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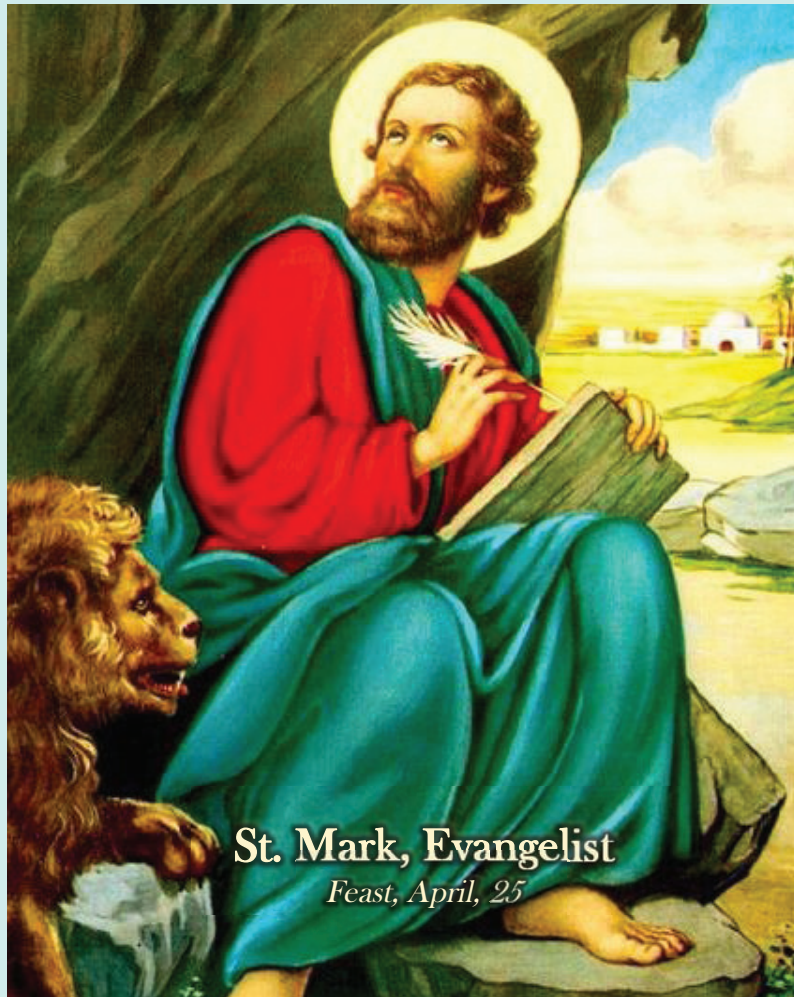
the Worker

Roman Catholic Church Community

April 21
2024

Fourth Sunday
of Easter

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St. Mark, Evangelist

Feast, April, 25

Our Mission Statement

St. Joseph the Worker Parish is a Christ-centered community that fosters personal renewal, conversion, and active participation in our Catholic faith. Our faith community strives to educate, serve, evangelize and welcome others as Jesus did. Each member is encouraged to develop a personal relationship with Jesus, and transform by modeling His love and compassion. This love of Jesus will permeate and enrich all facets of our lives, influencing family, friends, community, and our world.

Pastor: Rev. Msgr. Victor Finelli, V.J., J.C.L.
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Msgr. Robert Wargo
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Francis Iroot, A.J.
In residence: Rev. Msgr. Joseph P.T. Smith
In residence: Very Rev. Eugene Ritz, J.C.L.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, & 11:00 AM
9:00 AM also live streamed

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday 6:30 & 8:30 AM
Saturday 8:30 AM

Reconciliation

Friday 7:45-8:15 AM
Saturday 9:00-9:30 AM, 3:00-3:45 PM
and by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday-Friday 9:00 AM-8:00 PM
First Friday 9:00AM-8:00AM Saturday

Parish Registration

Email media@stjwchurch.org
to schedule an appointment

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00 AM-4:30 PM
parishoffice@stjwchurch.org

No matter your present status in the Catholic Church, your family or marital status, your personal history, age, or background, YOU are welcome and loved at St. Joseph the Worker Church.

MASS INTENTIONS

April 21—April 28, 2024
The Fourth Week of Easter

Vigil Mass of Sunday

4:00 pm Kathy Ryan

Sunday, April 21, Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:00 am Lucille Dunn Frazee

9:00 am Marcos Rios

11:00 am Lucille Mueller

Monday, April 22, Easter Weekday

6:30 am Catalina & Salvador Obaldo

8:30 am Alfred Kelly

Tuesday, April 23, Easter Weekday

6:30 am Fr. John Pavlosky

8:30 am Lorraine Olaynick

Wednesday, April 24, Easter Weekday

6:30 am Sister Martina

8:30 am Joseph and Irene O'Reilly

Thursday, April 25, St. Mark, Evangelist

6:30 am Rosemarie D. Fray

8:30 am Kathryn D. Nealon

Friday, April 26, Easter Weekday

6:30 am Special Intentions of Lori Haring

8:30 am Living and Deceased Members of the Smith Family

Saturday, April 27, Easter Weekday

8:30 am Jaqueline, Pierre and Stephanie L'Haridon

Vigil Mass for Sunday

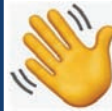
4:00 pm Walter Steinmacher

Sunday, April 28, Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:00 am Edward Troyen

9:00 am Michael Kelenski

11:00 am Florence Berner



WELCOME VISITORS!

It's great to have you here at St. Joseph the Worker for Mass. Thank you for choosing to celebrate Mass with us! If you would like to **stay in touch or visit again**, our weekend Masses are at 4 PM on Saturdays (changing to 5 PM the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend, 5/25) and at 7, 9, and 11 AM on Sundays.

We send out a **weekly E-News** on Fridays containing events and news from St. Joseph the Worker for the coming week. **Sign up** on our website at stjwchurch.org. You can also **follow us on Facebook** at St. Joseph the Worker Parish.

If you would like to **join St. Joseph's**, send an email to Gina Medvedz at media@stjwchurch.org.

We hope to see you again!

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12

Peter explains to the elders that his healing of a cripple was done in the name of Jesus Christ. He reminds the elders that they crucified Jesus, but God rose him up so that all people could be saved in his name.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2

John expresses amazement at the fact that God allowed us to be called his children. Although we are unsure exactly what we will be after this life, we do know that we will see God as he is and be like him.

Gospel: John 10:11-18

Jesus speaks of a shepherd working only for pay, with no real concern for the sheep being well cared for. But Jesus is our shepherd and would lay down his own life for all those in his flock. God loves him for his willingness to sacrifice himself for the sake of all God's children.

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

April 28 – Sunday Collection



Bereavement Gathering

There will be a Bereavement Gathering Sunday, **April 21st at 2 PM** in room 5/6 of the Parish Center. Whether you lost a loved one long ago or recently, sharing often helps.

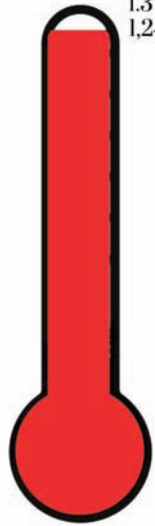
OFFICE AND HELPING HANDS HOURS

The Parish Office is open M-F, 9AM—4:30 PM

Helping Hands sales before and after Masses and Tuesday through Friday in the Office 11AM—1PM.

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Pledge-O-Meter



1.3 Million
1,240,577.

Campaign Corner

We are SO close!

To assist by contributing to our Capital Campaign, please visit our website at www.stjwchurch.org/cc and follow the instructions.

Checks are also welcomed. Please write "Capital Campaign" on the memo line.

Help us reach our goal together and achieve the One Million Dollar Match!



RSVP for a fun night out!



If you are between the ages of 35-55, join us for a night at the **Iron Pigs** on April 25th. We are planning to get lawn seats under the scoreboard. Pre-gaming at the Copperhead Grille on Airport Rd at 5 PM optional.

RSVP to Scott if interested: scott.appnel@lvhn.org

Young Adult Pot Luck



The Young Adults (25-35) will be meeting for a Pot Luck dinner in the Parish Center on April 20th at 6:30 PM.

Contact Mike with questions: michaelpatrickjenkins35@gmail.com

New Parishioners This Week



We welcome to our parish **Pol and Lisa Del Rosario**, who joined our parish this past week after moving here from New Jersey. Please pray for them and welcome them as they continue their journey at St. Joseph the Worker Church!

Recently Deceased

Please pray for the recently departed souls of our parish family:

- Dorothy Prokopovich
- Margaret Borzage



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

FLEA MARKET NEWS

Numerous supplies are needed for our Flea Market to run smoothly. There will be a blue bin located in the vestibule to collect donations of the following:

Black Sharpie Markers, all sizes
Bleach
Brillo Pads
Clean used towels/rags
Dry Erase Markers
Pens, blue or black
Peroxide
Rubber Bands
Safety Pins
Masking Tape
Dawn Dish Soap

Blue Painters Tape
Tissues
Goo Gone or Goof Off
Super Glue
Sponges
Ziplock baggies, all sizes
Bags, tissue paper, moving paper, bubble wrap
Silver Polish
Vinegar
Windex

St. Joseph the Worker



Thank you for your help!

COLLECTIONS BEGIN THIS COMING FRIDAY, APRIL 26TH FROM 9 AM-6 PM IN THE TWO-CAR GARAGE

We will not accept the following items:

Clothing, Shoes (Purses and Wallets will be accepted), Pillows for Beds— Throw pillows accepted, Baby Car Seats, Baby Cribs, Bowling Balls, Cell Phones older than 3 years, Computers, Keyboards, Printers, Cookbooks, Skis, Encyclopedias, Exercise Equipment, Magazines, Older Televisions (Smart TV's accepted), Porcelain Dolls, Typewriters, Furniture

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Get Ready to Roll!

It's Meatball Making Time



Come help make meatballs for the Festival in the Parish Center kitchen on **May 6th and 7th from 9 AM to 1 PM.** All are welcome. Thank you!

Attention Women's Guild Members:



This is a gentle reminder to send in your RSVP by Wednesday, May 1st if you are planning to attend the **Installation of Officers Brunch** at Madeline's restaurant. If you are a paid member of the guild and have not received your invitation, please contact Marge Olson at 610-509-3738.

Young Women's Discernment Group

Last session on May 8th in the Bishop Thompson Room at **St. Catherine of Siena Cathedral** in Allentown from 5:30 to 6:30 PM. Contact Gina at GMGalassi46@gmail.com.



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When is your next visit with Jesus?

Eucharistic Adoration



Adoration Hours in the Chapel are
-Monday-Friday: 9AM-8PM.
-First Friday of each month: 9AM, all day and night, until 8AM Saturday.

Adorers are welcome at any hour, but are needed at the following times: **Tues. at 11 AM, 5 PM and 6 PM; Thurs. at 10 AM, 3 PM and 4PM; and Fri. at 1 PM, and 4 PM.** Those who cannot commit to a weekly hour may join our sub list. Contact adoration@stjwchurch.org for information or to volunteer for a weekly hour of Adoration or as a sub.

Holy Hour for Vocations— Vocation Committee hosts on Tuesdays from 7-8 PM. All are welcome.

Holy Hour for Peace- Thursday from 7-8 PM in the Chapel. Please join us.

1st Annual K of C Corn Hole Tournament

Saturday, May 18, 2024

Egypt Memorial Park (Covered Pavilion)

Benefits K of C Charities



\$60 per team of 2 (max 48 teams)

– includes lunch & 2 drink tickets per team

– must be 16 yrs. or older to compete

Check-in and practice begins at 11 am

Tournament Play: 12 noon – 7 pm

Prizes for top three teams

Food, snacks and beverages available for purchase

Kids Corn Hole area, 50/50 and basket raffles

Fun for the entire family!

To Sign-Up on your smart phone:

1. Register by downloading the (free) app, Scorehollo,
 - Set up a profile using the first (green) button – "Player Profile"
 - Select the second (orange) button – "Find a Tournament," then enter "Lehigh Valley Knights" in the search bar to find the tournament and register
 - Questions about playing/signing up: Text Tyler Miller at 610.984.7642 or email at m2woodworker@gmail.com
2. Send payment via Venmo @KOC10921 or by check to: Knights of Columbus Council #10921, Attn: John Fitzpatrick, 513 Steeplechase Ln., Allentown, PA 18106

Pierogi Making for Festival



It's the last session of pierogi making for the Summer Festival. Please come out and have some fun. Pierogi pinching will start at 9 AM in the Parish Center. Help make the Summer Festival a success! Our goal is to make 12 boxes of Haluski Noodles and 600 dozen pierogies.

April 23rd and 24th (Tuesday & Wednesday)

We could also use help at 8 AM on Monday, April 22nd to make the pierogi filling. Contact Gerry at (610) 799-3738 with questions.

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Liquor Pick

Bottle donations for the Festival Liquor Pick stand are **now being accepted in the Parish Office**. If you need to make arrangements to drop them outside of office hours (9am-4:30 pm Monday-Friday) please contact Jess at 610-841-2502. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



Confirmation 2024

April 22nd at 4:30 PM

St. Joseph the Worker Parish is proud to present **62 candidates** to Bishop Schlerf for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The names of these students are on the bulletin board under the canopy. Please stop and take a student's name and pray for these young men and women.

Because we are Catholic

The Bishop will begin his annual appeal by travelling around to different parishes in the Diocese to celebrate Mass and socialize afterward with those who choose to attend. Here is his schedule:

- April 25** - Sacred Heart, Palmerton, 8:30 am
- May 22** - **St. Joseph the Worker, Orefield, 8:30 am**
- September 9** - Our Lady of Mercy, Easton - 8:00 am
- September 12** - Holy Guardian Angels, Reading - 8:00
- September 16** - St. Teresa, Mahanoy City, 6:00 pm



Donut Sale!

There will be a Krispy Kreme Donut sale under the canopy after next Sunday's Masses on April 28th to raise money to assist our teens in attending the Youth Conference in Steubenville. **\$15 per dozen.**

Thank you for helping to make this trip possible!



Congratulations Dr. George Arangio!

One of our parishioners, Dr. Arangio, has written a book called, We Talk with God: A Scripture-based guide to God's advice that will boost our spiritual energy, bring us peace, and enrich our lives. "Whether you're looking to strengthen your faith, find your purpose, or simply connect with God in a more meaningful way, "We Talk with God" has something for everyone." The book is available on Amazon.

Vacation Bible School 2024



Location:
St. Joseph the Worker School

Dates: June 17-21

Time: 9:00am-12:00pm

Cost: \$55.00

For more information: Call (610) 395-7221 ext. 27 or email dandrews@stjw.org

REGISTER NOW!



Condolences and Prayers

Our deepest condolences go out to Monsignor Wargo and his family on the passing of his younger brother Steven on Tuesday, April 9th. If you would like to send a card to Monsignor, his address is:

Rev. Msgr. Robert Wargo
PO Box 59
Laporte, PA 18626

Senior Bus Trip to Mohegan Sun

The Prime Time Club of Sacred Heart will be hosting a bus-trip to the Mohegan Sun Casino on May 23. Depart from Sacred Heart School parking lot on Second St. in Miller Heights, Bethlehem. Leave casino at 4 PM. \$35 payable to Sacred Heart Prime Time Club.

RSVP by May 4th to Pat Amato at 610-814-2921.

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Fiat Meditation



In her book, The Rosary Your Weapon for Spiritual Warfare, Johnnette Benkovic relates incidents where the Blessed Mother encouraged people to say the rosary. The Blessed Mother appeared to St. Dominic and told him to pray the Rosary “as an antidote for heresy and sin.” (page 3) St. Padre Pio said that, “the Rosary is the weapon against all the evils of the world.” (page 2)

Do you pray the Rosary? It is more than just saying ten Hail Mary prayers. It is a meditation on the life of Jesus. Think about the Mysteries of the Rosary as you pray. As Johnnette Benkovic said at the end of the introduction of her book, “Mary invites us to enter into the mysteries of faith presented to us through the holy Rosary and to receive the graces they offer... we can battle against the powers of darkness to bring this day and time into the victory of the cross.” **Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us.**

Defenders of Life Meeting



If you are interested in getting involved in the Pro-Life movement, please join the **Defenders of Life**. We meet via Zoom call on the second **Thursday** of the month at 7:30 pm. If you are interested in joining the Zoom calls or participating in any other way, please email Jo Garcia at: Garcia1047@ptd.net.

We need your help to save lives. If not now, when? If not you, who?



Learn the Art of Quilting

The **Clover Dell Schoolhouse Quilters** are meeting every **Wednesday from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM in the Rectory Basement** (Stairs located off the courtyard). New quilters are always welcome. No experience is necessary. We will teach the art of quilting. For more information or questions, call Vicky Kern at 610-730-8233.



Labor of Love Crafters

Crafters meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month in the Parish Center from 1:00-3:30 PM in room 3/4. If you like to knit, crochet, loom or sew (or would like to learn), join us! Our homemade donations are distributed to many organizations including: Cay Galgon House, St. Luke's Maternity, Sacred Heart E.R., LVHN Memory Care, and other needy requests. Questions? Call Yvonne at 610-395-9134.

Men's Group

As men, we are responsible for many things, including the spiritual leadership of our family. When we meet with other men and grow in faith, we recognize that in the body of Christ, we are not alone. **All men are invited to join the Men's Group**, no matter where you are in your spiritual or life journey. We **all** have something to offer to the greater good of our St. Joseph the Worker community of men. Join us on Saturday mornings at 9 AM in Parish Center.

Frances and Michael Huszar Scholarship



Huszar Scholarship applications are now available for current undergraduate college students and those entering college this fall. The Huszar Scholarship is intended to help students defray minor school expenses. Applicants must be registered members of the parish and actively practicing the faith. Applications may be found on our website at stjwchurch.org/forms and submitted to the Parish Office **no later than June 30th**.



Bus Trips

Philadelphia Shrines- May 22, 2024. \$85. Stops at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, Shrine of St. John Newman (Mass at 12:15PM), and the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Ukrainian Church (replica of the Shroud of Turin from Pope John Paul II). Brown Bag lunch. Stopping for dinner on way home at Cracker Barrel is on you. Bus leaves from St. Joseph the Worker at 8AM.

Ark Encounter and Creation Museum- August 4-9, 2024. \$974 pp double occupancy. Single \$1353. Flyer available.

Atlantic City Resorts- August 14, 2024 \$72 . Bus leaves St. Joe's at 9 AM and returns around 8 PM.

Christmas Show- December 4, 2024 American Music Theater “Joy to the World” with lunch at Loxey's \$152 pp. Leaves St. Joe's at 8 AM, back around 6 PM

All Checks made payable to **St. Joseph the Worker Church** and mailed to Sue Mueller 5211 Wagon Wheel Dr., Schnecksville, PA 18078. For reservations or more information call Sue (610) 392-2957 or email suemueller45@gmail.com

Find trip info at www.stjwchurch.org/bus-trips

If you are interested in cruising on Royal Caribbean with other parishioners from St. Joseph the Worker, there are two cruise options leaving from Bayonne. Contact Sue for more information.

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Scan the QR code to take a virtual tour of our campus!

Love what you see? Call or email to schedule an in-person visit!
Contact Cara Meskill, Director of Admissions at 610-437-4601 x148 or cmeskill@acchs.info. Financial aid and scholarships are available.



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Spring Sports Registration Open

St. Joseph the Worker CYO has opened registration for **Spring 2024 Sports** (Rec Soccer, Track & Field, and Volleyball).

Please visit www.sjwcyo.org or use the QR code for more details.
Thank you!



Hospitality Volunteers Needed

We are actively looking for volunteers for our Hospitality Committee. Please consider volunteering as a **greeter, usher, or a helper at our parish Coffee and Donut events!** For more information contact Gail Schairer at 610-349- 1850 or Meg Heintzeman at 484-515-5532.

Altar Server Schedule April 27/28

Names in italics have requested swaps

4 PM	James Church	Molly Church	Blaise Schairer
7 AM	Kayla Gilleo	Emma Hartzell	<i>Aiden Gilleo</i>
9 AM	Hailey Horn	Alice Yakamavage	Liam Borcoman
11 AM	Julia Janis	Roger Shaughnessy	Ebubechukwu Ijemere

Steubenville Youth Conference

Calling all High Schoolers! Jesus is the answer to the longing in our hearts for meaning, fulfillment, security and love. Join hundreds of Catholic teens at Steubenville Main Campus on June 28-30. Current 8th graders through current 12th graders can learn more at www.steubenvilleconferences.com or contact Gail Schairer at gail.schairer3@gmail.com.

Teen Talk about Steubenville



Wondering what Steubenville is like?

Fr. Ritz invites all interested teens to share some pizza and snacks and hear about why you don't want to miss out on the Steubenville Youth Conference. Come meet others who are thinking about attending or are committed to go. **Thursday, May 2 at 6 PM** in Parish Center room 5/6. Questions? Contact Gail Schairer at gail.schairer3@gmail.com.

HELPING HANDS



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

(APRIL 21-27)

THANK YOU TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS AND FOR ALL YOU DO!!



Setting the Stage for Early Learning in Christ-Centered Classrooms.

APPLY TODAY!





Like St. Joseph's on Facebook!

www.facebook.com/stjwparish



Are you in need of assistance? If so, the Works of Mercy team at St. Joseph the Worker is here to help. We operate as neighbors helping neighbors. Please call the parish office at 610-395-2876, and a member of the team will contact you. All inquiries are kept totally confidential.

Parish Prayer

Dear God,

I believe that you have the ability to convert everyone at St. Joseph the Worker Church and I beg you to perform miracles in our lives that we will come to love you and never want to offend you.

I beg you to let us see our sins and run to the confessional, that the lines will be out the door.

Set the hearts of our priests on fire so that they burn with the desire for the conversion of every soul in the parish.

I implore you to make St. Joseph's a beacon in our diocese, that souls will be drawn by the holiness they find here.

I ask that you blind Satan to every parishioner, that they might have the space to know and love you without temptation.

I offer myself to you completely whatever the cost.

Amen.

Be Sure To Register

If you have moved out of your parent's home after high school or college graduation, or if you are 23 years or older and are still living at home, please contact Gina at media@stjwchurch.org to register with the church.

Potential Godparents and Sponsors

You must be registered in the parish for at least three months and a practicing Catholic, having received the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. If you are married, you must be in a valid Catholic marriage. If these guidelines are met, contact the parish office and we will be happy to issue a letter of eligibility.

Sign up to receive our E-News

Sign up for our weekly E-News by visiting the homepage of the church website to sign up. Additionally, be sure to like St. Joseph the Worker Parish on Facebook to keep up with the latest news! www.stjwchurch.org

Pre-Plan Your Funeral Mass



You can schedule an appointment with one of our team to help relieve your family of the stress of planning your funeral and wondering what music and readings you would like. Pick the readings and hymns that are meaningful to you. See our Funeral Guide at stjwchurch.org. Call Sue (610) 392-2957 to schedule an appointment.

Hospital Note

If you or a loved one are in the hospital, need to be anointed, or would like to be added to the sick list for prayer for two weeks, please be sure to call the parish office.

Funeral Procedures

The loss of a loved one is difficult. The first step in making funeral arrangements is to contact the funeral home of your choice. The funeral director will then contact the church to make arrangements for a time, date, and priest. Someone from our Bereavement Committee will reach out to meet with you at the Parish Office to plan the Mass. Funeral Masses are held on weekdays.

Resurrection Cemetery: Contact 610-395-3819 Ext 1 to arrange a Christian Burial



Would you prefer Online Giving?

Control your online giving in the comfort of your own home.

For directions and a link to create your account, visit

stjwchurch.org/online-giving

Pope's Prayer Intention

The intention for **April** is for the role of women. We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination experienced in different parts of the world.



Additional Parish Information

PARISH STAFF

Permanent Deacon: Mr. Anthony T. Campanell
 Permanent Deacon: Dr. Charles A. Coyle
 Permanent Deacon: Dr. Bruno Schettini
 Permanent Deacon: Mr. Carl (Butch) Readinger
 Permanent Deacon: Mr. Anthony Brasten
 Parish Secretary: Mrs. Anne Angelella
 Business Manager: Mr. Timothy Hood
 Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Jennifer Keim
 Parish Center Administrator: Mrs. Jessica Mueller
 Communications Director: Mrs. Gina Medvedz

TOTAL CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Early Childhood Education Classes for 3 yr. olds & Pre-K classes for 4 & 5 yr. old Jr. Kindergarten
 Mrs. Theresa Heintzelman, Director (610) 395-7400
St. Joseph the Worker School (610) 395-7221
 Mr. Joseph Henrich, Principal
Central Catholic High School (610) 437-4601
 Mrs. Cara Meskill, Director of Admissions
Family Faith Formation Program
 Mrs. Rose Hayward, DRE (610) 395-4920
RCIA Deacon Readinger and Keith Davis (610) 395-2876

BULLETIN NOTICES

If you would like to submit an announcement for the bulletin, email your message to Gina at media@stjwchurch.org. It is most convenient for images/designs to be attached in a Word document (No PDFs please). Please observe the deadline of 8 days for most editions. Parish office staff will determine the length and repetition of your announcement.

SCHEDULING USE OF FACILITIES

To schedule a meeting or event in the **Parish Center**, fill out a Use of Facilities Request form (available on the church website on the Forms page under the Contact tab) and return to the parish office ATTN: Jessica Mueller. With Parish Center questions, contact Jessica at 610-395-2876 x29. To schedule a meeting or event in the **School**, please contact Alicia Hagenbuch, 610-395-7221. Any organization must have Msgr. Finelli's approval for hosting a fundraiser at our Parish or School. Contact Anne in the Parish Office at 610-395-2876.



Diocesan Victim Assistance

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, MA, NCC, LPC
 Direct telephone 800-791-9209

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 800-276-1562.

Diocesan Safe Environment

Pamela J. Russo, M.S.W., M.S.
 610-871-5200 ext. 2204 | prusso@allentowndiocese.org

MEMORIAL FUND

After the death of a family member you are invited to have that person's name commemorated on the Church Plaque in the grotto by suggesting that memorial offerings be donated to the Church in memory of the deceased person.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

BAPTISM: Held on Sundays at 12:00PM in the church. First time parents must attend a baptism workshop that is held the first Saturday of each month at 9:30AM in the Parish Center. Please call the rectory at 610-395-2876 about your interest in this sacrament and Deacon Readinger will get back to you with all the details. Families must be active registered parishioners at our church for 3 months. Godparents must be practicing their faith and able to get a sponsor form of eligibility from their home parish.

MARRIAGE: Couples must contact one of the Parish Priests at least 6 months in advance of their intended wedding date. Note: Bride or Groom must be a Registered and practicing member for at least 6 months. In addition to the three sessions with the Priest, the Diocesan Marriage Preparation Dialogues must also be attended. Weddings are on Saturdays at 10AM, 12PM, or 2PM.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Notify the office as soon as someone becomes seriously ill or weak due to old age, so that they might receive the Sacrament of Extreme Unction.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: The Extraordinary Ministers visit the homebound weekly and more often if requested. This includes those who are Catholic and in nursing homes covered by St. Joseph the Worker Parish.

HOSPITALIZED: If possible, alert the parish office whenever someone has to be hospitalized, especially if this admission is an emergency. Remember that each hospital knows which Catholic Parish is responsible for its emergency situations. A family member should notify the office of any admission if they want their name on the prayer list for the sick.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Adoration, Ed & Mary Johnstone.....	610-434-2594
Altar Servers, Parish Office.....	610-395-2876
Baptismal Workshop, Parish Office.....	610-395-2876
Bereavement Committee, Sue Mueller.....	610-392-2957
Boy Scout Troop 150, Shawn Furman.....	717-421-9248
Catholic Grandparents Assoc., Art & Jo Garcia.....	484-951-4845
Clover Dell Schoolhouse Quilters, Vicky Kern.....	610-730-8233
College Scholarship Fund, Parish Office.....	610-395-2876
Cub Scout Pack 150, Theresa Kowal.....	401-339-0799
Cursillo, Nancy & Jim Clee.....	610-530-0174
CYO Sports, Tom McDonald.....	610-715-8617
Defenders of Life/NFP, Jo Garcia.....	484-951-4845
Divine Mercy Cenacle, Nancy Clee.....	610-530-0174
Extraordinary Ministers, Deacon Butch Readinger.....	610-899-2048
Family Promise, Ruth Joyce.....	484-809-2044
Fiat, Religious for Life, Sr. Eileen Bechtel.....	610-349-1116
Hospitality Committee, Gail Schairer.....	610-349-1850
Helping Hands, Jonelle Yonak.....	610-395-2876
Homebound Ministry, Sr. Bernadette Rosina.....	610-395-2876
Knights of Columbus, Michael Godorov.....	610-393-3533
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