

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

February 1, 2026/4th 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.

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 31 St. John Bosco

5:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, February 1

8:00 AM Jim & Marie Kolasa (Jeff Drapcho)

10:15 AM Barbara Gillespie (Family)

Monday, February 2 Presentation of the Lord

9:00 AM Harry Pferdehirt (St. John School)

Tuesday, February 3 St. Blaise & St. Ansgar

8:00 AM Richard Dunn
(Suzanne & Richard Egli)

Wednesday, February 4

8:00 AM James Ficarro (Tammy Ficarro)

Thursday, February 5 St. Agatha

6:00 PM Dunn & Egli Family
(Suzanne & Richard Egli)

Friday, February 6 St. Paul Miki & Companions

8:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory
(Gingher Family)

Saturday, February 7

8:00 AM Tom Dowling (Forstmeier Family)

5:00 PM Mary Parmenter
(Mary Margaret Gorzelnik)

Sunday, February 8

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:15 AM Barb Surovec (Dorothy & Rick Surovec)

Eucharistic Minister/Lector/Altar Server/Music

Saturday, February 7 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Margaret Gorzelnik/
Mike Pavone
Lector: Mary Margaret Gorzelnik
Servers: Cameron Niemann/Elliott Brezler
Music: Stephen St. Amant

Sunday, February 8 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Mark & Kathy Kresovich
Lector: Lucia Stover
Servers: Dante & Leon Pighetti
Music: Traditional

Sunday, February 1 10:15 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Adam Herzing/Barry Pearce
Lector: Michael Jurewicz
Servers: Blaire Lewis/Alec Rudella
Music: Folk

St. Kateri Masses for the week

Sunday, February 1

12:00 PM Andrew O'Toole (Millie Turner)

Tuesday, February 3

11:00 AM David Surkosky (Cathy Surkosky)

Sunday, February 8

12:00 PM Laurie Heintz (Hal & Karen Grove)

WEEKDAY MASS There will be Mass this Tuesday, February 3 at 11:00 AM.

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

February 1 Deb Cusatis
February 8 Jim Hodgson

Eucharistic Minister

February 1 Sandy Rockey
February 8 Sandy Rockey

Hospitality

February 1: Celina Jovel & Diane Brown
February 8: Celina Jovel & Shelly Houser
February 15: Millie Turner and kb and Rick BB

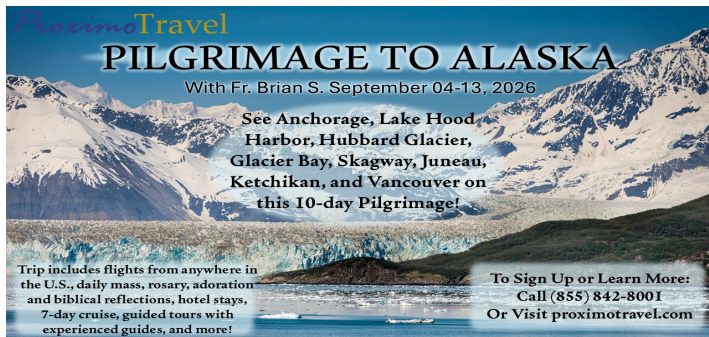
BAPTISM CLASS DATES 2025: Families who would like their first child baptized must attend a baptism class. The class dates for 2026 are March 8, June 14, September 13, and December 13. For additional information or questions contact Deacon Tom Boldin at 814-355-4234(H) or text to 814-883-8123 or email stboldin@verizon.net

The Knights of Columbus are providing The Little Black Book (Lent 2026) for parishioners at both parishes. Please help yourself to a book to enhance your Lenten journey. They may be found in the rear of the churches. Vivat Jesus! Bellefonte Council 1314.

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

Monday, Feb. 2 9:30 AM Adoration
 Monday, Feb. 2 1:00 PM St. John in Stitches
 Thursday, Feb. 5 6:30 PM CDA Meeting



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.

Bellefonte Lunch Program: The Bellefonte Lunch Program provides free lunches to the needy in our area and is made up of teams from a number of local churches. We currently have three teams from St. John and need two more volunteers to fill a fourth team. The obligation is only for 4 Fridays per year. Please consider helping with this worthy cause. Call or write to Ed Fannon for more information at emfannon@pm.me, or 570-854-3670

CALLED BY NAME FOLLOW-UP

Thank you to everyone who has been praying for Vocations, and especially those who prayerfully considered nominating a young man for Called by Name.

Our Diocese did really well (better than many Diocese our size) with 444 submissions and 315 individuals being nominated (some received multiple nominations). We had 8 individuals from St. John and St. Kateri nominated.

I ask for your continued prayers as these men discern if they may be called to the priesthood and those who may be beginning their journey towards that goal.

Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of January 25, 2026

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 4,997.70
Loose Offertory:	\$ 835.00
Children's Offertory:	\$ 0.00
Special Monthly:	\$ 210.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 0.00

ORDINARY TOTAL \$ 6,042.70

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Local Family	\$ 100.00
Maintenance:	\$ 130.00

EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL: \$ 230.00

ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: \$ 6,272.70

SCHOOL COLLECTION: \$ 350.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Holy Name of Mary	\$ 400.00
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ST. KATERI COLLECTION TOTALS (regular & online)

January 18, 2026	\$ 1,123.62
January 25, 2026	\$ 477.00

Thank you for your generosity!

HELPING OUR UKRAINE FRIENDS: Once again our Ukraine friends need our help and support. They desperately need help with the following supplies:

<u>Food Supplies</u>	<u>Hygiene Products</u>
Pasta	Toothpaste/Brushes
Tea/Coffee/Sweetener	Shampoo
Cereal	Hand/Body Soap
Crackers	Deodorant
Condensed Milk	Shaving Cream
Salt/Pepper	Wipes
Ketchup	Sanitary Pads

The shipping container leaves for Ukraine the end of February, so you may drop off your donated items in the tubs provided in the church vestibule until February 15. Our Ukrainian friends say a HUGE thank you for your support and generosity!

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, or you may call her at 814-353-1010.

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

Feb. 1st—CCD

Feb. 8th—CCD Scout Sunday

Feb. 15th —No CCD

Feb. 22nd—CCD, Stations of the Cross— 1st-4th grades

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, February 1 Group Mass & Class

Sunday, February 8 No Class

Sunday, February 15 No Class

Sunday, February 22 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

St. Kateri

Feb. 1—CCD

Feb. 8—No CCD

Feb. 15—CCD

Feb. 22—No CCD

HEALING MASS: Holy Spirit Ministry will hold a special Healing Mass on Tuesday, February 3rd 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 6:30 pm and prayer ministry will follow the Mass. If you are suffering physically, from addiction, hurting or struggling in any way, come and experience the healing power of Jesus and be set free! All are welcome!

NEW RELICS ADDED

We have received two new relics from Rockview Correctional Institute: The True Cross & St. Dismas (the Good Thief) Our current relics include (Donor of Relic):

St. John the Evangelist; the **True Cross Of Christ** (Rockview Correctional Institute); **St. Anthony Of Padua** (Sister Mary Majella Foreso); **St. Dismas** (Rockview Correctional Institute); **St. Dominic Savio** (Sister Mary Majella Foreso); **St. Elizabeth Anne Seton** (Sister Mary Majella Foreso); **St. John Of The Cross** (Holy Spirit Parish, Lock Haven); **St. Sophia of Rome** (Sister Mary Majella Foreso); **St. Terese Of Lisieux** (Sister Mary Majella Foreso); **Soil from the Grave of Saint Pope John XXIII** (Sister Mary Majella Foreso); **Stone From St. Michael's Cave** Monte Sant' Angelo, Italy (Fr. Brian Saylor); **Vestment Of Saint Padre Pio** (Fr. Brian)

ST. KATERI MEMORIAL DONATION

Received in Memory of

Chuck Hall

From: Will Hoyt and Rosemary McNamara

please join us for

Spirit Night

- Fellowship
- Praise/Worship music
- Talks
- Group prayer
- Reconciliation
- Individual prayer

Friday, February 6th, 2026
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Our Lady of Victory Parish State College, PA
This event is open to both men and women!



Michael Ragon



Mary Beth Garvin

Co-founders of Peter's Shadow

Credit: Art by Sharon Stevens

Please scan the QR code below to register!



Donations will be accepted, but are not required to attend!

BELOVED, FORGIVEN, HEALED

Encountering the Heart of Christ



Featured Speaker:
FR. PAUL
O'CONNOR, SJ

JOIN US FOR A WOMEN'S CONFERENCE!

February 7, 2026

OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH
STATE COLLEGE, PA

Scan the QR code to register!



ADULTS - \$30 STUDENTS - \$15

Questions?

Contact Jane Knappenberger: olwomensconference@gmail.com

St. John School News

MEMORIALS & DONATIONS:

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

Dear Parish Families,

Choosing the right school for your child is one of the most meaningful decisions a family can make. At Saint John Catholic School, we are honored to walk alongside parents as partners in this sacred responsibility, offering an education rooted in faith, strong in academics, and rich in community.

One of the hallmarks of Saint John is our small class sizes. Our teachers truly know their students: their strengths, their challenges, and their God-given gifts. This close-knit environment allows children to grow in confidence, curiosity, and character while receiving the individual attention they deserve.

We are also proud to make Catholic education as accessible as possible. Through affordable tuition and the generous support of our parish and donors, Saint John strives to welcome families who desire a values-centered education for their children. We joyfully open our doors to families of all faith traditions who seek a nurturing, Christ-centered atmosphere where children are respected, loved, and encouraged to flourish.

Community lies at the heart of daily life at Saint John.

Through service projects, outreach to neighbors in need, school-wide traditions, and meaningful relationships across grade levels, students learn early that they belong to something bigger than themselves. These experiences help form compassionate leaders who understand the importance of kindness, gratitude, and giving back.

For more than 135 years, Saint John Catholic School has been a place where families come to grow together: academically, spiritually, and socially. If you are seeking a school where your child will be known, supported, challenged, and inspired, we warmly invite you to learn more about our Saint John family. We would love to welcome you for a visit and share the many ways our students learn, serve, and shine each day.

In Christ,

Kristina Tice

Principal, Saint John Catholic School

REGISTRATION FOR 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR:

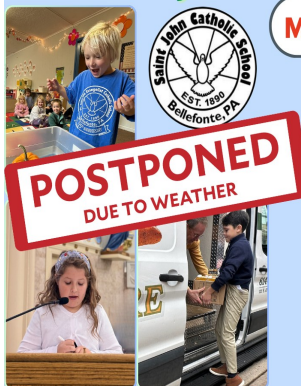
Registration for the 2026-2027 school year is now open! The online registration link can be found on our website: www.saintjohnsch.net. Registration form, birth certificate, copy of the most recent immunization records, and \$100 registration fee must be submitted to the office to complete the application process. Please contact the school office if you have any questions or wish to schedule a visit.

SAINT JOHN SCHOOL'S GARDNERS CANDIES EASTER SALE IS UNDERWAY!

Please see the bulletin insert to place your order through the school. Looking for items not included in the brochure? You can order online and still support Saint John School! Visit gardnerscandiesfundraising.com, select "Order Now," enter our Group ID #10-0987, and start shopping. Online orders ship directly to the buyer. Thank you for your continued support of this school fundraiser!

Great Things Are Growing at Saint John School

MOVED TO SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1



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

**NOW ENROLLING 3-YEAR-OLD PRE-K
THROUGH 5TH GRADE FOR 2026-2027**

www.saintjohnsch.net

814.355.7859

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 Molly Fertick if you are interested in learning more, or share her information with an individual or business you know that might be interested. 814-599-0696 | Molly@redefininingeducation.org | redefininingeducation.org

VOCATION CORNER

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

What does it truly mean to live a successful life?

Our vocation as Christians is not simply about what career we choose or what role we play in society. It is about who we are becoming in Christ.



In our world, success is often measured by wealth, influence, and recognition. Yet, in today's Gospel for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Matthew 5:1-12a), Jesus turns that definition upside down. He invites us to see life through the lens of the Beatitudes — a vision where the poor in spirit, the meek, the merciful, and the peacemakers are called blessed.

The Beatitudes are not a "side project" for the overly pious — they are the core job description of every Christian. They shape how we live our daily lives, how we treat our families, how we work, how we serve, and how we witness to Christ in the world.

When we embrace this calling, we begin to see that our true vocation is not about climbing the ladder of worldly success, but about walking the path of holiness.

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.