

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

Father Robert Finlan, M.Div., M.A., M.Ed.

Pastor



Saint Joseph the Worker

PARISH OFFICE

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Mass Schedule: Ext. 5, Parish Office: Ext. 1, Parish Secretary Ext. 4

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Email: frackvillerc3@verizon.net

Parish web site: www.frackvillecatholic.org

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM-3:30 PM

The office is closed for federal holidays/holydays.

PARISH REGISTRATION AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

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

REGIONAL SCHOOLS

Trinity Academy at the Father Walter J. Cizek, SJ,

Sr. Margaret M. McCullough, Principal

233 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah, PA 17976

Telephone: (570) 462-3927,

www.TrinityMatters.com

Marian Catholic High School

Mrs. Jean Susko, Principal

166 Marian Avenue, Tamaqua, PA 18252

Telephone: (570) 467-3335, Website:

www.mariancatholics.org

Nativity B.V.M. High School

Lynn Sabol, Principal

One Lawtons Hill, Pottsville, PA 17901

Telephone: (570) 622-8110, www.nativitybvm.net

St. Joseph Center for Special Learning, Inc.

Roobhenn Smith, Principal

2075 West Norwegian Street, Pottsville, PA 17901

570-622-4638 Fax: 570-622-3420 www.stjosephctr.com

St. Joseph Parish Complex Locations

49 North Line Street

37 S. Broad Mountain Avenue

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism- The sacrament of Baptism is ordinarily celebrated immediately following the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays. 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 (**NOT Confidential**)

www.victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org

DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR:

Sister Meg Cole, S.S.J., MS, LMFT

Phone: (610) 332-0442, Ext. 2019

mcole@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.

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SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

APRIL 8, 2018

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

All Masses in St. Ann Church unless otherwise noted.

Saturday, April 7

4:00 PM Francis & Helen Heine requested by Family

Sunday, April 8-Mercy Sunday

8:30 AM Special Intention

10:00 AM Joseph Alshon requested by Wife & Children

11:30 AM Ann & Jack Cicioni requested by daughter, Nancy and Family

Monday, April 9 (The Annunciation of the Lord)

6:00 PM John & Jean Shaner requested by Daughter
BVM

Tuesday, April 10 (Note time change)

7:00 AM Joseph & Rose Costa, Dolores & Judy
Krolick requested by Marie Costa & Family

Wednesday, April 11

8:05 AM For all those remembered in our Memorial
Fund

Thursday, April 12

8:05 AM Julia Chaya & John Chaya, Jr. requested by
Irene & Joe Chaya

Friday, April 13

8:05 AM NO MASS

Saturday, April 14

4:00 PM Special Intention requested by Carolyn

Sunday, April 15

8:30 AM John F. Bolinsky requested by wife, Linda

10:00 AM Bernie Vinski requested by Wife, Children
& Families

11:30 AM For all living & deceased parishioners of
St. Joseph the Worker Parish

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.

SECURE ONLINE DONATIONS—Did you know that you can now use your credit card or PayPal account to make Secure Online Donations to St. Joseph the Worker Parish through our website (www.frackvillecatholic.org). Just look for the “Donate” button directly beneath the Mass Schedule.

CANDLE MEMORIALS

SAINT JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Sacred Heart** burns as a memorial for Stanley F., Ann and Stanley G. Rakowsky requested by Family.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Sacred Heart** burns in memory of Andrew and Rose Marie Kergick requested by Darlene and Dennis.

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

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Anthony** burns in memory of Justin Ketusky requested by Pat Kehl.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Ann** burns in memory of Robert Smith requested by wife, Anna.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of St. Ann** burns in memory of Andrew & rose Marie Kergick requested by Darlene & Dennis.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Eva Kubeyka requested by Children and Grandchildren.

The **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Joseph Arcuri requested by wife, Kathleen.

The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns for a Special Intention.

WEEKLY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 3:15 p.m. & Sunday: 8:05 a.m. in St. Ann Church

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Chapel & Youth Center

at 27 South Broad Mountain Avenue, Frackville.

Monday through Friday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Second Wednesday of each month 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Upcoming date: April 11

The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be said at 3:00 p.m.

Anyone wishing to commit to thirty minutes or an hour may call 570-874-3001. Please remember there is always a substitute available, if you are unable to make your designated time.

HOLY HOUR

The Pro-Life Holy Hour takes place the **second** Sunday of every month at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel & Youth Center.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Bereavement Ministry is available for persons who request a phone call, literature, or visit to provide grief support. Call **Parish Office 570-874-0610** if you wish to be contacted.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, March 25, 2018: \$5,557.50

Second Collection: March 25, 2018: \$314.71

Thank you for your generous support of your Parish.

PARISH NEWS

EUCHRISTIC ADORATION in our chapel will be held on Wednesday, April 11 from 7 to 8 p.m. and on Wednesday, May 9, 7 to 8 p.m. Families are welcome to bring their children. Visit for a few minutes or for the entire hour—all are welcome.

TRAVELING VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX: Good Shepherd Sunday (April 22) is also World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Our parish will be joining in that commemoration by launching this new congregation-based prayer effort. Father Finlan will be blessing this Traveling Vocations Crucifix at Mass & then sending it out into the community with one of our families/parishioners. That family/parishioner will have the crucifix in their home for one month and, while the crucifix is present in their home, they will be committing to making a special effort to pray for vocations. When their month is finished, they will bring the crucifix back to Mass to pass it along to another parishioner/family to do the same. Please consider signing up to host this beautiful crucifix for one month in your home. To do so, contact Carolyn Tenaglia 570-874-2093 or via email at carolyntenaglia@yahoo.com or you can contact the parish office at 570-874-0610.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOP

Our parish will host a Protecting God's Workshop in the Social Room at 34 South Line Street, Entrance B on **Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.** All volunteers who come into contact with a child is required to attend this training. So that includes but not limited to Vacation Bible School, CCD teachers, scout leaders & volunteers of any kind during these programs. If you would like to attend there is no cost; however, you must register by calling the Parish Office at 570-874-0610. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office and we will assist you.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

On **Tuesday, May 1, 2018**, parishioners will attend Mass at Annunciation BVM Church at 5:30 p.m. to begin the celebration of the feast of our parish patron, St. Joseph the Worker. Immediately following Mass, parishioners will enjoy a potluck dinner in the hall. The main course will be provided by the parish. Parishioners are invited to donate a side dish or dessert. The dinner is free of charge and all parishioners are welcome. Please mark your calendar and be sure to sign-up on the sheets available in the vestibule of the church by April 22, 2018. **Containers for donations will also be available in the vestibule. Contact the parish office at 570-874-0610 for additional information.**

SAVE THE DATE

TRUTH: WHAT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH REALLY TEACHES—"The Blessed Mother"

Presented by Sister Emily Vincent, IHM on **Wednesday, May 16, 2018 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in our Church Hall**, Nine South Broad Mountain Avenue, Frackville. **FREE of charge**—bring a friend. Do Catholics worship Mary? What is the Biblical evidence of the Assumption? Why is Mary referred to as the "Queen of Heaven?" No registration required. Are you in need of continuing education credits? Attending this event counts!!!

ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

April 17—PGC at 6:00 p.m. in Social Room (see below)
April 22, 23 & 24—Parish Mission 7:00 p.m. St. Ann
April 26—VBS Meeting CCD classroom Grade 6 — 6 p.m.
May 1—Feast of St. Joseph the Worker/Dinner ABVM Church and Church Hall. Mass begins 5:30 p.m.
May 2—Friends of St. Joseph the Worker Mtg. Social Room at 6:30 p.m.
May 2—Teen Trivia in Church Hall at 6 p.m.
May 16—Truth-What the Catholic Church Really Teaches about the Blessed Mother-7:00 p.m. Church Hall
May 20—First Communion at 1:30 p.m. in St. Ann Church
May 29—May Procession and Closing of CCD 6 p.m. in BVM Church

LITURGY OF THE WORD - FOR CHILDREN—"ALLELU!"

Allelu! — Children's Liturgy of the Word—is available every Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. All parish children ages 4—second grade are welcome to attend.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH MISSION

We are excited to be preparing for our parish mission, scheduled for **April 22, 23 and 24, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., in St. Ann Church.**

Our theme: Colossians 3:12-15, *"You are God's chosen race, his saints, He loves you..."*

Each evening, Father Brian Miller will reflect upon this scripture passage as it relates to our daily lives. The service will also include Benediction, Confession and reflections from our own lay faithful on how they met Jesus. Light refreshments and fellowship will follow in the social room located behind the church after the service.

Please plan on joining your parish family for this faith-filled experience.

CCD/TRIBUTE TO THE BLESSED MOTHER

Our CCD school year will conclude with a prayer service and tribute to our Blessed Mother on Sunday, April 29 in Annunciation BVM Church at 6:00 p.m. Parents are asked to attend. All students will participate. Certificates will also be awarded to students who have achieved perfect attendance, etc. Children will be dismissed at the conclusion of the service—approximately 6:30/6:45 p.m.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-"SHIPWRECKED"

Registration is now open for our summer vacation bible school, Shipwrecked. All parish children in grades Pre-K through 5, interested in participating, should be registered on the sheets in the church vestibule. Any older students interested in coming and helping as crew leaders should also use the registration sheets to sign up. VBS is scheduled for June 18-22. There is a \$5.00 donation requested, per child, to defray the costs of the VBS supplies.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Practice will be at Annunciation BVM Church each Sunday and CCD students will simply remain for class. Children's choir practices every "CCD Sunday" from 5 to 6 p.m. Choir sings last Sunday of each month at the 11:30 a.m. Mass. *Children of all ages are welcome. Please encourage your kids to give it a try.*

ALL YOU CAN EAT HOMEMADE SPAGHETTI DINNER — sponsored by St. Patrick Church, Sunday, April 8 from 11:30 to 2:30 p.m. 319 Mahantongo Street, Pottsville. Eat in or take out. Adults \$8; Children \$3.50.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY DEVOTIONS— On **Sunday, April 8, 2018 Divine Mercy Parish**, Shenandoah will be holding its **Fourth Annual Divine Mercy Devotions at 3:00 p.m.** These devotions will consist of: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, midafternoon prayers from the Divine Office, various prayers and readings, homily, periods of reflection, hymns, procession of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction. Please note that the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will not be celebrated. We strongly encourage all participants to celebrate in their own parishes the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Holy sacrifice of the Mass.

FLAME OF LOVE

SATURDAY, April 21, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Our Lady Queen of Peace, 1402 Route 209 Brodheadsville, PA 18322. Father James Blount, SOLT is a priest of the Society of Our Lady of the Trinity, Georgia Mission. A very gifted spiritual director and confessor, Fr. Jim is a bold, charismatic preacher endowed and empowered with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Dedicated to his healing and deliverance ministry, Father travels preaching and proclaiming the Gospel whenever & wherever he can, in the United States and abroad. Eileen Piergiovanni is the Philadelphia Regional Director for the Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Flame of Love movement in the United States began in Philadelphia and Eileen is one of the founding members.

TRINITY THEME BASKET AUCTION

Saturday, April 28

The Trinity Academy 12th Annual Theme Basket Auction at St. Joseph the Worker Church Hall, Nine South Broad Mountain Avenue, Frackville. **Preview & ticket drop Friday, April 27 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 28 from 8:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.** The doors for the drawing re-open at 5:00 p.m., and the drawing will begin at 7:00 p.m. Food will be available for purchase both days. Businesses or individuals interested in donating a basket or prize may contact Ms. Grier in the Advancement Office 570-462-3927 ext. 16, Mary Jo Link and Roxanne Seltzer, Chairwomen.

COVENANT HOME CARE AND HOSPICE

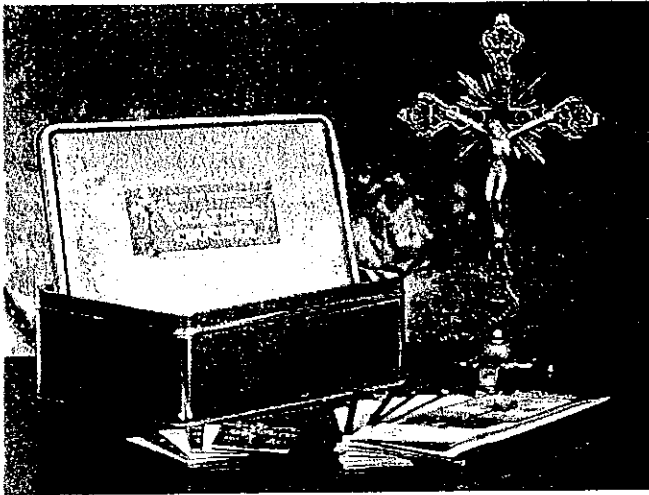
Volunteer Open House on April 17, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Covenant will be open to receive active volunteers and those interested in volunteering for a day long appreciation of Volunteerism in Schuylkill County. Refreshments will be provided. This event is scheduled during National Volunteer Appreciation Week. Covenant Home Care & Hospice, 1502 HWY 61S, Pottsville, PA 17901.

HALUPKI & HALUSKI SALE — **Saturday, April 21** at St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church, 114 South Chestnut Street, Shenandoah, PA from 12 noon to 3:00 p.m. pick up and pre orders only. Halupki \$2.00 each and haluski \$6.00 per quart. Taking orders from March 10 through April 10. Call Theresa at 570-467-3894. Leave message and include phone number. Email: tmyk@ptd.net

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE CONFERENCE TOGETHER IN HOLINESS

Register now for the Diocesan Marriage Conference on Saturday, April 14, 2018. The conference will be held at St. Ignatius Loyola Parish in Sinking Spring. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Alfred Schlert. Dynamic presenters include EWTN host Joy Pinto. Child care is available. Visit the website: www.togetherinholiness.org to learn more. For any questions call 610-289-8900 ext. 2028.

MERCY SUNDAY, April 8, 2018



Families of St. Joseph the Worker parish are invited to participate in something very special. The need for vocations is real and here is a way that you can join with other Catholics in their prayer that God will open the minds and hearts of those He is calling to serve His church.

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This program is perfect for single parishioner households, married couples, or families. Not only will we be offering additional prayers for vocations, but we will be raising awareness of vocations in our homes and families – perhaps planting the seeds of consideration in others. This will help us as we strive to build a culture of vocations as the Holy Father, Pope Francis, and Bishop Schlert have asked us to do.

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Traveling Vocation Crucifix



*A special crucifix that
travels from family to
family to inspire prayer
for vocations*