“Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue.”

Luke 16:24

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time
September 29, 2019

PARISH STAFF
Pastor: Fr. George Jakopac
Deacon Tom Boldin
Parish Office Staff: Liz Forstmeier & Doris Mayers
St. John School Principal: Kristina Tice
Directors of Rel. Ed.: Mark & Denise Leskovansky
R.C.I.A. Coordinator: David Harry
Confirmation Directors: Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin
Music Ministry Coordinator: Natalie Stanton

MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Weekday: Varies—see weekly Mass schedule
St. Kateri Church: 12:00 p.m. Sunday

CONFESSION
Saturday 4:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

CONTACT US
(814) 355-3134 | saintjohnsoff@gmail.com
www.bellefontecatholicchurch.org

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

SACRAMENTS
Confession: Saturday 4:00-4:30 p.m.
Baptism: Call the rectory
R.C.I.A.: Call the rectory
Marriage: Notify pastor 9 months in advance
Masses for the week

Saturday, September 28th
5:00 PM  Ashley Marie Stout (Jacob Gindhart)

Sunday, September 29th
8:00 AM  Josephine F. Ebeling (Cecelia Doty)
10:15 AM  Lt. Jonas Martin Panik
           (The Tom Bender Family)

Monday, September 30th
9:00 AM  Ed Rose (St John School Faculty & Staff)

Tuesday, October 1st
8:00 AM  C. Merrill Waite (The Family)

Wednesday, October 2nd
8:00 AM  Communion Service

Thursday, October 3rd
6:00 PM  Nellie Dunn Family (Suzanne Egli)

Friday, October 4th
8:00 AM  Carmen Rose (The Rose Family)
6:00 PM  October Devotions until 7:00 PM

Saturday, October 5th
5:00 PM  John Cavanaugh (The Family)

Sunday, October 6th
8:00 AM  Our Deceased Moms
          (Helen & Lonnie Lowry)
10:15 AM  Stan Bathgate
           (Rich & Kim Fornicola & Family)

Parish News & Events

HEALING THROUGH FAITH MEETINGS
Morning Group:  Tuesday, Oct. 8 at 9:00 AM
Evening Group:  Thursday, Oct. 17 at 6:30 PM
This group lends mutual support to anyone suffering the loss of loved ones.  Meetings are held in the rectory basement. For more information call Ed Mulfinger at 280-2755 or Connie Davis at 355-1280.

ST. JOHN’S IN STITCHES
The sewing group will meet on the last Monday of each month from 1:00 -3:00 p.m. in the rectory basement. Next meeting:  September 30th.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS
Our next Baptism preparation class is scheduled for Sunday, December 1, 2019 from 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM in the rectory basement. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Tom Boldin at 355-4234 or at stboldin@verizon.net.

SAVE THE DATE—DECEMBER BUS TRIP
Mark your calendars and save the date for our parish bus trip December 10th to Lancaster to see the American Music Theatre’s production of Joy to the World. Plus a stop at Kitchen Kettle Village. More information coming soon!

RCIA
It’s not too late to join the RCIA Class! Our meetings are held Sundays at 9:00 AM in the rectory basement. If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the rectory office, or RCIA coordinator David Harry at 814-880-8427 or at centreplayhouse@aol.com.

LITURGICAL MINISTER/SERVER SCHEDULE
5:00 PM  Saturday, October 5th
 Lectors:  Derek Rice
 Eucharistic Ministers:  Connie McCulley & Julia Gardner
 Servers:  Thomas and Josh McElhinny
 Music Ministers:  The Lexons

8:00 AM  Sunday, October 6th
 Lector:  Lucia Stover
 Eucharistic Ministers:  Lucia Stover & Jim Eckert
 Servers:  Hannah Coslo & Madison Kellogg
 Music Ministers:  Stephen St. Amant

STANTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:  Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
         Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) 5780
         begins at sundown
Monday:  St. Jerome
Tuesday:  St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Wednesday:  The Holy Guardian Angels
Friday:  St. Francis of Assisi; First Friday
Saturday:  Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos;
          Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday
Cemetery Clean-Up
The cemetery maintenance crew will be doing a “Fall Clean Up” at St. John’s Cemetery, Bishop St. on Monday, October 7th. Please make sure that all items are removed from the cemetery lots by October 7th. If you want to keep vases, wreaths, etc. please take them for safe keeping. After October 7th they will be discarded. As a reminder - no planting of any permanent shrubs, flowers or trees are permitted at the grave sites. Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, contact Joe Schoch at 359-2302.

Writer’s Group—Update
If anyone is interested in being in a writer’s group, contact Steve Brezler at 814-574-1889 to schedule the meetings. Hopefully it can start up in November!

CCD Mass
The first CCD Mass of the school year will be Sunday, September 29th at the 10:15 AM Mass. The 3rd & 4th graders will be participating in the liturgy. CCD students are reminded to sit with their class.

Weekly Financial Report
For Weekend of 9/22/2019

Ordinary Collection Income Received:
- Adult Offertory: $6,766.00
- Loose Offertory: $1,384.26
- Children’s Offertory: $29.70
- Special Monthly: $341.00
- Votive Candles: $154.40

Ordinary Total: $8,675.36

Extra Ordinary Income Received:
- Maintenance Fund: $45.00
- Assumption: $5.00
- Cemetery: $610.00

Extra Ordinary Total: $660.00

Ordinary & Extra Total: $9,335.36

School Collection: $237.00

Special Collections: (Diocesan or Other)
- Catholic University: $1.00
- Retired Priests Medical: $31.00

Thank you for your generosity!

October Devotions
Father George will be offering Devotions every Friday evening in October from 6:00 pm—7:00 pm in the church. There will be Holy Hour, a Rosary and Benediction. The first Devotion will be Friday, October 4th. Please come and adore our Lord in the month dedicated to Our Lady.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday, September 30th. It will begin immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass and will close at 1:00 PM.

Parish & Finance Council Meeting
Parish and Finance Councils will meet on Thursday, October 10, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. respectively. Meetings are held in the rectory basement.

11th Grade Confirmation Class
11th Grade Confirmation meets on Sundays from 11:15-12:30 PM in the auditorium.
- Sunday, September 29—CLASS at 11:15-12:30 pm
- Sunday, October 6—CLASS at 11:15-12:30 pm

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Tom & Shirely Boldin at 355-4234.

CCD Classes 2019-2020
CCD is held every Sunday (unless otherwise noted) in St. John School at 9:00 AM. If you have any questions for K-8th grade, please call Mark & Denise Leskovansky at 355-3278. If you have any 9th or 10th grade questions, please call Deacon Tom or Shirley Boldin at 355-4234.

Memorials
St. John the Evangelist Church has received the following donations in Memory of John “Jack” Fellin: Tom and Tere Young; Anne Gittes; Robert and Amy Dugan; Robert and Virginia Mountz; Ralph and Karen Eudailey; Jennifer Kroon; Nick & Amy Caputo; The Fellin Family; Frank & Barbara Reese; Mary Adele & Jack Bogdon.

Prison Ministry - Volunteers Needed
PCGG (Prison Christian Growth Group) is seeking volunteers interested in ministering to inmates at Benner and Rockview prisons. Twice a month, PCGG members visit inmates at the two prisons and participate in faith-sharing groups. A fulfilling and inspiring ministry, members are answering Jesus’ call to visit the prisoners. Anyone interested in more information may contact Teresa Jeffries at (814)381-1317 or aseret5671@hotmail.com.

Bingo!
The Knights of Columbus BINGO will be held Monday, October 14th in the School Auditorium. Doors open at 6:00 PM for food, fellowship and games of chance. The Bingo games begin at 7:00 PM. Cost is $20 for 20 games. Pay-out $850.00.
PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY RALLY
On Saturday, October 12 at 12:00 PM, please join us on the lawn in front of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church to honor Our Blessed Mother in commemoration of her apparition at Fatima. This will be one of over 20,000 rallies that will take place all across the United States on that day. For more information please contact Nancy at bnlngjac@comcast.net or call 814-237-5558 (please leave a message on voicemail).

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY
Walking with Purpose is a Catholic Women’s Bible study held on Friday mornings at OLV from October through April. We welcome women of all ages. Childcare is provided for those with young children. We begin on October 4 at 9:40 a.m., but welcome new members to join at any time. For more information, contact Jane Knappenberger at jknappen@gmail.com.

Please pray for those serving in the military:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Rank</th>
<th>Branch</th>
<th>Name</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>LT</td>
<td>U.S. Navy</td>
<td>Steven Wright</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SSG</td>
<td>U.S. Army</td>
<td>Matthew Bickle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CPT</td>
<td>U.S. Army Reserve</td>
<td>Nicholas Taylor</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LTC</td>
<td>U.S. Army</td>
<td>William Smith</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LT</td>
<td>U.S. Navy</td>
<td>Patricia Wilson</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TSgt</td>
<td>U.S. Air Force</td>
<td>Joseph Trimpey</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SrA</td>
<td>U.S. Air Force</td>
<td>Floyd Meeker III</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2LT</td>
<td>U.S. Army</td>
<td>Peter J. Muto</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SrA</td>
<td>U.S. Air Force</td>
<td>Shane Kaschalk</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AIC</td>
<td>U.S. Air Force</td>
<td>Ethan Scicchitano</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SFC</td>
<td>U.S. Army</td>
<td>Callahan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SSGt</td>
<td>U.S. Air Force Guard</td>
<td>Kristina Roberts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2LT</td>
<td>U.S. Air Force Guard</td>
<td>Caleb Gindhart</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SFC</td>
<td>U.S. Army</td>
<td>Markle</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SGT</td>
<td>Army Nat’l Guard</td>
<td>Brad D. Coder</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SFC</td>
<td>PA Army Nat’l Guard</td>
<td>Christian Callahan</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

~ If you would like to include a name of someone serving in the military please email or call the rectory office. Please include their rank and branch of service.

ST. JOSEPH’S CATHOLIC ACADEMY—GALA
Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 9th and dust of your little black dress because you’re invited to Breakfast at Tiffany’s! The Saint Joe’s 8th Annual Gala will be a sparkling evening, taking inspiration from the iconic movie and transporting all of us to 1961 for an evening of dancing, drinks and brunch for dinner. Invitations are in the mail and you can find details at https://stjoeacad.org/gala/.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

ARISE
St. John’s will be participating this fall in ARISE TOGETHER IN CHRIST Session 3 – IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST beginning the week of October 13. The faith sharing groups will meet ninety minutes for six weeks to read, pray and faith share. Please join us as we deepen our faith, develop a closer relationship with Christ, grow in community and reach out in service to others as we bring Catholic social teaching to life. Signup sheets can be found on the table in the back of the church in front of the confessional. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at (814) 355-3134.

ARISE
**UPDATE** Due to the Homecoming Parade the location of the CDofA meeting has been changed. The Catholic Daughters will hold their next meeting on Thursday, October 3rd (covered dish dinner) at Sunny Days. Social starts at 6:30 PM and the meeting starts at 7:00 PM. Social chairs: Janet Oestering, Gerry Dreese & Kate Maloney.

ROSARY
Praying the Rosary with the Catholic Daughters
Please come and join us in praying the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary with the Catholic Daughters on Tuesday, October 8 at 6:00 pm in the Church.

St. Joseph’s Catholic Academy
Thank you to our benefactors and God bless your generosity to and support of our school.

GIANT A+ PROGRAM
St. John Catholic School is again participating in the Giant A+ School Rewards Program. Every time a registered Bonuscard is used when shopping at Giant from now through March 14, our school earns cash. Last year, we earned $1,392.26.

If you've already registered your Bonuscard in past years, you do not need to re-register.

If you have never registered your Bonuscard, you will need your 11-digit Giant Bonuscard number. Log on to www.giantfoodstores.com and click Register. Follow the prompts to create your online account. Once logged in, select “MY ACCOUNT”, followed by “MANAGE MY ACCOUNT”, then “REWARDS & SAVINGS” to select our school. Please designate St. John the Evangelist Catholic School ID# 21186 in the school designation area.

Please encourage your friends and family to do the same. It could mean more cash for our school. Thank you.

RACE FOR EDUCATION!
St. John School will be holding our annual Race for Education on Friday, October 25. The funds from this event help us continue to provide quality education with affordable tuition. This is our largest fundraiser and its success determines the need for additional fundraisers throughout the year. Since 2009, Race for Education has raised more than $145,000 for St. John students! We hope you will consider sponsoring a student, teacher or staff member; or making a general donation to our event. Donations, Bronze level or higher, received by 10/04/2019 will have the opportunity to be recognized on this year's Race for Education t-shirts. Additional information can be found in the back of the church or at www.saintjohnsch.net/race. Thank you for your support!

MEMORIALS & DONATIONS
Each year our school celebrates Grandparent's Day with Mass and classroom activities. On Monday, September 23, we had another incredible Grandparent’s Day! Thank you to Rachelle Weiser and her team of the following volunteers who helped make the day successful: Amber Snedeker, Jeff Puhala, Michael Merlino, Amy Debach, Gary Oden, Angelina Booher, Aparna Dave and Jessica Wierbowsk. We were also blessed to have generous St. John parishioners step in to make the day special for those students whose grandparents were unable to visit. Thank you to the following special “grandparents” for sharing their time with our students: Frank Densevich, Anna Stitzer and Rose Truglio. Both our students and their grandparents had a wonderful time and smiles were seen throughout the school!

Thank you to our benefactors and God bless your generosity to and support of our school.
910066

St. John Evangelist Church
134 E. Bishop Street
Bellefonte, PA 16823

814-355-3134

Contact: Fr. George Jakopac
saintjohnsoff@gmail.com

Software Using:
Win 8
Adobe DC
Publisher 2013

Transmission Time: Tuesdays, 1:30 pm

Special Instructions: