

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

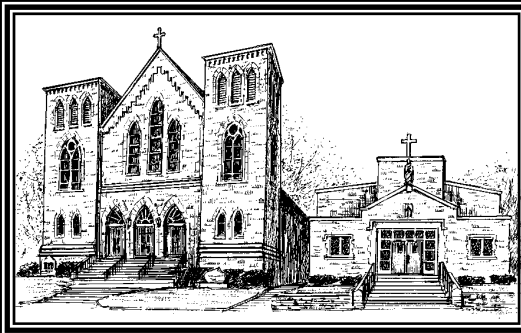
134 East Bishop Street Bellefonte, PA 16823

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

Rectory Phone: (814) 355-3134

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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, March 3rd

5:00 PM Robbie Hillard (Connie & Frank Vicente)

Sunday, March 4th

8:00 AM Dolly Pelick (The Supina Family)

10:15 AM Judy Kaschalk (The Tom Bender Family)

Monday, March 5th

9:00 AM Francis Bonfatto (The Knights of Columbus of the OLV Assembly)

1:30PM CENTRE CREST MASS

Caroline Kucas (Nancy Swartzell)

Tuesday, March 6th

8:00 AM Communion Service

Wednesday, March 7th

8:00 AM Communion Service

Thursday, March 8th

6:00 PM Margaret Grove (Nancy Taylor & Marge Swancer)

6:30 PM Lenten Scripture Class

Friday, March 9th

8:00 AM John Zelenky, Jr. (John & Bobbie Zelenky & Family)

6:00 PM Confessions

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 10th

5:00 PM Jerome Basalla (Wife, Genny)

Sunday, March 11th ...DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

8:00 AM Fr. Valentine Bradley (Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin)

10:15 AM John Wallace, Jr. (Frank Clemson)

12:00 Noon LATIN MASS CELEBRATION

LITURGICAL MINISTER/SERVER SCHEDULE

5:00 PM Saturday, March 10th

Servers: Blake Houck-Leitzell & Olivia Smith

Lector: Theresa Pfaff

Eucharistic Ministers: N/A

Music Ministers: Stephen St. Amant & Bill Miller

8:00 AM Sunday, March 11th

Servers: Sara McElhinny & Thomas McElhinny

Lector: James Eckert

Eucharistic Ministers: N/A

Music Ministers: Adult Choir

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

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

MINISTER/SERVER SCHEDULE CONTINUED...

10:15 AM Sunday, March 11th

Servers: Evelyn St. Amant & Rebecca Burns

Lector: Paul Tobin

Eucharistic Ministers: N/A

Music Ministers: Folk Choir

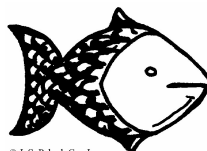
LENTEN SEASON SCHEDULE:

Thursday evening 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 evening at 6:00 PM: Confessions

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



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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.

ALL DAY ADORATION

Our next All-Day Adoration will be held **this Monday, March 5th.** It will begin immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass. It closes at 2:00 pm.

BUS TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE IN LANCASTER

The SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE in Lancaster has a new production called **'JESUS'**. Our church has scheduled a bus trip for **Wednesday, April 25th** for arrival to attend the **11:00 AM showing.** Our Fullington Trailways 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 (or dropped off at the rectory office).** For any questions or concerns, please call Ed Mulfinger at 280-2755. Space is limited so please make your reservations as soon as possible.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Our next Baptism Preparation Class is scheduled for **this Sunday, March 4th** 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 via email at stboldin@verizon.net or call them at 355-4234. To schedule a baptism, please call the rectory office at 355-3134.

SEMINARIAN TO VISIT ST. JOHN'S PARISH

Did you know that nearly half of the 10,000 individuals discerning a vocation each year are prevented from pursuing their calling because of outstanding educational loans? Tucker Brown, a fourth year medical student at Thomas Jefferson University and **a candidate seminarian** with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will be visiting St. John the Evangelist Parish the **weekend of March 17th and 18th.** He will **speak at each Mass** about his vocational journey and the impact of student loans on vocations nationwide and to ask for your help. You can learn more about Tucker at this website: www.labouresociety.org/tucker-brown.

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**WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR WEEKEND 02/25/2018**

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory:	\$	6,616.00
Loose Offertory:	\$	1,075.11
Children's Offertory:	\$	35.00
Special Monthly:	\$	1,344.00
Votive Candles:	\$	107.50
ORDINARY COLLECTION TOTAL	\$	9,177.61

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Maintenance Fund:	\$	100.00
Catholic Register Contributions:	\$	114.00
EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$	214.00

ORDINARY & EXTRA DEPOSIT TOTAL: \$ 9,391.61

SCHOOL COLLECTION AMOUNT: \$ 430.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Others)

Black & Indian Missions:	\$	292.00
Holy Name of Mary Foundation:	\$	898.00
Retirement Fund for Religious:	\$	20.00

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

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Remember to set your clock ahead 1 hour **next Saturday evening** before going to bed. **Sunday, March 11th is the beginning of Daylight Savings Time.**



2018 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE

Everyone should have now received your new mailing from the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese Development Office to make your pledge for this year's Catholic Ministries Drive. **Thank you for your continued generosity with this annual drive** which supports a variety of vital ministries within our diocese.

DIRECT YOU PA TAXES TO ST. JOHN SCHOOL!

The PA Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program or EITC allows businesses and qualified individuals to re-direct their PA taxes to approved Scholarship Organizations like St. John Catholic School. If you are interested in learning more, please stop by and see Ellen Konkle **after any Mass this Sunday, March 4th**. She will be available after the 8:00 and 10:15 AM services to provide information and answer questions. You are also welcome to reach out to Ellen with any questions or to obtain more information via phone at 814 571-0576 or her email at ekonkle@gmail.com.

EITC is a wonderful way for you to support St. John Catholic School and to keep your taxes in the local community.

TUNE INTO WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM FOR 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 March prayer slots. We thank the members of the Penn State Newman Association 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 voiceofdivinemer-cy@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.

PRO LIFE BABY SHOWER BINGO

You are invited to a Baby Shower Bingo. This Baby Shower Bingo, held in support of Pro Life, is sponsored by The Catholic Daughters of the Americas. It will be held in the School Auditorium **this Sunday, March 4th**. The Bingo games begin **at 1:00 PM**. The cost to attend is only \$5.00 plus a new, unwrapped baby item. The afternoon will include a Gift Bag Raffle, a 50/50 drawing and shopping at approximately 12 various vendor booths. Plus light refreshments will also be served. All proceeds from this event will benefit 3 local pro-life charities. Mark your calendar and plan to attend next Sunday. It's a great way to spend a fun afternoon and help a worthwhile cause as well. See the flyer in this weekend's bulletin.

"LECTIO DIVINA" GROUP MEETS THIS WEDNESDAY

The "Lectio Divina" Group will meet **this Wednesday, March 7th 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPAGHETTI DINNER

The State College K of C will hold a Spaghetti Dinner Fund raiser to support Fr. Charles Ugo's Nigerian Children's Education Ministry (Anawim). The dinner will be held on **Thursday, March 8th at the Knights of Columbus Hall which is located at 850 Stratford Dr., State College. Serving will be from 4:30 — 6:30 PM**. The menu includes spaghetti with meat balls, tossed salad, garlic bread, beverage and dessert. The cost for adults is \$10.00, for ages 6-10 is \$5.00, and children 5 and under eat free. Your past, present and continued support is always be appreciated.

CCD LENTEN PROJECT: JARED BOXES

The following Religious Education classes: Kindergarten, First, Third, and Seventh Grades will be collecting items to make up Jared Boxes as their 2018 Lenten project. The Jared Boxes will be donated to the Mount Nittany Advocacy Group. Items that can be donated include but are not limited to the following: crayons, pencils, coloring books, travel size games, notebooks, journals, play dough, lotions, etc. Any given item must fit into a 6-quart container or a 14" x 8" container. Perishable items or dolls cannot be accepted. **If you would like to help, a donation box will be located in the church foyer.** Items may also be brought to the school during our CCD classes over the next few Sundays. The Jared Boxes will be put together during the class time on March 18th.

COUNCIL OF CHURCHES LENTEN BREAKFASTS

Every Wednesday during Lent 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 from **7:30 AM to approximately 8:15 AM**. There is no fee, but donations are accepted. If you have any questions, contact Frank Densvich at 355-4658 or email him at densvich@verizon.net.

LENTEN RETREAT FOR WOMEN AT GOOD SHEPHERD

LADIES: Consider attending a retreat and dive together with other women into the story of Martha and Mary (Luke 10:41) and reflect on what is essential. This **Women's Retreat for Lent** will be held at Good Shepherd Catholic Church on Grays Woods Boulevard (just off Rt. 99) in State College. **Dr. Joanne Cahoon**, a professional Spiritual Director and Consultant, will lead this Women's Retreat Day. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, March 17th beginning at 8:30 AM** and closing around 3:30 PM. Take a day during Lent to readjust your focus and renew your heart in preparation for Easter glory. For more information or to register, please contact Good Shepherd by calling 238-2110 or contact them via email at goodshepherd@dioceseaj.org. The cost to register by this Monday, March 5th is \$25. March 6th or after, the cost is \$30 per person. Lunch will also be provided.



School News

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GARDNERS EASTER CANDY

Orders may be picked up Wednesday, March 14, Thursday, March 15, and Friday, March 16 from 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM. If you can not pick up your orders during those times, please contact the school to make other arrangements. Thank you to everyone who participated in this annual fundraiser and helped our school earn a profit of over **\$4400.00**. **We are so thankful for the support of our parishioners.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

We are extremely grateful to the Knights of Columbus for their \$1,500.00 donation that will be awarded in six \$250 scholarships for the 2018-19 school year. This scholarship is not based on financial need or academic excellence, but chosen randomly. One student from each grade will receive the scholarship to aid their family in fulfilling their tuition obligation for next year. The 2018-19 recipients are: Alivia Smithmyer - Kindergarten; Ayla Zanzalari -1; Finn Kelleher -2; Madelyn Williams -3; Zachary Lehmen -4; Jack McHail -5.

God bless the Knights for their generosity and continued support of our school and Catholic education.

HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION "GIFT CARD LOTTO"

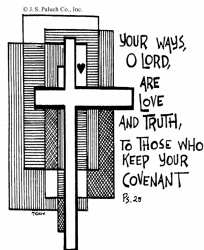
Our Home & School Association is holding its Spring Fundraiser "Gift Card Lotto." One winner will be drawn each weekday morning during the month of April. Gift card prizes range in value from \$55.00 to \$100.00. Tickets are \$10.00 each and can be purchased at the weekly Fish Fry or through the school office. Winners need not be present to win.

We are grateful to the Home and School Association for providing the children of the school with school supplies, educational materials, funding for field trips, gym clothing and special fun activities.

Please contact HSA@saintjohnsch.net with any questions.

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 Good Friday at 7:00 PM.



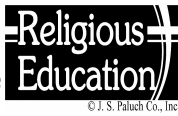
PRE-K and KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR 2018-2019 is in full swing. While our Kindergarten class is currently full, we are accepting names on a waiting list. Our Pre-K classes are filling quickly, so be sure to spread the word to friends and family who may be interested in enrolling their child. If you have questions, please contact the school office.

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 morning 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 at 355-3278 or via email at mjl11@psu.edu.



CATHOLIC DAUGHTER NEWS

CD of A MARCH MEETING DATE & LOCATION CHANGE

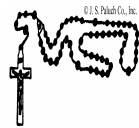


The Catholic Daughters of the Americas will hold their March meeting at Sunny Days located on the Benner Pike **this Wednesday, March 7th**. The social will begin at 6:30 PM & the meeting begins at 7:00 PM.

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 !**

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. Mark your items "CDA Raffle" so they may be designated properly. They can also be brought to the Catholic Daughter meeting this Wednesday, March 7th at Sunny Days on the Benner Pike. If you have any questions, please contact either Gerry Dreese or Marian Wayne.



DIVINE MERCY ROSARY RECITATION

The Catholic Daughters will pray the Divine Mercy Rosary **this 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.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

KNIGHT AT THE RACES HORSES & SPONSORS

Next month our Knights of Columbus Group will again sponsor the popular yearly event "KNIGHT AT THE RACES" on **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.

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP

The Bellefonte Knights of Columbus are always accepting new members. Membership in the Knights has many benefits including Family, Youth, and Religious Activities; Scholarship Opportunities for Members and their Children; and Community Service; to name a few. Membership Dues are only \$35 each year and you can participate in any amount of our various programs and activities as your schedule allows. One of our lesser known benefits is our optional insurance programs, which is why the order began in 1882. Many members of St. John's Church already belong and we'd love to add more to our ranks. K of C is not a secret society, but simply a group of Catholic Gentlemen who work together to support our parish and community as well as our families. ***This year our Council #1314 in Bellefonte celebrates 110 years of service*** to the Bellefonte, Bald Eagle, and Penns Valley Communities. If you are a practicing Catholic man that is at least 18 years old and are interested in joining or have any questions, please ask a Brother Knight at a Fish Fry, Breakfast, or Bingo. We can also be reached at bellefonteknightsofcolumbus@gmail.com

FORGIVENESS: If a bad person wrongs you, forgive the person, least there be two bad people.

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