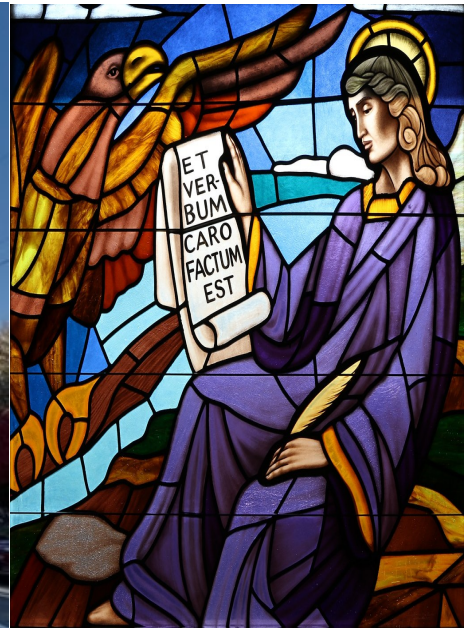


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

September 28, 2025/ 26th 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: 3:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

CONTACT US

(814) 355-3134 | saintjohnsoff@gmail.com
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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: O.C.I.A. Coordinator
Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin:
Confirmation Directors
Natalie Stanton: Music Ministry Coordinator
Joe Baummer: Maintenance

SACRAMENTS

Confession: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Baptism: Call the rectory
O.C.I.A.: Call the rectory
Marriage: Notify pastor 9 months
in advance

Masses for the week

Saturday, September 27

5:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, September 28

8:00 AM Henry & Anne Haranin (The Family)

10:15 AM Chris Burger (Janell Burger)

2:00 PM CDA 105th Anniversary Mass
(Court Rev. Patrick McArdle #448)

Monday, September 29 Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels

9:00 AM St. John School Grandparents
(St. John School)

Tuesday, September 30 St. Jerome

8:00 AM Hans Forstmeier (Forstmeier Family)

Wednesday, October 1 St. Therese of the child, Jesus

8:00 AM James Ficarro (Ficarro Family)

Thursday, October 2 Holy Guardian Angels

6:00 PM CDA Member Anniversary Award Mass
2025 (CDA Court #448)

Friday, October 3

8:00 AM Unborn (CDA Court #448)

Saturday, October 4 St. Francis of Assisi

5:00 PM Robert D. Davis Jr. (Family)

Sunday, October 5

8:00 AM Clinton & Sylvia Swartz
(Susan Swartz)

10:15 AM C. Merrill Waite (The Family)

Eucharistic Minister/Lector/Altar Server/Music

Saturday, October 4 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Stephanie Mullin/Carolyn Marshall
Lector: Stephanie Mullin
Servers: Henry & Oliver St. Amant
Music: Jay Zimmerman

Sunday, October 5 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: George Callahan/Kevin Trimpey
Lector: Art Ardire
Servers: Mallory White/Alivia Smithmyer
Music: Stephen St. Amant

Sunday, October 5 10:15 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Paula & Tony Roland
Lector: John Hillard
Servers: Blaire Lewis/Makenzie Kellogg
Music: Folk

SECURITY UPGRADES: Given the recent attack during a school Mass at Annunciation Parish, Minneapolis, the parish council has approved a few changes at St. John. You will notice one of the handles from the front doors were removed so they cannot be barred. The glass doors will be replaced with fire doors treated with a shatter-resistant coating that can be secured during school Masses.

Updates will be coming with any other changes.

If you would be willing to help with the upgrades, donations can be placed in the collection or given at the office.

CCD GRADES K-8

CCD classes have resumed! Grades K-8th class times are Sunday 9:00-10:00 in St. John School. Please contact Tony (tcroland@hotmail.com) or Paula Roland (proland@dioceseaj.org) for new student registration or with any questions.

Please note the following class schedule

Sept 28th - Class

Oct 5th - Class - 3rd & 4th grade mass (10:15)

Oct. 12th - Class

9th, 10th, 11th Grade Confirmation Class

Mass at 10:15 am - Followed by Class from 11:15 am-12:30 pm in the School Auditorium.

Sunday, September 28 – No Class

Sunday, October 5 - Regular Class

Sunday, October 12 – Group Mass & Class

Sunday, October 19 – No Class

Sunday, October 26 – Group Mass & Class

Sunday, November 2 - 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 2025: Families who would like their first child baptized must attend a baptism class. The final class date for 2025 is 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

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

Monday, Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday, Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Lk 9:57-62

Thursday, Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday, Weekday

Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday, Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-35, 36-37; Lk 10:17-24

Sunday, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

Weekly events

Monday September 29

1:00 PM St. John's in
Stitches

Thursday October 2

6:30 PM CDA Meeting

FR. JOSHI'S SUPERIOR VISITING

Next weekend, Oct. 3-4, Fr. P. Watson of the Heralds of the Good News, Divine Mercy Province, will be visiting the parish and asking for support for their ministries. Founded in India in 1984, they are involved in forming future priests for the Church, running orphanages, health care facilities, HIV and addiction care, housing and food for the poor. 130 missionary priests from their community work throughout world. We are very grateful that they have allowed Fr. Joshi to join us the last year.

Box of Joy 2025

This week's collection focus: Candy and Gum!

This is a Box of Joy after all and candy is sure to make any child happy. Consider candy like Sweet Tarts and sugar free chewing gum - items that won't melt. Please no Chocolate or Jolly Ranchers.

Each shoebox costs \$9 to ship. If you would like to make a **financial donation**, please make checks out to "St John's in Stitches" with "Box of Joy" in the memo, place it in a clearly marked envelope for Box of Joy and drop it in the collection basket at Mass. Thank you!

CONGRATULATIONS to Corey & Kathryn Strouse! Their son Leo Strouse was baptized on September 7, 2025. May they continue to grow in the faith.

CONGRATULATIONS to Matt & Kristin Zuhlke! Their son Weller Zuhlke was baptized on September 11, 2025. May they continue to grow in their faith.

Saint John's in Stitches sewing group is meeting on Monday 9/29 at 1 pm in the rectory basement. New members are encouraged to attend. You do not need to be able to sew, knit or crochet as some of our projects such as tying fleece blankets and making Christmas cards for nursing home residents do not involve sewing. If you are unable to attend our meetings but wish to help, many projects can be completed at home. Contact Marian at mgoodnack@hotmail.com for more information.

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 to schedule an appointment.

Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of September 21, 2025

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 6,825.90
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1,216.00
Children	\$ 14.00
Special Monthly:	\$ 270.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 189.22

ORDINARY TOTAL \$ 8,515.12

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Local Family	\$ 50.00
Cemetery	\$ 430.00
Maintenance:	\$ 120.00

EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL: \$ 600.00

ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: \$ 9,115.12

SCHOOL COLLECTION: \$ 1,357.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Holy Name of Mary	\$ 725.00
Catholic University	\$ 70.00
Priests Medical & Retirement	\$ 135.00

Thank you for your generosity!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE GOAL

\$54,600.00

\$40,070.00 as of August 31, 2025

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.

FOOD BANK

Reminder: Food Bank donations are welcome, needed and collected year-round. Please leave your donations of non-perishable food items or toiletries in the bin located in the vestibule just outside of the prayer room and beneath the large painting of the crucifixion. Our donations are taken regularly to the Faith Centre Food Bank. *Thank you for your generosity.*

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 September 28

12:00 PM

Mary Castillo Neale
(Family)

Sunday October 5

12:00 PM

People of the Parish

LECTOR SCHEDULE

September 28

Gail Anderson

October 5

kb Boomer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

September 28

kb Boomer

October 5

Sister Judith

WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTALS

(regular & online)

September 14, 2025 \$ 1,526.00

September 21, 2025 \$ 1,774.25

HOSPITALITY

September 28: Celina Jovel & Connie Corl

October 5: Diane Brown & kb & Rick BB

October 12: Adam Bowser & Shelly Ash

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, September 30th at 11:00 AM followed by Adoration.

Around the Diocese

2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE GOAL

\$8,500.00

\$22,425.00 as of August 31, 2025

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: September Specials

· FINAL MARKDOWN: All Adult Shorts, Capris, Sleeveless Tops and Bathing Suits on sale for only \$1.

-Check out our large selection of Sweaters for those cool nights
Halloween Costumes will be available soon.

Are you looking for a fun way to volunteer? We are looking for you! Training is provided for Cashiers, Donation Greeters and Sorters. To learn more, please call 814-867-3131 or stop by the Thrift Store.

Foundations of Faith:

A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Part One: Tuesdays October 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4 . from 10 a.m. to 12 N at CCW Incarnation Center, 394 Bem Road, Gallitzin, PA 16641. Part Two will be scheduled in the spring of 2026.

Foundations of Faith: A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church is the ultimate way to encounter the wisdom of the Catechism and deepen your understanding of the Catholic Faith. This study is a spiritual pilgrimage that will transform the way you understand Catholic teachings and live the Catholic Faith. Using a DVD series by educators such as Dr. Edward Sri, Jeff Cavins, Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Fr. Mike Schmitz, and others, this study walks you through the Catechism from beginning to end, unpacking its rich insights and showing you how to apply them to your daily life. Participants will find it helpful to have their own copy of the Catechism for this study. (This series will be offered on same dates from 6 – 8 PM at Basilica of St. Michael, Loretto.) Registration is requested by Sept 30. CommunityofficeCCW@gmail.com, or 814-886-4098, or srmarilynw@CCWcommunity.org. A free-will offering is appreciated.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL SHINE IN WASHINGTON, DC

Seats are no longer available on the bus leaving State College for the Pilgrimage October 17, however, seats are still available on the bus leaving PNG Field (the Curve) in Altoona at 7:00 AM. Cost is \$60. To reserve a seat, call Jeanne Thompson: 814-317-2672.

SAINT JOE'S COUPLES FAITH RETREAT

NOVEMBER 14 & 15

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm & 8:30 am - 3 pm

\$80 per couple

Join us in the Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy Student Union for two days of reconnection and renewal for all parents, couples, and adult friends.

Led by Mary Stanford, a speaker, teacher, and writer on Catholic marriage and family life, this retreat will explore St. Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body and technology use in our families.

REGISTER TODAY

Retreat includes happy hour Friday evening, light breakfast and lunch on Saturday, workshops, discussions, and Holy Mass Saturday morning.

<https://stjoeacad.org/faith-retreat/>

MEMORIALS & DONATIONS:

Birthday Treats: Pelican's Snowballs generously donated coupons this year for each student to receive on their birthday. We are grateful for their willingness to provide each student with a delicious frozen treat in celebration of their birthday.

Lunch program donation: David & Deborah Zanzalari

In memory of Charlotte Burcin: Jim & Nancy Swartzell

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

OKTOBERFEST TICKET SALES ENDING SOON!

Saturday, October 11th

6:00–9:00 p.m.

The Shop in Zion

Tickets are just \$40 each and include:

- Choice of Meal from Robinhood Brewing (Hunter Stew over Egg Noodles, Bratwurst Sandwich with German Red Cabbage w/Apples, or Hühnerschnitzel with Cheese Spaetzle.)
- Dessert - compliments of Melissa Price
- First Beverage (Beer from Robinhood Brewing, Axemann Cider, Wine from Barrels and Kegs, fresh cider, sodas, and water)
- Entry for Door Prize (donated by Woodrings Floral Gardens)
- Special Edition Mug (donated by Brother's Pizza and Courthouse Pub)
- Live Entertainment by The Little German Band of State College

Just a few of our raffle prizes:

- A Suite & Night at the Spikes for 20 donated by Happy Valley Financial Services
- A Family Mini Session donated by Jennifer Illig Photography
- \$100 flower arrangement a month for a year donated by Daniel Vaughn Designs
- PSU baskets donated by Provan Enterprises
- 2 Center Ice Tickets for PSU Hockey (your choice of Minnesota, Notre Dame, or Ohio State) donated by Steve and Jen Koller
- 4 PSU Football v Indiana tickets donated by John Faulker
- Gift Certificate to The Parlor donated by Justin Leiter
- AND MORE!

Join us for a fun evening of food, music, and community—while supporting the heart of Saint John School: our teachers!

SAINT JOHN Oktoberfest

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2025 6-9 PM
The Shop - 129 Snyder Brook Lane, Bellefonte



USE QR CODE OR CONTACT SCHOOL OFFICE TO PURCHASE \$40 TICKETS FOR THIS 21+ EVENT TO BENEFIT SAINT JOHN SCHOOL!
TICKETS ARE LIMITED AND WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR

Entertainment: The Little German Band
Dinner and Beer: Robinhood Brewing Co.
Hard Cider: Axemann Brewery
Wine: Barrels & Kegs
Desserts, non-alcoholic beverages, and more

Just SOME of our fabulous Raffle Prizes:
A Night at the Spikes: Suite with 20 tickets and 4 parking passes donated by Happy Valley Financial Services
PSU Ice Hockey: 2 Center Ice Tickets to your choice of Minnesota, Ohio State, or Notre Dame donated by Steve and Jen Koller
PSU Football: 4 Tickets to the Indiana Game donated by John Faulkner
Fresh Flowers a Month for a Year donated by Daniel Vaughn Designs
and **MORE!**

Questions? oktoberfest@saintjohnsch.net - 814-355-7859


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CENTRE COUNTY'S

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2025 Winner
FAVORITE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
GOLD

2025 Winner
FAVORITE PRIVATE SCHOOL
GOLD

2025 Winner
FAVORITE PRESCHOOL
SILVER



VOCATION CORNER

“Who will entrust to you the true riches?”

The riches of truth belong to those who are faithful to Christ and their vocation. Will you follow Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother?



The Parable of the Dishonest Manager, also known as the Parable of the Unjust Steward, presents a challenge for vocational reflection. While the manager's actions are described as dishonest, Jesus praises his *shrewdness* in preparing for his future after losing his position. This parable, particularly its concluding verses, offers valuable insights into Christian vocation and stewardship.

In essence, Luke 16:1-13 challenges reflection on how resources, time, and talents are utilized in chosen vocations. Are foresight and commitment like that of the dishonest manager being demonstrated in pursuing eternal well-being and God's purposes? Are people serving God wholeheartedly, or allowing money and earthly possessions to become competing masters? This parable calls for a life of faithful stewardship, intentional resource use, and unwavering devotion to God above all else.