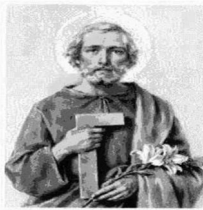


# ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

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

**Pastor**



*Saint Joseph the Worker*

## PARISH OFFICE

Seven South Broad Mountain Avenue  
Frackville, PA 17931

Telephone: (570) 874-0610—Fax: (570) 874-0969

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

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

Bookkeeper Ext. 3

In case of emergency, dial Ext. 8 for immediate response

Email: [frackvillerc3@verizon.net](mailto:frackvillerc3@verizon.net)

Parish web site: [www.frackvillecatholic.org](http://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. Judith Kathleen Knowlton, Principal

233 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah, PA 17976

Telephone: (570) 462-3927,

[www.TrinityMatters.com](http://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](http://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](http://www.nativitybvm.net)

## St. Joseph Center for Special Learning, Inc.

2075 West Norwegian Street, Pottsville, PA 17901

570-622-4638 Fax: 570-622-3420 [www.stjosephctr.com](http://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

[www.victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:www.victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org)

## DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR:

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

Phone: (610) 332-0442, Ext. 19

[mcole@allentowndiocese.org](mailto: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](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) & click on "**Youth Protection**" in the upper right hand corner of the page.

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# TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## AUGUST 20, 2017

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

all Masses at St. Ann complex unless noted

#### Saturday, August 19, 2017

5:00 PM Joseph Meade requested by wife, Dorothy & Family

#### Sunday, August 20

8:30 AM John "Jack" Stetz requested by John & Martha Bozena

10:00 AM Geraldine Wolfe requested by Kristin & Timothy Wirtz  
**ABVM**

11:30 AM Grant Klock requested by Flossie B.

#### Monday, August 21

8:05 AM **NO MASS**

#### Tuesday, August 22

8:05 AM **NO MASS**

#### Wednesday, August 23

8:05 AM **NO MASS**

#### Thursday, August 24

8:05 AM **NO MASS**

#### Friday, August 25

8:05 AM **NO MASS**

#### Saturday, August 26

5:00 PM Joseph & Mabel Ackell requested by Bob & Tina Ackell

#### Sunday, August 27

8:30 AM Walter Borzok requested by Carol & Charles Thomas & Sylvia Yonalunas

10:00 AM Bernie Brutto requested by M. Gergal and Family  
**ABVM**

11:30 AM Mary & Jack Haley requested by Eileen Wayne and Sons

#### 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.

#### HOMBOUND PARISHIONERS

If you know someone who is homebound or temporarily unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Communion on a monthly basis, please contact our Parish Office and we will set up a visit from one of our Eucharistic Ministers. Parish Office number is 570-874-0610.

### 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 as a memorial for Edward Sklaris from his sweetheart, 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 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 **Vigil Light at the Statue of the Blessed Mother** burns in memory of Joseph Alshon requested by Wife and Family.

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

#### WEEKLY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:15 p.m. and Sunday: 8:05 a.m.

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

##### **Chapel & Youth Center**

at 27 South Broad Mountain Avenue, Frackville.

**TIME: Monday through Friday from 2:00 to 5:00 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 former Annunciation BVM Convent.

#### ST. JOSEPH PARISH

##### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

**Sunday, August 6, 2017: \$6,509.52**

**Second Collection: August 6, 2017: \$335.58**

**Thank you for your generous support of your Parish.**

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##### PARISH DONATIONS ON LINE

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](http://www.frackvillecatholic.org)). Just look for the "Donate" button directly beneath the Mass Schedule.

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# PARISH NEWS

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**FREE HOT MEAL EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 4:00 TO 4:30 P.M. IN THE REAR OF BALLIET AND CHESTNUT STREETS, FRACKVILLE.**

**BISHOP-ELECT SCHLERT'S ORDINATION/INSTALLATION INFORMATION:**

**Solemn Vespers** at which the Bishop-elect will make a Profession of Faith and the Oath of Fidelity is scheduled for **Wednesday, August 30 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena in Allentown.** Event is opened to the public.

**Mass of Ordination** will be held at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena on **Thursday, August 31 at 2:00 p.m.** Because of space limitations at the Cathedral, **attendance at this event is by invitation only.** The Ordination/Installation will be broadcast live on Service Electric and Blue Ridge Cable TV locally. Efforts are underway to have it broadcast nationally as well. It will also be livestreamed on the Diocesan Facebook page: [www.Facebook.com/DioceseofAllentown](http://www.Facebook.com/DioceseofAllentown).

**SCHUYLKILL DEANERY –WELCOME NEWLY ORDAINED BISHOP ALFRED SCHLERT**

The Schuylkill Deanery will welcome newly ordained Bishop Alfred Schlert as our new Bishop of Allenton with a Welcoming Mass on **Monday, October 2 at 7:00 p.m. in St. Clare of Assisi Roman Catholic Church, Mill & Hancock Streets, St. Clair, PA.** There is a parish parking lot located at Mill & Carroll Streets half a block away from the church. The church is handicap accessible and an attendant will be on duty to assist people on the lift. Following the Mass, there will be a light reception underneath the church to meet with the Bishop.

**TRINITY NEWS:**

1. Registration is ongoing. Please call the Office 570-462-3927 for info or a tour. Some classes are reaching a "waiting list" status. Please join our Trinity Family!!
2. We welcome Arlene Pacenta as our sixth grade teacher. She is an active member of St. Charles Borromeo Parish and comes to us with a wealth of teaching experiences.
3. We welcome Jane Grier as our new Advancement Director. She is a member of St. Richard Parish in Barnesville.
4. Pre School & Kindergarten info packets are available in the school office.
5. Pre School begins on Tuesday, September 5 at 8:30 a.m. Mrs. Sharon Tobin, our teacher, is anxious to begin working with this young children.
6. Orientation meeting for Pre School and kindergarten parents is Tuesday, August 22 at 6:30 p.m. Students are encouraged to join the parents that evening.
7. "Trinity Sundaes" - Meet and Greet is scheduled for Sunday, August 20 from 4 to 6 p.m. Come meet our principal, Sister Margaret, our new faculty and staff members, new families, and socialize with other Trinity family members.

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

August 23, Wednesday—Movie night in the St. Ann Grove at 8:30 p.m.

August 26 & 27—Backpack Blessings — **ALL Masses**

**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.

**2017 CONFIRMATION DATE**

The date for Confirmation for St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland and St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville will be Thursday, October 5 at 4:30 p.m. Location will be decided at a later date. Thank you.

**CCD REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018**

Those children returning to CCD will receive a packet in the mail with the registration form, calendar, etc. Those that are new to CCD, please pick up a packet in the vestibule of the church or at the Parish Office. Questions, please contact Carolyn DRE at 570-874-2093. **Deadline to sign up is August 27, 2017. Classes for Pre K to 8th grade begin on September 10.**

**NEXT MOVIE NIGHT**

Our next movie night is **Wednesday, August 23.** Our feature film, **SING** will begin at 8:30 p.m. The movie is free and popcorn/drinks will be provided free of charge. Bring a chair/blanket and join us in the parish picnic grove for the last outdoor movie of the season.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY HOAGIE SALE**

The Knights of Columbus #2580 will hold their monthly hoagie sale. The hoagies come in a variety of configurations and may be ordered on or before **Monday, August 28 by calling Joseph Recla at 570-874-1673.** Cost is \$4.50 each and may be ordered for **pick up only** at the former St. Ann Pre School. The Knights of Columbus thank you for your continued support of this important fund raiser.

**PARISH SCAVENGER HUNT**

Just a reminder that the parish scavenger hunt for children in grades K through 8 continues through August 27. Instruction sheets with clues are in the vestibule of the church—winners of the hunt will be announced September 3.

**FRIENDS OF ST. JOSEPH MEETING**

The Friends of St. Joseph will start up their monthly meetings again on **Wednesday, September 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Room at 34 South Line Street, Entrance B.** If you would like to assist in helping your parish, please plan to attend.

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:**

**“Where there is no obedience there is no virtue, where there is no virtue there is no good, where there is no good there is no love, where there is no love, there is no God, and where there is no God there is no Paradis.”**  
—St. Padre Pio of Peitrelcina

**Protecting God’s Children Class**

Monday, August 21 at St. Ambrose in Schuylkill Haven from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Call and register if you plan on volunteering within the Parish and are over the age of 18 years. **570-385-1031**.

**2017 PARISH FESTIVAL BASKET WINNERS AND RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS:**

**Raffle winners:** Karen Domalakes #01417—\$500; R. Richart #04053—\$300; Tracy Miller #03186—\$200; Chester Martz #01698—\$100; Tom Hede #06260—\$100.

**Basket winners:** **Large baskets**—Dale—Food baskets; Diane Homemade blanket; Nate 40” TV; Mary — Portable Grill; Mary Ann—Roaster/cookware; Keri—Tote/\$20 Capital Foods; Mary—Picture/Lottery Tickets.

**Regular baskets**—B.J.—Cookware; Sherry—Treasure Box; Deb-Summer Basket; Andrea-Tool pouch; Mary/John-Pool fun; Erin-Little Anthony’s Pizza; Joe-Tea Basket; Frantz-Bathroom; Rod-Fun Basket; June-Boys’ Basket; Dorothy-Cleaning; Brown-Clock; Lukie-Party/snacks; Yost— Hair Products & Kitchenware; Brophy-Beach; Jenna-Boy’s Basket; Ron-Knoebel’s Tickets; Amanda-Ladies’ Wallet; Angel-Hair Products; Sadie-Fishing; Sue-Kitchen; Gina-Girls’ Basket; Ursala-Bath; Monika-Tote/Containers; Kay-Crockpot; M.G. Ice Cream; Luciani-Taste of Italy; Searles-Crockpot/Boyer’s Card; Salta-Girls’ Basket; Margaret-Back to School; M&J-”Scent”Sational; Barb-Owl; Margaret-Italian; Kim-Pet; E.J.-Cooler; Ang-Men’s Basket; MJ-Throw/Candle; Dona-Bathroom; Cindy-Assorted Items; Deb-Kitchen; Tarson-Pizza Place; Nat-Francesco’s Gift Card; Marge-Frackville Fitness; Pavalko-Frackville Fitness; Ashley-Frackville Fitness; Joanne-Candle & Cash; Cathie-Bean Bag Game; Kane-Star Wars; Marisa-Disney; Tatum-Monster High; Eli-Disney; Emily Disney; Ruth-Games; May-Bath; Theresa-Pasta.

**Thank you to all who donated baskets and those who purchased tickets, as well as, those that purchased or sold their raffle tickets and were sponsors. Final totals will be forthcoming.**

**CONSECRATION OF THE DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

In honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our lady of Fatima, Portugal, Bishop Alfred A. Schlert will consecrate the Diocese of Allentown to Our lady of Fatima on **Sunday, October 15, 2017** at the noon Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Catharine, Allentown. All clergy, religious and lay faithful are invited to this historic event in the life of our local Church.

**ST. AMBROSE WINE FESTIVAL**

**September 23, 20-17 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. rain or shine at 302 Randel Street, Schuylkill Haven.** Tickets \$20. Advance tickets: \$15.00. Designated drivers \$5.00. (non-refundable). Parking Schuylkill Haven High/Elementary Lot or M&Q Lot. Shuttle Service will be available. Ages 21+ ID required at admissions including designated drivers. Advance tickets: Rectory 570-385-1031, The Cake Pros, K and S Flower/Vine, Something Sweet Candies or by mail: Ann 570-640-6427 or Jack 570-573-0059.

## COURAGE AND ENCOURAGE

"Before all else comes the individual person," Pope Francis wrote, "and people should not be defined only by their sexual tendencies. We are all destined to receive his infinite love." The Courage apostolate welcomes men and women who experience same-sex attractions as brothers and sisters in Christ, and helps them to respond to their vocation as sons and daughters of God, created in his image and likeness. Together with a priest chaplain, Courage members strive for chastity, build authentic friendships, and grow in holiness. For more information, please call 610-334-9147 or email [courage@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:courage@allentowndiocese.org).

Loving a family member who experiences same-sex attractions is "not an easy situation either for parents or for children," Pope Francis wrote in *Amoris Laetitia*. Founded in 1992, the EnCourage apostolate is the Catholic Church's outreach to parents and other loved ones of people who experience same-sex attractions. Together with a priest chaplain, EnCourage members meet regularly to support one another towards the goal of staying true to the teachings of the Church while maintaining strong, healthy family bonds. For more information, please call 610-334-9147 or email [courage@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:courage@allentowndiocese.org).

## YOU ARE NOT ALONE MINISTRY

If a prenatal diagnosis identifies a possible disability...You are Not Alone. There is help. The Diocese of Allentown has a network of concerned parents and professionals who have experience or worked closely with issues surrounding a poor prenatal diagnosis. For support, contact: Sr. Janice Marie Johnson, [jjohnson@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:jjohnson@allentowndiocese.org) or 610-289-8900 ext. 42.

## THE OFFICE OF YOUTH-DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN

The Office of Youth, Young Adult and Family Ministry is excited to announce that Catholic musicians Ike Ndolo and Sarah Kroger will join hit singer/songwriter, Josh Wilson, for an evening of stories and songs on Saturday, August 26th at Bethlehem Catholic High School. The event is intended for all ages and children age 2 and under are free. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit [littleflowerevents.com](http://littleflowerevents.com).

**Conference: *Strategies for Teaching Time Management to Children with/without Disabilities***, Saturday, October 14, 2017, 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon, McGlinn Conference and Spirituality Center, Reading. Directors/Coordinators of Religious Education, Principals, Teachers, Catechists and Parents of Children with Disabilities are welcome. To register contact Sr. Janice Marie Johnson, R.S.M. at [jjohnson@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:jjohnson@allentowndiocese.org) or 610-289-8900 x 2280.

**DIOCESAN FAMILY FESTIVAL SUNDAY**, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2017 11 a.m.- 4 p.m. @ STEELSTACKS VISIT THE DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN WEBSITE [WWW.ALLENTOWNDIOCESE.ORG/FAMILYFESTIVAL](http://WWW.ALLENTOWNDIOCESE.ORG/FAMILYFESTIVAL) JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED DAY FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! OUTDOOR MULTICULTURAL MASS @ 11 a.m. Bring a lawn chair. Delicious, Homemade Ethnic Foods! Haluski, Tacos, Pierogies, Kiffles, and more. Games and activities for all ages to enjoy! Petting Zoo, Inflatable Bounce House, Obstacle Course ... Live Music by Island Time Band Youth Entertainment provided by Wesley Works DJ.

**PRAY THE ROSARY!!!**



# Activities for Parish Children & Teens

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St. Joseph the Worker parish is pleased to offer the following opportunities for our youth to become involved in parish life and to learn about their faith:

- CCD - Catechetical instruction is offered to children in grades Pre-K (ages 3 and 4) through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Classes are held from September through May and are conducted on Sunday evening in the parish school at the Annunciation BVM complex. A strong staff of volunteer catechists provide instruction and sacramental prep including coursework, classroom discussion, worship, and supplemental activities. An effort is made to engage the entire family and to help children learn about their faith and learn how to live their faith. There is a registration fee per child that defrays the cost of textbooks. Registration routinely occurs each summer but children are welcome to enter the program at any time. The Parent Handbook and program calendar are available on the parish website: [www.frackvillecatholic.org](http://www.frackvillecatholic.org). For details regarding the program, contact the parish office or Carolyn at 570-874-2093.
- Youth Group – youth group is open to all young people in grades 8 (following reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation) through 12. Meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month in the Chapel and Youth Center building. Fun, food, and faith in a relaxed atmosphere.
- Frackville Catholic Youth Facebook page is a social media tool designed to provide real time reminders and announcements regarding activities and to share interesting resources for children and families.
- Annual Frackville Pumpkin Festival (Our youth does some selling event) – all proceeds benefit the Frackville Food Bank. Details will be provided through parish social media, bulletins, and the Frackville Catholic Youth Facebook page.
- Birthright Giving Tree – parish children create special gift tags to adorn parish Christmas trees. Parishioners take the tags and replace with a donation of baby items to support our local birthright and mothers in need. Information will be provided by CCD teachers to each student.
- Parish Christmas Pageant – traditionally held the last Sunday of Advent, the children illustrate the Nativity Story by portraying key players and providing musical

accompaniment and a chorus. Practices occur following CCD classes – beginning in late October. Details are shared with the parish via the bulletin, the Facebook page, and take home letters in our CCD program.

- Soup-er Bowl Sunday – Children accept donations at all Masses Super Bowl Weekend. Donations are given to the Frackville Food Bank.
- Allelu! – Liturgy of the Word for Children is offered every Sunday at the 10:00 Mass. This program is intended for children in pre-K thru the reception of First Holy Communion.
- Children’s Choir – For any parish child who enjoys singing. Practices occur on “CCD Sundays” (any Sunday when CCD is in session) from 5:00 – 6:00 at Annunciation BVM church. Children in the CCD program simply remain for their CCD instruction at the conclusion of the practice. Children’s Choir sings at the 11:30 Mass on the last Sunday of each month.
- Altar Servers – Children in grades 3 and above – who have received Communion – are invited to participate. An Altar Server class is formed each school year and typically consists of four one-hour classes. Information with details will be provided through church bulletins, parent update handouts, and the Frackville Catholic Youth Facebook page.
- Lectors – Students in grade 8 and above – who have received Confirmation – are invited to serve as Lectors. Any student interested should contact the Parish Office 570-874-0610. Training and “mentoring” will be provided.
- Children’s Bulletins – available each week in all of our churches. These bulletins contain an age-appropriate explanation of the Gospel message each week. There are two versions – one for ages 3 – 6 and another for ages 7 through 12.
- Vacation Bible School – a week full of fun and faith formation. Held each June on the grounds of the Church Hall & Parish Center. Each year, VBS has an exciting theme and includes crafts, singing, dancing, bible skits, games, snacks, and imagination experiments. Older parish children can assist as crew leaders or can get involved with the decorations and preparations in the months leading up to VBS.