

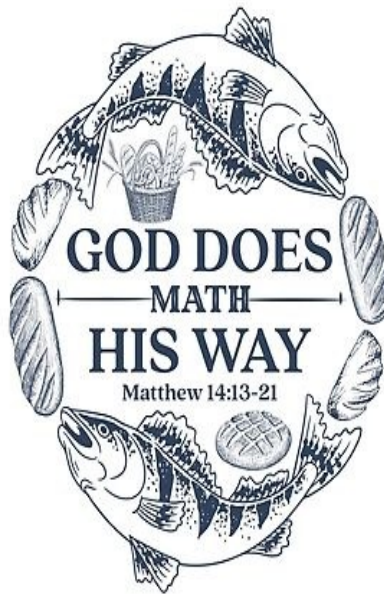
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street,
Bellefonte, PA 16823

ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA CATHOLIC CHURCH

PO Box 159
3503 Penns Valley Rd,
Spring Mills, PA 16875

August 2, 2026/18th 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 SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

FRIDAY CLOSED

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www.bellefontecatholicchurch.org

www.stkaterichurch.org

Join us on FlockNote!

Text "SJ814" to the number 84576

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Brian Saylor, VF, 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, August 1 St. Alphonsus Liguori

8:00 AM Toby Capparelle (Rackoski Family)

5:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, August 2

8:00 AM Robert Saylor (Fr. Brian)

10:15 AM Clinton Swartz (Susan Swartz)

Monday, August 3

9:00 AM Anna Mae Stitzer
(Catholic Daughters # 448)

Tuesday, August 4 St. John Vianney

8:00 AM David Grine (The Meyer Family)

Wednesday, August 5 Dedication of St. Mary Major

8:00 AM Loraine Teeter (Linsley Family)

Thursday, August 6 Feast of the Transfiguration

6:00 PM Doris Capparelle
(Chris & Barbara Berenty)

Friday, August 7 St. Sixtus II, Pope; & Com: St. Cajetan

8:00 AM Sam Berenty
(Chris & Barbara Berenty)

Saturday, August 8 St. Dominic

5:00 PM Ivicic Brothers
(Anspauch, Neidigh, & Kowalski Families)

Sunday, August 9

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:15 AM Nancy Palfey (David Files)

Eucharistic Minister/Lector /Altar Server/Music

Saturday, August 8 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Cindy Hallahan/Mike Pavone
Lector: Marie Lingle
Servers: Cameron Niemann/Elliott Brezler
Music: Jay Zimmerman

Sunday, August 9 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Paul McCloskey/Jeff Drapcho
Lector: Jeff Drapcho
Servers: Dante & Leon Pighetti
Music: Traditional

Sunday, August 9 10:15 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Paula & Tony Roland
Lector: Teresa Jurewicz
Servers: Grant Wintersteen/Grayson Evans
Music: Youth

St. Kateri Masses for the week

Sunday, August 2

12:00 PM David Surkosky (Cathy Surkosky)

Tuesday, August 4

11:00 AM Dorothy Carmen (Linsley Family)

Sunday, August 9

12:00 PM John & Josephine Rusnak
(Phil & Katy Bosak)

WEEKDAY MASS There will be Mass this Tuesday, August 4th 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

August 2 Millie Turner
August 9 Deb Cusatis

Eucharistic Minister

August 2 Shelly Ash
August 9 Sandy Rockey

AUGUST is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The month includes the Solemnity of the Assumption and encourages us to contemplate Mary as Mother and Queen who leads us to Jesus.

- ♦ Consecrate or renew yourself to her Immaculate Heart.
- ♦ Pray the Rosary, asking for a pure and open heart like Mary's.

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 crucifix. Sign-up by calling or emailing the Church Office.

BAPTISM CLASS DATES 2026: Families who would like their first child baptized must attend a baptism class. The class dates for 2026 are September 13, and December 13. 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

Weekly events

Mon. August 3 9:30 AM Adoration
Thurs. August 6 6:30 PM Fr. Joshi's Bible Study

CCD TEACHER NEEDED

St. John's CCD program is looking for a teacher for the upcoming year. If you think you might be interested in sharing God's word with our students, please contact Paula or Tony Roland at proland@dioceseaj.org;

tcroland@hotmail.com.

Clearances are required and we can guide you through the process.



DIOCESAN FAMILY CONFERENCE

Saturday, September 19, 2026
Bishop Carroll Catholic High School, Ebensburg

In celebration of the 125th

Anniversary of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, the annual diocesan men's, women's, and youth conferences have been combined into one signature event for all ages. The theme of the conference is "We Are the Body of Christ, The Church of Altoona-Johnstown" in celebration of the family of believers that has shaped the 125-year legacy of faith in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown.

This family conference offers opportunities for men, women, married couples, single individuals, young adults, teens and youth. There will be a keynote address for all and breakout sessions for the groups mentioned above. Bishop Mark will celebrate Mass as part of the day, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation and an Eucharistic Adoration Chapel will be available.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: September 4

Registration can be completed online at www.dioceseaj.org/diocesan-family-conference-2026/

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN INFORMATION PACKETS were mailed to all registered parishioners. If you did not receive a packet, please contact the rectory office so we can update our records and make sure you receive one. Many adult children have not registered under their own name/address. Please contact us so you can be registered. Email: saintjohnsoff@gmail.com or call 814-355-3134.

Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of July 26, 2026

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 7,244.10
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1,331.00
Children's Offertory:	\$ 15.00
Special Monthly:	\$ 177.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 136.65

ORDINARY TOTAL \$ 8,903.75

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Local Family	\$ 0.00
Cemetery	\$ 0.00
Maintenance:	\$ 315.00

EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL: \$ 315.00

ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: \$ 9,218.75

SCHOOLCOLLECTION \$ 85.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Holy Name of Mary	\$ 100.00
Catholic Communication	\$ 10.00
Missionary Coop	\$ 45.00

ST. KATERI COLLECTION TOTALS (regular & online)

July 19, 2026	\$ 990.25
July 26, 2026	\$ 3,070.75

Thank you for your generosity!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE GOAL

St. John Parish: \$55,600.00
\$44,425.00 as of June 30, 2026

St. Kateri Parish: \$7,700.00
\$12,980.00 as of June 30, 2026

ST. JOHN'S YOUNG ADULT GROUP:

We will not be meeting in August! We will start our monthly meetings again in September. Please be on the lookout for any future changes.

Save This Date

September 12 @ 1:30 -- A Rosary Rally is scheduled at Boal Mansion led by Fr. Joshi

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE WITH

FR. BRIAN

October 4-14, 2027

Fr. Brian invites you to join him for a pilgrimage to France.

WHERE YOU'LL GO: Paris • Lisieux • Omaha Beach • Mont St. Michel • Nevers • Paray-Le-Monial • Lourdes

COST: \$5,800.00

For more information contact Fr. Brian Saylor (bsaylor@dioceseaj.org or 814-355-3134) or L.P. Pilgrimage (1-833-944-8242 or booking@Lpjp.org).



Please pray for those serving in the military

LTC William Smith, US Army
MAJ Michael R. Kranch, US Army
CPT Everett K. Benson, US Army
CPT Alexis Franks, US Army
CPT Peter J. Muto, US Army
CPT Nicholas Taylor, US Army
1 LT Caleb Eyster, US Army
SSG Matthew Bickle, US Army
LtCol Tim Jackson, USMC
LtCol T.J. Valley, USMC
Maj Jared Swancer, USMC
Maj Alaina Valley, USMC
CPT Andrew Malia, USMC
LCDR Jared T. Hallahan, US Navy
LT Joshua Malia, US Navy
LT Patricia Wilson, US Navy
LT Steven Wright, US Navy
ENS Matthew Goodpaster, US Navy
CWO James Decker, US Navy
PO2 Andrew Kaschalk, US Navy
CPT Olivia Hale, US Air Force
2d Lt Caleb Gindhart, US Air Force
2d LT Jacob Nieto, US Air Force
MSgt Joseph Trimpey, US Air Force
SrA Shane Kaschalk, US Air Force
A1C Ethan Scicchitano, US Air Force
SFC Patricia Markle, Army Nat'l Guard
SGT Toby Dugal, Army Nat'l Guard
PFC Kaleb Weaver, Army Nat'l Guard
CPT James Bickle, US Army Reserve
Col Gordon Frankenfield, Air Nat'l Guard
MSgt Kristina Roberts, Air Guard
PV2 Trevor D. Cort, US Army
ENS Luke Sicard, U.S. Navy
Madison Ripka, HM3, U.S. Navy
David Rodriguez USMC
Cmdr. John T. Cole, US Navy
Cmdr. Maggie V. Cole US Navy

MILITARY PRAYER LIST

If there is a family member serving in the military that you would like us to add to the prayer list, please call the church office or email the secretary at saintjohnsoff@gmail.com

ANNUAL OUTDOOR MASS Bishop Mark will celebrate the annual outdoor Mass for students entering or returning to college and their families on August 2 at 7:00 pm at the Our Lady of the Alleghenies Shrine in Loretto. Recent high school graduates entering the military or workforce are also invited. During the Mass, the Bishop will offer a special blessing to the young adults and present them with a small gift. Please bring your own lawn chairs. If it rains, the Mass will be celebrated inside the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel, next to the Shrine.

CAMP ZACCHAEUS 2026

St. John Parishioners at Camp; Fr. Joshi teaching cricket



St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store: August Specials

- **EXTENDED:** Christmas in July Blowout Sale. . .All Holiday items are 50% off.

Capris, Shorts, Sleeveless Tops and Bathing Suits are available for the end of summer activities.

Are you looking for a fun volunteer opportunity? We need Donation Greeter(s) for Saturday mornings (10 am-1pm). Even if you only have one or two days a month to volunteer, we are looking for you. Training will be provided. To find out more information, please call 814-867-3131.

The Thrift Store is open Monday through Saturday, 10 am - 4 pm. Donations are accepted Monday through Thursday, 10 am - 3:30 pm and Friday and Saturday, 10 am - 1 pm ONLY

SAINT JOHN
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

JOIN OUR SCHOOL FAMILY

IMMEDIATE OPENING

Fourth Grade Teacher

Email Mrs. Michelle Russell
for more information
principal@saintjohnsch.net

Apply at:
www.dioceseaj.org/employment-opportunities-edu/



St. John School News

MEMORIALS & DONATIONS:

Angel Fund donations: Terry and Donna Neidigh in honor of Donald J. Anspauch, Jr.

In Memory of Anna Mae Stitzer: Gloria Rogers, Helen Rupert, and Mary Addis.

In Memory of Kathryn O'Leary Willing: Patricia A. Willing

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

SAINT JOHN SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:

AUGUST: Wednesdays from 8:30 - 12:30 p.m. and by appointment. Items may be dropped off at any time in the box by the main entrance at the top right of the courtyard. Although the box will be checked regularly, we would appreciate a quick email or call to notify us of your drop-off. To schedule appointments or notify of an item being dropped off: Please email mainoffice@saintjohnsch.net or call 814-355-7859.

A WARM SAINT JOHN WELCOME! It is with great joy and excitement that we announce Mrs. Michelle Russell as the next principal of Saint John the Evangelist Catholic School! Mrs. Russell is certainly no stranger to the Saint John School family. For the past 15 years, she has faithfully served our school community, sharing her gifts as an educator, colleague, and leader. She holds both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in education and brings a wealth of knowledge, experience, and dedication to this new role. Throughout her years at Saint John, Mrs. Russell has demonstrated a deep love for our school, a strong commitment to Catholic education, and a genuine dedication to our students and families. Her strong faith, knowledge of our school and its traditions, and commitment to its mission make her an exceptional choice to lead Saint John into its next chapter. As principal, Mrs. Russell plans to lead with faith, warmth, and a steadfast belief in every child's potential. She understands what makes Saint John School so special while also bringing the energy, vision, and dedication needed to continue moving our school forward. Most importantly, Mrs. Russell loves Saint John School and the people who make it the extraordinary community that it is. We are truly blessed to have someone who already knows and cares so deeply for our students, families, faculty, parish, and community step into this important leadership role. Please join us in congratulating Mrs. Michelle Russell and welcoming her as the new principal of Saint John School. We look forward with great confidence and excitement to all that lies ahead under her leadership. Congratulations, Mrs. Russell! The adventure ahead is bright!

OUR TEAM CONTINUES TO GROW: We are also thrilled to welcome Mrs. Mindy Terpak to our Saint John School family as our new Administrative Assistant! Mrs. Terpak will be joining Mrs. Weiser in the school office, working on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. She brings a wealth of knowledge, experience, and positive energy to Saint John, and we are so excited to have her join our team in this important role. Mrs. Terpak is a lifelong member of Saint John the Evangelist Parish and a 22-year member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court #448. She lives in Bellefonte with her husband, Patrick—a Saint John School alum—and their furry family members, Talley, Evvy, and Piper. Mindy and Pat also have a daughter, Brooke, who lives in Georgia with their grandsons, Myles and Nathan. After recently retiring from Penn State University following an impressive 34+ year career, Mrs. Terpak is ready for her next adventure—and we are so happy that adventure has brought her to Saint John School!

CLASSROOM CULTIVATOR PROGRAM:

Please consider becoming a 2026-2027 Classroom Cultivator!

Thank you to the following for being among the first of our 2026-2027 Classroom Cultivators:

- 3YR PK - OPEN
- 4YR PK - OPEN
- Kindergarten - Mr. and Mrs. Bill and Louise Rogers
- First Grade - Mr. and Mrs. Gary and Cathy Himmel
- Second Grade - Anonymous
- Third Grade - Ms. Barbara Carver and Ms. Kay Uncapher
- Fourth Grade - Mr. and Mrs. Gary and Cathy Himmel
- Fifth Grade - Mrs. Gloria Rogers
- Art - Mr. and Mrs. Jason and Taylor Doksa
- Music - Deacon Tom and Mrs. Shirley Boldin
- Library - Mrs. Cecelia Ebeling-Doty and Mrs. Rosalie Ebeling-Bailey
- PE - Mr. and Mrs. Bill and Louise Rogers
- STREAM - Mr. and Mrs. Bill and Melissa Yahner
- Faith Formation - Mr. and Mrs. Doug and Kristina Tice
- After School Care - Mr. and Mrs. Daniel and Barbara Materna
- Drama Club - OPEN

What are Classroom Cultivators?

Classroom Cultivators are generous individuals or families who sponsor a specific classroom at Saint John School for the year with a \$500 donation. Their support helps ensure that teachers don't need to use their own funds to provide classroom materials, student resources, and special activities - planting the seeds for a joyful, faith-filled learning environment where great things grow! We still have plenty of opportunities to support our students and teachers. Please join our mission today and help us continue to grow!

VOCATION CORNER 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In the feeding of the five thousand, Jesus takes what little the disciples have — five loaves and two fish — blesses it, and transforms it into abundance. For those discerning or living a religious vocation, this miracle speaks directly to the heart of calling. Christ does not ask for perfection or plenty; He asks for what we have, offered freely and with trust.



The disciples' willingness to place their small offering in Jesus' hands becomes the doorway to a miracle. So it is with vocation. When we offer our gifts, our limitations, our hopes, and even our uncertainties, Christ multiplies them for the good of His people. Religious vocation is this act of surrender — giving our lives to the One who can do immeasurably more with them than we could ever imagine.

A vocation rooted in this Gospel is a simple, generous yes: **"Here is what I have, Lord. Use it."**

If you sense an invitation to consider the priesthood or religious life, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at email: vocations@dioceseaj.org.