

# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

May 18, 2025/ 5th Sunday of Easter



**Blessed Carlo Acutis**

1991 - 2006

Memorial - 12 October

"To always be close to JESUS,  
that's my life plan." -Bl. Carlo

## MASS SCHEDULE

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

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

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

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

**Sunday**

## CONFESSION

**Saturday: 3:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.**

### *RECTORY OFFICE HOURS*

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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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**

**Tony and Paula Roland: 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**

# Masses for the week

## **Saturday, May 17**

**5:00 PM** Joe Basalla (Mary Jane Davidson)

## **Sunday, May 18**

**8:00 AM** People of the Parish

**10:15 AM** Lillian Boldin  
(Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin)

## **Monday, May 19**

**9:00 AM** Edward P. Rose  
(Tina & Greg Wendt Family)

## **Tuesday, May 20** St. Bernadine of Sienna

**8:00 AM** Monica Zimmerman  
(Richard & Linda Struble)

## **Wednesday, May 21** St. Christopher Magallanes & Companions

**8:00 AM** Angelo Rose (The Rose Family)

## **Thursday, May 22** St. Rita of Cascia

**6:00 PM** Ordination Anniversary Fr. Brian 26 years  
Deacon Tom 21 years  
(Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin)

## **Friday, May 23**

**8:00 AM** Bob Davis (The Family)

## **Saturday, May 24**

**5:00 PM** People of the Parish

## **Sunday, May 25**

**8:00 AM** Anthony McMahon (Father Brian)

**10:15 AM** Evon Boldin  
(Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin)



## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT ST. JOHN'S – PLANTING SEEDS OF FAITH.**

The children will embark on the coolest adventure of the summer. Vacation Bible School is filled with incredible Bible learning experiences. Children will experience their faith in real life through Bible adventures, team building games and cool Bible songs. Vacation Bible School will take place from July 21<sup>st</sup> – July 24<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm - 8:00pm for children of Kindergarten to 5th grade in the 2025 – 2026 school year. It will be held in the school auditorium. Registration is limited to 40 participants on a first come basis. Vacation Bible School is sponsored by the Catholic Daughters so there is no cost to the children. Registration forms are available in the back of the church.

Please put completed forms in an envelope marked for Deacon Tom. Place the envelope in the Offertory collection basket by June 30.

**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.

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Sunday, Fifth Sunday of Easter  
Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Rev 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35  
Monday, Easter Weekday  
Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26  
Tuesday, Easter Weekday  
Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a  
Wednesday, Easter Weekday  
Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8  
Thursday, Easter Weekday  
Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11  
Friday, Easter Weekday  
Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12; Jn 15:12-17  
Saturday, Easter Weekday  
Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21  
Sunday, Sixth Sunday of Easter  
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

## **Eucharistic Minister/Lector /Altar Server/Music**

### **Saturday, May 24 5:00 pm**

Eucharistic Ministers: Barry Pearce/Connie McCulley

Lector: Marie Lingle

Servers: Oliver & Henry St. Amant

Music: Natalie Stanton

### **Sunday, May 25 8:00 am**

Eucharistic Ministers: Kevin Trimpey/Louise Manginell

Lector: Kevin Trimpey

Servers: Dante & Leon Pighetti/ Mallory White

Music: Traditional

### **Sunday, May 25 10:15 am**

Eucharistic Ministers: Shirley Boldin/Mary Margaret Gorzelnik

Lector: Adam Rawding

Servers: Evelyn Martin/Blaire Lewis

Music: Youth

## Weekly events

**Sunday May 18**      **8:30-Noon KOC Breakfast**  
**Monday May 19**      **9:30 AM Adoration**  
**Thursday May 22**      **6:30 PM Healing Through Faith**

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Nathan Schaffer and Nicole Beach! Their daughter Scarlett Beach was baptized May 4th, 2025. May they continue to grow in the faith.

**St. John's in Stitches** sewing group have made small prayer quilts, which are available in the basket in the back of the church. Please take one if you or a friend are in need of a special prayer.

### INDOOR YARD SALE

The Catholic Daughters will be hosting an Indoor Yard Sale on Saturday, June 7, 8a – 3p. Hope you can stop by and shop!

**BAPTISM CLASS DATES 2024:** Families who would like their first child baptized must attend a baptism class. Class dates for 2025 are June 8, September 14, 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](mailto:stboldin@verizon.net)

**St. John's Cub Scout Pack 35** is holding a Country Meats fundraiser! Please help our scouts by ordering from our online page where you can choose from 13 different flavors:

<https://www.countrymeats.com/fundraiser/cub-scout-pack-35> For smaller or custom orders or any questions, please email [bgerber82@hotmail.com](mailto:bgerber82@hotmail.com)

**ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST** on Sunday, May 18th hosted by the Bellefonte Knights of Columbus. Open to the public from 8:30 am until Noon. Price is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 12, and free for children under 7. The menu includes orange juice, bacon, sausage, potatoes, eggs, French toast, pancakes, sausage gravy, oatmeal, hot syrup, peaches, waffles, coffee and hot chocolate. We make specialty eggs and Blueberry or Chocolate chip pancakes upon request. Please come enjoy a great breakfast at the Bellefonte Knights of Columbus Home at 315 Stoney Batter (up the hill from Dollar General). Eat in and Take out is available.

**Fatima Devotions:** The Franciscan Friars, T.O.R., from Loretto, invite you to participate with them in celebrating the Fatima Devotions on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 6:30pm at the Immaculate Conception Chapel on the campus of St. Francis University. The presider will be Fr. William Shee, T.O.R. We are really looking forward to seeing you.

## Weekly Financial Report

**For the Weekend of May 11, 2025**

### ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 8,642.35
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1,920.00
Children's Offertory:	\$ 13.00
Special Monthly:	\$ 265.00
Latin Mass	\$ 115.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 210.75

**ORDINARY TOTAL** \$ 11,166.10

### EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Local Family	\$ 25.00
Cemetery	\$ 150.00
Maintenance:	\$ 1,665.00

**EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:** \$ 1,840.00

**ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL:** \$ 13,006.10

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**SCHOOL COLLECTION:** \$ 365.00

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### **SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)**

Catholic Home Mission	\$ 20.00
Ascension	\$ 100.00
Catholic Communication	\$ 60.00
Holy Name of Mary	\$ 130.00
Holy Land	\$ 10.00

Thank you for your generosity!

**CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE GOAL**

**\$54,600.00**

**\$25,430.00 as of April 30, 2025**





# St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church

P.O. Box 159, 3503 Penns Valley Rd Spring Mills, PA 16875 | [www.stkaterichurch.org](http://www.stkaterichurch.org) | Rev. Brian Saylor, Pastor

**Mass is celebrated Sunday at 12:00 Noon | Confession: 1st Sunday after Mass (1:00 pm)**

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday May 18, 2025

12:00 PM

David Surkosky  
(Cathy Surkosky)

Sunday May 25, 2025

12:00 PM

Milton Turner  
(Millie Turner)

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

May 18

Jim Hodgson

May 25

Norma Muck

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

May 18

Gail Anderson

May 25

Sister Judy

## WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTALS (regular & online)

May 4, 2025 \$ 2,008.50

May 11, 2025 \$ 1,138.00

## HOSPITALITY

May 18 Diane Brown and kb & Rick BB (last one before summer)

May 25 Memorial Day No Hospitality today until Fall

**ROSARY at St. Kateri** 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](mailto:mlt3557@verizon.net)) if you would like to lead the rosary on occasion.

**COMMUNION SERVICE** There will be a Communion Service this Tuesday, May 20th at 11:00 AM followed by Adoration.

## **The current relic on display at St. Johns is of Bishop John Neumann**

This American saint was born in Bohemia in 1811. He was looking forward to being ordained in 1835 when the bishop decided there would be no more ordinations. John wrote to bishops all over Europe but the story was the same everywhere no one wanted any more priests. But John didn't give up. He had learned English by working in a factory with English-speaking workers so he wrote to the bishops in America. Finally, the bishop in New York agreed to ordain him. In order to follow God's call to the priesthood. John would have to leave his home forever and travel across the ocean to a new and rugged land.

In New York, John was one of 36 priests for 200,000 Catholics. John spent most of his time traveling from village to village, climbing mountains to visit the sick, staying in garrets and taverns to teach, and celebrating the Mass at kitchen tables.

John was appointed bishop of Philadelphia in 1852. As bishop, he was the first to organize a diocesan Catholic school system.

A founder of Catholic education in this country, he increased the number of Catholic schools in his diocese from two to 100. John died on January 5, 1860 at the age of 48.

All are invited to spend a few moments in prayer and take a prayer card.

## **2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES**

**DRIVE GOAL: \$8,500.00**

**\$10,950.00 as of April 30, 2025**

## NORTHERN DEANERY RAFFLE

Tickets for the Northern Deanery Raffle are again available. Tickets are \$10.00. Prizes include: 1st Prize: \$30,000 voucher at Miller Brothers Auto or \$25,000 cash; 2nd: 3 day Seven Points Ponton rental or \$1,500 cash; 3rd: Tussey Mountain Passes or \$750 cash; 4th: Yeti Tundra Cooler package or \$200 cash. Drawing June 7th, 2025 at Holy Spirit Festival, Lock Haven. Tickets are on sale before and after Masses this weekend!

## Tax Exempt Status

Thank you for your continued support. The Bridget and Godwin Udechukwu Foundation is now a 501(c)(3) organization. All donations to the Foundation are tax deductible. Anyone who wishes to get a receipt for their donation should reach out to Sr. Judith at 412-692-0228. Sr. Judith has purchased a piece of land for Food pantry, Soup Kitchen and clothing closet. She needs your assistance to develop the land for this project. This Foundation has an account with First National Bank. Sr. Judith has also made some adjustment to the Foundation's flyers to reflect the things she has secured as well as the current market costs.

Please look out for changes to the flyers.

Your support makes a big difference in a Nigerian village.

Thank you so much!

Sr. Judith

## **SAINT JOHN SCHOOL NEWS** [www.saintjohnsch.net](http://www.saintjohnsch.net)

There are many ways in which you can support our school families with their desire to provide a Catholic education for their children and reduce their out of pocket costs:

- Consider giving a donation directly to Saint John School in honor/memory of a loved one;
- Donate to our Angel Fund. Money given to the Angel Fund is used to assist with the tuition of families who are in need. The donor may remain anonymous, can designate a particular student(s) to receive the funds, or may request that the school administration choose the recipient;
- Direct your tax dollars directly to Saint John School by participating in the Earned Income Tax Credit Program. Contact the school for more information. We are grateful for your support and keep you, and all benefactors, in our daily prayers.

### **MEMORIALS & DONATIONS:**

**Alumni Support:** J. Ronald Hughes

**General Donation:** Rich & Kim Fornicola

**Memorial Donation:** CDA Court Rev. Patrick McArdle #448 in memory of Sharyn Pavone

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

### **CENTRE GIVES:**

Centre Gives is an annual online giving event designed to support the great work of Centre County nonprofits during 36 hours - starting at 8:00 am on Wednesday, May 14, and ending at 8:00 am on Thursday, May 15.

Please support Saint John School during this event as the funds raised will be specifically earmarked to enhance school safety and security, ensuring a continued safe learning environment for all students and staff. These resources will help maintain current systems and assist with upgrades as they become available.

### **EITC (Educational Improvement Tax Credit):**

Let your PA tax dollars help Saint John School! We have partnered with RedefinED Advisors to help local businesses and individuals direct 90% of their already owed tax dollars to help Saint John School through the Educational Improvement Credit (EITC). Please contact Hayley Younkin if you are interested in learning more, or share her information with an individual or business you know that might be interested. 814-505-9835 | [hayley@redefiningeducation.org](mailto:hayley@redefiningeducation.org) | [Redefiningeducation.org](http://Redefiningeducation.org)

### **REGISTRATION FOR 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR:**

Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now open! Registration documents can be found on our website. Registration form, birth certificate, copy of the most recent immunization records, and \$100 registration fee must be submitted to the office to complete the application process. Please contact the school office if you have any questions or wish to schedule a visit.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Congratulations to the following students from Saint John School and St. John Parish Religious Education who received our Precious Lord in their First Holy Communion on May 3: Addison Paige Burget, Arbor Kristina Cleaver, Cedric Colin Confer, Zelia Mae Cotter, Kinsley Marie Cunningham, Zachary Kyle Hillard, Gianna Noelle Ickes, Jack Albert Jennings, Penelope Josephine Kendrick, Oliver Jay Lawrence Leathers, Harper Kathryn Maney, Frances Elinor McDermott, Charlotte Rae Miller, Collin Michael Price, Aubrey Lynn Rudella, Benjamin Noah Russell, Charlie Joseph Stauffer, William Henry Weaver (Receiving May 11, 2025), May they all remain close to Jesus forever.

We would like to thank everyone who, in any way, helped to make this day possible and successful. This included the parents; teachers, Mrs. Mindy Packer, Deacon Tom Boldin, and Miss Sarah Grove; Fr. Brian Saylor, Fr. Joshi Narisetti and Fr. Michael Wolfe; Mrs. Kristina Tice; Mrs. Shirley Boldin; our photographer: Mrs. Debbie King and Mrs. Michelle Russell; Lillian and Lincoln Packer; Mrs. Tina Wendt; the altar servers: Aaron Cleaver, Jane Jennings and Luke Russell; and Mrs. Natalie Stanton and the Saint John School Choir. Also, thank you to the Catholic Daughters for hosting a light reception in the auditorium immediately following First Holy Communion and for the gifts that were given to each First Communicants. Your support of these students is greatly appreciated

**MAY CROWNING:** We would like to say thank you to those that brought flowers in to help us celebrate May Crowning on Monday, May 5th. Your thoughtful contributions helped make the event especially beautiful and meaningful.

## **VOCATION CORNER**

Easter is a time for reflection on one's vocation, or God's call, in life. It's a time to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus and the hope it offers, and to consider how that hope impacts our choices and actions. The joy of Easter can be a powerful motivator for living out our vocation with renewed energy and purpose.

### **Hope and Joy:**

- Easter offers hope and joy, which can be a powerful motivator for living out our vocations with renewed energy and purpose.
- The joy of Easter can help us overcome discouragement and find strength in our faith.
- It's a reminder that even in the midst of challenges, we can find joy in serving God and others.

