

# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823



ABOVE JESUS ON THE  
CROSS THERE WAS AN  
INSCRIPTION THAT READ,

*“This is the  
King of the Jews.”*

Luke 23:38

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NOVEMBER 24, 2019  
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,  
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

## 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.

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## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

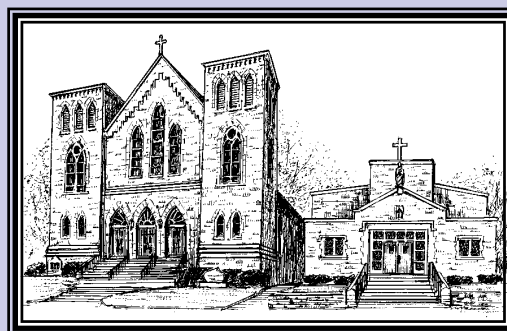
## SACRAMENTS

**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



## 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

# Masses for the week

## Saturday, November 23rd

**5:00 PM** Deceased Members & Chaplains of CDA  
(Catholic Daughters #448)

## Sunday, November 24th

**8:00 AM** Mary & Fred Reinsel (Catherine Proper)

**10:15 AM** Mike Little (Paul & Janet Oesterling)

## Monday, November 25th

**9:00 AM** Caroline Ivicic (The Family)

## Tuesday, November 26th

**8:00 AM** Communion Service

## Wednesday, November 27th

**6:00 PM** **Special Thanksgiving Mass**  
Jack Fellin (Wife & Family)

## Thursday, November 28th—Thanksgiving Day

**6:00 PM** No Mass—No Communion Service

## Friday, November 29th

**8:00 AM** No Mass—No Communion Service

## Saturday, November 30th

**5:00 PM** Martha Kelleher (Steve & Connie McCulley)

## Sunday, December 1st

**8:00 AM** Charlotte Duncan (Lorraine Fello)

**10:15 AM** Elsie & Sam Nastase (The Miller Family)

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28

Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:

Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Monday: Thirty-fourth or Last Week in Ordinary Time;  
St. Catherine of Alexandria

Thursday: Thanksgiving Day

Saturday: St. Andrew

## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Please note the following for the Thanksgiving holiday:

**Wed, Nov 27: 8:30 am—12:00 pm**

**Thurs, Nov 28: CLOSED**

**Fri, Nov 29: CLOSED**

## DECEMBER CONFESSION SCHEDULE

**Thursday, Dec 5:** 6:00-6:30 pm or until done

**Friday, Dec 6:** 6:00-6:30 pm or until done

**Saturday, Dec 7:** 10:00-10:30 am or until done (2 priests)

**Thursday, Dec 12:** 6:00-6:30 pm or until done

**Thursday, Dec 19:** 6:00-6:30 pm or until done

**Monday, Dec 23:** 6:00-6:30 pm or until done (2 priests)

## Could it be? Thoughts from Fr. George

*If you ever watch the Science Channel, they have a program called "How the Universe Works." It explains fascinating findings in the science of Quantum Physics. In Advent, I am going to look at the mysteries of the Faith and consider them in light of recent findings in Quantum physics. (Source is "Physics of Christianity" by Tipler)*

### **Regarding the Incarnation**

Humans are matter made of Atoms. Jesus was human, so his human nature was **material**.

**But**, Jesus was **also** Divine.

In the beginning God spoke and said "**Let there be**

**Light...**" The word **light** in Hebrew meant **energy**.

We believe Jesus **was** the light or Energy, so his divine nature was Energy.

The two natures combined together is called **Hypostatic Union**, matter and divine energy.

## HEALING THROUGH FAITH MEETINGS

**Morning Group: Tuesday, December 10 at 9:00 am**

**Evening Group: Thursday, December 19 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.

## 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: [stboldin@verizon.net](mailto:stboldin@verizon.net).

## LITURGICAL MINISTER/SERVER SCHEDULE

### **5:00 PM Saturday, November 30th**

**Lectors:** Lucia Stover

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Lucia Stover & Max Kroell

**Servers:** Evelyn & Henry St. Amant

**Music Ministers:** David Harry

### **8:00 AM Sunday, December 1st**

**Lector:** Christine Surovec

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Christine Surovec & Louise Manginell

**Servers:** Thomas & Josh McElhinny

**Music Ministers:** Traditional Choir

### **10:15 AM Sunday, December 1st**

**Lector:** Traci Capperella

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Traci Capperella & Michael Pavone

**Servers:** Becca & Eric Burns

**Music Ministers:** Folk Choir

# Parish News & Events

## BLOOD DRIVE

The 11th Grade Confirmation Class is holding an American Red Cross Blood Drive in the school auditorium on **December 7, 2019** from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. You can sign up online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) or by calling 1-800-Red-Cross. Walk-ins are welcome.

## 11th Grade Confirmation Class

Sundays from 11:15-12:30 PM in the school auditorium.

**Sunday, November 24—Class 11:15 am -12:30 pm**

**Sunday, December 1—No Class**

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

## KIDS NIGHT IN / PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas and the Knights of Columbus. This event is for children K—5<sup>th</sup> grade and will be held **Friday Dec. 6th, 2019 from 6:00 to 9:00 PM** at St. John's School Auditorium. The children will see a movie, decorate cookies, play games and other fun activities while the parents can go out to eat, watch a movie, Christmas shop or just relax. Light snacks for the children. If you would like your children to participate, please contact Paula Roland at [moonepj8@yahoo.com](mailto:moonepj8@yahoo.com) or call the church rectory at 355-3134. The following information will be needed: Child's name, age, allergies, emergency contact name & number and any other information specific to your child's needs. **Please RSVP by Dec. 2, 2019.**

## Catholic Daughters



### Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Are you interested in learning more about and becoming a member of our local court? You are invited to join us at our next monthly meeting on **Thursday, December 5th @ 6:30 pm at Sunny Days** (105 Stonecrest Dr. Unit 1) in Bellefonte. Be our guest. Consider bringing a friend and come make new friends who share your faith and who work towards the motto of "Unity and Charity."

### CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS – MEETING

The Catholic Daughters will hold their next meeting on **Thursday, December 5th** at Sunny Days. Social at 6:30 PM & meeting at 7:00 PM. **Social chairs:** Charlotte Burcin, Marymargaret Gorzelnik & Lorraine Fello.

### CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS-CHRISTMAS PARTY

**Sunday, Dec. 8, 2019, 2pm to 5pm**, at the Moose in Bellefonte. Cost is \$15. Please contact Phyllis Galio at 814-355-1005 or Nancy Kowalczyk at 814-355-7779 if you plan to attend by December 3rd.

### CDA Annual Holiday Yard Sale & Bake Sale

The Catholic Daughters Annual Holiday Yard Sale & Bake Sale is being held **November 23 and 24** before and after all Masses.

**Saturday, November 23: 9 am—6 pm**

**Sunday, November 24: 8 am—12 pm**

## CCD MASS

The next CCD Mass will be **December 15th** at the 10:15 AM Mass. The **5th & 6th grade** classes will be participating in the liturgy. CCD students are reminded to sit with their class.

**NO CCD**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1st**  
Classes resume Sunday, December 8th

## ST JOHN'S GIVING TREE

St. John's annual Giving Tree project begins this weekend, in case you want to take advantage of Black Friday sales. This program helps to provide gifts for area children and families as well as elderly residents in some of the area nursing homes. The Giving Tree is in the back of the church with "angels" displayed on it. Each angel contains a name of a child, adult, or family along with some items they may need. Please consider taking an angel or 2 to help make this holiday a little brighter for someone in need. Please take an angel if you are sure you can **return the gift by Dec. 8th**. Please make sure you *only* buy gifts from the list that is on the angel. The items listed are things needed or requested by those individuals. If items are not listed, they probably are not needed. All of the gifts should be returned wrapped with the angel attached to the outside. All gifts must be received by 11:30 on **Sunday Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>** to ensure delivery. If you have any questions, please call Patty Correll at 571-8718.

## Knights of Columbus



### THANKSGIVING DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will again be sponsoring a **FREE Thanksgiving Day Dinner** - Open to the Public! - at their Council Home from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm on **Thursday, November 28th**. If anyone would like to donate a turkey, ham, canned yams or pies please contact Sam Brezler at [Carbon.outlaw.54@gmail.com](mailto:Carbon.outlaw.54@gmail.com).

### BINGO!

The Knights of Columbus BINGO will be held **Monday, December 9th** 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.

### BREAKFAST—TOYS FOR TOTS

The next Knights of Columbus All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast will be **Sunday, December 15** from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM at their hall on Stoney Batter. This full menu breakfast is \$9 for Adults, \$4 for children (under 12) and FREE for children under 6. The Knights are collecting new, unwrapped toy for the **TOYS FOR TOTS** campaign and food for a local food pantry. **Eat for free if you bring in a new toy OR 5 canned goods!** Please feel free to drop off toys or canned goods even if you don't stay for breakfast. The Knights are happy to provide a drop-off place for your donations.

# Parish News & Events

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be **Monday, December 2nd** beginning at 9:00 AM. It will close at 1:00 PM.

## OPLATKI

Christmas Oplakti is now available for purchase in the rectory. \$5 for a pack of 4. Each wafer is 3" x 6". Carrying "oplatek" from house to house was an old Polish custom for families to wish their neighbors a Merry Christmas. As each person shares this bread, they are asked to forgive any hurts that may have occurred over the past year and to wish the person all possible health and happiness in the coming year.

## CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE 2019

From January 1, 2019 to October 31, 2019

The parishioners of St John's have gifted and/or pledged

**\$47,352.00**

St. John's Goal is **\$54,752.00**

## Weekly Financial Report

### For Weekend of 11/17/2019

#### ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory:	\$	6,956.00
Loose Offertory:	\$	1,274.52
Children's Offertory:	\$	53.50
Special Monthly:	\$	730.00
Votive Candles:	\$	145.45
<b>ORDINARY TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,159.47</b>

#### EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Maintenance Fund:	\$	1,258.00
Special Maintenance Collection:	\$	3,740.00
Cemetery:	\$	25.00
Local Family Assistance:	\$	100.00
Christmas Flowers:	\$	562.00
All Souls:	\$	50.00
All Saints:	\$	25.00
<b>EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,760.00</b>

**ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: \$ 14,919.47**

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**SCHOOL COLLECTION: \$ 1,611.00**

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

Catholic Charities: \$ 525.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## Save the Dates

### **Recreation Concert:**

Friday, December 13th at 7:00 pm in the School Auditorium. Mandatory for high school CCD students.

### **Christmas Concert featuring all St. John's Choirs:**

Friday, December 20th at 7:00 pm in the church. Social to follow.

*Join us for an evening of music as the choirs of Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church help you get in the spirit of the Christmas season. Our Contemporary Group, Folk Choir, Traditional Choir and Youth Choir will all bring their distinct styles to create a truly memorable musical experience.*

## THANK YOU

Thank you to the Catholic Daughters #448 for generously sponsoring new albs for our altar servers.

## NYC HOMELESS

Heather Moyer & Roni Drapcho are going to New York City this December on their annual trip to give to the homeless. They are looking for donations such as: Hot hands, band aids, chap sticks, nail clippers, heavy socks, warm gloves, small tissue packs, hand wipes, mini pads (female) or anything small that you seem fitting! Please drop off items in back of church by **Nov 30, 2019**. Please contact Heather Moyer if you have questions at (814) 574-8719.

## St. Joseph's Catholic Academy

### 7th Annual NVRC Boalsburg Turkey Trot

Join in the fun on **Thanksgiving Day** (November 28, 2019 at 9AM) at this 5K run/walk. The event benefits the Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy's Cross Country/Track & Field Teams & the Friends of the PA Military Museum. For more information go to [boalsburgturkeytrot.com](http://boalsburgturkeytrot.com).

### ST JOE'S BASEBALL CLINIC

Come Get Some Hits at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual SJCA Baseball Clinic on **January 4, 2020**. All boys and girls aged 8-14 are invited to join in this great one day baseball clinic on **Saturday, January 4, 2020, 8:30-1:00 PM** at the St. Joseph's Catholic Academy Student Life Center. Participants will receive instruction on all aspects of the game. Guest speakers include former MLB player Tom O'Malley. Only \$20! The clinic was well attended last year and space is limited, so sign up now at <https://sicasports.org/> (click on "Camps and Clinics" tab at the top of the page. For more information contact SJCA Head Baseball Team Coach, Mr. Jim Dinsmore, at [baseball@stjoeacad.org](mailto:baseball@stjoeacad.org). Proceeds benefit SJCA Baseball!

# St. John School News



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## GIANT A+ SCHOOL REWARDS PROGRAM

We recently earned **\$158.27** from Giant for the month of October. This brings our two-month total to **\$319.15**. Thank you to those who have registered their Giant Bonuscards for St. John School. Every time a registered Bonuscard is used when shopping at Giant now through March 14, our school earns cash!

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 onto [www.giantfoodstores.com](http://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 friends and family to do the same. It could mean more cash for our school. **Thank you.**



*The students, faculty and staff of St. John Catholic School wish you a Thanksgiving filled with happiness and many reasons to give thanks.  
God Bless You!*

## **Tune into WJVM 90.3-FM or WEJO 104.7-FM for Catholic Radio!**

We are now recording "pray-ers" for our December slots. If you would like to pray or receive our monthly programming e-blasts, contact Sheryl Balkey at (814)238-6288 or [voiceofdivinemercy@gmail.com](mailto: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**

Your donations are especially appreciated in December since several of our 2020 annual expenses are now due. God bless you for prayerfully considering this special request to support our spiritual work of mercy. Lastly, we ask that you keep the homebound, hospitalized, and imprisoned members of our listening audience in your prayers during the Advent season.

## CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Please mark your calendar for the St. John School Christmas Pageant on **Thursday, December 12 at 7 pm** in the Bellefonte Elementary School Auditorium. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

## Please pray for those serving in the military:

LT Steven Wright, U.S. Navy	CPT James Bickle, U.S. Army Reserve
SSG Matthew Bickle, U.S. Army	LtCol Paul B. Wurster, U.S. Air Force
CPT Nicholas Taylor, U.S. Army	CWO James Decker, U.S. Navy
LTC William Smith, U.S. Army	Amn Chandler Ross, U.S. Air Force
LT Patricia Wilson, U.S. Navy	ENS Matthew Goodpaster, U.S. Navy
TSgt Joseph Trimpey, U.S. Air Force	LT Jared T. Hallahan, U.S. Navy
SrA Floyd Meeker III, U.S. Air Force	Maj Jared Swancer, USMC
ZLT Peter J. Muto, U.S. Army	CMSgt Douglas Campbell, U.S. Air Force
SrA Shane Kaschalk, U.S. Air Force	PO2 Andrew Kaschalk, U.S. Navy
AIC Ethan Scicchitano, U.S. Air Force	SSgt Jacob Nieto, U.S. Air Force
SFC Eric Callahan, U.S. Army	SSgt Eric Roberts, Air Force Guard
SSgt Kristina Roberts, Air Force Guard	LtCol Gordon Frankenfield, U.S. Air Force
ZLT Caleb Gindhart, U.S. Air Force	PFC Kaleb Weaver, Army National Guard
SFC Patricia Markle, Army Nat'l Guard	PFC Alexander C. Brewster, USMC
SGT Brad D. Coder, Army Nat'l Guard	LT Joshua Malia, U.S. Navy
SPC Christian Callahan, PA Army Nat'l Grd	CPT Andrew Malia, USMC
MAJ Michael R. Kranch, U.S. Army	LTC Jason Meier, U.S. Army

~ 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.

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