

# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

July 21st, 2024/ 16th 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-Thursday 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Closed Friday

### CONTACT US

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Text "SJ814" to the number 84576

## PARISH STAFF

Fr. Brian Saylor, Pastor | Deacon Tom Boldin

Fr. Joshi Prasanth, 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, July 20

**5:00 PM** Sophie Pavlok (Father Brian)

## Sunday, July 21

**8:00 AM** Josephine & Michael Perry  
(Rosemary Truglio)

**10:15 AM** Betty Dodge (David Dodge)

## Monday, July 22

**9:00 AM** Nunzia Rose (The Rose Family)

## Tuesday, July 23

**8:00 AM** James Foresio (Father Brian)

## Wednesday, July 24

**8:00 AM** For the Good Health of Chris Gates  
(Dan Fitzgerald)

## Thursday, July 25

**6:00 PM** Angeline & Leo Sholl  
(Niece Peggy McKee Madison)

## Friday, July 26

**8:00 AM** For the Intentions of Tom & Patti Evans  
(Marilyn Bergner)

## Saturday, July 27

**5:00 PM** Jerome Basalla (Wife Genny)

## Sunday, July 28

**8:00 AM** Caroline Ivicic (The Family)

**10:15 AM** Mitchell Taylor (Aunt Joan & Crew)

## Eucharistic Minister/Lector Altar Server/Music

### Saturday, July 27 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Constance McCulley/Volunteer

Lector: Angela Basalla

Servers: Henry St. Amant

Music: Natalie Stanton

### Sunday, July 28 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Adam Rawding/Volunteer

Lector: Adam Rawding

Servers: Alivia Smithmyer

Music: Stephen St. Amant

### Sunday, July 28 10:15 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Lorraine Fello/Volunteer

Lector: Lorraine Fello

Servers: Kamdyn Brungard/Makenzie Kellogg

Music: Youth

**CHURCH DIRECTORIES** If you had your picture taken for the directory, submitted a picture for the directory or ordered a copy of the directory and have not picked it up, please pick it up from the Church office during regular office hours. Thank you

**BAPTISM CLASS DATES 2024:** Families who would like their first child baptized must attend a baptism class. The remaining classes for 2024 are: September 8, & December 8. 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](mailto:stboldin@verizon.net)

## **WHAT IS A RELIC?**

Relics of the saints are the most precious heirlooms of the Church. They are not simply historical mementos, but a means through which God has chosen to bestow great graces to those who venerate them. When discussing relics, we often hear the terms "first-class," "second-class," and "third-class." What do these terms mean?

These "classes" are the categories into which the Church organizes her relics, based on each relic's proximity to the saint in question.

Let's investigate the three classes and what kind of items fall into each one.

**First-class:** This is the "highest" form of relic, and refers to a piece of the body of the saint—including bones, hair, etc. This class also includes relics of Christ's Passion, such as pieces of the True Cross.

**Second-class:** These relics are items that belonged to or were used by the saint, such as clothing, books, and rosaries, or an instrument used in the torture or death of a martyr.

**Third-class:** These are items—such as a rosary, piece of cloth, or prayer card—that have been touched to a first or second class relic.

Relics are mentioned in the Bible in 2 Kings 13:20-21. The first known account of veneration of relics outside of the Bible was in A.D. 156 by the people of Smyrna. Their bishop, St. Polycarp, was martyred by being burned at the stake. His followers wrote, "We took up his bones, which are more valuable than precious stones and finer than refined gold, and laid them in a suitable place, where the Lord will permit us to gather ourselves together, as we are able, in gladness and joy and to celebrate the birthday of his martyrdom." One of the most well-known relics is the Shroud of Turin; the fabric believed to be the burial cloth of Jesus.

While a strong connection may be felt in the presence of a relic, the Catholic Church does not claim relics to possess any mystic powers.

"We do not worship, we do not adore, for fear that we should bow down to the creature rather than to the Creator, but we venerate the relics of the martyrs in order the better to adore Him whose martyrs they are." *Saint Jerome*

## **Gift Bearers**

If you, with your family or a friend would be willing, we are always looking for people to present the gifts during Mass. Just take the egg when you come in for Mass and then return it when the collection begins. It is a beautiful way to be more a part of the Mass.

## NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome to St. John's! If you are new to the area it is easy to join the parish. Please take a Member Registration Form located at the back of the church. Mail it to the rectory or drop it in the collection basket at Mass.

## GABRIEL PROJECT

The Gabriel Project is a Pro-Life Movement offering parish based pastoral care to women in a crisis pregnancy. Its goal is to help pregnant women with all their practical needs, as well as offering them unconditional love in an apostolate of friendship throughout their pregnancy.

## DIAPER DRIVE

The Catholic Daughters Diaper Drive continues year-round. You may leave your diaper donations in the bins in the vestibule outside of the small prayer room. These diapers are given to the Gabriel Project in State College.

## NOTARY SERVICES

Michael Levandoski, a local attorney and parishioner at St. John's, is offering free notary services to St. John's parishioners as a service to the parish. He is in Bellefonte every Wednesday, and can be reached at [mlevandoski@mkclaw.com](mailto:mlevandoski@mkclaw.com) to schedule an appointment.

**COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN:** St. John Catholic Church participates in the Community Soup Kitchen Program. Our turn is the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month. We serve at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Bellefonte. We need some additional volunteers to help out with this effort. The time commitment is 4 hours per month. We also need volunteers to substitute as well. If interested contact Genevieve Robine at: [grobine@verizon.net](mailto:grobine@verizon.net)

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### **Sunday, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

### **Monday, Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene**

Sgs 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

### **Tuesday, Memorial of Saint Bridget of Sweden, Religious**

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt 12:46-50

### **Wednesday, Memorial of Saint Sharbel Makhlof, Priest**

Jer 1:1, 4-10; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17; Mt 13:1-9

### **Thursday, Feast of Saint James, Apostle**

2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt 20:20-28

### **Friday, Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Mt 13:18-23

### **Saturday, Weekday**

Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30

### **Sunday, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

# Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of July 14, 2024

## ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 8,724.65
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1,272.50
Children's Offertory:	\$ 4.00
Special Monthly:	\$ 1,015.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 189.84
<b>ORDINARY TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 11,205.99</b>

## EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Maintenance:	\$ 665.00
Cemetery	\$ 0.00
Local Family Assistance	\$ 0.00
<b>EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 665.00</b>

**ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: \$ 11,870.99**

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**SCHOOL COLLECTION: \$ 251.00**  
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## **SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)**

Holy Name of Mary \$ 550.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**2024 Catholic Ministries Drive Goal**  
**\$54,443.00**  
**\$30,158.00 as of June 30, 2024**

## PARISH PRAYER CHAIN

The contact person for our parish prayer chain is **Sara Nagel**. For any prayer requests please email Sara at: [donaldnagel@verizon.net](mailto:donaldnagel@verizon.net), or you may call her at 814-353-1010.



# St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church

P.O. Box 159, 3503 Penns Valley Rd Spring Mills, PA 16875 | [www.stkaterichurch.org](http://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 July 21

12:00 PM Sara Catharine Zook  
(Kathleen Rhoads Megargell & Family)

Sunday July 28

12:00 PM Repose of the Soul of Betty Tornatore  
(Stephanie Gover)

## WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTALS (regular & online)

July 7, 2024 \$1,286.00

July 14, 2024 \$1,288.50

## HOSPITALITY

No hospitality until after Labor Day. Enjoy your summer!

**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](mailto:mlt3557@verizon.net)) if you would like to lead the rosary on occasion.

## COMMUNION SERVICE

There will be a Communion Service this Tuesday, July 23rd at 11:00AM. followed by Adoration.

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

July 21 Shelly Ash  
July 28 Jim Hodgson

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

July 21 KB Boomer  
July 28 Deb Cusatis

**2024 Catholic Ministries Drive Goal**  
**St. Kateri \$8,770.00**  
**\$17,925.00 as of June 30,2024**

### St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store:

**Christmas in July Sale!** Check out our abundance of Christmas items at low prices.

### **Overstock Sale! Winter Coats only \$5!**

Special assortment of **NEW/LIKE-NEW** high-quality sneakers (e.g., Michael Jordan's, Kevin Durant's). Shoes are boring...wear sneakers!

Traveling this, Summer? We have an ample collection of luggage and purses

Come join our Family of Volunteers: We need both cashiers and donations volunteers. Stop by our Thrift Store at 1300 Benner Pike during our open hours Monday -Saturday 10 AM-4 PM for a tour or to learn how the Society serves those in need in our community. You can also speak with a Day Manager about volunteering or call 814-867-3131. Thank you so much for your support in our mission.

### The greatest of gifts: Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a special occasion, on behalf of a family member, a friend, or a deceased loved one, please contact the rectory. We are happy to offer the Mass for your intentions. Mass cards are available to let the person or their family know the Mass is being offered for them or their loved ones.

**ST. KATERI is happy to be joining St. John's in this endeavor!!** Watch the bulletin for further details.

**BOX OF JOY** St. John's in Stitches sewing group is excited to coordinate the Christmas "Box of Joy" program through Cross Catholic Outreach this year. Our goal is to provide 100 shoeboxes for children (in 3 age groups: 2-4 yrs, 5-9 yrs, 10-14 yrs) in Haiti, Central America and South America. The shoeboxes will be filled with various items like school supplies, toys and necessities. While the program won't start in earnest until the middle of August, we didn't want to miss summer sales and summer related items that are currently in the stores. If you are interested in shopping now, please consider the following items:

Youth Flip-Flops

Youth Sunglasses

Shorts and t-shirts (ages 2-14, both male and female) Solid colors/neutral images

Hats

Summer Dresses

School Supplies (notebooks, stickers, glue sticks, flashcards, small board books etc) *Please note that we do not need crayons; they have already been purchased.*

What to do with your items? You can either hang on to them until we set out collection bins mid-summer or you can drop them off at the rectory office. Look for our official Box of Joy kick-off in mid-August. Thank you!

**2024 Annual St Joan of Arc Church Turkey Dinner & Festival Fund Raiser** – Route 53 in Frugality, PA near Prince Gallitzin State Park on **Sunday, July 21, 2024 from 11:00AM to 3:00PM**. Turkey Dinner with mashed potatoes & gravy, stuffing balls, corn, coleslaw, roll and dessert. Eat-In or Take-Out. Cost \$14.00. Cash Raffle, Instant Bingo, Kids' Activities, Outdoor Kitchen, Live Music and More!! Basket Auction from 11:00AM to 4:00PM. Winners will be notified by telephone on the day of the drawing and prizes can be picked up the next day, Monday, July 22nd from 1:00pm to 5:00pm at the Parish Hall. *We look forward to seeing you there*



## 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR ENROLLMENT

Kindergarten – There are still a few remaining spots in our upcoming Kindergarten class. Please contact us immediately if you are interested in enrolling your child in that class.

Preschool/Pre-K – There are only very limited spots remaining in both the 3- and 4-year-old classes.

Registration documents are available on our website. Registration form, birth certificate, copy of most recent immunization records, and a \$100 registration fee must be submitted to the office to complete the application process. This registration fee increases to \$150 on Aug. 1, 2024.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Saint John School has the following part-time employment opportunities for the 2024-2025 school year:

Pre-K Teacher/Director (0.6)

Physical Education Teacher (0.2)

If you have any interest in the above opportunities, please contact Mrs. Kristina Tice at [principal@saintjohnsch.net](mailto:principal@saintjohnsch.net) or contact the school office.

## SUMMER HOURS

Saint John School ends for summer break on Friday, May 31, with an 11:30 a.m. dismissal. Our summer hours will be Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., beginning June 12, or by appointment. Feel free to call and leave a message as we will be answering phones and scheduling appointments throughout the week. You can also email [sjadmin@saintjohnsch.net](mailto:sjadmin@saintjohnsch.net) or [twendt@saintjohnsch.net](mailto:twendt@saintjohnsch.net).

## CCD TEACHERS NEEDED

St. John's CCD program is in need of teachers for the upcoming year. If you think you might be interested in sharing God's word with our students, please contact Paula or Tony Roland at [proland@dioceseaj.org](mailto:proland@dioceseaj.org); [troland@hotmail.com](mailto:troland@hotmail.com). Clearances are required and we can guide you through the process.



## WJVM 90.3 FM or WEJO 104.7

Don't take a vacation from your faith. Tune into WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM this summer! Although our schedules change during the summer months, you can still catch our programming during these longer days. And when traveling outside our broadcasting area, you can "listen live" via the station link [www.waob.org](http://www.waob.org). On the production side, we are already scheduling our recordings for August. Our equipment is portable and our devotions are scripted, so we just need your prayerful voices! We have Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy slots available each month. If you would like to record a prayer this summer, contact Sheryl Balkey at (814)238-6288 or [voiceofdivinemercury@gmail.com](mailto:voiceofdivinemercury@gmail.com). Remember, just \$100/day keeps our Catholic voice on the air. 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. We receive no direct funding from the local parishes or diocese, so your faithful support is vital to our evangelization effort.