

St. Joseph the Worker Parish

FATHER GIUSEPPE C. ESPOSITO, M.DIV., M.A.
PASTOR

SAINT

JOSEPH
THE WORKER

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The office is closed on federal holidays/
holydays of obligation.
Monday through Friday—8:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Office closed daily from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE

Seven South Broad Mountain Avenue
Frackville, PA 17931-1800
Telephone: (570) 874-0610—Fax: (570) 874-0969
Ext. 4--Parish Secretary;
Ext. 5--Mass Schedule;
Ext. 6--Holy Day Mass Schedule;
Ext. 7--Confession/Adoration Schedule;

Email: frackvillerc3@verizon.net
Parish web site: www.stjoesfrackville.com

PARISH REGISTRATION AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Please call the Parish Office and we will assist you in this process.

ST. JOSEPH COMPLEX LOCATIONS

49 North Line Street &
33 South Broad Mountain Avenue

REGIONAL SCHOOLS

Assumption B.V.M. School
112 South Seventh Street, Pottsville, PA 17901
Telephone: (570) 622-0106
www.assumptionbvmschool.net

Marian Catholic High School
166 Marian Avenue, Tamaqua, PA 18252
Telephone: (570) 467-3335,
www.mariancatholics.org

St. Jerome Regional School
50 Meadow Avenue, Tamaqua, PA 18252-4313
Telephone: (570) 668-2757
www.sjrschool.com

Nativity B.V.M. High School
One Lawtons Hill, Pottsville, PA 17901
Telephone: (570) 622-8110,
www.nativitybvms.net

St. Joseph Center for Special Learning, Inc.
302 Randel Street, Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972
570-622-4638 Fax: 570-622-3420
www.stjosephctr.com

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism- The sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated on Sundays after 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please call the Parish Office at least two months in advance in order to make arrangements. Parents must be registered in the parish and active for at least three months prior to the Baptism.

Sponsors must be canonically eligible.

Certificates of Eligibility- sponsorship at Baptism or Confirmation requires that a person be an active, registered member of the parish three months prior to receiving the certificate of eligibility. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Sacrament of Marriage- Please call the Parish Office at least 6 months before the proposed marriage dates in order to arrange for the necessary preparation. An appointment is necessary before a wedding date may be scheduled. Parish and Diocesan pre-marital classes are required. Only parish guidelines will be followed in planning the marriage ceremony.

Order of Christian Funerals- At the time of death, contact the funeral home of your choice.

The funeral home will then contact the Parish Office.

DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC
DIRECT Phone line: (800) 791-9209
www.victimsassistance@allentowndiocese.org

DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR:
Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS, Secretary for Youth Protection, Diocese of Allentown, 1515 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, PO Box F, Allentown PA 18105-1538
Phone: (610) 871-5200 ext. 2204 FAX: (610) 871-5211
prusso@allentowndiocese.org

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited & encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more info about this program.

The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church. To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, & Code of Conduct, please visit www.allentowndiocese.org & click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right hand corner of the page. www.allentowndiocese.org go to "Youth Protection" to learn more about Diocese's Youth Protection programs.

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 1-800-276-1562.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 19, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE



Saturday, November 18, 2023

5:30 PM Mabel & Joseph Ackell requested by
St. Ann daughter, Valerie and John Bukowski

Sunday, November 19

8:00 AM Hummel and Paskey Families & Cody
St. Ann Murphy requested by Monica and Fran

11:00 AM Joyce Hereshko requested by Joyce
St. Ann Gallagher

Monday, November 20

8:30 AM Schipits & O'Boyle Families requested by
St. Ann O'Boyle Family

Tuesday, November 21

8:30 AM **NO MASS**
St. Ann

Wednesday, November 22

8:30 AM Charlotte Miller requested by Family
St. Ann

Adoration after Mass until 12 noon

Thursday, November 23—Thanksgiving Day

8:30 AM Deceased members of Petrus & Gergal
St. Ann Families by John & Barb Petrus

NO Adoration from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday, November 24—Church will not be open

8:30 AM **NO MASS**
St. Ann

Saturday, November 25

5:30 p.m. Jack Blickley requested by Grandchildren &
St. Ann Great Grandchildren

Sunday, November 26

8:00 a.m. Margaret Mary Bernadyn requested by
St. Ann Atty. & Mrs. Paul Domalakes

11:00 a.m. Catholic Daughters Ct. St. James #1029
St. Ann

PRAY FOR:

All those in need. Especially those who are sick, are feeling weak or lonely. Increase their faith and assist them in knowing that they are not alone and all they need comes from You.



CANDLE OFFERINGS



The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Sacred Heart** burns in memory of Stanley G. Rakowsky requested by Andrew & Michelle Smarkanic and Family.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of John & Arlene Davis by Darlene and Dennis.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Joseph** burns in memory of Gaughan and Kneib Families by Peggy Gaughan.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Joseph** burn for a Special Intention.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Anthony** burns for Special Intention by TMS.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Anthony** burns in memory of James Priga by Joe and Angie Babatsky.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Ann** burns for health, guidance and God's blessings for Kluss Family requested by El. and Dol.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns in memory of Joseph Alshon by wife, Eva, children and grandchildren.

WEEKLY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:10 to 5:25 p.m. (St. Ann Church)

Sunday: 7:45 to 7:55 a.m. (St. Ann Church)

The **St. Ann Church** location will be open **Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** for those that want to visit and spend time with our Lord.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please remember that we have Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday after Mass until 12 noon and Thursday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the St. Ann Church location. Please schedule some time with our Lord. Holidays and various other dates..... times may differ.

Vigil Lights \$9.00/week and Sanctuary Lamp \$12.00/week
 If you would like to reserve a candle, just please call the office or place request and money in the collection basket.

WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION

October 29, 2023—\$5,158.00

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary Collection—\$622.56

Pie Ingredients Collection—\$759.12

Thank you for your continued support of your Parish.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CEMETERY WEBSITE

Our newly refurbished cemetery website is back up and running.

It has been expanded to include more information about our deceased loved ones.

The web address is

www.sjwcemeteries.org or you

can go to our parish website to find the link.

Parish website: www.stjoesfrackville.com

PARISH NEWS

Ministry Schedule—November 25—26

SERVERS:

5:30 p.m. Emily and Johnny Walsh
 8:00 a.m. Kylie Meskunas
 11:00 a.m. Helena Jacobs

LECTORS:

Thanksgiving: 8:30 a.m. Carolyn Tenaglia
 5:30 p.m. Marlene Borzok **Choir: Tom Sullivan**
 8:00 a.m. Patti Domalakes **Choir: Bernard Bruni**
 11:00 a.m. Bridget Quick

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Thanksgiving: 8:30 a.m. Carolyn Tenaglia
 5:30 p.m. Marlene Borzok **Choir: Tom Sullivan**
 8:00 a.m. Patti Domalakes **Choir: Bernard Bruni**
Nursing Home: *Suspended until further notice*
 11:00 a.m. Bridget Quick **Choir: Jean Dando**

NURSING HOME EM—after the 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass is the time in which to leave to go to the Nursing Home. This gives them time to be ready for you when you arrive. Thank you for your understanding.

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Father Esposito and Staff would like to wish everyone a **Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving Day Holiday.**
May God bless you and your families.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMANDI

On Monday, October 30, 2023, Bishop Alfred Schlert Confirmed the following children from our Parish: Kiara Gertrude Abreu, Lucy Catherine Barrett, Ella Elizabeth Digris, Bella Rose Karella, Cole Alexander Meskunas, Samantha Francesca Staconis, and Kyla Mary Yesaluskusy. Let us continue to pray for them and their families.

SAINT NICHOLAS SHOE DROP

Parish children are invited to bring a shoe to church the weekend of December 2 and 3. St. Nicholas will visit with a surprise for each child. Shoes can be picked up the weekend of December 9 and 10 after all Masses.

FRACKVILLE LIBRARY FRESH HOLIDAY GREENS

SALE—holiday greens, wreaths, swags, cemetery crosses, white birch logs and much more are available to order. **The deadline to order is November 20, 2023.** Delivery date is Monday, December 4, 2023. To order call the Frackville Library at 570-874-3382, view the order form on the Frackville Library Facebook page or stop in the Library at 56 North Lehigh Avenue, Frackville. *Thank you for supporting the Frackville Library fundraiser.*



ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

October 24—2024 Mass Book opened
November 22—Adoration after Mass until 12 noon
November 23—NO Adoration 1 to 4 p.m. in St. Ann Church Location
November 26—NO Kid's Choir practice at 5:00 p.m. in BVM Church
November 26—NO PREP at 6:00 p.m.

Office Closed on Thursday, November 23, Friday, November 24, and Monday, November 27 for Thanksgiving Day holiday.

Win big with our Lottery Calendars!
ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH
 Lottery Calendar Fundraiser
 Sale begins this weekend after Masses and every weekend until the end of December or you may purchase in the Parish Office.
90 CHANCES TO WIN!
 Cost \$15.00 per calendar
 Prizes range from \$25.00 to \$200.00

Winning numbers are determined by the three "3" numbers of the Pennsylvania Lottery Daily Number Evening Drawing as matched to the number appearing at the top of each calendar. Each calendar acquired will have a unique 3-digit number.

All numbers are played straight as drawn.
 All prizes will be sent by mail in a timely fashion.
GREAT GIFT IDEA FOR THE UPCOMING HOLIDAY SEASON!
DRAWINGS ARE FOR THE MONTHS OF JANUARY 2024 THROUGH MARCH 2024.

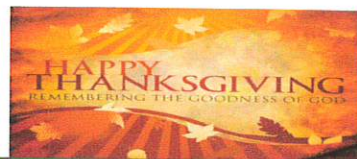
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #748

Tuesday, November 28th at 6:30 p.m., the Knights of Columbus #748 will hold their monthly council meeting at St. Charles Borromeo Parish Center in Ashland.

BIRTHRIGHT OF FRACKVILLE

The Birthright Giving Trees will not be placed in the churches as done in the past. However, for those who wish to participate, Birthright will be accepting monetary donations or gift cards. The donations will be used by only the Birthright staff to purchase items for babies. Families will not receive the cards or donations.

Your contributions can be mailed to the Birthright Office at 10 North Lehigh Avenue, Frackville, PA 17931. Any questions, please contact Birthright Office at 570-874-2621. The staff of Birthright is very thankful for your past and present donations. Because of your generosity, we are able to care for babies in need. We wish each of you a very healthy and happy holiday season. May God bless and watch over you and pray for an end to abortion.



NEWS FROM DIOCESE AND PARISHES



ADVENT WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP—In order to prepare for Advent, we will be having an Advent Wreath Making Workshop on Saturday, December 2 at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall at 9 South Broad Mtn. Avenue, Frackville. Wreaths take about an hour to make.

This is a great opportunity for both families, and individuals to make an Advent wreath to take home as we prepare our hearts for Christmas.

Cost will be \$20—which includes everything you will need to complete your wreath. An Advent Wreath Prayer will be included to be used throughout the Season.

Please bring clipping shears.

Call the Parish Office 570-874-0610 ext. 4 to register no later than November 21st.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS A MUST!

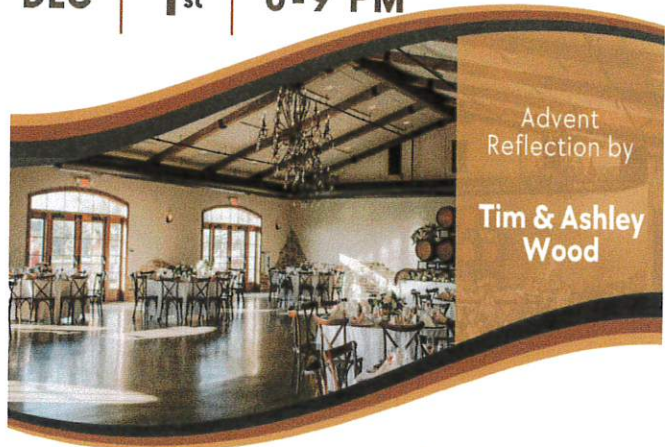
Payment (in exact amount) can be made on December 2.

DATE NIGHT

FOR CATHOLIC ENGAGED AND MARRIED COUPLES

AT FOLINO ESTATE WINERY

DEC | 1st | 6-9 PM



Tickets \$100 per couple

Register at www.allentowndioocese.org/date-night

NEW* Cor Jesu

Cor Jesu is a weekly diocesan worship event for Young Adults, starting in Advent. Each night will incorporate Adoration, Benediction, Confession, and Mass. Followed by fellowship afterwards.

Dates: Thursdays, 12/7, 12/14, 12/21. 7pm-9pm.

Location: St Ursula Roman Catholic Parish, Fountain Hill, Pennsylvania.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO PRESENTS: *After Dark Band* at the Fountain Springs Country Inn, Ashland on **Wednesday, November 22, 2023.** Doors open 7:00 p.m. Band plays from 8:00 to 11:00 p.m. Cash bar and food will be available for purchase. Please call Karen Stohn at 570-933-5786 or the Parish Office 570-875-1521 for tickets, if you would like to reserve a table, or for more info. This is a fundraiser for St. Charles Borromeo Church in Ashland. Start your holiday celebration with us!!!
Tickets Price \$12.00 each.

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE ANNUAL WOMEN'S ADVENT RETREAT!

Sponsored by the Bishop's Commission for Women in Partnership with the Women's Society of Giving

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Stephen Isaac

Saturday, December 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, 94 Walnut Street, Hamburg, PA 19526.

Enjoy a refreshing morning of prayer and community.

Breakfast, Keynote Speaker and Mass.

Rediscover the peace and joy of Advent that so often gets lost in Christmas to do lists.

Questions or how to register...contact Kathleen Nevel at kathleennevel@gmail.com

CHOSEN, BLESSED SHARED

Please support the Annual Fund for Retired and Infirm Priests of the Diocese of Allentown. This fund will support the Endowment for the Care of Retired Priests which will help provide our priests with the support they need in retirement. Please give generously for the benefit of those who have dedicated their lives to the service of God and the Diocese of Allentown.

"Christians are people of hope, people of possibilities. So have courage, my friends, and together, let's set out to change the world as the first Christians did."

—Matthew Kelly

Win big with our lottery calendar!

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

Lottery Calendar Fundraiser

Sale begins Nov. 1 - Parish Office

Can be purchased after Mass

beginning Nov. 4



90 CHANCES TO WIN!

One \$15 Donation Gets You 90 Chances To

win Up To \$3,125 In Prizes.



PRIZES RANGE FROM \$25 TO \$200

Rules:

1. Winning numbers are determined by the three "3" numbers of the Pennsylvania Lottery Daily Number Evening Drawing as matched to the number appearing at the top of each calendar. Each calendar acquired will have unique 3-digit number.
2. All cash winnings will be determined by the amount indicated on each day of this calendar.
3. All numbers are played straight as drawn.
4. All winners will be paid in a timely fashion.
5. The organization will determine each winner from the numbered information sheet completed with the acquisition of this calendar.
6. Each information sheet must be filled out accurately at the time of donation, and winnings will be administered by an authorized representative of the organization. This fundraising project is in no way related with the lottery of any state. Donations are made and random prizes are selected using a random number generator.

Advent & Christmas



at St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville and
St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland

Friday, December 15, 2023

Advent Reconciliation

St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland 6:00-7:00 p.m.

St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Frackville 7:15-8:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 24, 2023

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall, Frackville 4:00 p.m.

St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland 6:00 p.m.

St. Vincent Worship Site, Girardville 8:00 p.m.

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall, Frackville Midnight

Monday, December 25, 2023

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall, Frackville 9:00 a.m.

St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland 10:30 a.m.

Monday, January 1, 2024

Solemnity of Mary

Regular Daily Mass Schedule





PLEASE JOIN US FOR GOOD FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

THANKS GIVING

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19, 3:00-6:00PM

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER HALL, 11 S. BROAD MNT AVE.

PROUDLY SERVING THE FRACKVILLE COMMUNITY

BROUGHT TO YOU BY

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH & FRACKVILLE POLICE DEPT

Please pre-register by e-mail at
frackvillecares@gmail.com or call 570.617.9085
Please include names, address, phone number, and
ages of children



St.
Joseph
the
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Sign up by
Nov
21

JOIN US FOR
Advent

WREATH MAKING



\$20 INCLUDES ALL SUPPLIES

FAMILIES AND
INDIVIDUALS WELCOME

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 9:30 AM

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

PARISH HALL - 9 S BROAD MT AVE FRACKVILLE

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE
TO SIGN UP TODAY

570-874-0610