

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823



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RELIGION THAT IS
PURE AND UNDEFILED
BEFORE GOD AND THE FATHER
IS THIS:
TO CARE
FOR ORPHANS AND WIDOWS
IN THEIR AFFLICTION.

JAMES 1:27

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 29, 2021

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 *SUMMER* OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Fridays: Closed

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Masses for the week

Saturday, August 28—St. Augustine

5:00 PM Deceased members of Haranin Family
(The Family)

Sunday, August 29

8:00 AM Intentions of Mary Margaret Gorzelnik
(Suzanne & Richard Egli)

10:15 AM Cindy Spicer (Alan Sidwar)

Monday, August 30

9:00 AM Molly Danko (Phyllis Austin)

Tuesday, August 31—School Mass

9:00 AM* For a Safe & Healthy School Year

***Please note the time change.**

**Also, this Mass is open to the public,
but we ask that you please wear a mask.**

Wednesday, September 1

8:00 AM Peter Melchiorre (Helen & Lonnie)

Thursday, September 2

6:00 PM J. Gawen Stoker (Wife, Patricia)

Friday, September 3—St. Gregory the Great

8:00 AM Sally Lewe (Patricia & Kirk Aguer)

Saturday, September 4

5:00 PM Jerome Basalla (Wife, Genny)

Sunday, September 5

8:00 AM Jack Fellen (Pat & Family)

10:15 AM James Sr. & Mary O'Neill
and James O'Neill Jr. (The Family)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration will be on **Monday, September 6th** after the 9:00 AM Mass. It will close at 1:00 PM.

MUSIC MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 4	5:00 PM	Natalie Stanton
Sunday, September 5	8:00 AM	Traditional
Sunday, September 5	10:15 AM	Folk

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Brian Saylor, 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

Parish News

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

St. John's CCD classes will begin on **Sunday, September 12th at 9:00 am for Grades 7-10th** and the first class for **Grades K-6th will be on Sunday, September 19th at 9:00 am**. For the complete schedule of the entire school year, please see the Religious Education Handbook sent home with your child.

Please note: Students in grades K-11 will enter the building at the "maintenance entrance" which is in the alleyway between the school and the church. Parents cannot enter the school building. Parents should not send their children to CCD if they are sick (Fever 100.4 or higher, Cough, Shortness of breath, Difficulty breathing). All students and teachers in K-6 must be wearing masks upon arrival and will need to wear masks at all times during CCD. CCD registration forms are in the back of the Church. Completed forms may be placed in the collection basket or brought to the first day of CCD.

11th Grade Confirmation Class

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

Sunday, Sept. 12—Class at 11:15 AM

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

CCD PARENTS

CCD parents are asked to make sure to sign up for Flocknote. This will be our main way to inform you of schedule changes. Especially bad weather and class cancellations. **Text "SJ814" to the number 84576.**

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle this week is for the **Health of Stephen Ivicic** requested by the Anspauch, Neidigh & Kowalski Families.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday:	Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

LECTOR / SERVER SCHEDULE

5:00 PM Saturday, September 4

Lector: Mary Margaret Gorzelnik

Servers: Kyle Yangula & Volunteer

8:00 AM Sunday, September 5

Lector: Pam Callahan

Servers: Leah Ondish & Madison Bohn

10:15 AM Sunday, September 5

Lectors: Michael Jurewicz

Servers: Matisse Oden & William Hoover

Parish News

CEMETERY

We are looking for a volunteer to help trim the grass along the fence at St. John's cemetery. If you are interested please call Joe Schoch at 814-777-2058. Thanks!

Calling all YOUTH

The Saint John Youth Choir is looking for more singers! If you are in grades 3-12, love to sing and are looking for a fun way to get involved in the church, you should definitely come check us out. More detailed information about Youth Choir is available on the table in the back of the church. If you have questions feel free to contact Natalie Stanton (Youth Choir Director and Church Music Coordinator) nstanton@saintjohnsch.net.



BASKET RAFFLE & JEWELRY SILENT AUCTION

The Saint John's in Stitches basket raffle & jewelry silent auction will be September 25 & 26 after all masses in the school auditorium. Also, we are going to have a presale weekend on September 18 & 19 after all masses (outside, weather permitting). Tickets are \$10 for 25 basket raffle chances and 1 door prize. Cookies and water will be available on the weekend of the 25th - 26th at the raffle. Call Joan Brummert at 353-4923 or Janie Provan at 814-933-9656 for more information or to buy presale tickets.

BAPTISMS

If you are interested in having your child Baptized at St. John's, call or email the office and provide your name and mailing address and we will mail you a Baptism packet. If this is your first child to be Baptized, you will need to attend a Baptism Preparation Class with Deacon Tom (see below). Baptisms will be scheduled once we receive your Baptism registration form and you have attended the prep class (if applicable).

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Our next Baptism preparation class is scheduled for **Sunday, September 12, 2021** from 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM in the rectory basement. You will register for the class by filling out the form sent in the packet. One more class will be offered this year: **December 5**. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Tom Boldin at 355-4234 or email at stboldin@verizon.net.

Catholic Daughters



MEETING

The next Catholic Daughters meeting will be **Thursday, September 2nd** at 6:30 PM in the School auditorium.

Weekly Financial Report

For Weekend of August 22, 2021

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory:	\$	5,789.00
Loose Offertory:	\$	899.00
Children's Offertory:	\$	13.00
Special Monthly:	\$	460.00
Votive Candles:	\$	103.35
ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$	7,264.35

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Assumption:	\$	635.00
Local Family Assistance:	\$	95.00
Cemetery:	\$	190.00
Maintenance:	\$	201.00
EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$	1,121.00

ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: \$ 8,385.35

SCHOOL COLLECTION: \$ 329.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Holy Name of Mary:	\$	20,776.00
Catholic University:	\$	20.00
Retired Priest Medical:	\$	20.00

Thank you for your generosity.

MEMORIALS

St. John the Evangelist Church received the following memorial donations:

In Memory of Molly Danko
from Deborah Gherrity, Johanna & Richard Michalik
and Phyllis Austin

In Memory of Cindy Spicer
from Pacific & JoAnne Scitti
and Judy Fryncko

FLOCKNOTE

Our newest communication tool. **It's easy to sign up.**
Text "SJ814" to the number 84576. You will receive a quick follow up text to complete your sign-up.

HOLY NAME OF MARY SCHOOL

How to support Fr. Ralph's School:

Make checks payable to
"St John the Evangelist Catholic Church"
with "Holy Name of Mary School" in the Memo.
Drop your donation in the collection basket at Mass
or mail to 134 E. Bishop St, Bellefonte 16823.

St. John School News



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As we begin our 131st year, we want to take a moment to thank all who support our school. The support of our parishioners, community members and alumni are integral to our success. This has been especially true these last 18 months. Saint John School has continued to keep the safety of our students as our priority, providing a strong faith and academic foundation at the same time. Our teachers have worked tirelessly to continue providing a strong Catholic school experience to all our students. Our students have risen to every challenge presented to them and have continued to make us proud. We were blessed to be in-person for most of the 2020-2021 school year, except for the period from Thanksgiving to New Year's, when Bishop Mark recommended remote instruction to minimize the spread of Covid-19 during the holidays.

Amid the many challenges presented to us during this time, we are proud to announce that all our classes averaged above grade level scores in both Math and English Language Arts (ELA) on the Iowa Assessment, a nationally normed achievement test, with our fifth-grade class averaging almost two years above grade level. While growth of one or more years is always our goal, these results are exceptional in a year of such uncertainty and nationwide fears about academic backsliding.

Our school's resilience and continued success throughout this time is thanks to the loyal support of our entire Saint John family. The ways in which we were blessed are countless and, on behalf of our faculty, staff, students and families, I offer my most sincere gratitude.

Most importantly, we thank the parents who choose the faculty and staff at Saint John School to care for their most precious gifts: their children. We do not take this responsibility lightly and we are humbled by their trust in us. No, we are not quite back to "normal", but we are ready for whatever challenges may come our way. We are committed to making this year the "best year ever" for our students.

God bless,
Mrs. Tice

2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

The new school year for K – 5 begins on Tuesday, Aug. 31, with full days on Aug. 31 – Sept. 2. There will be no school on Friday, Sept. 3, and Monday, Sept. 6, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

The 4-Year-Old Pre-K begins on Wednesday, Sept. 1,

SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT OPENINGS FOR 2021-2022

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 also 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 princpal@saintjohnsch.net or 814-355-7859.

WELCOME

We are pleased to welcome **Miss Laryssa Edler** as our new 3rd grade teacher. While earning her degree, she worked as a paraprofessional, substitute teacher and reading tutor. Recently, she worked as a 2nd grade teacher in a virtual school. Originally from Colorado, Miss Edler moved to Pennsylvania in August of 2020 and is enjoying exploring all the beauty that PA has to offer. Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Miss Laryssa Edler.

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

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

Mass Intentions:

Sunday, August 29

12:00 PM Lewis Turner (Millie Turner)

Sunday, September 5

**12:00 PM Intentions of Jan & Millie Turner
(Millie Turner)**

Communion Service/Holy Hour

Next service: Tuesday, August 31

Communion service at 11AM. Adoration until 12PM.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CCD for the 2021-22 school year for grades 1st thru 11th will begin on **Sunday September 19th**. Classes will be held 10:15 am to 11:45 am. Classes to be held the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month.

Only new students need to register using the forms located on the shelf in the church foyer. Return completed forms to Millie Turner.

Parents for students in grades 9th thru 11th are required to attend class with their student on the first day (September 19).

Contact Millie Turner with any questions.
Email: mlt3557@verizon.net or 814-883-6474.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

August 29—Deb Cusatis

September 5—Jim Hodgson

WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTALS

August 8 \$ 1,315.00

August 15 \$ 2,483.00

Parish News

BUS TRIP – QUEEN ESTHER

St. John's will be taking a bus trip to SIGHT AND SOUND THEATRE in Lancaster to see the new production 'Queen Esther' on Wednesday, October 6th for the 11:00 am showing. Travel will be by Fullington Trailways. We will be stopping after the show at Shady Maple Smorgasbord for the all you can eat buffet. The bus will be boarding in front of the church at 6:30 am. Cost of the trip is \$125.00 per person which includes show ticket, meal and transportation. All reservations and money must be received in the parish office by September 1. Please note – no reservations will be accepted without payment. Space is limited. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at (814) 355-3134.

RCIA

Thinking about becoming Catholic? It's not too late to join the RCIA Class! If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming Catholic, this is a great opportunity to learn more about the Catholic faith and draw closer to the Lord Jesus. 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.

Diocesan News

40 HOURS DEVOTION

A devotional prayer centered around Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held at Our Lady of the Alleghenies Church in Lilly (608 Main Street) on **Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday - September 12th, 13th and 14th**. A Devotional Service will begin each evening at 7:00 pm with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during the day. Everyone is welcome to attend!

PADRE PIO RELICS

The Windber Catholic Parishes invites you to venerate three Relics of St. Padre Pio (his blood, hair and scab from his wound). The relics will be at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Windber on Tuesday, September 14, 9am-8pm. We will have our traditional Noon Novena Mass in honor of St. Anthony of Padua and St. Padre Pio. At 6pm, we will have a Mass in honor of St. Padre Pio. The Church will be open the entire day for veneration. Also, confessions will be heard from 9-11:30am and from 1-5:30pm. Quoting St. Padre Pio, "Stay with me, Lord, for you are my light and without you I am in darkness."

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Thanks so much!
Liz