

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

March 23, 2025/ Third Sunday of Lent



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: 3:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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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

Saturday, March 22

5:00 PM Chris Burger (Joe & Toni Beigle)

Sunday, March 23

8:00 AM Bill & Margaret Moerschbacher
(Doug Moerschbacher)

10:15 AM Sophie Mazurkiewicz
(Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin)

Monday, March 24

9:00 AM Donna Clemson
(Dan & Leslee Torsell)

Tuesday, March 25 Annunciation of the Lord School Mass

9:00 AM Nancy C. Rose (Ed Rose Family)

Wednesday, March 26

8:00 AM Vincent & Sallie Boldin
(Richard & Linda Struble)

Thursday, March 27

6:00 PM Joseph Debrasky
(Dan & Leslee Torsell)

Friday, March 28

8:00 AM Johana Tuleikis (Patricia & Kirk Aguer)

Saturday, March 29

5:00 PM Paul Davidson (Mary Jane Davidson)

Sunday, March 30

8:00 AM Michael & Dorothy Renosky
(Doug & Sharon Johnson)

10:15 AM People of the Parish

Religious Education

CCD grades k-10

Sundays 9-10 AM in the school

March 23rd—Class

March 30th—Class Reconciliation, 2nd & 3rd Grades

April 6th—Class Reconciliation, 4th-6th Grades

11th Grade Confirmation Class

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

Sunday, March 23 see below

Sunday, March 30—No Class

Sunday, April 6—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

****Attention 9th, 10th and 11th grade CCD Classes****

PLEASE NOTE CLASS DATE & TIME CHANGE

Sunday March 23rd—No morning class

6:00 PM Parents meeting following Stations of the Cross **Candidate and at least one parent must be present**

CONGRATULATIONS to Corey and Kathleen Swank, their daughter Kirsten Marleen was baptized March 8th, 2025. May they continue to grow in the faith.

BAPTISM CLASS DATES 2024: Families who would like their first child baptized must attend a baptism class. Class dates for 2025 are 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

PENANCE SERVICES

St. John will hold our Lenten Penance Service **March 30th** at 3:00 PM

OTHER AREA PENANCE SERVICES:

Queen of Archangels, Clarence 6:30 March 26th

Immaculate Conception, Dudley March 27th

Good Shepherd, Port Matilda 7:00 PM April 8th (Bishop Mark presiding)

Our Lady of Victory, State College 6PM April 13th

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH **OLIVE WOOD BLESS THIS HOME PLAQUE RAFFLE**

Tickets will be on sale this weekend and next after the Masses. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$12.00. Tickets may be purchased at the church office or see Father Brian before or after Mass. Drawing will be on Easter Sunday at the 10:15 Mass.

Eucharistic Minister/Lector /Altar Server/Music

Saturday, March 29 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Stephanie Mullin/Lorraine Fello

Lector: Lucia Stover

Servers: Matthew & Josie DeRemer

Music: Stephen St. Amant

Sunday, March 30 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Adam Rawding/Phyllis Austin

Lector: Adam Rawding

Servers: Sara McElhinny/Jonathan Gasper

Music: Traditional

Sunday, March 30 10:15 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Leoni Martins/Mary Margaret Gorzelnik

Lector: Paul Dombrowski

Servers: Alexis Fisher/Evelyn Martin

Music: Youth

Weekly events

Sunday March 23 3:00 PM Holy Hour for Vocations
Friday March 28 4:00-7:00 PM Fish Fry
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross
There will be no School Stations Friday, March 28 at 1:00 PM.

BABY SHOWER BINGO

March 30, 1pm School Auditorium
Cost: \$5 + new baby item

TRAVELING VOCATION CRUCIFIX PROGRAM: 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.

LAND OF PEACE RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

Our brothers and sisters representing the Land of Peace mission- a nonprofit organization will be with us speaking about the Christian situation in the Holy Land and selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries- all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the holy land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. The goal of this mission is to help the poor and needy families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have "something" authentic from the holy land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion. see Website: www.landofpeace.org

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday Third Sunday of Lent
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9
Scrutiny Readings: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rm 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or Jn 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday, Lenten Weekday
2 Kings 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday, Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord
Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday, Lenten Weekday
Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday, Lenten Weekday
Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday, Lenten Weekday
Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday, Lenten Weekday
Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday, Fourth Sunday of Lent
Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Scrutiny Readings: 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of March 16, 2025

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 8,329.00
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1,380.60
Children's Offertory:	\$ 18.00
Special Monthly:	\$ 570.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 169.75

ORDINARY TOTAL \$ 10,672.35

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Local Family	\$ 25.00
Maintenance:	\$ 343.00

EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL: \$ 358.00

ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: \$ 11,030.35

SCHOOL COLLECTION: \$ 1308.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Holy Name of Mary	\$ 50.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 630.00

Thank you for your generosity!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE GOAL

\$54,600.00

NORTHERN DEANERY RAFFLE

Tickets for the Northern Deanery Raffle are again available. Tickets are \$10.00. Prizes include: 1st 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.

Make WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM part of your Lent!

Allow WAOB's programming and prayers to accompany you throughout Lent. Tune into either of our two local stations, or visit the newly updated www.waob.org to stream the radio content as well as daily meditations, Mass readings, and Liturgy of the Hours. On the production side, we have four prayer recording slots available each month. If your family or organization would like to be scheduled for one of our spring airings, contact Sheryl Balkey at (814)238-6288 or voiceofdivinemeracy@gmail.com Remember, our 501(c)3 organization is volunteer-run and your tax-deductible donation may be mailed to: Voice of Divine Mercy, PO Box 862, State College, PA 16804-0862. Lastly, please continue your prayers for the members of our local RCIA programs during the remainder of this Lenten season!

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, March 23

12:00 PM

People of the Parish

Sunday, March 30

12:00 PM

Ann Butz (Larry Butz)

LECTOR SCHEDULE

March 23

Millie Turner

March 30

Deb Cusatis

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

March 23

Shelly Ash

March 30

Sandy Rockey

CCD SCHEDULE

March 23—CCD

March 30—No CCD

WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTALS

(regular & online)

March 5, 2025 \$ 489.51

March 9, 2025 \$ 1,578.25

March 16, 2025 \$ 1,419.00

HOSPITALITY

March 23 Diane Brown & Shelly Houser

March 30 Mandy Stitzer & Millie Turner

April 6 Adam Bowser & 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.

COMMUNION SERVICE There will be a Communion Service this Tuesday, March 25th at 11:00 AM followed by Adoration.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Fridays, 7:00 PM

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE GOAL:

\$8,500.00

Spring Priest Presentations

Featuring talks from three diocesan priests on the Eucharist



Father Jozef Kovacic Father George Jakopac Father Brian Saylor

Saturday, March 29th, 2025

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

JFK Student Center at Saint Francis University, Loretto

Register online at

dioceseaj.org/spring_priest_presentations or by mail with a form found at each parish in the diocese

Contact Ilamagna@dioceseaj.org with questions regarding the event



Sponsored by the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown Office of Evangelization as part of the National Eucharistic Revival



Saturday, March 29: OLV Bus Trip to Spring Priest Presentations at St. Francis University, Loretto, PA and Holy Year Pilgrimage to St. Michael the Archangel Basilica and Tomb of Servant of God Demetrius Gallitzin.

OLV is sponsoring a bus trip to support our local Pastors as they lead the Diocesan Spring Priest Presentation on the Eucharist. The day will conclude with a Holy Year Pilgrimage to St. Michael the Archangel Basilica and Tomb of Servant of God Demetrius Gallitzin.

Itinerary:

6:30am - Bus onsite at OLV Back Parking Lot

7:00am - Depart from OLV

8:30am - Arrive at JFK Student Center, St. Francis University, Loretto, PA

9:00am to 11:30am - Spring Priest Presentation

11:45am to 12:45pm - Lunch in Torvian Dining Hall

12:45pm - Depart for St. Michael the Archangel Basilica and Tomb of Fr. Gallitzin

2:00pm - Depart for OLV

3:15pm - Arrive back at OLV

Suggested Donation: \$40/person to cover the bus and registration to the talks. We want all to be able to attend so if the donation is a problem please contact Chris Kirkpatrick. Deadline for Registration Wednesday, March 19. Information and Registration contact Chris Kirkpatrick at chrisk@ourladyofvictory.com or 814-237-7832, ext 421.

Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy is now accepting applications for students entering grades 9-12 in the 2025-2026 school year. **Contact us to book a tour, arrange a Shadow Day with a current student, or learn more about our Admissions process and affordable, faith-based education.**

Visit stjoacad.org for more details, call us at 814-808-6118, or email Mrs. Anna Rupprecht, SJCA Principal at arupprecht@sjcademy.org today!



Altoona-Johnstown Diocese

JOIN SAINT JOHN SCHOOL
 MONDAY, APRIL 7
 6:30 - 7:30 PM



Family Adoration Night

Saint John Catholic Church

Experience the peace and beauty of praying before the Blessed Sacrament, and deepen your faith as Father Brian shares the powerful gifts of Adoration. Don't miss this sacred opportunity to grow together in prayer!



MEMORIALS & DONATIONS:

Alumni Support - J. Ronald Hughes

Memorial Donations - Mike and Deb McAtee in memory of Robbie Hillard

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.

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 pm during lent. During Holy Week, our 4th graders will present two Live Stations of the Cross on Tuesday, April 15th at 10:00 am and 7:00 pm

GARDNERS EASTER CANDY:

It's not too late to order your Easter candy & support Saint John School! Visit www.gardnerscandiesfundraising.com and enter Saint John School Group No: 10-0987 to order through the online catalogue. These orders will ship directly to the buyer.

SAINT JOHN DRAMA CLUB:

Congratulations to the Saint John Drama Club on a fantastic performance! Your hard work, talent, and teamwork truly shined on stage—well done!



IT'S A BEAUTIFUL DAY TO LEARN ABOUT SAINT JOHN PRE-K!

Now enrolling for our 2025-2026
 3-Year Old and 4-Year Old
 Pre-K program

Please join us for an
OPEN HOUSE
 Sunday, March 23rd
 from 1-2 pm

Come meet the teachers, ask questions, and see the classroom!

OPENINGS ARE LIMITED!

We currently have:
 3 openings available in our 4-year old program
 5 openings available in our 3-year old program

RSVP is not required but appreciated
 Contact kberkey@saintjohnsch.net or
 call 814-355-7859

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

VOCATION CORNER

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT:

"Therefore every vocation, even within the variety of paths, always requires an exodus from oneself in order to center one's life on Christ and on his Gospel. Both in married life and in the forms of religious consecration, as well as in priestly life, we must surmount the ways of thinking and acting that do not conform to the will of God."



We all have a vocation; it must be discerned through prayer and a willingness to sacrifice ourselves to the Lord's will for the success of our vocation.

Prayer

O God, Who wills not the death of a sinner, but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech You through the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, Saint Joseph, her spouse, Saint Junipero Serra, and all the saints, an increase of laborers for your Church, fellow laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.