

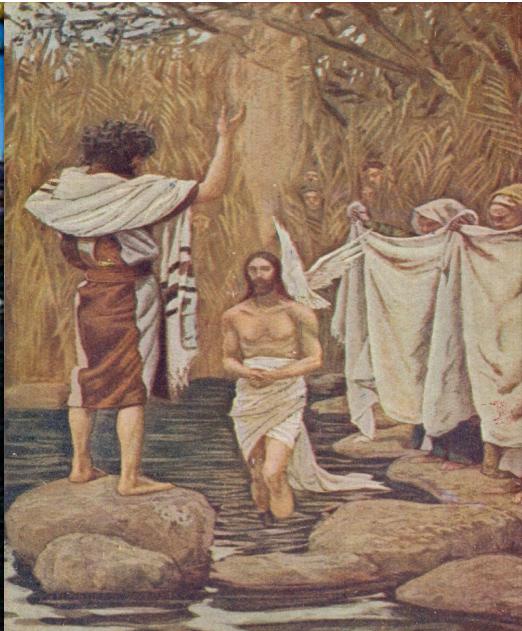
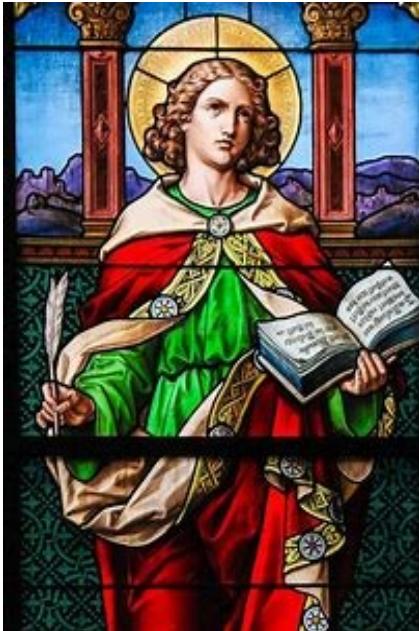
**ST. JOHN
THE EVANGELIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

134 East Bishop Street,
Bellefonte, PA 16823

**ST. KATERI
TEKAKWITHA
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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

January 11, 2026/ The Baptism of the Lord



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

CONFESION

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.

CONTACT US

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www.bellefontecatholicchurch.org
www.stkaterichurch.org

Join us on FlockNote!
Text “SJ814” to the number 84576

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Brian Saylor, VF, 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, January 10

5:00 PM Nancy Buller
(Susan & Bill Turcotte)

Sunday, January 11

8:00 AM Intentions of Paul Kutches
(Marilyn Bergner)

10:15 AM People of the Parish

Monday, January 12

9:00 AM Barb Surovec (Patricia Surovec)

Tuesday, January 13 St. Hilary, Bishop/Doctor

8:00 AM Pat Luther (Family)

Wednesday, January 14

8:00 AM James Ficarro (Tammy Ficarro)

Thursday, January 15

6:00 PM Mary Lou Copenhaver
(Suzanne & Richard Egli)

Friday, January 16

8:00 AM Edward & Mary Shoemaker
(Richard & Linda Struble)

Saturday, January 17 St. Anthony, Abbot

5:00 PM 2025 CDA Milestone Anniversaries

Sunday, January 18

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:15 AM Deacon Steve Luke
(Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin)

Eucharistic Minister/Lector /Altar Server/Music

Saturday, January 17 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Mike Pavone/David Files

Lector: Angela Basalla

Servers: Cameron Niemann/
Michael Maney

Music: Natalie Stanton

Sunday, January 18 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Art & Deb Ardire

Lector: Art Ardire

Servers: Matt & Josie DeRemer

Music: Traditional

Sunday, January 18 10:15 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Adam Herzing/Leoni Martins

Lector: 7th & 8th grade CCD

Servers: Grace & Michael Herzing

Music: Youth

St. Kateri Masses for the week

Sunday, January 11

12:00 PM Fr. Valentine Bradley (Lynn Ellen Dixon)

Sunday, January 18

12:00 PM Carol Confer (kb Boomer)

COMMUNION SERVICE There will be a communion service this Tuesday, January 13th 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

January 11 Jim Hodgson

January 18 Millie Turner

Eucharistic Minister

January 11 Gail Anderson

January 18 Sister Judith

Hospitality

January 11: Barb Cole & Diane Brown

January 18: Millie Turner and kb & Rick BB

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday, The Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Mt 3:13-17

Monday, Weekday

1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday, Weekday

1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday, Weekday

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday, Weekday

1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45

Friday, Weekday

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday, Weekday

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

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.

Weekly events

Sunday, Jan. 11	4:00 PM Latin Mass
Monday, Jan. 12	6:00 PM KOC BINGO
Wednesday, Jan. 14	9:00 AM Healing through Faith
Thursday, Jan. 15	6:30 PM Healing through Faith

THANK YOU

I would like to express our deep appreciation for all the kindness you have shown me as I celebrated another birthday. I am so grateful for all your support.

USCCB RECENT STATEMENT on IMMIGRATION

The video presentation can be found online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nsMQ8V4pNCI> or by going to usccb.org (Special Message).

HEALING THROUGH FAITH MEETINGS

The holiday season is here and can be difficult for those who have lost loved ones in the last year. Or you may be experiencing another form of grief? If you are looking for an opportunity to talk about your grief with others who have similar feelings, consider taking the time to attend our gatherings as we support one another through our faith. All are welcome! The next "Healing Through Faith" meetings will be on Wednesday January 14th at 9:00 AM and Thursday, January 15th at 6:30PM. Meetings are held in the rectory. Please note that during the winter months the meetings will be canceled if the school is closed. For more information call Ed Mulfinger at (814) 280-2755, Connie Davis at 355-1280 or Barbara Materna at 359-0354.

Wanted: Singers for 2026 Lenten Ecumenical Choir

Grace Lutheran Church invites all who love to sing to take part in the 2026 Lenten ecumenical choir preparation of "I Believe: Songs of Faith, Hope, and Joy." The musical meditation takes place Wed., March 25 at 7:00 PM at Grace Lutheran Church, 205 S. Garner St., State College. Rehearsals are Sundays (2-4 PM) starting Feb. 8. The program features Chilcott's *A Little Jazz Mass*; Vivaldi's *Credo* (with strings); and Onovwerosuoke's *Credo (Afro-Caribbean Mass)*. Music is provided; singers of all backgrounds are welcome (no auditions). Contact Laurel Sanders at lsanders@glcpa.org for details.

ST. JOHN COLLECTIONS

December 25, 2025

Christmas Collection	\$26,716.00
Special collections	\$ 180.00
Total	\$26,896.00

December 28, 2025

Regular Collection	\$11,136.00
Special collections	\$ 846.06
Total	\$11,982.06

Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of January 4, 2026

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 7,254.00
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1,545.00
Children's Offertory:	\$ 12.00
Special Monthly:	\$ 2,601.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 263.10

ORDINARY TOTAL \$ 11,675.10

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Maintenance:	\$ 355.00
EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$ 355.00
ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL:	\$ 12,030.10

SCHOOL COLLECTION: \$ 605.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Holy Name of Mary	\$ 250.00
Retirement Fund Religious	\$ 55.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 2,518.00
Christmas	\$ 1,255.00

ST. KATERI COLLECTION TOTALS (regular & online)

December 28, 2025	\$ 1,445.00
December 25, 2025	\$ 1,600.00
January 4, 2026	\$ 1,768.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Online Giving at St. John's! It's easy and safe to use.

You can use **your** checking/savings account or debit/credit card.

You can also schedule gifts to occur automatically.

How to donate online:

Go to our website: www.bellefontecatholicchurch.org

and click the Give Now button OR

Go to: <https://abundant.co/stjohntheevangelist>
and you will go directly to a giving page.

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

Jan. 11th—CCD
Jan. 18th—CCD 7th & 8th grade CCD Mass
Jan. 25th—No CCD (Catholic Schools Week)
Feb. 1st—CCD

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, January 11 No Class
Sunday, January 18 Group Mass & Class
Sunday, January 25 No Class
Sunday, February 1 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

THANK YOU! The 2026 Confirmation Class would like to thank all of our parishioners for your overwhelming generosity towards our Confirmation Group Project. With your help we were able to raise \$9000.00 to replace the Glory and Praise Hymnals. We will forever be grateful to you for your support.

From our Hearts; Thank You and May God Bless!

SIGHT & SOUND BUS TRIP

Father Brian at St. John's will be hosting a bus trip to Sight and Sound in Lancaster to see Joshua live on stage. Experience one of the most redemptive stories of the Bible as it comes to life in this BRAND NEW original stage production.

The bus trip is on **Thursday, March 26th.** for the 11:00am showing. Travel will be by Fullington Trailways. We will be stopping after the show at Cracker Barrel in Harrisburg. The bus will be boarding in front of St. John's at 6:30 am and returning at approximately 7:00 pm. Cost of the trip is \$150.00 per person which includes show ticket and transportation. Meals will be on your own.

All reservations and money must be received in St. John's parish office by Wednesday, February 25th. Please note – no reservations will be accepted without payment, address and cell phone number. Space is limited. If you have any questions, please contact St. John's parish office at (814) 355-3134.

St. Kateri

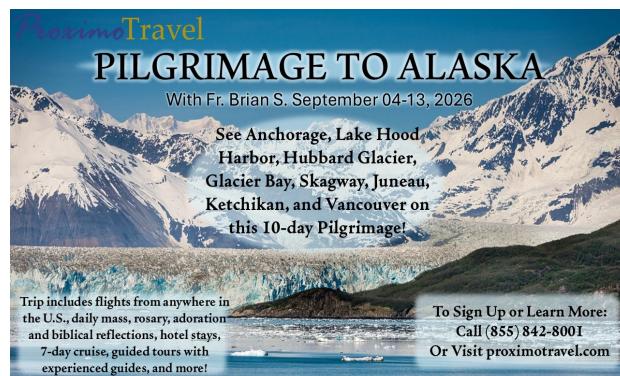
Jan. 18—CCD
Jan. 25—No CCD
Feb. 1—CCD
Feb. 8—No CCD

ST. KATERI THANKS

A big thank you to Richard Brown for donating and delivering Christmas trees to adorn our wonder creche this year! Also thanks to Michelle Ash and Millie Turner for setting it up for all of our enjoyment.

Thank you to all who attended and provided dishes to pass for our annual Christmas dinner! Thanks to all who helped set up and clean up too! It was a big hit this year. And thanks to Shelly Houser for directing the CCD students in the annual Christmas pageant...truly an inspiration!

BAPTISM CLASS DATES 2025: Families who would like their first child baptized must attend a baptism class. The class dates for 2026 are March 8, June 14, September 13, and December 13. 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



St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: January Specials

Holiday Clearance – All items are at reduced prices! We have winter coats, snowpants and ski wear. Check out our selection of Vintage clothing.

Looking for an opportunity to volunteer in 2026? We need cashiers for Mondays (10 am to 1 pm or 1 pm to 4 pm) and Fridays (10 am to 1 pm or 1 pm to 4 pm). Additionally, we are looking for donation greeters and sorters for various times. Training will be provided. To learn more about joining our team, 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. The Thrift Store is open Monday - Thursday, 10am-3:30pm and Friday & Saturday, 10am-1pm only.

St. John School News

Thank you to all Saint John Catholic Parish and School families for their support throughout the past year. The Students, Faculty and Staff of Saint John the Evangelist Catholic School extend our heartfelt wish that God's blessing fill your heart and strengthen your family in the coming year. Best wishes for a Healthy and Happy New Year!

MEMORIALS & DONATIONS:

In memory of Robbie Hillard: The Hillard family
In memory of Robert Long: Rosalie Bailey; Patricia Neidigh
Lunch Program: Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Worrick
Thank you to all of our benefactors and God bless your generosity to and support of our school.

A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

As we celebrate the birth of our Savior, I extend my heartfelt thanks to you, our parishioners and parish family, for your continued prayers, generosity, and support of Saint John School. Your kindness and commitment allow our students to grow in faith, knowledge, and love each day. May the joy and peace of Christ fill your hearts and homes this Christmas season and throughout the coming year.

Warmest Christmas blessings,
Kristina Tice, Principal

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK:

Parishioners are warmly invited to join us for the Saint John School Open House following the 10:15 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 25.

A Catholic education is about more than academics - it is about forming the whole child: mind, heart, and soul. At Saint John School, children are known, loved, and guided to grow in faith, character, and knowledge. Through small class sizes, strong academics, and a nurturing family atmosphere, students learn to live with compassion, integrity, and purpose.

Families of all faiths are welcome, and we would be honored to share how a Saint John education helps children grow into confident learners and caring, faith-filled leaders.

DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE AWARD:

Each year during Catholic Schools Week, we honor an alum of Saint John School with the National Catholic Educational Association Distinguished Graduate Award. This award, which honors the achievements of Catholic elementary school graduates, was created as "a means of highlighting the people, who as adults, put into practice the values and ideals they learned in their Catholic elementary school." We are currently accepting nominations for this year's award. If you would like to nominate a former graduate of our school for this recognition, please send your nomination to sjadmin@saintjohnsch.net.

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

Great Things Are Growing at Saint John School



Join us Sunday, January 25th
for our Catholic Schools Week
Kick-Off Mass and Open House
Mass at 10:15 a.m.
Open House to follow
11:15 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

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THROUGH 5TH GRADE FOR 2025-2026**

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VOCATION CORNER

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

"At your baptism, God called you by name — is He calling you again today?"

At His baptism, Jesus heard the Father's voice: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

In that moment, His mission was affirmed, and His public ministry began. Each of us, through our own baptism, is called to live out our mission as beloved children of God.

Baptism is the beginning of our lifelong mission in Christ, marking the moment we are sent forth to live as His disciples in the world. Among us, some are called in a special way to serve in priesthood or religious life—could that be you, or someone you know? Take time to pray deeply, listen attentively to the stirrings of your heart, and respond with courage and trust in God's plan.



If you sense an invitation to consider the priesthood or religious life, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at email: vocations@dioceseaj.org.