

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

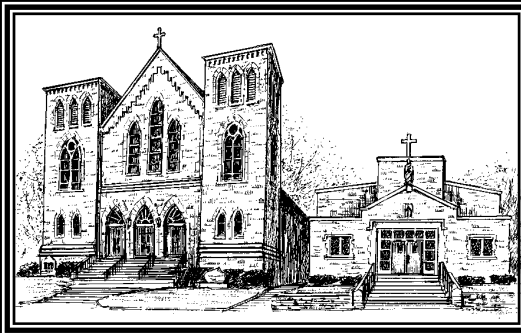
134 East Bishop Street Bellefonte, PA 16823

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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School Phone: (814) 355-7859

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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 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**

Monday, March 12th

9:00 AM Josephine Dunn (The Pinge Family)

Tuesday, March 13th

8:00 AM Walter Dunn (The Egli Family)

Wednesday, March 14th

8:00 AM Communion Service

Thursday, March 15th

6:00 PM John Sariano, Jr. (The Tom Bender Family)

6:30 PM Lenten Scripture Class

Friday, March 16th

8:00 AM Patricia Hazel (The Ed Burke Family)

6:00 PM Confessions

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 17th

5:00 PM Deceased Members of Haranin & Davis Families (The Family)

Sunday, March 18th

8:00 AM Miriam Schaut (Mike & Peg Herbstritt)

10:15 AM Sophie Mazurkiewicz (Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin)

LITURGICAL MINISTER/SERVER SCHEDULE

5:00 PM Saturday, March 17th

Servers: Ty Cronin & Erin Cronin

Lector: Max Kroell

Eucharistic Ministers: N/A

Music Ministers: The Lexon Family

8:00 AM Sunday, March 18th

Servers: Alina Watson & Kira Watson

Lector: Adam Rawding

Eucharistic Ministers: N/A

Music Ministers: Folk Choir

10:15 AM Sunday, March 18th

Servers: Alli Zanghi & Zoey Merlino

Lector: 9th & 10th Grades CCD Students

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

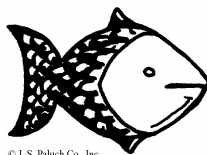
LENTEN SEASON SCHEDULE:

Thursday evening at 6:30 PM: A Scripture Class

Fr. George speaks 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.

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

OUR NEXT CCD MASS

Next Sunday, **March 18th at our 10:15 AM Mass**, our Lectors will be students from our 9th & 10th grades CCD Classes. All CCD students in grades K-8 are also asked to sit in the front pews with their classes.

BUS TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE

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.....a great deal for a fabulous show!** 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.

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 **NEXT weekend, 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.

K of C BINGO

This Monday evening, March 12th is our next scheduled BINGO GAMES! The doors open at 6:00 PM for food and games of chance. The Bingo Games begin at 7:00 PM. Only \$20.00 for 20 games and an evening of fun and fellowship.

GRIEVING GROUP GATHERING

The monthly meeting of our "Healing Through Faith" Grieving Group will be held this Tuesday, March 13th. The group will gather in the rectory basement at 9:00 AM. Anyone who has lost a family member, a loved one or a friend is welcome to attend and share in the discussions. If you would like more information about these gatherings, please contact either Connie Davis at 355-1280 or Ed Mulfinger at 280-2755. You can email them at connie.davis@comcast.net or eam2@psu.edu

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Our Website: www.bellefontecatholicchurch.org

**WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR WEEKEND 03/04/2018**

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

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| Adult Offertory: | \$ | 10,759.00 |
| Loose Offertory: | \$ | 1,235.00 |
| Children's Offertory: | \$ | 39.00 |
| Special Monthly: | \$ | 1,883.00 |
| Votive Candles: | \$ | 144.81 |
| ORDINARY COLLECTION TOTAL | \$ | 14,060.81 |

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

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| Maintenance Fund: | \$ | 295.00 |
| Catholic Register Contributions: | \$ | 106.00 |
| Easter Flower Donations: | \$ | 440.00 |
| Easter Collection Donations: | \$ | 25.00 |
| EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL: | \$ | 866.00 |

ORDINARY & EXTRA DEPOSIT TOTAL: \$ 14,886.81

SCHOOL COLLECTION AMOUNT: \$ 400.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Others)

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| Black & Indian Missions: | \$ | 10.00 |
| Holy Name of Mary Foundation: | \$ | 70.00 |
| Holy Land Collection: | \$ | 40.00 |
| Catholic Relief Fund Donations: | \$ | 97.00 |

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

OUR 2018 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE

See the flyer in this weekend's bulletin regarding this year's Catholic Ministries Drive. If you haven't already mailed in your pledge from the mailing you should have received, next weekend is Commitment Sunday. **The diocese has set our Parish Target for this year at \$55,797.00.** Any funds received beyond our target amount is always sent back to our parish. **Thank you for your continued generosity to this annual diocesan drive** which supports 14 vital ministries in our local communities.

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 Lucia Stover and Christine Surovec for their recent Rosary recording. If you would like to pray or receive our monthly programming e-blasts, contact Sheryl Balkey at 238-6288 or voiceofdivinemeracy@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.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS MEETING

The national non-profit organization of Compassionate Friends will meet **this Monday, March 12th from 7:00 to 8:30 PM** in the rectory basement. This group is to offer hope to bereaved family members and/or friends who suffer the death of a child of any age. For more info or if you have questions, contact Peg Herbstritt at 353-4526 or [email at mherb162@gmail.com](mailto:mherb162@gmail.com).

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH SEDER MEAL

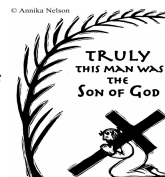


A Seder Meal will be held in Good Shepherd Church's Agape Hall on **Tuesday, March 27, beginning at 6:00 PM.** The meal will be catered by Village Eatinghouse and include lamb as well as chicken. The price is \$28.00 per adult, children 5-11 is \$14.00 and children under 5 are free. Please consider making this a part of your celebration of Holy Week. This meal will provide you with a clearer grasp of the setting in which Jesus established the Eucharist.

This will be a full meal and will follow the rules which govern a Jewish Passover. **Reservations are necessary** in order to plan for this meal and must be made **no later than next Thursday, March 22** by calling the Parish Office at 238-2110.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Living Stations of the Cross, sponsored by the Regional Youth Ministry at Queen of Archangels Parish, will be performed on Palm Sunday weekend by youth and young adults from the parishes in our area. There will be a show on **Saturday, March 24th at 7:00 PM at Our Lady of Victory Catholic School.** There will also be a show on **Sunday, March 25th at 7:00 PM at the Bald Eagle Area High School** auditorium. We hope that this meditation will help you to more fully enter into the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Our Lord at Holy Week. Admission is free but donations will be gratefully accepted.



C D of A BAKE SALE & EASTER BASKET RAFFLE

The Catholic Daughters will hold their Spring Bake Sale and Food Basket Raffle on Palm Sunday weekend. A variety of baked goods will be available **after the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday, March 24th and after the 8:00 and 10:15 AM Masses on Sunday, March 25th.** Catholic Daughter members can drop their baked goods off before each Mass. You can purchase Food Basket Raffle tickets from any CD of A member or at our Lenten Fish Fry's each Friday evening during Lent. The winner will be announced in the bulletin.

CCD LENTEN PROJECT: JARED BOXES

This is the final week for collecting items to make up Jared Boxes for the 2018 CCD Lenten project. Kindergarten, First, Third, & Seventh Grades Religious Education classes will donate these boxes 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 is located in the church foyer.** Items may also be brought to the school during CCD classes. The Boxes will be put together during the class time next Sunday, 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 Densevich at 355-4658 or email him at densevich@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 which will be held on **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 via email at goodshepherd@dioceseaj.org or by calling 238-2110. The cost is \$30 per person. Lunch will also be provided.

School News

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MEMORIALS & DONATIONS

We appreciate the generosity of our alumni and would like to thank John Dahmus for his donation in support of our students and Catholic education.

We have received an additional donation in **memory of Caroline Kucas** from Vicki Carter.

The February school collection was **\$1,809.00**.

The 5th Grade Class would like to thank the parishioners who supported their Gettysburg Class Trip Spaghetti Dinner Fund-raiser on February 9th. We really appreciate your support of our school and students. A special thanks to Brother's Pizza for their generous contribution to our dinner. We would also like to thank the many 5th grade parents who helped that evening, with an extra thanks to Mr. Sam Brezler and Mrs. Phyllis Austin for their help in the kitchen, and to Mrs. Michelle Russell for assistance throughout the dinner.

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

READING COMPETITION

St. John School is proud to have a team representing our school under the coaching of Mrs. Michelle Russell, Mrs. Natalie Stanton and Ms. Shannon Rados.

Since the competition will be occurring on St. Patrick's Day, our team has selected the celebratory team name of Corned Beef Hashtags. Team members are the following students: Neil Alterio, Anna Dello Stritto, Ava Hockenberry, Ella Ladlee, Autumn McCloskey, Ella Novitsky, Grace Novosel, Taven Price, Evelyn St. Amant, Sophia Scott, Alexander Stanton, Julia Weiser, Alexandria Zanghi (alternate) and Cole Uadiski (alternate). Our team has worked very hard to prepare for this competition and should be commended. **Good Luck** as they compete next weekend at Bald Eagle High School!

JJ POWELL CHURCH PROGRAM

We would like to thank the Church and all parishioners who participate in the JJ Powell Church Program, which donates monies to our school based on gallons delivered to their business or home. Parishioners can call JJ Powell at 355-4749 at any time throughout the year to register as a participant in the Church Program. Every gallon helps with the donation that JJ Powell makes to our school.

GARDNERS EASTER CANDY

Orders may be picked up on 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.**

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 with special fun activities.

Please contact HSA@saintjohnsch.net with any questions.

REPENTANCE

God has promised pardon to one who repents, but has not promised repentance to one who sins. —St. Anselm



SCHOOL NEWS.....CONTINUED.....
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.

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.

11TH GRADE CONFIRMATION GROUP CLASS

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS IN 9TH, 10TH AND 11TH GRADE CCD CLASSES: No morning classes are scheduled for Sunday, March 18th for these grades, **however, the Stations of the Cross are scheduled for 7:00 PM that evening and a Parents' Meeting will immediately follow. All candidates and at least one parent should be present.**

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Tom or Shirley Boldin via email at stboldin@verizon.net or call them at 355-4234.

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. If you have any questions, please contact either Gerry Dreese or Marian Wayne.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

K of C BREAKFAST TO SUPPORT FOOD BANK

Our Knights of Columbus will hold their next All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast **next Sunday, March 18th**. This month's Breakfast will benefit the Bellefonte Food Bank. **Anyone bringing in 5 non-perishable, unexpired food items will eat for HALF PRICE!** This is a full menu breakfast served from 8:30 AM to Noon at The K of C Hall on Stoney Batter. The regular cost of the breakfast is only \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children under 12 and children under 6 eat for free. **Come, enjoy a great breakfast and help support our local Food Bank.**



"KNIGHT AT THE RACES" EVENT COMING SOON!

Our Knights of Columbus Group will again sponsor the popular yearly event "KNIGHT AT THE RACES" on Saturday, **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"**. You can obtain information from any Knights of Columbus member or call Terry Neidigh at 355-7836 OR Sam Brezler at 353-4241.

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

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