

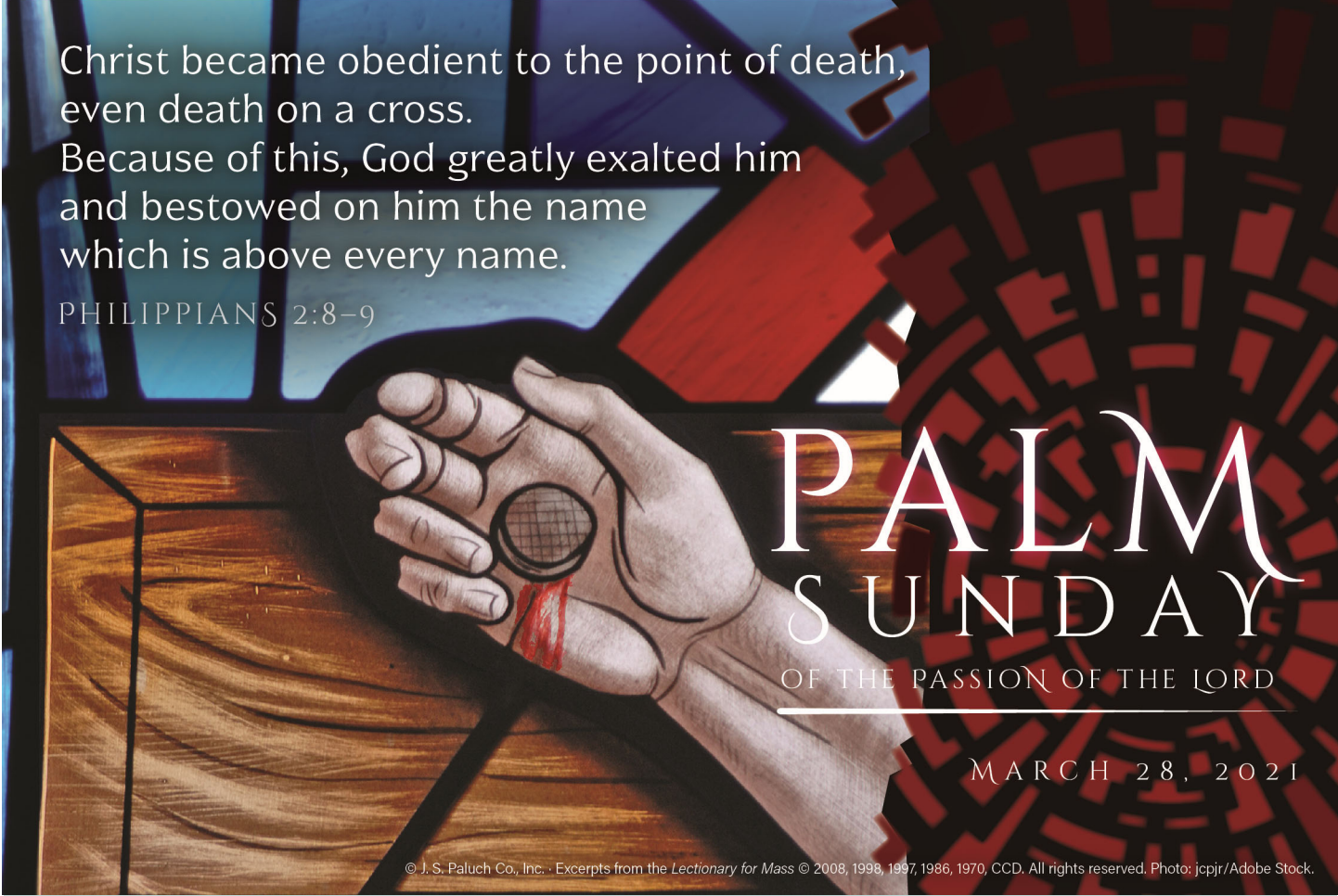
# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

Christ became obedient to the point of death,  
even death on a cross.

Because of this, God greatly exalted him  
and bestowed on him the name  
which is above every name.

PHILIPPIANS 2:8-9



**PALM  
SUNDAY**  
OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

MARCH 28, 2021

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## MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.**

**Saturday: 5:00 p.m.**

**Weekday: Varies—see weekly Mass schedule**

**St. Kateri Church: 12:00 p.m. Sunday**

## CONFESSION

**Saturday: 4:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.**

### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Fridays: 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

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# Masses for the week

## Saturday, March 27th—Palm Sunday Vigil

5:00 PM John Rackoski (The Family)

## Sunday, March 28th—Palm Sunday

8:00 AM Mitchell Taylor (Nicole Niemi)

10:15 AM Sophie Mazurkiewicz  
(Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin)

## Monday, March 29th

9:00 AM No Mass

## Tuesday, March 30th

8:00 AM No Mass

## Wednesday, March 31st

8:00 AM No Mass

6:00-6:30 PM Confession

## Thursday, April 1st—Holy Thursday

7:00 PM Health of Cyrus Cossman  
(Jason & Samantha Cossman)

**Adoration after Mass until 10:30 PM**

8:30-9:00 PM Confessions

## Friday, April 2nd—Good Friday

10:00-10:30 AM Confession

1:00 PM Celebration of Our Lord's Passion

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

## Saturday, April 3rd—Easter Vigil

10:00 AM RCIA Practice

11:00 AM Blessing of Easter Baskets

7:00 PM James Sr & Mary O'Neill  
and James O'Neill Jr (The Family)

## Sunday, April 4th—Easter Sunday

8:00 AM Clinton Swartz (Susan Swartz)

10:15 AM Elsie & Sam Nastase (Mary Ann Miller)

### PARISH STAFF:

Fr. George Jakopac, Pastor  
Deacon Tom Boldin

Liz Forstmeier & Doris Mayers, Office Staff  
Kristina Tice, St. John School Principal

Mark & Denise Leskovansky, Directors of Rel. Ed.  
David Harry, R.C.I.A. Coordinator

Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin, Confirmation Directors  
Natalie Stanton, Music Ministry Coordinator  
Joe Baummer, Maintenance

### SACRAMENTS:

Confession: Saturday 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Baptism: Call the rectory | R.C.I.A.: Call the rectory

Marriage: Notify pastor 9 months in advance

# Religious Education

## CONFIRMATION

**Wednesday, April 14, 2021**  
**7:00 PM**

Due to Covid and social distancing guidelines, we can only safely accommodate the Confirmation student, their parents and their sponsor. You will have assigned seats in the church. Please try to be at the church by 6:45 PM.

### CCD Schedule (through April)

**March 28** Upper Grades (7-11) - Last Class

**April 4** NO CLASS

**April 11** Lower Grades (K-6)

**April 18** Lower Grades (K-6)

**April 25** Lower Grades (K-6) - Last Class

### FASTING AND ABSTINENCE—GOOD FRIDAY

**Good Friday** is a day of fasting and abstinence.

**Abstinence = No meat (age 14+).** **Fasting = one full meal,** as well as two smaller meals (age 18 until age 59).

### LECTOR / SERVER SCHEDULE

**7:00 PM Thursday, April 1** **HOLY THURSDAY**

**Lector:** Max Kroell

**Servers:** *Need volunteers*

**1:00 PM Friday, April 2** **GOOD FRIDAY**

**Lector:** Max Kroell

**Servers:** Dante & Leon Pighetti

**7:00 PM Saturday, April 3** **EASTER VIGIL**

**Lectors:** Max Kroell & Pam Callahan

**Servers:** *Need volunteers*

### MUSIC MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**Saturday, April 3** 5:00 PM Stephen St. Amant

**Sunday, April 4** 8:00 AM David Harry

**Sunday, April 4** 10:15 AM Natalie Stanton

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

**Thursday:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18;  
1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

**Friday:** Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25;  
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

**Saturday:** a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10,

12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;

b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;

c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;

d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;

e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;

f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;

g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4

h) Rom 6:3-11;

i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7

**Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;

Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

# Parish News

## EXTRA CONFESSIONS

**Wednesday, March 31 from 6:00 pm—6:30 pm**  
**Holy Thursday: April 1 from 8:30 pm—9:00 pm**  
**Good Friday: April 2 from 10:00 am—10:30 am**

## ADORATION

Due to confusion about scheduled adorers' times, we are taking a break from Monday Adoration until we can reorganize in the summer. More information will come out later and we will announce when Adoration is resuming.

Therefore please remember, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Monday, April 5th** has been **cancelled**. However, there will be a special Adoration on **Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11th from 1:30—6:30 pm** in the church.

## ATTENTION RCIA

**Reminder: Saturday, April 3**  
10:00 AM—Practice for Vigil  
7:00 PM—Vigil begins

## RECTORY HOURS

The rectory office will be **closed Good Friday, April 2nd**.

## Catholic Daughters



## MEETING

The next Catholic Daughters meeting will be Thursday, **April 8, 2021 at 6:30 pm** via Zoom. Sign-in information will be sent through email.

## Knights of Columbus



## COAL TICKETS

COAL tickets are currently being mailed out. Tickets are \$5 each and are sold individually. Tickets are also available at the Council Home. Tickets and money are due by the April Council Meeting.

## Weekly Financial Report

### For Weekend of March 28, 2021

No collection report—due to the early bulletin deadline.

*If you have any offertory envelopes, please mail them to the rectory or drop them in the box on the steps of the rectory office.*

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY—Sunday, April 11th

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet on Sunday, April 11 at 1:30 pm in the church. (Immediately following the Latin Mass) Adoration will continue until 6:00 pm. Benediction and closing will be at 6:30 pm.

## CEMETERY CLEAN-UP

The cemetery maintenance crew will be doing a "Spring Clean Up" at St. John's Cemetery, Bishop St. on **Saturday, April 17th**. Please make sure that all items are removed from the cemetery lots by April 17th. If you want to keep vases, wreaths, etc. please take them for safe keeping. After April 17th, any remaining items will be discarded. As a reminder - no planting of any permanent shrubs, flowers or trees are permitted at the grave sites. Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, contact Joe Schoch at 359-2302.

## SEWING GROUP

St. John's in Stitches will meet **Monday, March 29th from 1:00-3:00 PM** in the rectory basement. Please wear a mask. New members are always welcome!

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### Monday, March 29—No Mass

11:00 am Chrism Mass, Altoona  
*No Adoration due to Chrism Mass*

### Tuesday, March 30—No Mass

### Wednesday, March 31

9:00 am St John School Live Stations  
Live stream only  
6:00-6:30 pm Confessions

### Thursday, April 1 HOLY THURSDAY

7:00 pm Mass  
8:30-9:00 pm Confessions  
**Adoration after Mass until 10:30 PM**

### Friday, April 2 GOOD FRIDAY

10:00-10:30 am Confessions  
1:00 pm Good Friday Service

### Saturday, April 3 EASTER VIGIL

10:00 am Easter Vigil Practice for RCIA  
11:00 am Blessing of Easter Baskets  
7:00 pm Easter Vigil

### Sunday, April 4 EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 am Easter Sunday Mass  
10:15 am Easter Sunday Mass



# St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church

P.O. Box 159, 3503 Penns Valley Rd Spring Mills, PA 16875  
www.stkaterichurch.org | Rev. George Jakopac, Pastor

Mass is celebrated Sunday at 12:00 Noon

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, March 28th

12:00 PM Joao Coehlo (Millie Turner)

### Sunday, April 4th

12:00 PM People of the Parish

## ST. KATERI 1st CONFESSION:

Sunday, April 11th at 11:30 AM

## ST. KATERI 1st HOLY COMMUNION:

Sunday, April 25th during Mass

## CCD SCHEDULE

Classes remaining: April 11 (last class)

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

March 28—Jim Hodgson

April 4— Donna Kuzma



**St. Kateri's 2021 CMD Goal:** \$7,590.00

## Communion Service/Holy Hour

Tuesday Communion Service and Holy Hour will be cancelled for the next four weeks (from March 30 to April 20). **They will resume on April 27.**

## WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTALS

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| March 14 | \$ 1,357.00                |
| March 21 | Not available at printing. |

## PRAYER TO ST. KATERI TETAKWITHA



St. Kateri, Star of the Native People and bright light for all! We thank God for your heroic courage, constant perseverance and deep love of the Cross. Pray for us that our love for Christ may deepen. And may we imitate you in following God's will even when difficulties arise. In Jesus's name we pray. Amen.

# Diocesan News and Events

## CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE

St. John's 2021 CMD Goal:  
**\$55,362.00**



## CATHOLIC RADIO

Tune into WJVM 90.3-FM & WEJO 104.7-FM during Holy Week & the Easter Octave! Special Programming note: There will be extended periods of sacred silence on Holy Saturday, April 3rd, in order that our listeners may contemplate the emptiness that followed the crucifixion and death of Christ. Tune into either of our two local stations, or visit the newly updated [www.waob.org](http://www.waob.org) to stream the radio content as well as daily meditations, Mass readings, and Liturgy of the Hours. Our 501(c)3 organization is volunteer-run and your tax-deductible donation may be mailed to: Voice of Divine Mercy, PO Box 862, State College, PA 16804-0862.

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION 2021

Are you engaged and planning to be married in the Catholic Church? Congratulations! The next step is to attend Marriage Preparation classes. The cost per couple is \$70. A full list of dates, places and times is online at [www.dioceseaj.org](http://www.dioceseaj.org) (Ministries, Marriage Preparation). Pre-registration is required. Register by email. Local classes will be held at **Our Lady of Victory**, State College on Thursdays 7pm-9:30pm, June 3rd, 10th and 17th. Here at **St. John the Evangelist** on Tuesdays 7pm-9:30pm October 12th, 19th and 26th.

## Please pray for those serving in the military:

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|---|---|
| LT Steven Wright, U.S. Navy               | CPT James Bickle, U.S. Army Reserve       |
| SSG Matthew Bickle, U.S. Army             | Maj T.J. Valley, USMC                     |
| CPT Nicholas Taylor, U.S. Army            | CWO James Decker, U.S. Navy               |
| LTC William Smith, U.S. Army              | SSgt Chandler Ross, Air Nat'l Guard       |
| LT Patricia Wilson, U.S. Navy             | ENS Matthew Goodpaster, U.S. Navy         |
| TSgt Joseph Trimpey, U.S. Air Force       | LT Jared T. Hallahan, U.S. Navy           |
| SrA Floyd Meeker III, U.S. Air Force      | Maj Jared Swancer, USMC                   |
| ILT Peter J. Muto, U.S. Army              | CMSgt Douglas Campbell, U.S. Air Force    |
| SrA Shane Kaschalk, U.S. Air Force        | PO2 Andrew Kaschalk, U.S. Navy            |
| AIC Ethan Scicchitano, U.S. Air Force     | TSgt Jacob Nieto, U.S. Air Force          |
| SFC Eric Callahan, U.S. Army              | SSgt Eric Roberts, Air Force Guard        |
| SSgt Kristina Roberts, Air Force Guard    | LtCol Gordon Frankenfield, U.S. Air Force |
| ZLT Caleb Gindhart, U.S. Air Force        | PFC Kaleb Weaver, Army National Guard     |
| SFC Patricia Markle, Army Nat'l Guard     | LT Joshua Malia, U.S. Navy                |
| SGT Brad D. Coder, Army Nat'l Guard       | CPT Andrew Malia, USMC                    |
| SPC Christian Callahan, PA Army Nat'l Grd | LTC Jason Meier, U.S. Army                |
| MAJ Michael R. Kranch, U.S. Army          | ILT Alexis Franks, U.S. Army              |
| LCPL Hunter M. O'Neil, USMC               | Maj Alaina Valley, USMC                   |
| LtCol Tim Jackson, USMC                   | CPT Jacob Jude Pipta, U.S. Army Reserve   |
| SGT Toby Dugal, Army Nat'l Guard          |   |

~ If you would like to include a name of someone serving in the military please email or call the rectory office. Please include their rank and branch of service.

# St. John School News



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## JJPOWELL CHURCH PROGRAM

We would like to thank the Church and all parishioners who participate in the JJPowell Church Program, which donates monies to our school based on gallons delivered to their business or home. Parishioners can call JJPowell at 355-4749 at any time throughout the year to register as a participant in the Church Program. Every gallon helps with the donation JJPowell makes to our school.

## 2021-2022 ENROLLMENT

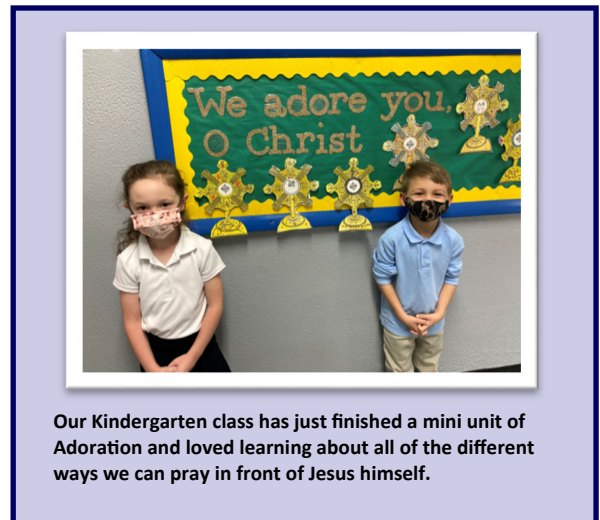
Registration for the 2021-2022 school year is ongoing. Please note: The Four-Year-Old Pre-K class is FULL and a waiting list has been started. Openings remain in the Three-Year-Old Pre-K and Kindergarten classes, as well as some limited openings in the older grades. Please contact us at 814-355-7859 or [sjadmin@saintjohnsch.net](mailto:sjadmin@saintjohnsch.net) with any questions, or to schedule an individual tour during non-school hours.

Registration forms can be located on our website at [www.saintjohnsch.net/registration](http://www.saintjohnsch.net/registration). All forms must be printed, completed and returned to the school either by mail, in the Parish collection basket or brought to the main school door weekdays between 7:30 AM and 3:00 PM. Please be sure to include a copy of the birth certificate and recent immunization records. We will then contact each registrant regarding the status of your registration.

## SCHOOL MASS & STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All Monday school Masses this year will be closed to anyone that is not a student or staff of St John School. That will also apply to our school Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent.

We will live-stream the Mass for those of you who wish to join us from home. **There is no Mass on Monday, March 29, or Monday, April 5.** The link for the live stream on Monday, April 12 is: <https://youtu.be/euaukb7len8>



Our Kindergarten class has just finished a mini unit of Adoration and loved learning about all of the different ways we can pray in front of Jesus himself.

## MIDDLE STATES REACCREDITATION

Our Middle States Reaccreditation process began back in the fall of 2018. We were set to host our team visit when the pandemic started, and we were forced to reschedule the visit two more times. Last week, after a full three days of interviews and reflective conversations, we are pleased to announce that we have been recommended for reaccreditation through the Middle States Association Commissions on Elementary and Secondary Schools.

We are grateful to our Principal, Mrs. Kristina Tice; our internal coordinators, Mrs. Natalie Stanton and Mrs. Michelle Russell; our entire faculty and staff; our School Council; our parents; our students and Father George for their collaborative and ongoing efforts in making our school a success. The one word that stood out repeatedly in the final oral report was "family." The team reported that even though the visit was virtual, they could feel the "overwhelming sense of community and family environment" in every interview and virtual classroom visit.

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

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Thanks so much!  
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