

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

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

Pastor



Saint Joseph the Worker

PARISH OFFICE

Seven South Broad Mountain Avenue
Frackville, PA 17931

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

Confessions/Adoration Ext. 7, Holy Days Ext. 6,

Bookkeeper Ext. 2, Diocesan Youth Office Ext. 9

In case of a true emergency, Ext. 8

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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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 15, 2018

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

All Masses in St. Ann Church unless otherwise noted.

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 and Families

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

Monday, April 16

8:05 AM Margaret Katilas requested by granddaughters Shirley & Sandra

Tuesday, April 17

8:05 AM Stanley Jakubowski requested by wife, Catherine

Wednesday, April 18

8:05 AM Bill Turner requested by John & Jean Cieslukowski

Thursday, April 19

8:05 AM Cody Chaklos requested by Parents

Friday, April 20

8:05 AM NO MASS

Saturday, April 21

4:00 PM Robert Ross & John E. Wasko requested by M/M Cyril J. Ross

Sunday, April 22

8:30 AM Beatrice Hendricks (25th Anniversary) requested by Janice, Mike, Michael & Mark Boychak

10:00 AM Helen Kiefer requested by Matern Family

11:30 AM Charles Hepler requested by Dolores Towers and Family

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 Ed Sklaris requested by wife, Mary.

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 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.

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, April 1, 2018: \$5,710.25

Second Collection: April 1, 2018: \$550.00

Easter Offering: \$8,500.00

Thank you for your generous support of your Parish.

TEMPORARY CHANGE IN PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Effective Wednesday, April 25 the Office Hours will be:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday-8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Thursdays-8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Fridays –CLOSED

THIS WILL BE FOR A PERIOD OF APPROXIMATELY THREE WEEKS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

PARISH NEWS

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends,

This weekend we kickoff the 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA). I am so grateful for your continued generosity to this important diocesan fundraising initiative. The Bishop's Annual Appeal funds the annual budget that offers vital services like Catholic Charities, care for our retired and infirmed priests, education of Seminarians, Catholic schools and support for our centers for special learning. I encourage you to join me in making your gift to the BAA and support these important ministries. Together we will make a difference in the lives of many people. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. To make your gift, please return the pledge form that you will receive in the mail or visit the Appeal's website at FaithHopeCharityGives.org or call the Appeal Office at 1-800-831-4443.

With gratitude, Fr. Robert Finlan, Pastor

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.**

ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- April 17—PGC at 6:00 p.m. in Social Room**
- 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 9—Eucharistic Adoration in our Chapel 7 to 8 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.

DONATIONS OF BAKED GOODS FOR PARISH MISSION

Please donate your favorite baked good that can be enjoyed following the Parish Mission. Please drop off your baked item in the room behind St. Ann Church (former pre school) before or after Masses on Sunday, April 22. Thank you for your cooperation.

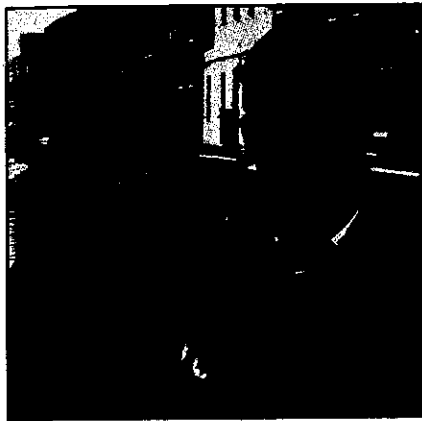
CCD/TRIBUTE TO THE BLESSED MOTHER

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.

CALLED TO SERVE



Frank & Suzanne Fox *Schuylkill County Chairpersons*

We are humbled to serve as the Chairs of the 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal for the Schuylkill County Deanery. As we reflect on this responsibility, it brings to mind how truly blessed we are, and reinforces more than ever the need for us all to respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry, give drink to those who thirst, welcome those who are strangers, clothe the naked, and visit those who are ill, or in prison, as we're not here for ourselves.

James 2:14:17 My brothers, what good is it to profess faith without practicing it? Such faith has no power to save one, has

it? If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and no food for the day, and you say to them, "Goodbye and good luck! Keep warm and well fed," but do not meet their bodily needs, what good is that? So it is with the faith that does nothing in practice. It is thoroughly lifeless.

In today's fast paced society, the pressures of our responsibilities, commitments, and the lack of time, creates a delicate balance between faith, family, and work. Therefore with so little time, but so many requests, how does one discern between the most pressing needs of our community.

For us, our faith, trust, and support lies in the programs and outreach directed by our successor of the Apostles, our Bishop, the Most Reverend Alfred Schlert. Through his Annual Appeal, we believe the neediest are served, as taught by Christ, and fulfilled through His One True Church.

Therefore we humbly request, your support to continue these efforts that provide for those less fortunate. No gift is ever too small. As Saint Paul said, "Everyone must give according to what he has inwardly decided; not sadly, not grudgingly, for God loves a cheerful giver." Together we can accomplish much.

In support of Schuylkill County...

- 12 individuals were assisted with their pregnancies, while exploring the positive options of parenting and adoption
- 13,868 hours of service provided to support with the activities of daily living at Holy Family Adult Day Care— this is the only Adult Day Care provided by the ministries of the Diocese of Allentown
- 13,772 meals were provided by the Pottsville Soup Kitchen
- 31 students received scholarships to attend Catholic Schools
- 20 school-age students and 13 adults currently attend St. Joseph Center for Special Learning and receive educational and social programs to reach their full potential

Diocese wide...

- 324 home visits provided through The Older Adults Program
- 46,753 meals provided through the Soup Kitchens
- 12 infirmed priests cared for
- 312 families received counseling and behavioral health services
- 134 Vets served through the Veteran's program
- 1,153 individuals were provided immigration services including family reunification and citizenship



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**ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER
PARISH FEAST DAY CELEBRATION
TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018**

Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 p.m. in Annunciation BVM Church followed by a parish dinner in the Church Hall at Nine South Broad Mountain Avenue.

Dinner is free of charge and all are welcome! We ask that you sign-up for the meal so we can make proper preparations for seating and food. The parish will supply the main course (meats) and beverages. Parishioners are asked to bring sides and desserts.

To sign-up for the meal, please use the sign-up sheets in the vestibule of the church. When you sign-up, we will ask you to indicate your name and the number of people (including children) that will be coming to the dinner. We will also need you to let us know if you are bringing some side dish to contribute to the dinner—and what you are bringing.

You do NOT have to bring a large quantity of food—simply take one of the free, medium-sized, disposable aluminum pans and fill it with your favorite recipe. Bring that delicious food contribution to the kitchen before Mass on May 1, and the committee will set-up the buffet. Some examples of foods to bring: salads, vegetables, potatoes, filling, fruit salad, cole slaw, etc.

If you are doing desserts, you do not need to use the aluminum pans.

Please mark your container, if you want it back following the meal.

You can sign-up beginning Saturday, April 7 and the final date for reservations will be April 22, 2018. Help is needed with set-up and clean-up. The dinner is being organized by the Friends of St. Joseph the Worker. To volunteer to help, please contact the rectory and they will connect with the committee.

Please mark your calendars for our second annual celebration for our parish patron,
St. Joseph the Worker.