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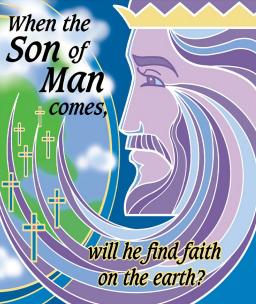
134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA CATHOLIC CHURCH

PO Box 159 3503 Penns Valley Rd, Spring Mills, PA 16875

October 26, 2025/29th Sunday in Ordinary Time







MASS SCHEDULE

St. John: Saturday: 5:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. St. Kateri: Sunday 12:00 p.m. Weekday: Varies—see weekly Mass schedule

CONFESSION

St. John: Saturday: 3:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m. St. Kateri: First Sunday: 1:00 p.m.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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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
Religious Education:
Tony and Paula Roland: Directors-St. John
Millie Turner: Director -St. Kateri
Confirmation Program:
Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin: Directors-St. John
kb Boomer: Director-St. Kateri
David Harry: O.C.I.A. Coordinator
Natalie Stanton: Music Ministry Coordinator
Joe Baummer: Maintenance

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Call the rectory O.C.I.A.: Call the rectory Marriage: Notify pastor 9 months in advance

St. John Masses for the week

Saturday, October 25

5:00 PM Donald & Vilma Anspauch

(Anspauch, Neidigh & Kowalski families)

Sunday, October 26

8:00 AM Sister M. Majella (Father Brian)

10:15 AM People of the Parish

Monday, October 27 Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles

9:00 AM Kimberly Rose

(Tina & Greg Wendt & Family)

Tuesday, October 28

8:00 AM Communion service

Regina Friedenberger (Fr. Brian) (Mass celebrated at Clergy Gathering)

Wednesday, October 29

8:00 AM **Communion Service**

James Ficarro (The Ficarro Family) (Mass celebrated at Clergy Gathering)

Thursday, October 30

6:00 PM Deceased members of Copenhaver

Family (Constance Copenhaver)

Friday, October 31

8:00 AM Nancy Palfey (David Files)

Saturday, November 1 All Saints

9:00 AM Mario Truglio (Rosemary Truglio)

5:00 PM Jerome Basalla (Wife Genny)

Sunday, November 2 All Souls

8:00 AM Deceased Members & Chaplains

(Court Rev. Patrick McArdle #448)

10:15 Chris Burger (Janell Burger)

<u>SCRIPTURE READINGS</u> Sir 35:12-14; 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18;

Lk 18:9-14

Monday, Weekday

Rom 8: 12-17; Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Lk 13: 10-17

Tuesday, Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

Eph 2: 19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16

Wednesday, Weekday

Rom 8:26-30; Ps 13:4-5, 6; Lk 13:22-30

Thursday, Weekday

Rom 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lk 13:31-35

Friday, Weekday

Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday, Solemnity of All Saints

Rv 7: 2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a Sunday, The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All

Souls)

Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

St. Kateri Masses for the week

Sunday October 26

12:00 PM Mary Jane LaNasa (Millie Turner)

Sunday November 2

12:00 PM People of the Parish

COMMUNION SERVICE There will be a Communion Service this Tuesday, October 28th at 11:00 AM followed by Adoration.

The ROSARY 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.

ST. KATERI MINISTERS

Lector

October 26 Jim Hodgson November 2 **Gail Anderson**

Eucharistic Minister

October 26 Sandy Rockey November 2 kb Boomer

Hospitality

October 26: Shelly Houser & Susan Slenker November 2: Diane Brown & kb & Rick BB November 9: Celina Jovel & Connie Corl

Eucharistic Minister/Lector / Altar Server/Music

Saturday, November 1 9:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Margaret Gorzelnik/

Lucia Stover

Lector: Lucia Stover Servers: Volunteers needed

Music: **TBD** Saturday, November 1 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: George Callahan/Cindy Hallahan

Lector: Bib Polak

Servers: Luke Russell/AJ Cleaver

Music: Joe Lexon Sunday, November 2 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Jeff Drapcho/Louise Manginell

Jeff Drapcho Lector:

Dante & Leon Pighetti Servers: Stephen St. Amant Music:

Sunday, November 2 10:15 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Barry Pearce/Lorraine Fello

Lector: Lorraine Fello Kamdyn Brungard/ Servers:

Peter Levandoski

Music: Folk

Weekly events

Monday Oct. 27 1:00 PM St. John's in Stitches 11:00 AM-7:00 PM KOC All You

Can Eat Soup & Salad Sale

Saturday Nov. 1 9:00 AM All Saints Mass

<u>Pilgrimage at Our St. John's Church:</u> As part of our Pilgrimage experience, it was agreed to have a pilgrimage presentation here at St. John's Church. On October 25 & 26, after each weekend Mass, Ed Mulfinger will give a brief presentation of interesting information and facts about our church. Please plan to stay after Mass for Ed's presentation.

<u>SAINT JOHNS IN STITCHES</u> sewing group is meeting Monday, October 27th at 1:00 PM in the rectory basement. Come and enjoy a time of fellowship and fun!

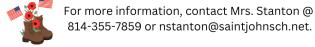
Reminder to CDA members: Knights of Columbus are requesting desserts for their Soup and Salad Sale on Monday, October 27th. Desserts can be dropped off at the Knights Hall on Sunday or Monday morning.

Veterans Day at Saint John School

This year, to commemorate Veterans Day, Saint John School will once again be creating a Field of Flags display in our school courtyard. The flags will serve as a tangible reminder of the service and great sacrifices made by the American heroes who have served or who are serving in our Armed Forces.

To have your hero recognized, pick up a form in the back of the church, fill it out, and return it to the collection basket, rectory office, or school office no later than November 3rd. A flag will be placed in our Field of Flags, and we will add your hero's name to our list of prayer intentions for the month of November.

We also welcome you to join us as we celebrate
Veterans Day as a school community on November
11th for the Field of Flags ceremony at 1:30 pm in the
school courtyard.



Relic from the Basilica of San Michael, Monte Sant' Angelo:

Our newest relic in the display case is from the cave below the Basilica of Saint Michael. The sanctuary developed around the location where the Archangel Saint Michael appeared to the Bishop of Siponto on several occasions in 490 AD, which quickly made it a very popular pilgrimage destination. This is the first shrine ever dedicated to Saint Michael in Western Europe. After this the famous Mont Saint Michael in France and Saint Michael's Mount in Cornwall followed.

Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of October 19, 2025 ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$	6,231.15	
Loose Offertory:	\$	1,077.00	
Children's Offertory:	\$	12.00	
Special Monthly:	\$	50.00	
Votive Candles:	\$	148.75	
ORDINARY TOTAL	\$	7,518.90	
EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:			
Cemetery	\$	50.00	
Maintenance:	\$	255.00	
EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$	305.00	
ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL:	\$	7,823.90	
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SCHOOL COLLECTION:	\$	1,181.00	
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SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Holy Name of Mary	\$ 3,250.00
World Mission	\$ 457.00
All Souls	\$ 245.00
All Saints	\$ 15.00

 ST. KATERI COLLECTION TOTALS
 (regular & online)

 October 12, 2025
 \$ 1,288.00

 October 19, 2025
 \$ 884.50

Thank you for your generosity!

Healing Mass: Holy Spirit Ministry will hold a special Healing Mass on Tuesday, November 4th at 7pm, at St. Michael Church, Hollidaysburg. This powerful night of hope and healing is for all who are suffering physically, emotionally and spiritually. Fr. Jeremy Mohler will be the main celebrant. Praise and worship will precede the Mass at 6:30pm and prayer ministry will follow the Mass. Come and experience the healing power of Jesus and be set free! All are welcome!

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: October Specials

- Halloween Costumes, Accessories and Fall Apparel are at Discounted Prices.
- Check out our large selection of Holiday Decorations. There is a chill in the air, and we have coats and sweaters to keep you warm.

If you have a few hours a week and would like to give back by volunteering at the Thrift Store, we are looking for you. We have openings for Sorters, Donation Greeters and Cashiers. Training will be provided. To learn more about volunteer opportunities, please call 814-867-3131 or stop by the Thrift Store.

Donations are accepted Monday – Thursday, 10 am – 3:30 pm and Friday and Saturday, 10 am – 1 pm ONLY.

Religious Education

St. John

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

Oct. 26—Class

Nov. 2nd—Class CCD Mass K & 1st, Dress as a Saint

Nov. 9th-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, October 26 Group Mass & Class

Sunday, November 2 No Class

Sunday, November 9 Group Mass & 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

<u>Dear Parishioners</u>, On behalf of my Provincial Superior, Rev. Fr. P. Watson and myself: I would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you who so generously contributed to the building of our hospital in Tanzania. Your contributions will make a real difference. We are so grateful for your sacrifice and generosity, as are the people we serve in Tanzania. I will keep you informed about the construction of the hospital building as it progresses. If you would like to make any additional contributions, the envelopes remain in the back of the church .Please keep us in your prayers. May God bless you!

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Ct. Rev. Patrick McArdle, #448 proudly WELCOME our 3 newest members: Elizabeth Dincer, Jean M. Goulka and Marianne Hazel. We look forward to becoming acquainted with these ladies, as we work in our court. Note: all ladies aged 18 and older are welcome to join us. You may attend a meeting to see what 'we are about'. Or you may ask questions of one of our members.

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

Oct. 26—No CCD Nov. 2—CCD Nov. 9—No CCD Nov. 16—CCD

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

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.

Dear Fellow Knights and Parish Members:

The Bellefonte Knights of Columbus, Council 1314, is proud to once again be sponsoring our FREE Thanksgiving Dinner for the community. This dinner has been held annually for more than 25 years. The dinner is scheduled for Thursday, November 27, 2025 at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 315 Stoney Batter St., Bellefonte from 11AM to 2PM. The dinner is free to all, whether you do not wish to cook or do not want to eat alone at home. The Knights will also be collecting "TOYS FOR TOTS" donations.

The dinner will feature many of the traditional Thanksgiving favorites such as roasted turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, yams, corn, green beans, cranberry sauce, rolls and butter, as well as desserts and drinks. This meal would not be possible without the support of Parishioners, Knights and local businesses. Last year we served approximately 375 meals, dine in and take outs.

Should you be interested in donating any items or a monetary donation, please contact Co-chairmen Doug Moerschbacher at dougsrugcare@gmail.com or Scott Burkett at Rotzeus@aol.com . Donations will be used towards the Thanksgiving meal and any additional monies collected will be used for future Knights of Columbus projects. Thanks for your consideration.

CONGRATULATIONS to Benjamin & Abbie Gangewere! Their child Charles Leo Gangewere was baptized October 5, 2025. May they continue to grow in the faith.



MEMORIALS & DONATIONS:

School Lunch program: Paula Brezler in honor of Lucy Brezler; Helen Lowry. We would also like to thank the many anonymous donors to the School Lunch Program. We are truly grateful for all of the generous donations to our school lunch program. This support has been a tremendous blessing for our students, making a meaningful difference in their daily lives.

<u>Donation to the School Music Program:</u> Patricia Willing in memory of Kathryn O'Leary Willing

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

2025 RACE FOR EDUCATION - Ready, Set, Grow!

Our annual Race for Education was held last Thursday. Please watch next week's bulletin for wrap-up information. Donations can still be made online at www.saintjohnsch.net/race.

OKTOBERFEST DANKE! DANKE! DANKE!

Our sincere thanks to everyone who joined us for Saint John School's 2nd Annual Oktoberfest! The evening was filled with fellowship, laughter, and celebration of our dedicated faculty and staff.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the sponsors, donors, and volunteers whose generosity and time made this event such a success. Your support directly strengthens our mission and helps sustain our vibrant Saint John community.

A big thank you to these volunteers: Scott Burkett, Abbey Dunaway, Lauren Fisher, Jessica Hallman, Holly Jaglowski, Joe Jaglowski, Jeff Langan, Aimee Levandoski, Michael Maney, Alison Martin, Matt Martin, Megan McGoron, Doug Moerschbacher, Don Nagel, Sara Nagel, Justin Packer, Lilly Packer, Lincoln Packer, Mindy Packer, Dave Provan, Janie Provan, Gloria Rogers, Michelle Russell, Katey Smoyer, Erin St. Amant, Stephen St. Amant, Cecilia Stanton, Curt Stanton, Natalie Stanton, Anna Stitzer, Doug Tice, Kristina Tice, Maddie Tice, Nathan Tice, Rose Truglio, Domenic Turco, Katherine Turco, Rachelle Weiser, Greg Wendt, and Tina Wendt.

Watch for next year's date—it will be announced soon!

Gloria Rogers Don and Sara Nagel Richard and Anna Stitzer Melissa Price Provan Enterprises, Inc. Brothers Pizza & Courthouse Pub



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VOCATION CORNER

This Sunday's Gospel reading from Luke 18:9–14 presents the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector, a powerful contrast between self-righteousness and humble repentance. The Pharisee boasts of his religious observance, while the tax



collector simply pleads, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." Jesus affirms that the humble man goes home justified, not the one who exalts himself. In the context of vocation—whether to priesthood, religious life, marriage, or lay service—this parable challenges us to examine our motivations. Are we seeking recognition, or are we responding to God's call with humility and love?

- Pharisee's prayer is self-centered, while the tax collector's is God-centered. A true vocation begins with surrender, not self-promotion.
- God calls the humble. As Sirach 35:12–18 reminds us, God hears the cry of the poor and the brokenhearted. Those who acknowledge their need for God are most open to His call.