

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

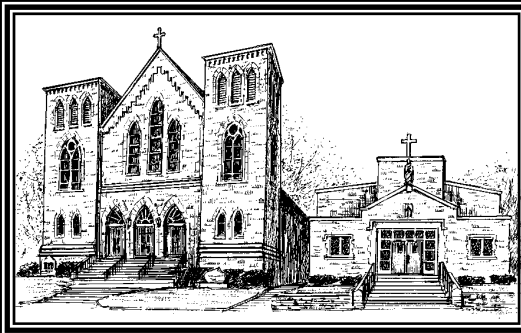
134 East Bishop Street Bellefonte, PA 16823

BAPTISMS: By Appointment

MARRIAGE: Notify Pastor
9 Months in Advance

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION:**
Saturday: 4:00-4:30PM

**CHRISTIAN INITIATION
FOR ADULTS:** Call the Rectory.



MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM

Daily: See Bulletin

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Web: www.bellefontecatholicchurch.org

School Phone: (814) 355-7859

School Website: www.saintjohnsch.net

Pastor:
Rev. GEORGE I. JAKOPAC
Deacon: THOMAS E. BOLDIN

St. John's Church was Established in 1828
St. John's School was Established in 1890

ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL
MRS. KRISTINA TICE, School Principal

Masses for the Week



Saturday, February 17th

5:00 PM Jerome Basalla (Wife, Genny)

Sunday, February 18th

8:00 AM Bill Moerschbacher (Doug Moerschbacher)

10:15 AM Colin McAtee (Dan & Jane Fisher)

Monday, February 19th

9:00 AM Mary Ann Kucas (Frances Kucas)

Tuesday, February 20th

8:00 AM Communion Service

Wednesday, February 21st

8:00 AM Communion Service

Thursday, February 22nd

6:00 PM Josephine Ebeling (Daughter Cecilia Doty)

6:30 PM Lenten Scripture Class

Friday, February 23rd

8:00 AM Carol Lassman (Gary & Margaret Morella)

6:00 PM Confessions

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 24th

5:00 PM Donald Anspauch, Sr. (Anspauch, Neidigh & Kowalski Families)

Sunday, February 25th

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Melchiorre Family (Lonnie & Helen Lowry)

10:15 AM Pauline Auman (The Family)

LITURGICAL MINISTER/SERVER SCHEDULE

5:00 PM Saturday, February 24th

Servers: Kyle Yangula & Sam Yangula

Lector: Max Kroell

Eucharistic Ministers: N/A

Music Ministers: David Harry & Adam Witmer

8:00 AM Sunday, February 25th

Servers: Alina Watson & Kira Watson

Lector: Pamela Callahan

Eucharistic Ministers: N/A

Music Ministers: Adult Choir

10:15 AM Sunday, February 25th

Servers: Anna Dello Stritto & Maura Sharer

Lector: 7th & 8th Grade CCD Students

Eucharistic Ministers: N/A

Music Ministers: Jay Zimmerman & Bill Miller

MASS TIME AT ST. KATERI CHURCH IS AT NOON EVERY SUNDAY!

CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD ON SATURDAY AFTERNOONS FROM 4:00 - 4:30 PM

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE DURING LENT

According to the Code of Canon Law, all Latin-rite Catholics are required to observe the laws of

Abstinence (No meat) on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays in Lent, starting at age 14 with no upper age limit. However, those who need to eat meat for a medical reason may be dispensed from this requirement.

The **fasting** requirement begins at age 18 and continues until age 59. A day of fasting permits a person to eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal.

If health permits, a person 59 and beyond may choose to participate to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.



YOUTH HOLY HOUR WITH BISHOP MARK BARTCHAK

There will be a Holy Hour with Bishop Mark for all of our high school CCD students on Tuesday, February 27th.

This "Eucharistic Adoration" will start at 6:00 PM in the church. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS MANDATORY FOR ALL 9TH AND 10TH GRADE CCD STUDENTS AND CONFIRMATION STUDENTS IN 11TH GRADE.**

Parents: Please have the students arrive at least 15 minutes early. The evening will also include confession. Others are welcome to attend, but **confession will only be for the high school students.**

There is a reception for the students following the Holy Hour in the School Auditorium. This would be a great opportunity for the students to meet with and talk with Bishop Mark. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Tom or Shirley Boldin at 355-4234 or via email at stboldin@verizon.net

OUR NEXT CCD MASS

On Sunday, February 25th at our 10:15 AM Mass our Lectors will be students from our 7th and 8th Grades CCD Classes. All CCD students in grades K-8 are asked to sit in the front pews with their classes!

ALL DAY ADORATION

Our next All-Day Adoration will be held **this Monday, February 19th.** It will begin immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass. It closes at 2:00 pm.

LENTEN SEASON SCHEDULE:

Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM: A Scripture Class

Fr. George will speak on the Psalms (immediately following the 6:00 PM Mass) in the school auditorium.

Friday evenings from 6:00—6:30 PM: Confessions

Friday evenings at 7:00 PM: Stations of the Cross.

FISH FRY EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT

Fish Fry dinners are served from 4:00—7:00 PM in St. John's School Auditorium. The dinners are Eat-In or Take-Out. Adult dinners are \$10.00.

Children's dinners are \$5.00 for ages 6—12. Kids age 5 and under eat for Free! The dinners include

beverages and desserts. They are prepared and served by our Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Rev. Patrick McArdle #448 and by our Knights of Columbus Council #1314.



FISH FRY

COUNCIL OF CHURCHES LENTEN BREAKFASTS

Every Wednesday during the Lenten Season the Council of Churches sponsors a light breakfast along with a short Lenten devotion. These Breakfasts are held **at the Trinity United Methodist Church on West Howard Street here in Bellefonte.** The Breakfasts which consists of cereal, buns, beverages, etc. **begins at 7:30 AM to approximately 8:15 AM.** There is no fee, but donations are accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Frank Densvich at 355-4658 or email him at densvich@verizon.net.

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Our Website: www.bellefontecatholicchurch.org

**WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR WEEKEND 02/11/2018**

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory:	\$ 6,876.00
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1,406.56
Children's Offertory:	\$ 44.00
Special Monthly:	\$ 780.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 81.76
ORDINARY COLLECTION TOTAL	\$ 9,188.32

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Maintenance Fund:	\$ 676.00
Catholic Register Contributions:	\$ 473.00
EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$ 1,149.00

ORDINARY & EXTRA DEPOSIT TOTAL: \$ 10,337.32

SCHOOL COLLECTION AMOUNT: \$ 195.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Others)

Black & Indian Missions:	\$ 15.00
Holy Name of Mary Foundation:	\$ 518.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS
AND YOUR GENEROSITY**

LOCAL COMMUNITY PROJECT: PETS COME FIRST

PETS COME FIRST is asking for donations to help local animals! Items needed are the following: Dawn Dish Detergent, Paper Towels, Bungee Cords, Zip Ties, Dry Kitten Food, Canned Dog or Cat Food, Purina 1 Dry Dog Food and 9 Lives Cat Food. Donations can be placed in the marked container located in the vestibule of the church. Donations will be accepted through next Sunday, February 25. See the poster on our church bulletin board with more information. Thanks for helping with this worthy community project.

"LECTIO DIVINA" GROUP MEETS THIS WEDNESDAY

The "Lectio Divina" Group will meet again **this Wednesday, February 21st at 7:00 PM** in the church. This group meets twice a month on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. If you have questions, please call Randi Anderson at 335-7352 or email randifelicity@gmail.com.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC ACADEMY POSITION AVAILABLE

There is a Theology and Campus Ministry position available at Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy. The School is seeking a qualified individual to lead the campus ministry program and to teach theology classes for the 2018-19 academic year. Candidates must have a background/education in Theology or Religious Studies. Candidates may send a resume along with a cover letter to Jean Kozak, Interim Head of School to the following email address: jkozak@stjoecad.org.

BUS TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE IN LANCASTER

Looking ahead to spring: A bus trip has been planned to the SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE in Lancaster to attend their new production called 'JESUS'. Our church has a bus trip scheduled for **Wednesday, April 25th for the 11:00 AM showing.** Travel will be by Fullington Trailways and **the bus will be boarding in front of St. John's Church at 7:00 AM.** A stop is planned for supper at the Golden Coral Restaurant. The cost of the trip is only \$100.00 per person which includes a show ticket, your supper meal and your transportation. **Payment is due at the time of your reservation. Checks should be made payable to St. John Catholic Church. Reservations and payments can be placed in the collection basket through Sunday, March 25th.** For any questions or concerns, please call Ed Mulfinger at 280-2755. Space is limited so please make your reservations as soon as possible.

CATHOLIC CONFERENCE FOR WOMEN

LADIES OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME to attend the 3rd **Annual Catholic Conference for Women** which will be held on **Saturday, February 24th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM** in the Activities Center at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church.

This would be an uplifting way to begin your Lenten season. This year's theme is **"A New Heart."**

There are three ways to register:

1. Download a registration form at www.ourladyofvictory.com.
2. Pick up a registration form in the gathering space at OLV.
3. Email Melanie Smith at melanie.yonushonis@gmail.com or call her at (814)577-6093.

The registration fee is only **\$10 if you register by this Sunday, February 18th** or \$15 if between February 19th-24th.

"DON'T GIVE UP CHOCOLATE FOR LENT"

Are you ready to have your **Best Lent Ever?** The Dynamic Catholic

Institute has a **free daily email program** that will guide you on an incredible 40-day journey to become the best version of yourself. Instead of giving up chocolate, let **Best Lent Ever** inspire you to live out your faith on a deeper level. This program offers inspiring videos, practical tips and many simple prayers to promote growing closer to Jesus and deepen your faith. Just go to BestLentEver.com and sign up to receive your daily messages, plus much more.

**CENTRE HELPS: PACCT PROGRAM**

A program sponsored by the United Way and the Centre Foundation called PACCT is offered by Centre Helps. This program provides education and support to parents struggling with the substance abuse of a child. **This is a 6-week series that is held every Thursday from 5:30—7:30 PM in State College. The program begins this Thursday on February 22nd.** PACCT offers a supportive environment in sessions guided by professional therapist and trained facilitators. The goal is to help problem solve and potentially break the cycle of addiction. This program is for people living with the problem as well as the families affected by it. There is no cost for the program, although donations are appreciated. If you are interested, but not available on the scheduled dates, call to discuss accommodating your schedule with their next session. **All participants must register to attend. Please contact Centre Helps at 235-7672 to register and to make inquiries about the program.**

TUNE INTO WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM

Tune into Catholic Radio this Lent!

The Lenten homilies of Bishop Robert Barron and his fellow bishops are featured on the "Heralds of Faith" program that air weekdays at 9:30 a.m. and noon. **(Free i-Phone & Android apps for the station are available- visit waob.org for details.)** We are now recording groups/families for our February prayer slots. We thank the members of St. Martha's Helpers (OLV) for their recent recording. If you would like to pray or receive our monthly programming e-blasts, contact Sheryl Balkey at (814)238-6288 or voiceofdivinemercy@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.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Our next Baptism Preparation Class is scheduled for **Sunday, March 4th**. It will be held in the rectory basement from **11:30 AM to 12:30 PM**. This class is for **first time parents from both St. John and St. Kateri parishes and for godparents as well.** If you have additional children, no additional classes are required. If you have questions, please contact Deacon Tom Boldin at 355-4234 or via email at stboldin@verizon.net. To schedule a baptism, please call the rectory office at 355-3134.

School News

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MEMORIALS & DONATIONS

As another Catholic Schools Week is behind us, we wanted to say another **THANK YOU** to Mrs. Jennifer Brezler for coordinating the many events of the week. We are very appreciative of all the 'behind the scenes' work she did to make this week a huge success!

We also wanted to **thank the many volunteers** who helped Mrs. Brezler make this year's Catholic Schools Week so special. We couldn't have done it without the help of the following people: Jenna Evans, Amy Clark, Jody & Danan Sharer, Diane Klimek, Jodie & Mark Dello Stritto, Tom Brezler, Paula Brezler, Amy Debach-Confer, Amber Snedeker, Michael Merlino, Billie & Mike Novosel, Dovizia Long, Natalie Smithmyer, Katie Fisher, Tony Roland, Dave Schaub, Liza Kelleher, Aparna Dave, Sam Brezler, Dave Provan, Cassie Bendel, Sara Tyson, Kelly Berkey, and Gary Oden Jr.

We would also like to thank Mr. Gary Oden Sr. for donating Dunkin' Donuts coffee and doughnuts for our Open House, and the Jaworski Family/Bellefonte Lanes for hosting us for a fun-filled morning of bowling!

We have received donations in **memory of Mary Ann Kucas** from the following persons: Rick & Cathy Torsell; Dorothy Smith; Molly Heller; Marilyn Bergner; Dr. Stanley & Jeanne Mumma; Stoy & Carolyn Spigelmyer; Lezetta Kutches.

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

GIANT A+ PROGRAM

We recently earned **\$223.82** from Giant for the month of January. This brings our four-month total to **\$945.36**. **Thank you to those who registered their Giant BonusCards so that we are able to earn cash for our school.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Parishioners are invited to join St. John School as we pray the Stations of the Cross **each Friday at 1:00 PM during Lent**, with the exception of Holy Week. During Holy Week, our 4th Grade Class will present **two**



Live Stations of the Cross, one on **Wednesday, March 28 at 10:00 AM** and the other on **Good Friday at 7:00 PM**.

KINDERGARTEN & PRE-K REGISTRATION FOR 2018-2019

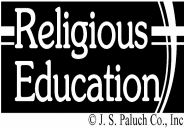
Please call the school office if you have not registered for our Kindergarten or Pre-K for next year. Classes are filling quickly, so don't delay in getting your child(ren) registered.

Children must be five years old before September 1, 2018 to be eligible for Kindergarten. You must bring birth certificate, baptismal certificate, immunization records and a \$75 non-refundable fee with you to register. For more information about our Kindergarten program or to schedule a tour with the Principal, please call Tina in the school office.

Children must be three or four years old before September 1, 2018 to be eligible for the three-year-old and four-year-old Pre-K Program, respectively. Students currently enrolled in the three-year-old Pre-K must re-register for the four-year-old class. Please be sure to bring birth certificate, immunization records and a \$75 non-refundable registration fee with you to register. Please call Tina in the school office at 355-7859 for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Religious Education Classes for students in Grades Kindergarten through 10th are held each Sunday at 9:00 AM. These classes are held in the assigned St. John School classrooms. If you have any questions regarding the Religious Education Classes, please contact our DRE's, Denise and Mark Leskovansky.



11TH GRADE CONFIRMATION GROUP CLASS

The next Religious Education Class for students in the 11th Grade Confirmation Group **is scheduled for this Sunday, February 18th.** Classes are held in St. John School Auditorium from 11:15 AM—12:30 PM. If you have questions, please contact Deacon Tom or Shirley Boldin via email at **stboldin@verizon.net** or call 355-4234.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTER NEWS

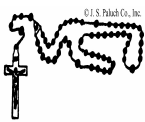


CD of A MARCH MEETING LOCATION CHANGE

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas will hold their March meeting at Sunny Days located on the Benner Pike **on Wednesday, March 7th.** The social will begin at 6:30 PM & the meeting begins at 7:00 PM. Hostesses for this meeting are Jennifer Gill &

Mindy Terpak. **Not yet a Catholic Daughter member? Interested women of the Parish are always WELCOME to attend ! Please plan to join us.**

DIVINE MERCY ROSARY RECITATION



The Catholic Daughters will pray the Divine Mercy Rosary **on Tuesday, March 6th at 6:30 PM in our Church.** This rosary will be recorded and prayed in front of the Blessed Sacrament.

All members of our parish are invited to attend and join in praying this Rosary. The air date of this recording will be Tuesday, March 13th at 11:00 AM and at 11:00 PM and can be heard on radio stations WJVM 90.3 FM & WEJO 104.7 FM.

CD of A FOOD BASKET RAFFLE DONATIONS

Attention all Catholic Daughters: Please bring your donations for the Spring Food Basket Raffle to any Fish Fry or to the school auditorium on Tuesday, February 27th from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Mark your items "CDA Raffle" so they may be designated properly. If you have any questions, please contact either Gerry Dreese or Marian Wayne, the Raffle Chairpersons.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS



LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS AVAILABLE

Our Knights of Columbus have again graciously provided **Daily Devotional Booklets for Lent** which are available in the back of the church. Please help yourself to one to use during this Lenten Season as a daily reading practice.

K of C ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST THIS SUNDAY

The Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast **this Sunday, February 18th.** This full menu breakfast is served **from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM (Noon)** at their hall on Stoney Batter. The cost of this buffet breakfast is only \$8.00 per adult, \$4.00 for children under 12 years and Free for children under 6 years of age. Come and enjoy a great breakfast prepared by and in support of our Knights of Columbus.

KNIGHT AT THE RACES HORSES & SPONSORS

Next month our Knights of Columbus Group will again sponsor their popular yearly event "KNIGHT AT THE RACES". Mark your calendars for **March 24th at the Milesburg Community Center.** The doors open at 5:30 PM and the post time for the first race is 6:15 PM. The "Races" is a fun, family friendly evening. In addition to the 12 horse races and a few other games, there will be raffles, Chinese auction, gift card boards, a silent auction and live auction and rip tickets available. There will be a concession stand with food and drinks and you can bring your own food in as well. The \$5.00 entry fee includes complementary soft drinks and \$5 of "funny money". Prior to the event, if you would like to sponsor a race, the cost is \$60 and a great way to advertise your business. To purchase a horse is \$15. You can obtain information from any Knights of Columbus member or call Terry Neidigh at 355-7836 OR Sam Brezler at 353-4241 for info and to obtain a form.

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