

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.nativitybvm.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.victimassistance@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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 5, 2024



Saturday, May 4

5:30 PM Mike Stockunas requested by Richard Lazer
SJWP

Sunday, May 5

8:00 AM John Bozena requested by Wife and Family
SJWP

11:00 AM Elizabeth Luciani (1st Anniversary and birthday) requested by Family
SJWP

Monday, May 6

8:30 AM For all SJWP Parishioners
SJWP

Tuesday, May 7

8:30 AM **NO MASS**
SJWP

Wednesday, May 8-Ascension of the Lord Vigil

Holy Day of Obligation

8:30 AM **NO MASS**
SJWP

NO Adoration

7:00 PM Jeffrey J Krolick requested by Son and Family
SJWP

Thursday, May 9-Ascension of the Lord

8:30 AM **NO MASS**
SJWP

Adoration from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday, May 10

8:30 AM **NO MASS**
SJWP

Saturday, May 11

5:30 PM Rich Kemmery requested by Wife & Children
SJWP

Sunday, May 12—Mother's Day

8:00 AM For all Mother's
SJWP

11:00 AM Msgr. John P. Murphy requested by Terry Szott
SJWP

PRAY FOR:

All those in need. Especially those who are sick, are feeling weak or lonely & all our deceased. Increase their faith and assist them.



CANDLE OFFERINGS



The **Vigil Light** at the statue of the Sacred Heart burns for Special Intentions.

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 the Blessed Mother burns in memory of Francis Goncalves by wife, Mary.

The **Vigil Light** at the Statue of the Blessed Mother burns in memory of Elizabeth Luciani by Family.

The **Vigil Light** at the Statue of the Blessed Mother burns for a successful surgery for Kathy requested by Family.

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

The **Vigil Light** at the Statue of St. Ann burns for blessings and comfort for Lorraine Chuma & Bernice Hinkle by Brian Nolter.

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

The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns in memory of John Bozena requested by Wife and Family.

WEEKLY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:10 to 5:25 p.m. (SJWP)

Sunday: 7:45 to 7:55 a.m. (SJWP)

The St. Joseph the Worker Parish will be open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. except Thursdays it is open until 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. The Church is open daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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

April 14—\$4,905.00

Thank you for your continued support of your Parish.

2024 ITALY TRIP INFO SESSION

For all those that have signed up for the Italy Trip in June 2024, there will be an info session on **Saturday, May 25 at 11:00 a.m. in the SJWP Parish Hall, Nine South Broad Mtn. Avenue, Frackville.**

Also, please check your email for a message from Fr. Miller. Click on the link and provide information on transportation to the airport. Choose the option you would prefer.

This will help us in planning buses to and from the airport.

Questions, please call the parish office 570-874-0610 ext. 4.

PARISH NEWS

Ministry Schedule—May 11—12 St. Joseph the Worker Parish

SERVERS:

Saturday, May 11

5:30 p.m. Krapfs

Sunday, May 12

8:00 a.m. Kylie Meskunas

11:00 a.m. Walsh's

LECTORS:

Saturday, May 11

5:30 p.m. Diane Rowland

Sunday, May 12

8:00 a.m. Patti Domalakes

11:00 a.m. Angela Pyzowski

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

Saturday, May 11

5:30 p.m. Carolyn Tenaglia **Choir:** Tom Sullivan

Sunday, May 12

8:00 a.m. Patti Domalakes **Choir:** Joe Babatsky

Nursing Home: Gerald Campomizzi

11:00 a.m. Angela Pyzowski **Choir:** Larry Domalakes

ASCENSION OF THE LORD VIGIL

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION-Wednesday, May 8

SERVERS:

7:00 p.m. Maria Monahan

LECTOR:

7:00 p.m. Marlene Borzok

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

7:00 p.m. Marlene Borzok **Choir:** Maggie Scherer

Ascension of the Lord-Holy Day of Obligation

Mass time on Thursday, May 9

St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland

7:00 A.M.

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.

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC

The 2024 Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal is underway! Our parish support is a vital part of this Diocesan-wide effort to serve children and families in our own community and throughout the Diocese of Allentown. Make your gift today at www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org. Thank you.

2024 St. Joseph the Worker Parish BWAC goal: \$17,383.00

VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX

St. Joseph the Worker Parish is inviting families to host our Vocations Crucifix in their homes for two weeks at a time. While hosting the Crucifix, the family prays for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. When the two weeks conclude, the crucifix is returned to church to go to the next family.

A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church.

ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

May 7—First Holy Communion practice at 4:15 p.m. in *SJWP Church

May 8—NO Adoration

May 9—Adoration 1 to 4 p.m. in St. Joseph the Worker location

May 7—First Holy Communion practice at 4:15 p.m. in *SJWP Church

May 11—First Holy Communion for our Parish/PREP Children at 11:00 a.m. in *SJWP

May 25—Italy Trip info session in Parish Hall at 11:00 a.m.

May 8-9—Mass for the Ascension of our Lord—Mass times have changed. May 8 at SJWP, Frackville—Mass will be 7:00 p.m. and on May 9 at St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland at 7:00 a.m.

*(SJWP-St. Ann Church location)

2024 SJWP ANNUAL PARISH FESTIVAL

Save the dates-Friday, August 2 and Saturday, August 3

Work has begun in preparing for our Annual Parish Festival. Pierogies have been made. Halupkies to be made this weekend. Bandukies and other food to be made in the upcoming weeks.

This year our [Raffle Tickets](#) will be 4—\$5 tickets instead of the 15 tickets that we did prior. Please sell or purchase the tickets and return to the Parish Office or place in the Collection basket. They will be mailed to you in the beginning of May. If you do not receive them, kindly contact Parish Office.

You can also become a [Sponsor](#) by donating a minimum of \$25 in memory of someone or just by donating from your family. Sponsors will be placed in our bulletin.

The [Themed Basket Auction](#) will also take place & we are inviting each parish family to come up with unique themes for their baskets. The total value should be \$25. Examples: Children's baskets, lottery, food, gardening, pet, your favorite sport's team, etc. All completed baskets may be dropped off at the Parish Office. Families may also work together to come up with a Themed Basket.

[Sign-up sheets to work](#) will be placed in the vestibule in June. Please make time to work in the place of your choice. A few hours for your parish is a great way to show your support.

Our [bakers](#) never disappoint, so please donate your favorite baked good to the festival when the time is appropriate.

Bands: Friday, August 2—7 to 10 p.m. Sake's Alive

Saturday, August 3—7 to 11 p.m. Another Side

There will be no meeting for the festival, but please feel free to contact the Parish Office with any questions you may have or suggestions. 570-874-0610 ext. 4

[Thank you in advance for your help and in making our Annual Parish Festival a success!](#)

TEXT ALERTS—Anyone that would like to be notified of a change in Mass or cancellations due to weather and other unforeseen events, kindly text @stjosephfr to 81010. This is for anyone who has not yet signed up for **Remind**. When Father needs to change anything you will be notified on your cell phone by a text message.

NEWS FROM DIOCESE AND PARISHES

Mass of Thanksgiving for Homeschooling Community

All homeschooling families are invited to an end of the year Mass of Thanksgiving for the Homeschooling Community with Bishop Schlert on Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at 6:30pm. The Mass will take place at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown. Mass will feature a special blessing for those graduating High School. A reception with light refreshments will follow in the lower level. Registration required by May 5. Register here: allentowndiocese.flocknote.com/signup/152553
Questions? Contact Kristin Osenbach, kosenbach@allentowndiocese.org

K OF C AUXILIARY, COUNCIL #748 ROLLING MAC-A-RONI TRUCK FUNDRAISER

WE, THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LADIES' AUXILIARY, COUNCIL #748, GIRARDVILLE, ARE NOW TAKING ORDERS FOR OUR ROLLING MAC-A-RONI TRUCK FUNDRAISER. ITEMS ARE CHICKEN POT PIE, \$10.00 PER QUART, AND MACARONI AND CHEESE WITH STEWED TOMATOES, \$9.00 PER QUART. PICKUP ONLY AT ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER SOCIAL ROOM (ANNUNCIATION LOCATION), 34 SOUTH LINE STREET, FRACKVILLE, BETWEEN 4 P.M. AND 6 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024. **ORDER DATE DEADLINE WITH PAYMENT IS SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024.** IF YOU WISH TO ORDER, PLEASE CONTACT: **CAROLE SYZDEK, 570-467-3744, MARY GONCALVES, 570-874-4307 OR MARY ANN HAUSER, 570-874-2757 OR SEE ANY K of C AUXILIARY MEMBER.**

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

The first Diocesan local Pilgrimage will be to **The National Centre for Padre Pio.**

“My Heart-A pilgrimage to the Heart of Jesus”

Diocesan High School Pilgrimage—Thursday, September 19, 2024

Diocesan Pilgrimage in English—Friday, September 20, 2024

Diocesan Pilgrimage in Spanish—Saturday, September 28, 2024

Pilgrimage will include: Mass with Bishop Schlert—Confession, Engaging Speaker, Eucharistic Procession and much more!

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., will be on Tuesday, October 7, 2025, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The Diocesan Pilgrimage tradition to Mary's House is typically held every four years. More info will be forthcoming for individuals, parishes and schools.

Reservations are now open for the Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Italy with Bishop Schlert and Father Hoffa—Tuesday, March 25, 2025—Saturday, April 3, 2025. The first Diocese of Allentown International Pilgrimage will “Follow the Footsteps of Saints Peter and Paul” through Florence, Assisi, and Rome. To sign up for the Jubilee Year Pilgrimage, please contact Father Allen Hoffa directly at ahoffa@allentowndiocese.org or 610-921-2729, ext. 2205.

ST. PATRICK CHURCH, Dine in or Take Out Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, May 5.

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (or sell out) 313 Mahantongo Street, Pottsville. Spaghetti platter includes pasta with our homemade sauce, two meatballs, a salad, and bread. Cost is \$11.00 per platter. Extra meatballs and/or sauce available for purchase.

THE NATIVITY GREEN & GOLD BOOSTER CLUB

will be holding their Annual Basket Auction on May 4th and 5th. Shop and Drop on Saturday, 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (time auction begins). Grand prize will be a Blackstone Grill and \$750 in gift cards from Marlin Markets, Tony's Meat Market and Adelphia Seafood. Many great prizes, refreshments will be available. **Any questions call Diane at 570-622-8110.**

Daily Masses with Bishop Schlert—*Because We Are Catholic*

Wednesday, May 22 - St. Joseph the Worker, Orefield - 8:30 am

Monday, September 9 - Our Lady of Mercy, Easton - 8:00 am

Thursday, September 12 - Holy Guardian Angels, Reading 8 am

Monday, September 16 - St. Teresa of Calcutta, Mahanoy City - 6:00 pm

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM OUR PARISH

Our Parish is looking for people that are Extraordinary Ministers or would like to become a Extraordinary Ministers to take Communion to the Broad Mountain Nursing Home in Frackville on Sunday mornings and/or to those shut ins that would like to receive Communion (this is usually on a monthly basis).

If interested, kindly call the Parish Office at 570-874-0610 ext. 4.

LAUGHTER CONNECTS US WITH OTHERS, MAKES OUR BURDENS SEEM LIGHTER AND CAN REDUCE ANGER AND CONFLICT.

—Matthew Kelly

— *I am not done growing yet.*