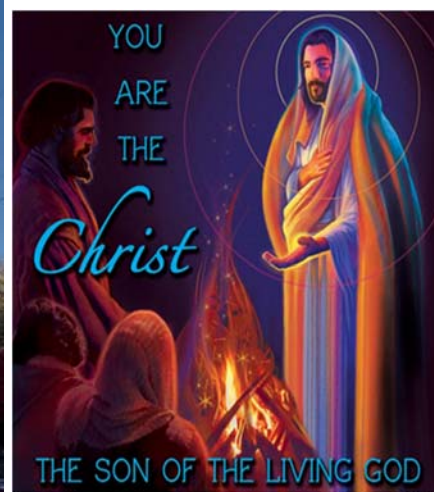


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

August 27, 2023 / 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



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.

SUMMER RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Friday: **CLOSED**

CONTACT US

(814) 355-3134 | saintjohnsoff@gmail.com

www.bellefontecatholicchurch.org

Join us on FlockNote!

Text "SJ814" to the number 84576

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Brian Saylor, Pastor | Deacon Tom Boldin
Barbara Materna 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, August 26

5:00 PM James & Mary O'Neill & James Jr.
(The Family)

Sunday, August 27

8:00 AM Paul Davidson (Karen & Phil Pipta)

10:15 AM Diane Hoy (Jim & Jane Hoy)

Monday, August 28

9:00 AM Cindy Rose (Rosalie Bailey)

Tuesday, August 29—School Mass

9:00 AM LT Jonas Panic (Tom Bender family)

Wednesday, August 30

8:00 AM Katie Saylor (Fr. Brian)

Thursday, August 31

6:00 PM Deceased members of the Paul &
Anna Oesterling Family
(Paul & Janet Oesterling)

Friday, September 1

8:00 AM All Priests Living & Deceased
(A friend)

Saturday, September 2

5:00 PM Jerome Basalla (wife Genny)

Sunday, September 3

8:00 AM Paul & Margaret Saxion
(Sam & Alice Saxion)

10:15 AM Sam Brezler (Ruth Grieb)

Eucharistic Minister/Lector/Altar Server/Music

Saturday, Sep 2 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Susan Love/Volunteer
Lectors: Art Ardire
Servers: Henry St. Amant
Music: Stephen St. Amant

Sunday, Sep 3 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Linda Jabco/Volunteer
Lector: Pam Callahan
Servers: Jonathan Gasper
Music: David Harry

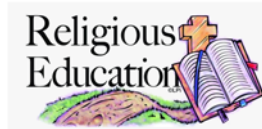
Sunday, Sep 3 10:15 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Lucia Stover/Volunteer
Lector: Doreen Koleno
Servers: Blaire Lewis
Music: Youth

Weekly events

Sunday, August 27

4:00 PM Blessing of Backpacks



CCD—Save the date

CCD classes begin Sunday, September 10th at 9 AM. We will hold a brief parents meeting the first week in the school auditorium. Students will gather with their grades and proceed to their rooms after the meeting has ended. Going forward, 2nd - 10th grade students will enter and exit the school through the main office at the back of the courtyard. Kindergarten and 1st grade students will enter at the small porch to the right of the courtyard. We are looking forward to a great year! Please email any questions to proland@dioceseaj.org and tcroland@hotmail.com.

11th Grade Confirmation Class

Sundays from 11:15-12:30 pm in the school auditorium.

Sunday, September 17—First Class

Sunday, September 24—No Class

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

RCIA Classes begin in September!

If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming Catholic, our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) classes begin in September. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Catholic faith and draw closer to the Lord Jesus. These sessions are not only for those who have decided to join, but also those who are curious about the faith – all are welcome! If you would like more information, please contact the rectory office, or RCIA coordinator David Harry at 814-880-8427 or at centreplayhouse@aol.com.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday / Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20
Monday / Saint Augustine
1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday / Passion of Saint John the Baptist
1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mk 6:17-29
Wednesday / Weekday
1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday / Weekday
1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 & 17; Mt 24:42-51
Friday / Weekday
1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 & 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday / Weekday
1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday / Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Parish News



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is
In Memory of
Marjorie Rackoski Spear from
John & Linda Plozner

TRADITIONAL CHOIR

Lift your voices in praise to God! The Traditional Choir will soon begin rehearsals, after our summer break. We are always looking for new voices especially male voices! No musical experience is necessary – just a desire to praise God through song. If you would like to join your voice with ours, please contact Choir Director David Harry at 814-880-8427 or at centreplayhouse@aol.com.

USED LAPTOP

If you have a used laptop you are ready to discard, Father Ralph may be able to use them for his teachers in Ghana. Terry Corl, is willing to collect them, clean the programs and install simple programs the teachers can use. Please contact Terry Corl 814-777-6328 or Phyllis Austin 814-357-8077 to make arrangements.

BUS TRIP

The next church bus trip to Sight & Sound in Lancaster will be on Tuesday, November 28th. We will see the "Miracle of Christmas."

Abby Weiser Gold Award Project:

Thank you so much for all the support on my Gold Award Project. I am happy to announce that the project is done, and is ready to be used for the new school year! Feel free to go up and look around at the new playground.

Saint John's in Stitches

provides a blanket for every baby being baptized at St. John's. At the present time, we are low on supply, especially baby boys. If you would like to help out by crocheting, knitting or sewing a blanket, we would appreciate the help. You may drop it off at the rectory office or downstairs in the storage room. If you are unable to get to church, please contact Rosie Wood at 814-571-8496 by phone or texting and someone will be glad to pick up your blanket. Thank you for all of your help and support with our many projects.

REMEMBER ST. JOHN'S IN YOUR WILL

If you are interested in remembering St. John's Church or School in your will, simply include as a beneficiary
"St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church,
134 East Bishop Street" or
"St. John the Evangelist Catholic School,

Weekly Financial Report

For Weekend of August 20, 2023

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 6,395.00
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1002.11
Children's Offertory:	\$ 8.50
Special Monthly:	\$ 285.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 186.03
ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$ 7,876.64

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Maintenance:	\$ 200.00
Local Family Assistance	\$ 85.00
EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$ 285.00

ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: \$ 8,161.64

SCHOOL COLLECTION: \$ 1122.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Assumption	\$ 81.00
Holy Name of Mary	\$ 2653.00
Roof Repair	\$ 525.00

Thank you for your generosity!

**Roof Collection Total
\$ 107,415.00**

**2023 Catholic Ministries Drive Goal-
\$55,970
\$33,036.00 as of July 31, 2023**

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St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church

P.O. Box 159, 3503 Penns Valley Rd Spring Mills, PA 16875 | 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, August 27, 2023

12:00 PM Ann & Larry Butz-54th Anniversary
(The Family)

Sunday, September 3, 2023

12:00 PM Jan & Millie Turner
(Jan & Millie Turner)

LECTOR SCHEDULE

August 27 Shelly Ash
September 3 Millie Turner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

August 27 Deb Cusatis
September 3 Jim Hodgson

Rosary every Sunday before Mass at 11:30. If you are interested in leading the rosary please contact Millie Turner at: 814-883-6474 or mlt3557@verizon.net.

COMMUNION SERVICE

There will be a Communion Service at 11:00 AM with adoration on August 29, 2023.

WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTALS (regular & online)

August 13 \$ 1,529.02
August 20 \$ 1,530.00

Hospitality resumes on Sunday, September 10. Would you be interested in serving on the hospitality committee? Providing food and fellowship is a great way for parishioners to get to know each other. Please contact Diane Brown at dmb490@gmail.com or 814-880-8431.

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WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Spiritual nourishment, uplifting messages, fellowship, & fun are in store at the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown STRENGTH IN CHRIST women's conference on September 16 at Mount Aloysius College in Cresson. Internationally recognized Kitty Cleveland and Mary Castner will be the keynote presenters. Cleveland, a singer/songwriter, began her professional career as a lawyer and then as a college professor, but in an adoration chapel in 1998, as she searched for God during a devastating family crisis, she clearly heard the Lord Jesus call her to become a music missionary. Castner's life changed when she discovered praise and worship music at age 14 and went on to earn degrees in Theology and Catechetics from Franciscan University of Steubenville. She serves as a youth minister at an Arizona parish and is the founder of the ministry The Father's Heart and co-founder of the Don't Shove the Dove Catholic podcast. Mass with Bishop Mark, Confessions, & lunch will be included. The conference runs from 9:00AM—4:00PM with check-in beginning at 7:30AM. Ladies are invited to stay and pray the Rosary from 4:00-5:00PM. The cost is \$20 for adults; \$10 for high school and college students. Register by September 1st online at dioceseaj.org or pick up a hard copy registration form at any parish.

Around the Diocese

OUTDOOR MASS: All the faithful of the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese are invited to our outdoor Masses **every Sunday evening at 7 PM** at the beautiful *Shrine of Our Lady of the Alleghenies*. Outdoor Masses will be held through Labor Day weekend-Sep 3, 2023. Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel.

Annual Wedding Anniversary Masses

Bishop Mark Bartchak and the Family Life Office cordially invite all couples celebrating 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60+ years of marriage in 2023 (and their families) to attend the Annual Wedding Anniversary Liturgy. Couples may attend Sunday, Sep 10 in ALTOONA at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament or Sunday, Sep 17 in JOHNSTOWN at St. John Gualbert Cathedral. Both locations are handicap accessible. Liturgies in each location begin at 2:00PM. Most Rev. Bishop Mark will be the celebrant & homilist at each celebration. Refreshments/snacks will be available after the mass for anniversary couples and their families. Reservations must be made through your parish for either celebration by **Tuesday, August 29**.



PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Kristina V. Tice
116 E. Bishop St., Bellefonte, PA 16823
814-355-7859
sjadmin@saintjohnsch.net
www.saintjohnsch.net

MEMORIALS AND DONATIONS

Alumni: J. Ronald Hughes
Angel Fund (assists families to meet their tuition requirements): Tracy Benson and Claire Kimmel

2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

- **Sunday, August 27 – Mass/Blessing of the Backpacks @ Governors Park – 4 p.m.**
- **Tuesday, August 29 – New school year begins for K-5 th grade (full day)**
- **Wednesday, August 30 – Pre-K Orientation – 9 to 10 a.m.**
- **Friday, September 1, and Monday, September 4 – No School in observance of Labor Day**
- **Tuesday, September 5 – School resumes**
- **Wednesday, September 6 – First day of Pre-K**

We look forward to seeing everyone soon!

SCHOOL SUBSTITUTES

We are accepting applications for substitute teachers. Candidates must possess a valid Pennsylvania teaching certificate and be able to obtain all state and federal clearances. Candidates must be supportive of the mission of the Catholic Church and be able to provide for the academic and spiritual health of our students. Interested applicants should contact Kristina Tice at principal@saintjohnsch.net or 814-355-7859.

SCHOOL MASS AND BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

All Saint John families are invited to join Fr. Brian for a special Mass to start the new school year on Sunday, Aug. 27, at 4 p.m. at Governors Park. Please bring a lawn chair or blanket and your school backpack to be blessed. You are welcome to stay afterward for fellowship and treats!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It is with great excitement and a warm heart that I welcome all our stakeholders to the start of our 133rd year here at Saint John the Evangelist Catholic School. Whether you are a parent or guardian, community member, parishioner, or part of our dedicated faculty and staff, your presence adds a special touch to our journey.

This year's theme, "Peace Begins with Me," couldn't be more fitting. In a world that's sometimes a bit chaotic, it is a reminder that each one of us has the power to make a positive difference. Our school has been doing just that for over a century.

As stakeholders, you all have a crucial role in creating an atmosphere of peace and understanding. Our fantastic teachers are here to guide our students, but it is your support and example that truly bring these lessons to life. By embracing kindness, empathy, and unity, you help us shape a community that lives out our theme in every way.

Let us make this school year a time to come together and strengthen our commitment to these values. What we do here has an impact beyond our school and parish, reaching into homes, neighborhoods, and even beyond. It is a joint effort that can create a wave of positive change.

I invite each of you to be an active part of our journey. Together, we'll carry forward the spirit of Saint John Catholic School, nurturing the seeds of peace that were planted by the IHM Sisters long ago. Let's step into the future with hope in our hearts and the knowledge that our collaboration can make the world a more peaceful place.

Welcome to our 133rd year! Here's to a year filled with faith, growth, learning, and spreading the message of peace.

Sincerely In Christ,
Kristina Tice, Principal