ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street,
Bellefonte, PA 16823

ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA CATHOLIC CHURCH

PO Box 159
3503 Penns Valley Rd,
Spring Mills, PA 16875

November 15, 2026/33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS SCHEDULE

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

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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Join us on FlockNote!
Text "SJ814" to the number 84576

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Brian Saylor, Pastor
Fr. Joshi Narisetti, HGN, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Tom Boldin
Deacon Richard Beauton
Lorraine Fello and Rose Truglio: Office Staff
Michelle Russell: St. John School Principal
Tony and Paula Roland: Directors of Rel. Ed.
David Harry: R.C.I.A. Coordinator
Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin: Confirmation Directors
Natalie Stanton: Music Ministry Coordinator
Joe Baummer: Maintenance

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, November 14
5:00 PM Toby Capparelle (Bobbi & Jeff Bird)

Sunday, November 15
8:00 AM Betty Lutchko (Mindy & Pat Terpak)

10:15 AM Mary & Ed Fannon (Family)

Monday, November 16 Ss. Margaret & Gertrude
9:00 AM Toby Capparelle (Sandy Rogus)

Tuesday, November 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary
8:00 AM Patricia Waite Riglin (The Family)

Wednesday, November 18
8:00 AM Fred Sylvester (Fr. Brian)
Fr. Joshi's Birthday

Thursday, November 19
6:00 PM **No Mass**

Friday, November 20
8:00 AM Carmen Rose (The Rose Family)

Saturday, November 21 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
5:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, November 22
8:00 AM Richard Egli & Family
(Suzanne & Richard Egli)

10:15 AM Richie Moerschbacher
(Doug Moerschbacher)

Eucharistic Minister/Lector /Altar Server/Music

Saturday, November 21	**5:00 pm**
Eucharistic Ministers:	Stephanie Mullin/Mike Pavone
Lector:	Stephanie Mullin
Servers:	Oliver St. Amant/Cameron Niemann
Music:	Stephen St. Amant
Sunday, November 22	**8:00 am**
Eucharistic Ministers:	Adam Rawding/Kevin Trimpey
Lector:	Adam Rawding
Servers:	Alivia Smithmyer/Josie DeRemer
Music:	Traditional
Sunday, November 22	**10:15 am**
Eucharistic Ministers:	Shirley Boldin/TBD
Lector:	Steve Brezler
Servers:	Blaire Lewis/TBD
Music:	Youth

St. Kateri Masses for the week

Sunday, November 15
12:00 PM **People of the Parish**

Sunday, November 22
12:00 PM **The Leggett Family (Lynn Ellen Dixon)**

COMMUNION SERVICE **There will be a communion service this Tuesday, November 17th at 11:00 AM followed by Adoration.**

The ROSARY is prayed before Mass most Sundays beginning at 11:30 am. Why not come a little early to church that day to pray the rosary to Our Lady with us! Contact Millie Turner (mlt3557@verizon.net) if you would like to lead the rosary on occasion.

St. Kateri Ministers

Lector
November 15: Barb Cole
November 22: Henry Beherec

Eucharistic Minister
November 15: Jim Hodgson
November 22: Gail Anderson

Hospitality
November 15: Barb & Chris Cole, Stephanie Perrot
November 22: Millie Turner, Shelly Ash
November 29: No Hospitality

BAPTISM CLASS DATES 2026: Families who would like their first child baptized must attend a baptism class. The class dates for 2026 are December 13. For additional information or questions contact Deacon Tom Boldin at 814-355-4234(H) or text to 814-883-8123 or email stboldin@verizon.net
CLASS DATES 2027: December 12.

SAVE THE DATE: DECEMBER 7, 2026
Court Reverend Patrick McArdle #448 Catholic Daughters of Bellefonte is holding a fundraiser to benefit Sleep in Heavenly Peace, an organization that makes and donates beds to children in our area that don't have beds of their own.
When: Monday December 7th 11 am to 9 pm
Where: The Field, Burger & Tap at Toftrees Golf Resort
The Field donates 10% of all event proceeds.

Weekly events

Sunday, Nov. 15	**8:30 am K of C Breakfast**
Monday, Nov. 16	**9:30 am Adoration**
Thursday, Nov. 19	**6:30 pm Healing Through Faith**
Saturday, Nov. 21	**9:00 am CDA Yard& Bake Sale**
Sunday, Nov. 22	**7:00 am CDA Yard& Bake Sale**

CHILDREN'S MASS BOOKS

Mass Books to help our younger parishioners learn about the Mass are available in the Cry Room. A three and under and a three to seven book are on the bookshelf. Please feel free to take one for your child.

HALLOW APP AVAILABLE

Would you like to strengthen your prayer life? The parish is offering the Basic version of the Hallow Prayer App for all parishioners. Prayers, including the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet are available, as well as reflections and many other prayer opportunities.

You can scan the QR code below or go to Hallow.com and search using the Zip Code.

I hope you will join us on this wonderful journey of prayer and faith.



Dear Fellow Knights and Parish Members:

The Bellefonte Knights of Columbus, Council 1314 is proud to once again be sponsoring our FREE Thanksgiving Dinner for the community. The dinner has been held annually for more than 25 years. The dinner is scheduled for Thursday, November 26, 2026, at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 315 Stoney Batter St., Bellefonte from 11AM to 2 PM. The dinner is free to all, whether you do not wish to cook or do not want to eat alone at home. The Knights will also be collecting "TOYS FOR TOTS" donations.

The dinner will feature many of the traditional Thanksgiving favorites such as roast turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy, yams, corn, green beans, cranberry sauce, rolls and butter, as well as desserts & drinks. This meal would not be possible without the support of Parishioners, Knights and local businesses. Last year we served approximately 375 meals dine in and take outs.

Should you be interested in donating any items or a monetary donation, please contact Co-chairmen Doug Moerschbacher at dougsrugcare@gmail.com or Scott Burkett at Rotzeus@aol.com . Donations will be used towards the Thanksgiving meal and any additional monies collected will be used for future Knights of Columbus projects. Thanks for your consideration.

Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of November 8, 2026

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	$ 7,971.40
Loose Offertory:	$ 1,222.25
Children's Offertory:	$ 8.15
Special Monthly:	$ 960.00
Votive Candles:	$ 223.65
ORDINARY TOTAL	**$ 10,385.45**

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Local Family	$ 40.00
Maintenance:	$ 1,561.00
EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:	**$ 1,601.00**
ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL:	**$ 11986.45**

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SCHOOL COLLECTION: $ 290.00

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SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Holy Name of Mary	$ 380.00
Missionary Coop	$ 30.00
Catholic Charities	$ 85.00
Religious Retirement	$ 125.00
All Saints	$ 115.00
All Souls	$ 90.00
Immaculate Conception	$ 50.00
Christmas Flowers	$ 670.00
Latin Mass	$ 94.00

St. Kateri COLLECTION TOTALS *(regular & online)*

November 1, 2026	**$ 2,338.00**
November 8, 2026	**$ 839.45**
Food Bank	**$ 12.00**

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE

November Specials

- Christmas is coming . . .Check out our selection of Apparel, Décor, Cards and Gift Bags.
- Hunting apparel is available at great prices.

We are thankful for our volunteers! To join us, please call 814-867-3131 for more information. Training will be provided and we look forward to talking to you.

The Thrift Store is open Monday through Saturday, 10 am - 4 pm. Donations are accepted Monday through Thursday, 10 am – 3:30 pm and Friday and Saturday, 10 am – 1 pm ONLY.

NOTE: The Thrift Store will be closed November 23 -28, 2026 for our volunteers to spend time with family and friends. Donations will not be accepted during this time.

Religious Education

St. John

CCD GRADES K-8

CCD classes have resumed! Grades K-8th class times are Sunday 9:00-10:00 in St. John School. Please contact Tony (tcroland@hotmail.com) or Paula Roland (proland@dioceseaj.org) for new student registration or with any questions.

Please note the following class schedule

Nov 15th - Class- 2nd grade mass (10:15)

Nov. 22nd - Class

Nov. 29th – **THANKSGIVING** – NO CLASS

Dec. 6th - Class

9th GRADE CONFIRMATION CLASS

Mass at 10:15 AM Followed by Class from 11:15 AM-12:30 PM in the School Auditorium.

Sunday, November 15 Mass & Class
Sunday, November 22 Mass & Class
Sunday, November 29 No Class - Thanksgiving

Questions- Please contact Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin at (814) 883-8123 or email: stboldin@verizon .net

St. Kateri

CCD classes are from **10:15-11:45** the first and thirdSunday with some variations during Easter season. Classes are offered for students in grades Kindergarten through 9th grade. Only new students need to register. Forms are on the bookshelf in the church foyer. Contact Millie Turner if you have questions. 814-883-6474 or mlt3557@verizon.net

November 15 - CCD

November 22 – No CCD

JOY TO THE WORLD:
An Advent Journey with the Angelus

Father Brian will be offering the Joy to the World, a study program focused on the prayer that takes its name from the angel's message to Mary: "Rejoice … the Lord is with you." We will meet in the rectory each Tuesday at 6:00 pm in Advent.

Using the prayer journal focused each week on a line from the Angelus you will strengthen your understanding of God's love for you and learn what it means to live each moment of your life with joy.

Space is limited to 20 participants. Call the church office to sign up.

HEALING THROUGH FAITH MEETINGS

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one, job, experiencing health issues, divorce or any other form of grief? Consider joining the Ministry of Consolation team and others as we come together to support one another through our faith. The next "Healing Through Faith" meeting will be on Thursday, Nov. 19th at 6:30 PM in the Rectory basement. ***All are welcome!!***

For more information call Ed Mulfinger at (814) 280-2755, Connie Davis at 355-1280 or Barbara Materna at 359-0354.

All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast on Sunday, November 15th hosted by the Bellefonte Knights of Columbus. Open to the public from 8:30 am until Noon. Price is $10 for adults, $5 for children under 12, and free for children under 7. The menu includes orange juice, bacon, sausage, potatoes, eggs, French toast, pancakes, sausage gravy, oatmeal, hot syrup, peaches, waffles, coffee and hot chocolate. We make specialty eggs and Blueberry or Chocolate chip pancakes upon request. Please come enjoy a great breakfast at the Bellefonte Knights of Columbus Home at 315 Stoney Batter (up the hill from Dollar General). Eat in and Take out is available.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTER HOLIDAY YARD AND BAKE SALE AND RAFFLE

SAINT JOHN SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

November 21, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

November 22, 7 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Catholic Daughters will be hosting their annual holiday yard and bake sale and raffle the weekend of November 21-22 in the school auditorium. If you are interested in donating any Christmas items or baked goods, donations will be accepted Friday night, November 20, in the school auditorium, beginning at 6 p.m.

We appreciate your support! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mindy Terpak, (814) 360-3037. Thank you!

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE WITH FR. BRIAN

October 4-14, 2027

Fr. Brian invites you to join him for a pilgrimage to France.

WHERE YOU'LL GO: Paris • Lisieux • Omaha Beach • Mont St. Michel • Nevers • Paray-Le-Monial • Lourdes

COST: $5,800.00

For more information contact Pam Callahan (psb146@msn.com) or Fr. Brian Saylor (bsaylor@dioceseaj.org or 814-355-3134) or L.P. Pilgrimage (1-833-944-8242 or booking@Lpjp.org).

St. John School News

MEMORIALS AND DONATIONS:

Alumni Support: J. Ronald Hughes
Lunch Program: Jim and Phyllis Galio, Rebecca Schreffler, Joseph Worrick
In Memory of Sarah Miller: Robert and Mary Schreffler, Jim and Nancy Swartzell
Thank you to all of our benefactors and God bless your generosity to and support of our school.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US HONOR OUR HEROES!

A heartfelt thank-you to everyone who helped make this year's Field of Flags ceremony such a special tribute to our veterans! We are grateful to Father Brian for leading us in prayer, Mr. Lucas Rankin for sharing his words as our guest speaker, and Mr. Ian Snyder for joining our young musicians to perform the National Anthem and honor our veterans with Taps.
Thank you also to everyone who helped prepare the courtyard and place more than 800 flags in honor of those who have served our country. Your time, talents, and generosity made this tribute possible.
As we look across our Field of Flags, may we be reminded of the sacrifices our veterans made and take a moment to give thanks for their service and the freedoms we enjoy. Our Saint John community is truly blessed!

SAVE THE DATE - CHRISTMAS PAGEANT:

Saint John School will be presenting our annual Christmas Nativity Pageant with 4-year old Pre-K through 5th grade students on Sunday, December 6th at 3pm in the church. Everyone is welcome to attend as our students celebrate the birth of Jesus with this beautiful tradition.

DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE AWARD

Each year during Catholic Schools Week, we honor an alum of Saint John School with the National Catholic Educational Association Distinguished Graduate Award. This award, which honors the achievements of Catholic elementary school graduates, was created as "a means of highlighting the people, who as adults, put into practice the values and ideals they learned in their Catholic elementary school." We are currently accepting nominations for this year's award. If you would like to nominate a former graduate of our school for this recognition, please send your nomination to sjadmin@saintjohnsch.net.

2026 RACE FOR EDUCATION - Faith is our Compass: Our annual Race for Education was held last Thursday. Please watch next week's bulletin for wrap-up information. Donations can still be made online at www.saintjohnsch.net/race.

WEIS 4 SCHOOL POINTS:

Thank you to everyone who designated our school as the recipient of their Weis 4 School points last year. Saint John School earned $5,453.83 over the 2025-26 school year. We are so grateful for your support! To register your card for the 2026-27 school year, please visit http://weis4school.com and select "Link Your Weis Rewards Card." Our school number is: St John-Evangelist Cath School (87048). Thank you!

SCHOOL LUNCH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE NEEDED:

As part of our Saint John family, we often hear from parishioners looking for ways to support our school and students in a significant way. If you would like to make a daily impact in the life of a student, we would be greatly appreciative of donations geared directly toward offsetting lunch fees for our students in need. Saint John School does not receive government funds for school lunches, but we still have students who qualify for reduced lunches. Donations can be sent to the school office via a labeled envelope in the collection basket, dropping it off directly, or mailing to 116 E. Bishop St., Bellefonte, PA 16823. If you have any questions, please contact Erin St. Amant at estamant@saintjohnsch.net or 814-355-7859. We are grateful for your consideration.

SCHOOL SUBSTITUTES:

We are accepting applications for substitute teachers. Candidates must possess a valid Pennsylvania teaching certificate and be able to obtain all state and federal clearances. Candidates must be supportive of the mission of the Catholic Church and be able to provide for the academic and spiritual health of our students. Interested applicants should contact Michelle Russell at principal@sainjohnsch.net.

To view our list of veterans or to learn more about our Field of Flags, scan the QR code.

VOCATION CORNER
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Parable of the Talents reminds us that God entrusts each of us with unique gifts meant to be used boldly for His Kingdom.
The faithful servants act with courage and purpose, while the third hides his gift out of fear.
In our vocation—whether priesthood, religious life, marriage, or generous discipleship—God calls us not to bury our gifts but to place them at His service with trust and love. Proverbs 31 and Psalm 128 echo this theme: true vocation is lived through diligence, compassion, and walking in God's ways.
St. Paul urges us to stay awake and ready, living as children of light.
This week, ask the Lord to help you recognize your gifts and use them generously for the good of the Church.
If you sense an invitation to consider the priesthood or religious life, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at email: vocations@dioceseaj.org.