

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street,
Bellefonte, PA 16823

ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA CATHOLIC CHURCH

PO Box 159
353 Penns Valley Rd,
Spring Mills, PA 16875

October 5, 2025/ 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS SCHEDULE

St. John: Saturday: 5:00 p.m.;
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.
St. Kateri: Sunday 12:00 p.m.
Weekday: Varies—see weekly Mass
schedule

CONFESSION

St. John: Saturday: 3:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.
St. Kateri: First Sunday: 1:00 p.m.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

CONTACT US

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www.stkaterichurch.org

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Text "SJ814" to the number 84576

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Brian Saylor, Pastor | Deacon Tom Boldin
Fr. Joshi Narisetti, HGN, Parochial Vicar
Lorraine Fello and Rose Truglio: Office Staff
Kristina Tice: St. John School Principal
Religious Education:
Tony and Paula Roland: Directors-St. John
Millie Turner: Director -St. Kateri
Confirmation Program:
Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin: Directors-St. John
kb Boomer: Director-St. Kateri
David Harry: O.C.I.A. Coordinator
Natalie Stanton: Music Ministry Coordinator
Joe Baummer: Maintenance

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Call the rectory
O.C.I.A.: Call the rectory
Marriage: Notify pastor 9 months
in advance

St. John Masses for the week

Saturday, October 4

5:00 PM Robert D. Davis (Family)

Sunday, October 5

8:00 AM Clinton & Sylvia Swartz
(Susan Swartz)

10:15 AM C. Merrill Waite (The Family)

Monday, October 6 St. Bruno; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher

9:00 AM Carmen Rose (the Rose Family)

Tuesday, October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary

8:00 AM Mitchell Taylor
(Dick & Nancy Taylor)

Wednesday, October 8

8:00 AM James Ficarro (The Ficarro Family)

Thursday, October 9 St. Denis & Companions; John Leonardi

6:00 PM Melchiorre Family
(Helen & Lonnie Lowry)

Friday, October 10

8:00 AM Mitchell Taylor (Trish Long)

Saturday, October 11 St. John XXIII, Pope

5:00 PM Vicki Moseri (The Brezler Family)

Sunday, October 12

8:00 AM Donny Koshko (The Koshko Family)

10:15 AM People of the Parish

St. Kateri Masses for the week

Sunday, October 5

12:00 PM People of the Parish

Tuesday, October 7

11:00 PM Barbara Gillespie (Family)

Sunday October 12

12:00 PM Soul of Barbara Sorovec
(Stephanie Gover)

WEEKDAY MASS There will be Mass this Tuesday,
October 7 at 11:00 AM.

The ROSARY is prayed before Mass most Sundays beginning
at 11:30 am. Why not come a little early to church that day to
pray the rosary to Our Lady with us! Contact Millie Turner
(mlt3557@verizon.net) If you would like to lead the rosary on
occasion.

ST. KATERI MINISTERS

Lector

October 5 kb Boomer

October 12 Deb Cusatis

Eucharistic Minister

October 5 kb Boomer

October 12 Sandy Rocky

Hospitality

October 5: Diane Brown & kb & Rick BB

October 12: Adam Bowser & Shelly Ash

October 19: Millie Turner and Barb Cole

Eucharistic Minister/Lector /Altar Server/Music

Saturday, October 11 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Mike Pavone/Mary Margaret Gorzelnik

Lector: Christine Surovec

Servers: Cameron Niemann/AJ Cleaver

Music: David Harry

Sunday, October 12 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Mark & Kathy Kresovich

Lector: Jeff Drapcho

Servers: Jonathan Gasper/Matthew DeRemer

Music: Traditional

Sunday, October 12 10:15 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Barry Pearce/Kevin King

Lector: Michael Jurewicz

Servers: Grayson Evans/Braxton Hosterman

Music: Youth

SCRIPTURE READINGS

SUNDAY, TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

Monday, Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin
Jon 1:1-2:2, 11; Jon 2: 3, 4 5, 8; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday, Our Lady of the Rosary

Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130: 1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday, Weekday

Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86: 3-4, 5-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday, Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint
John Leonardi, Priest

Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 11:5-13

Friday, Weekday

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9: 2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday, Saint John XXIII, Pope

Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28

SUNDAY, TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98: 1, 2-3, 3-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

Weekly events

Monday, Oct. 6 9:30 AM Adoration
 Wednesday, Oct. 8 9:00 AM Healing Through Faith
 Thursday, Oct. 9 6:30 PM Bible Study
 Saturday, Oct. 11 6:00 PM Oktoberfest

COME CELEBRATE THE WONDER, WARMTH, AND MAGIC OF THE SEASON!

Father Brian will be hosting a bus trip to Lancaster to see the all-new American Music Theatre live, original musical Christmas Show: **DECK THE HALLS**. Check in at the decked-out St. Nicholas Hotel where we find our dashing dancers and merry musicians ready to "Deck the Halls!" Bubby Bubby bellhops and glittery guests make merriment in preparation for a visit from Old Saint Nick. This musical holiday adventure brings together friends old and new to celebrate the season with awe-inspiring performances designed to capture the hearts of the entire family. The bus trip is on Thursday, November 20, for the 10:30 am showing. Travel will be by Fullington Trailways. We will be stopping after the show at Cracker Barrel in Harrisburg. The bus will be boarding in front of St. John's at 6:15 am and returning approximately at 6:00 pm. Cost of the trip is \$130.00 per person which includes show ticket and transportation. Meals will be on your own. All reservations and money must be received in St. John's parish office by Tuesday, October 14th. Please note – no reservations will be accepted without payment. Space is limited. If you have any questions, please contact St. John's parish office at (814) 355-3134.

FR. JOSHI'S SUPERIOR VISITING

This weekend, Oct. 3-4, we welcome Fr. P. Watson of the Heralds of the Good News, Divine Mercy Province, will be visiting the parish and asking for support for their ministries. Founded in India in 1984, they are involved in forming future priests for the Church, running orphanages, health care facilities, HIV and addiction care, as well as providing housing and food for the poor. 130 missionary priests from their community work throughout world. We are very grateful that they have sent Fr. Joshi to be with us this past year.

HEALING THROUGH FAITH MEETINGS

Are you experiencing any form of grief to include the loss of a loved one?

If so, we invite you to the monthly "Healing Through Faith" meetings. It is a time when we can support one another through our Faith. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 8th at 9:00AM in the Rectory dining room and then on Thursday, October 16th at 6:30PM in the Rectory basement.

Everyone is welcome!

For more information contact a member of our Ministry of Consolation team: Ed Mulfinger at (814) 280-2755, Connie Davis at 355-1280 or Barbara Materna at 359-0354.

Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of September 28, 2025

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 8,176.70
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1,733.00
Children's Offertory:	\$ 9.00
Special Monthly:	\$ 424.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 152.40

ORDINARY TOTAL \$ 10,495.10

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Local Family	\$ 55.00
Cemetery	\$ 530.00
<u>Maintenance:</u>	\$ 415.00

EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL: \$ 1,000.00

ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: \$ 11,495.10

SCHOOL COLLECTION: \$ 675.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Holy Name of Mary	\$ 925.00
Retired Priests Medical	\$ 750.00
Catholic University	\$ 15.00
Assumption	\$ 10.00

ST. KATERI COLLECTION TOTALS (regular & online)

September 21, 2025	\$ 1,774.25
September 28, 2025	\$ 1,191.00

Thank you for your generosity!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE GOAL

St. John Parish: \$54,600.00

\$40,070.00 as of August 31, 2025

St. Kateri Parish: \$8,500.00

\$22,425.00 as of August 31, 2025

TRAVELING VOCATION CRUCIFIX PROGRAM: The Vocation Crucifix will be available to travel from home to home for one-week intervals. During that week the host family will be asked to make a special effort to pray together with emphasis on an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, as well as a clear understanding as to the vocation Christ is calling each family member. A booklet of prayers will accompany the chalice. Sign-up by calling or emailing the Church Office.

Religious Education

St. John

CCD GRADES K-8

CCD classes have resumed! Grades K-8th class times are Sunday 9:00-10:00 in St. John School. Please contact Tony (tcroland@hotmail.com) or Paula Roland (proland@dioceseaj.org) for new student registration or with any questions.

Please note the following class schedule

Oct 5th - Class - 3rd & 4th grade mass (10:15)

Oct. 12th - Class

Oct. 19th - No CCD

Oct. 26 - Class

9th , 10th , 11th Grade Confirmation Class

Mass at 10:15 am - Followed by Class from 11:15 am-12:30 pm in the School Auditorium.

Sunday, October 5 - Regular Class

Sunday, October 12 - Group Mass & Class

Sunday, October 19 - No Class

Sunday, October 26 - Group Mass & Class

Sunday, November 2 - No Class

Questions - please contact Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin at 814-355-4234(H) or text to 814-883-8123 or email at stboldin@verizon.net

St. Kateri

Oct. 5—CCD

Oct. 12—No CCD

Oct. 19—CCD

Oct. 26—No CCD

BAPTISM CLASS DATES 2025: Families who would like their first child baptized must attend a baptism class. The final class date for 2025 is December 14. For additional information or questions contact Deacon Tom Boldin at 814-355-4234(H) or text to 814-883-8123 or email stboldin@verizon.net

Around the Diocese

PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL SHINE IN WASHINGTON, DC

Seats are no longer available on the bus leaving State College for the Pilgrimage October 17, however, seats are still available on the bus leaving PNG Field (the Curve) in Altoona at 7:00 AM. Cost is \$60. To reserve a seat, call Jeanne Thompson: 814-317-2672.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE: FALL SPECIALS

- Check out our selection of Halloween Costumes and Accessories.
- We have Hunting Apparel and Accessories available.

Do you want a fun way to volunteer? We are looking for Sorters, Cashiers and Donation Greeters to join our family.

Training will be provided. To learn more, please call 814-867-3131 or stop by the Thrift Store.

Donations are accepted Monday – Thursday, 10 am – 3:30 pm and Friday and Saturday, 10 am – 1 pm ONLY.

The Thrift Store is open Monday - Saturday, 10 am - 4 pm.

Fatima Devotions: The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Monday October 13th, 2025, at 6:30pm at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. Brian Norris. Bring a Friend!

OUR LADY OF VICTORY ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR

Saturday, November 1, 2025, 8:30am to 4:00pm. OLV School Auditorium 800 Westerly Parkway. Featuring Crafts, Cash Raffle, Food Galore, Theme Baskets Raffle, Baked Goods, Kids Games, Silent Auction, Gently Used Puzzles, Games and Toys, Entertainment, Pull Tab Game of Chance. Please remember to bring your personal address labels for the Cash Raffle and Theme Baskets Raffle Tickets.

SAINT JOE'S COUPLES FAITH RETREAT

NOVEMBER 14 & 15;

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm & 8:30 am - 3 pm

\$80 per couple

Join us in the Saint Joseph's Catholic Academy Student Union for two days of reconnection and renewal for all parents, couples, and adult friends.

Led by Mary Stanford, a speaker, teacher, and writer on Catholic marriage and family life, this retreat will explore St. Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body and technology use in our families.

REGISTER TODAY

Retreat includes happy hour Friday evening, light breakfast and lunch on Saturday, workshops, discussions, and Holy Mass Saturday morning.



MEMORIALS & DONATIONS:

BirthDay Treats: Pelican's Snowballs generously donated coupons this year for each student to receive on their birthday. We are grateful for their willingness to provide each student with a delicious frozen treat in celebration of their birthday.

Lunch program donation: Geraldine Dreese and Doug Moerschbacher

Thank you to all of our benefactors and God bless your generosity to and support of our school.

LIVING ROSARY:

Our 3rd grade class will be presenting a Living Rosary on Wednesday, October 22, at 10:00 a.m. in the Church. All parishioners are invited to attend this lovely celebration with our school students.

2025 RACE FOR EDUCATION - Ready, Set, Grow!

Saint John School will be holding our 17th Annual Race for Education on Thursday, October 23, 2025. The funds from this event help us to provide quality education with affordable tuition. This is our largest fundraiser and its success helps us determine the need for additional fundraisers throughout the year.

Please visit the school website for more information or to donate directly at www.saintjohnsch.net/race or see flyers located in the back of the church.

SCHOOL LUNCH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE NEEDED:

As part of our Saint John family, we often hear from parishioners looking for ways to support our school and students in a significant way. If you would like to make a daily impact in the life of a student, we would be greatly appreciative of donations geared directly toward offsetting lunch fees for our students in need.

Saint John School does not receive government funds for school lunches, but we still have students who qualify for reduced lunches. Donations can be sent to the school office via a labeled envelope in the collection basket, dropping it off directly, or mailing to 116 E. Bishop St., Bellefonte, PA 16823. If you have any questions, please contact Erin St. Amant at estamant@saintjohnsch.net or 814-355-7859. We are grateful for your consideration.

WEIS 4 SCHOOL POINTS:

Thank you to everyone who designated our school as the recipient of their Weis 4 School points last year. Saint John School earned \$4,995.93 over the 2024-25 school year. We are so grateful for your support!

Please see the insert in today's bulletin to register your card for the 2025-26 school year. Thank you!

UKRAINE FAMILIES desperately need our help more than ever. They need rice, coffee, tea, ketchup, tuna, peanut butter, cookies, jelly salt, cereal, pasta, sugar and flour. Tubs will be located in the vestibule of the church for donated items. We need the donations by April 25th. THANK YOU!!

VOCATION CORNER

This Sunday's readings reminds us to trust God, even when life feels unfair or unclear. The readings speak of faith that waits with hope, worship that listens, and service that does what is needed. Each passage points to a life that relies on God, not on our own strength.



Habakkuk cries out over the violence he sees, but God tells him to wait for His plan. The psalm invites us to worship with open hearts and to listen to the Lord, unlike those who doubted in the desert. Paul encourages Timothy to stay strong in his mission. Jesus teaches that even the smallest faith can do great things.

This Sunday calls us to keep faith alive and active. It is a reminder that faith grows when we trust God and serve Him with simple obedience. It invites us to live each day in hope, love, and quiet faithfulness.

God can do great things with even the smallest acts of faith. If you feel a calling to priesthood or consecrated life, have faith that God will provide the strength to follow His will. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at email: vocations@dioceseaj.org.