a small breakfast, as well as fellowship with other church members and a speaker from different churches in our area.

The church is located at: 145 West Linn Street and the breakfasts are held each Wednesday morning beginning at 7:30 am --starting Feb. 14th and running through Mar. 27th. **All are welcome.**

This is a wonderful opportunity for our congregations to get to know each other in a spirit of fellowship, learning, and worship. It is truly our desire to draw near to God during this Lenten Season.

BUS TRIP – DANIEL

St. John's will be taking a bus trip to SIGHT AND SOUND THEATRE in Lancaster to see the new production '**DANIEL**' on Tuesday, April 23rd for the 11:00 am showing. Travel will be by Fullington Trailways. We are planning to stop for lunch at Cracker Barrel after the show. The bus will be boarding in front of the church at 6:30AM. Cost is \$130.00 per person which includes show ticket and transportation (lunch not included). All reservations and money must be received in the parish office by **March 15**. Please note – no reservations will be accepted without payment. Space is limited. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at **(814) 355-3134**.

MEN'S CONFERENCE

Register today for the 2024 Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown STRENGTH IN CHRIST men's conference on March 3 from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Mount Aloysius College in Cresson. The theme is J2J: *Journey to Jesus*. Nationally recognized speaker and musician Cooper Ray will be the keynote presenter. Father Michael Pleva and Father Brian Norris will also share their incredible faith journeys. Also, a great panel discussion with six Catholic men from throughout the diocese sure to inspire guys on their faith journey. The day includes lunch and Mass at 5:00 p.m. with Bishop Mark. There is no cost. Seating is limited, so register before February 23 online at dioceseaj.org or pick up a hard copy registration form at any parish.

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: February Sale: Large collection of Brand-New boots, sneakers & shoes! Shop with us and save big on Winter coats and vests in leather, suede, fur and more, plus scarves, hats, and gloves. Check out our fabulous jewelry and New with Tags clothing—great for Valentine's Day gifts. The Thrift Store is open Monday-Saturday 10 AM-4 PM. **Are you ready to give some time in service to Our Lord?** There is no better place than with the St. Vincent de Paul Society and/or Thrift Store. **In the Store**, you can serve as little as one hour a week, or more if you prefer: we need folks to accept donations, to sort clothes and housewares, and to serve as casiers. **Vincentians** (members of the Society) are part of a network of 800,000 lay Catholics worldwide inspired by Gospel values to grow in holiness and build a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need.



JOIN OUR SAINT JOHN SCHOOL FAMILY TODAY!

Whether your child is starting their educational journey in our nurturing 3- and 4-year-old Pre-K program or embarking on an exciting adventure in 5th grade, we have tailored programs to meet their needs and provide a well-rounded education. Secure your child's place in our school family by enrolling today!

www.saintjohnsch.net

814-355-7859

sjadmin@saintjohnsch.net

Join us in shaping a bright future for your child. We can't wait to welcome your family into our school community!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Parishioners are invited to join Saint John School as we pray the Stations of the Cross each Friday at 1:00 p.m. during Lent, beginning February 16. During Holy Week, our 4th Grade Class will present two Live Stations of the Cross on Tuesday, March 26, at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

GARDNERS EASTER CANDY

Saint John School is selling Gardners Easter Candy. Order forms were included in last week's Church bulletin, but if you need one, there are extras available in the rear of the Church. All items are priced identical to prices in the Gardners store locations. Order forms and payment must be returned in the collection basket, Church office, or School office by February 26. If paying by check, please make payable to Saint John School. Orders will be available for pick-up at the School office from later on Friday, March 15, through Friday, March 22. We appreciate your support!

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK SERVICE PROJECTS

Saint John School celebrated Catholic Schools Week January 28th through February 3rd. During the week, our students were busy not only learning and having fun but also doing several service projects for the community. Mrs. Damian, Mrs. Clark, and Mrs. Berkey taught our pre-school and pre-k students about serving others by collecting items and assembling birthday bags for the food bank. Each bag contained everything you need for a celebration: cake mix, cupcake liners, icing, candles, plates, and napkins. To top it off, they were assembled in a ready-to-use gift bag!

Kindergarten and 3rd grade held a baby shower in honor of our Mother Mary. They and their families donated baby items such as diapers, baby wipes, lotions, baby food, toys, and clothing items to The Gabriel Project, an organization that helps pregnant women and new mothers in need.

1st and 4th grade collected items for a local pet rescue, Hope's Dream Rescue and Sanctuary. Items such as animal food, pet beds, medicines, and cleaning items were among the things students donated. This service is dedicated to saving and rehoming animals that need care.

2nd and 5th grade collected items for The ARC of Centre County, a non-profit organization supporting the needs of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Among the items donated were socks, crafts, puzzles and puzzle books, stationery and pens/pencils, lotions, and Chapstick.

We are grateful to those that donated to the above projects and made these projects so successful. Every day at Saint John School we are reminded of how special our community is. We are thankful that we can share His love to those around us as they share their love with us.

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Small class size

Affordable tuition

Scholarship Opportunities



All faiths welcome

Excellence since 1890



Enroll for Kindergarten by February 15 and be entered to win a \$250 scholarship offered by the Knights of Columbus.



Priority Registration Ends February 15

Contact us today!

814-355-7859

inquire@saintjohnsch.net

Registration documents can be found online at www.saintjohnsch.net/enrollment

