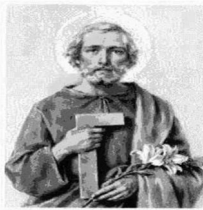


ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

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

Pastor



Saint Joseph the Worker

PARISH OFFICE

Seven South Broad Mountain Avenue
Frackville, PA 17931

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

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. Ciszek, 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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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS all Masses at St. Ann complex unless noted

Saturday, September 23, 2017

5:00 PM Joseph Verna requested by wife, Vivian Verna

Sunday, September 24

8:30 AM Tom & Sylvia Malloy requested by Tenaglia and Malloy Families

10:00 AM Mary Stank requested by Robert Kaledas and Family

11:30 AM George Joseph Kost requested by sister, Kathy and Family

Monday, September 25

8:05 AM Marie Kull requested by Jason & Kara Chrin

Tuesday, September 26

7:00 AM Deceased of Shearstone Family requested by Alice Oshman

Wednesday, September 27

8:05 AM For all living & deceased parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker Parish

Thursday, September 28

8:05 AM Ann & Malachi Gaughan requested by Peg Gaughan

Friday, September 29

8:05 AM **NO MASS**

Saturday, September 30

5:00 PM Ann Berencsi requested by Mary Urban

Sunday, October 1

8:30 AM Andrew, Helen & Leonard Tomko requested by Tomko Families

10:00 AM Sophie & John Gaborek requested by Daughter and Family

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

MASS TIME CHANGE

Mass on **Tuesday, September 26** will be at 7:00 a.m. instead of 8:05 a.m. due to scheduling conflicts. Thank you for your cooperation.

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 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 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 Arlene & John Davis requested by Darlene & Dennis.

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

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 Rose Marie Kergick requested by Dennis & Darlene.

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.

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 Chapel & Youth Center.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, September 17, 2017: \$5,528.25

Second Collection: September 17, 2017: \$330.63

Thank you for your generous support of your Parish.

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). Just look for the "Donate" button directly beneath the Mass Schedule.

PARISH NEWS

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.

NATIVITY 8TH ANNUAL GOLF TEAM OUTING

Sunday, September 30, 2017 at 7:30 a.m. (breakfast); shotgun start at 9:00 a.m. at Mtn. Valley Golf Course. Cost: \$90 per golfer. Includes: breakfast buffet, greens fees, gifts, beverages and Mountain Valley Picnic. **To register or sponsor contact: Josh Muldowney at 570-622-8110 or Al Bobinas 570-728-1389 or email: Nativitygolfteam@gmail.com.** All proceeds benefit the Nativity BVM Hilltopper Golf Program.

2017 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

St. Joseph-Frackville

Total goal:	\$20,000.00
Pledges & One Time gifts:	\$22,675.00
Amount collected:	\$21,722.50
Average gift:	\$ 135.78
Number of donors:	163
Number of registered families:	778
Participation rate:	20.95%

Thank you to everyone that donated to the 2017 BAA and helped us to reach our goal. May God bless you all.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #2580

NOTICE: Due to illness the monthly K of C Hoagie Sale is cancelled for September 28 and until further notice. Thank you for cooperation.

MARIAN QUARTERBACK CLUB-PURSE BINGO

Designer Purse Bingo featuring bags by Coach and Michael Kors on Sunday, October 22nd. Doors open 12 noon with bingo beginning at 2:00 p.m. Marian High School Cafeteria. \$25.00 for 20 games. Presale tickets eligible for a special drawing. For tickets contact Carrie at 570-449-3569 or email: marianquarterbackclub@gmail.com.

MASS/VENERATION

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and Veneration of the First Class Relic of St. Pauline Visintainer takes place on the **last Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in Our Lady's Chapel of St. Patrick Church, 319 Mahantongo Street, Pottsville.** The next Mass will be at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 25.



ST. JOSEPH the WORKER PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 29—Pierogie making in Social Room on Line Street beginning at 2 p.m.**
- October 2—Welcome Bishop Schlert-7:00 p.m. at St. Clare of Assisi in St. Clair.**
- October 4—Pierogies & haluski will be made for the Pumpkin Fest starting at 8 a.m. in St. Ann kitchen.**
- October 4—Friends of St. Joseph the Worker meeting at 6:30 in Social Room**
- October 5—Confirmation 4:30 p.m. at St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland**
- October 7—Pumpkin Fest**
- October 13—Pierogie making in Social Room on Line Street beginning at 2 p.m.**
- October 27—Pierogie making in Social Room on Line Street beginning at 2 p.m.**

PIEROGIE MAKING

We will begin peeling potatoes, grating cheese, etc., at 2:00 p.m. and continue with dough, assembly and boiling into the evening. All sessions at Social Room & Kitchen at 34 South Line Street. **Sessions: September 15, September 29, October 13 & October 27.**

PIEROGIES/HALUSKIE

Pierogies and haluski will be made beginning on **October 4 at 8:00 a.m. in St. Ann kitchen.** Please come and lend a hand so the Frackville Pumpkin Fest can be a success.

We also need help the day of the Pumpkin Fest, Saturday, October 7 at 9:00 a.m. in the St. Ann kitchen to deliver items to the selling table at the Pumpkin Fest.

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.

HURRIANE IRMA COLLECTION

Bishop Schlert has authorized a free-will second collection during the weekend of September 30 and October 1 for all those affected by Hurricane Irma. We will take the second collection up at all Masses and it will be sent to the Diocese for those victims of Hurricane Irma. Thank you.

THE FAMILY FULLY ALIVE: 100 YEARS OF FATIMA

Calling all families! Join us for The Family Fully Alive: 100 Years of Fatima on **Sunday, October 22, 2017.** The Office of Youth, Young Adult and Family Ministry of the Diocese of Allentown invites you to come together as a family to celebrate the 100 year anniversary of Our Lady's appearance at Fatima and learn about what Our Lady told the world at that time! Events will include a family Holy Hour, Fatima related crafts and activities, and a family meal (pasta, salad, rolls). The celebration will be held at St. Patrick Parish (319 Mahantongo St., Pottsville). The registration cost of \$10/family includes dinner and activities for the entire family, and we encourage families with children of all ages to attend! For questions, contact Alexa Doncsez at adoncsez@allentowndiocese.org.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"Patience smooths away lots of difficulties." — St. John Bosco

THEME BASKET AUCTION AND FOOD SALE—ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH

A Theme Basket Auction and Food Sale will be held at St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall, Nine South Broad Mountain Avenue, Frackville, on **Saturday, November 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** A **Browse & Bid will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, November 3.** **ATTENTION PARISHIONERS:** Donations of Theme Baskets are needed for the auction. Baskets can be dropped off at the Parish Office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. **Sample themes:** Notre Dame, Penn State, Kids' Games, Pets, Auto, Pampering, etc. Please place a tag on the basket with the name of the person donating the basket and the contents. Call the Parish Office 570-874-0610 with questions. Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

ST. JOHN'S CURIOSITY SHOP/YARD SALE

St. John's Roman Catholic Church, 10th and Mahantongo Streets, Pottsville will host its Curiosity Shop/Yard Sale on Friday, September 29 from 4 to 7 p.m. and Saturday, September 30 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon at the Russell Building on 9th Street and Schuylkill Avenue, Pottsville. Various items including ... dishes, knick-knacks, toys, games, books, vases, kitchen items, candles jewelry, glass items, holiday decorations, appliances, linens, video/DVDs, religious items, framed prints and our Special Vintage/Collectibles section. Cut glass, silver, Depression Glass, Lenox, Stoneware, Pottery, Bone China, Milk Glass, Cake Plates and much, much, more. Food items also available...hot dogs, BBQ, pierogies, baked goods, refreshments.

ST. PATRICK PARISH ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT HOMEMADE SPAGHETTI DINNER

Sponsored by St. Patrick Church on Sunday, October 1 from 11:30 to 2:30 p.m. in St. Patrick Parish Center, 319 Mahantongo Street, Pottsville. Eat in or take out. Adults: \$8; Children: \$3.50.

STS. PETER & PAUL UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH — BASKET/GIFT AUCTION

Basket/Gift auction will take place on Sunday, October 1, 2017 at Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church Hall, 131 North Beech Street, Mt. Carmel. Doors open at 11:30 a.m., auction begins at 2:00 p.m. Browse and bid on Saturday, September 30 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Need not be present to win. Lots of great prizes...Nintendo Switch, Apple Watch, Amazon Echo, Holiday Decorative Baskets, Fine Jewelry Cabinet and so much more! Great food to eat in or take out.

HOLIDAY SPECTACULAR BINGO

Bingo at St. Michael's Church Hall, 300 West Oak Street, Shenandoah, PA on Sunday, October 15, 2017. Doors open at 12 noon. Admission: \$25 (20 games) Early Bird: 1:15 p.m. games start at 1:30 p.m. Luncheon provided. Advance tickets: 570-462-0809 to be entered into a special drawing. Five additional "special" games available. Door prizes!! All players must purchase a ticket to play.

JOB OPPORTUNITY—SECONDARY MATH TEACHER MARIAN HIGH SCHOOL

Marian Catholic High School is seeking applicants for a full-time Secondary Math teacher for the current school year. Any interested persons should submit a Standard PA application, letter of interest, resume, transcripts, copy of valid PA Certificate, Act 34 (Criminal Record Check, Act 114 (FBI Clearance), and Act 151 (Child Abuse History Clearance) and three recent letters (within two years) of recommendation to: Mrs. Jean Susko, Principal, Marian Catholic High School, 166 Marian Avenue, Tamaqua, PA 18252. Inquiries can be directed to the Main Office at 570-467-3335 ext. 2216. Applications will be accepted until position is filled. EOE.

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 experienced or worked closely with issues surrounding a poor prenatal diagnosis. **For support, contact: Sr. Janice Marie Johnson, jjohnson@allentowndiocese.org or 610-289-8900 ext. 42.**

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.

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.

BACK TO SCOUTING

Troop 780 in Gordon would like to invite any boy 6th grade or higher who might be interested in joining a Boy Scout Troop to come and visit us at our meetings on **Thursday nights at 6:30 p.m. at the Simpson United Methodist Church in Gordon** or you may contact Dawn at 570-874-2668. *We build friendships, skills and leaders for life.*

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Nativity BVM High School Part-Time Assistant Directory of Development

Nativity BVM High School is currently seeking applications for the position of Part-Time Assistant Director of Development. This position is directly responsible to the principal and the development director and will operate within a small office environment. Previous development or marketing expertise is helpful, but not a prerequisite for consideration. The successful applicant will be a self-starter, computer literate, able to work with moderate supervision under the pressure of a full schedule of activities. Some evening and weekend work is required. The position requires competencies in the following areas:

- * Alumni Data Base Management,* Written and Verbal Communications
- * Ongoing Public awareness activities * Assist with Partner School Recruitment and Recognition Program

Interested applicants are asked to forward a resume, clearances and references by **October 13, 2017** to:

Mrs. Lynn Sabol, Nativity BVM High School, One Lawtons Hill, Pottsville, PA 17901
lsabol@nativitybvm.net

SPIRIT 2017—"LORD, TO WHOM SHALL WE GO?"

The Annual Diocesan Men's Conference will be held on **Saturday, November 4, 2017** at 9:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m. at DeSales University. The day will include keynote addresses, exhibits and a vigil Mass with Bishop Alfred Schlert. Continental breakfast and lunch is included. Registration fee is \$40 (\$30 early bird before 9/25) and \$10 for high school/college students. For more information and to register online please visit www.cmfd.org. Questions call 610-289-8900 ext. 2028.

SHOWER OF ROSES FESTIVAL

Shower of Roses Festival on **October 1, 2017** at The Shrine of St. Therese, 15, East Garibaldi Avenue, Nesquehoning, PA 18240. Mass 1:00 p.m. — Bishop Alfred A. Schlert, Celebrant, Procession 3:00 p.m. Recital of the Rosary, Benediction 4:00 p.m., Shower of Blessings from Heaven 5:00 p.m., Ethnic foods, vendors, music, spaghetti dinner. Questions 570-645-2446