

# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

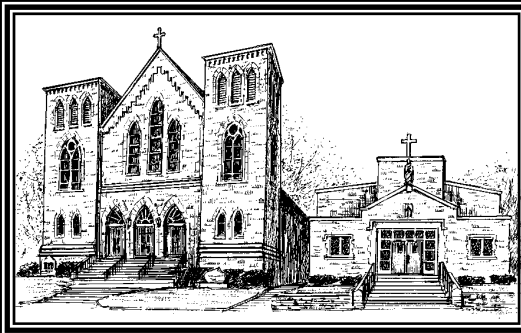
134 East Bishop Street Bellefonte, PA 16823

**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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**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 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)

### Monday, March 19th

9:00 AM St. John School Benefactors - St. John The Evangelist School)

### Tuesday, March 20th

8:00 AM Isabelle Sager (Frances Kucas)

### Wednesday, March 21st

8:00 AM Communion Service

### Thursday, March 22nd

6:00 PM James Shaw (Marion Novak)  
6:30 PM Lenten Scripture Class

### Friday, March 23rd

10:00 AM Memorial Mass for Rita Klinger

*Note: there will not be an 8:00 AM Mass*

6:00 PM Confessions

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

### Saturday, March 24th

5:00 PM Oliver Scott O'Hara (Mom/Dad & Grandparents)

### Sunday, March 25th PALM SUNDAY

8:00 AM Mary Jane Ramish (David & Betty Dodge)  
10:15 AM Nancy Palfey (Joe & Toni Beigle)



## LITURGICAL MINISTER/SERVER SCHEDULE

### 5:00 PM Saturday, March 24th

**Servers:** Dominic Capperella & Blake Houck-Leitzell  
**Lectors:** Angela Basalla & Derek Rice  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** N/A  
**Music Ministers:** Natalie Stanton & Bill Miller

### 8:00 AM Sunday, March 25th

**Servers:** Corby Koleno & Morgan Besecker  
**Lectors:** Kevin Trimpey & Christopher Ross  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** N/A  
**Music Ministers:** Adult Choir

### 10:15 AM Sunday, March 25th

**Servers:** Maura Sharer & Kyle Klimek  
**Lectors:** Brian Alterio & Michael Kresovich  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** N/A  
**Music Ministers:** Teen Choir

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

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

## OUR NEXT CCD MASS

This Sunday, 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 together in the front pews.

## ATTENTION: HIGH SCHOOL CCD STUDENTS

**Stations of the Cross will be held this Sunday evening, March 18th at 7:00 PM. A parents' meeting will follow. See back page for more information.**

## THIS WEEK'S LENTEN SEASON SCHEDULE:

**Thursday, March 22nd at 6:30 PM: Final Scripture Class**  
**Friday evening at 6:00 PM: Confessions**  
**Friday evening at 7:00 PM: Last Stations of the Cross.**

## EXTRA CONFESSIONS SCHEDULED FOR HOLY WEEK

**Wednesday March 28th: 6:00 PM**  
**Holy Thursday March 29th: 8:30 PM**  
**Good Friday March 30th: 10:00 AM**



## HOLY WEEK ACTIVITIES & SERVICES

**LIVE STATIONS: WEDNESDAY, March 28th at 10:00AM**

**HOLY THURSDAY MASS: March 29th at 7:00 PM....**

.....with ADORATION to follow until 11:00 PM

- ◆ **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE: March 30th at 1:00 PM**
- ◆ **LIVE STATIONS: FRIDAY, MARCH 30th at 7:00 PM**
- ◆ **BLESSING of EASTER BASKETS: SATURDAY, MARCH 31st at 11:00 AM**
- EASTER VIGIL: HOLY SATURDAY, March 31st: 8:30PM**

## ALL-DAY ADORATION

Our next All-Day Adoration will be this Monday, March 19th immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass. It closes at 2:00 PM.

## FINAL FISH FRY THIS FRIDAY

**Our final Fish Fry dinner for this Lenten season will be served from 4:00—7:00 PM in St. John's School Auditorium this Friday, March 23rd. The dinners are Eat-In or Take-Out. Check out the variety of fish and selections to choose from. 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. Thank you for attending and supporting this fundraiser.**

## OFFERING OF COMMUNION CUP RESUMES

**The Communion Cup holding the Precious Blood will be reinstated on Holy Thursday, March 29th!**

## 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 25** 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 next Sunday, **March 25th (or dropped off at the rectory office)**. For any questions, call Ed Mulfinger at 280-2755.

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**WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR WEEKEND 03/11/2018**

**ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:**

Adult Offertory:	\$ 6,862.00
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1,440.89
Children's Offertory:	\$ 34.75
Special Monthly:	\$ 767.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 121.01
<b>ORDINARY COLLECTION TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 9,225.65</b>

**EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:**

Maintenance Fund:	\$ 694.00
Catholic Register Contributions:	\$ 63.00
Fr. O'Malley Fund Donations:	\$ 26.00
Easter Flower Donations:	\$ 166.00
Easter Collection Donations:	\$ 51.00
<b>EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>

**ORDINARY & EXTRA DEPOSIT TOTAL: \$ 10,225.65**  
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**SCHOOL COLLECTION AMOUNT: \$ 394.00**

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Others)**

Bellefonte India Collection:	\$ 15.00
Black & Indian Missions:	\$ 1.00
Holy Name of Mary Foundation:	\$ 121.00
Holy Land Collection:	\$ 1.00
Catholic Relief Fund Donations:	\$ 266.00

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



Seder Meal

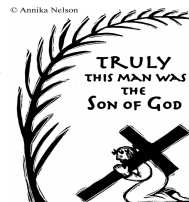
**GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH SEDER MEAL**

A Seder Meal will be held in Good Shepherd Church's Agape Hall next **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 this Thursday, March 22** by calling the Good Shepherd 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 & FOOD BASKET RAFFLE**

The Catholic Daughters will hold their Spring Bake Sale and Food Basket Raffle **next weekend (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**. The Food Basket for Raffle has a huge variety of food items for your Easter meal and so much more.

The winner will be announced in the bulletin. Catholic Daughter members can drop their baked goods for the Bake Sale off before each Mass. You can purchase your Food Basket Raffle tickets at our final Lenten Fish Fry this coming Friday evening or from any CD of A member.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL VEHICLE DONATION PROGRAM**

The National Council of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul coordinates The National Vehicle Donation Program. Donating a vehicle to this program helps the national and local SVDP councils provide financial assistance, food and developmental programs for those in need. This program has been around for a number of years. It is a simple process to make a vehicle donation and it helps many people and families in need. For more information, please contact Sonny Consiglio via email at [svdpsadmin@atlanticbbs.net](mailto:svdpsadmin@atlanticbbs.net). For more information about the program, check out the website at [svdpcares.org](http://svdpcares.org) and select "car donation" on the left of the screen.



Two other **ways to help serve** through The Society of St. Vincent de Paul organization are **(1) Thrift Store Volunteer**. Accept donations, sort, price, place items in the store, serve as a cashier and help with day-to-day maintenance of the facility.

**(2) Vincentians** (Members of the Society). Manage requests, answer inquiries, visit clients, participate in funding determinations and help to manage the store. For more information to volunteer or participate, call **867-3131**.

**DID YOU KNOW** that The Society of St. Vincent de Paul also assists families with housing, utility payments, transportation costs, medical/dental assistance as well as clothing needs?

**OUR 2018 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE**

This weekend is **Commitment Sunday** for our 2018 Catholic Ministries Drive. All parish families should have received a mailing with a pledge card for this Ministries Drive from the diocese a few weeks ago. Many of you have already mailed in your pledge amounts and/or payments for this local ministries fund. **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. If you did not received your response card from the diocese, please call the rectory at 355-3134. **Thank you for your continued generosity to this annual diocesan drive** which supports 14 vital ministries in our local communities within the eight counties served.

**COUNCIL OF CHURCHES LENTEN BREAKFASTS**

**There are still two remaining Lenten Breakfasts for you to plan to attend.** The Council of Churches sponsors these light breakfasts along with a short Lenten devotion every Wednesday during Lent **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, please contact Frank Densevich at 355-4658 or email him at [densevich@verizon.net](mailto:densevich@verizon.net).

**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 AM and noon. **(Free i-Phone & Android apps for the station are available. Visit [waob.org](http://waob.org) for details.)** We are now scheduling groups/families for our April prayer slots. We thank the members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Rev. Mc Arde, #448 (Bellefonte) for their recent recording. **Their Sorrowful Mysteries rosary will be aired on Tuesday, April 10th at 11:00 AM & 11:00 PM**. If you would like to pray or receive the monthly programming e-blasts, contact Sheryl Balkey at 238-6288 or [voiceofdivinemercy@gmail.com](mailto:voiceofdivinemercy@gmail.com). Your tax-deductible donation may be mailed to: Voice of Divine Mercy, PO Box 862, State College, PA 16804.

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# School News

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## **MEMORIALS & DONATIONS**

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

**Thank you to all of our benefactors and God bless your generosity to and support of our 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 JJ Powell makes to our school.

## **HOME & SCHOOL ASSOC. "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, with educational materials, and with funding for field trips, gym clothing and special fun activities.

Please contact HSA@saintjohnsch.net with any questions.

## **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS ART IN EDUCATION CONTEST**

Thank you to the Catholic Daughters for sponsoring the annual Art in Education Contest for our 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. Thanks also to Pam Vaiana for judging the essays and to Jeff Shultz for judging the poster art entries.

**Congratulations to this year's winners:** Ella Ladlee, 1<sup>st</sup> place Essay; Owen Dechow, 1<sup>st</sup> place Poster; Anna Tyson, 2<sup>nd</sup> place Poster; and Kyle Klimek, 3<sup>rd</sup> place Poster.

All of our students did a beautiful job with this year's theme of "The Lord Has Done Great Things For Us, We Are Filled With Joy." Ella and Owen's entries will be sent on for judging at the state level. We are so grateful to the Catholic Daughters for their constant support of our school and Catholic education.

## **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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 REGISTRATION FOR 2018-2019**

Please call Tina in the school office if you have not yet registered your child for Pre-K and have any questions about the process. 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.

Please be sure to bring birth certificate, immunization records and a \$75 non-refundable fee with you to register.

## **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. And since the competition will be occurring on St. Patrick's Day, our team has selected the celebratory name of **Comed Beef Hashtags**.

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**READING COMPETITION**

Team members are: Neil Alterio, Anna Dello Stritto, Ava Hockenberry, Ella Ladlee, Autumn McCloskey, Zoey Merlino, Ella Novitsky, Grace Novosel, Taven Price, Evelyn St. Amant, Sophia Scott, Alexander Stanton, Julia Weiser, Cole Uadiski and Alexandria Zanghi. **Please note that the name list has been corrected. We apologize for the error in last week's bulletin.** Our team has worked very hard to prepare for this weekend's competition at Bald Eagle High School and should be commended. **GOOD LUCK CORNED BEEF HASHTAGS!**

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**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](mailto: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 this Sunday, March 18th for these grades, however, the Stations of the Cross are scheduled for 7:00 PM in the 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](mailto: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 this week's 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 monthly All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast **this 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 prepared by our Knights of Columbus members and help support our local Food Bank.**

**"KNIGHT AT THE RACES" EVENT**

Our Knights of Columbus event "KNIGHT AT THE RACES" will be **next Saturday, March 24th at the Milesburg Community Center.** The doors open at 5:15 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 (50/25/25), a 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 or BYOB as well.

**The \$5.00 entry fee includes complementary soft drinks and \$5 of "funny money" for games.** 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 Dues are only \$35 each year and you can participate in any amount of our various programs and activities as your schedule allows. 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](mailto:bellefonteknightsofcolumbus@gmail.com)

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