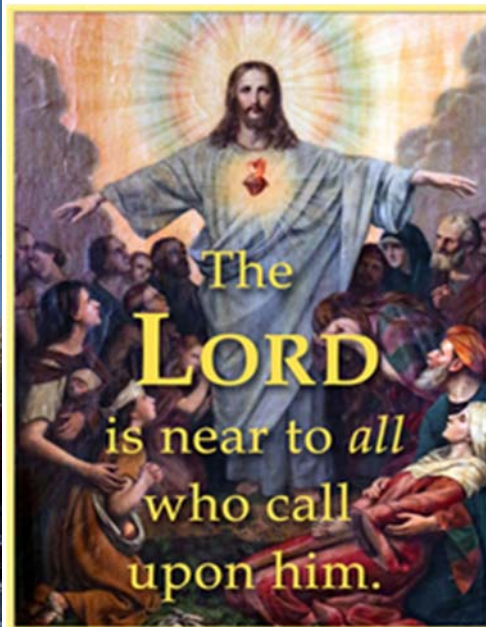


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street, Bellefonte, PA 16823

September 24, 2023 / 25th 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.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

CONTACT US

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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, September 23

5:00 PM Madeline Schuster (Fr. Brian)

Sunday, September 24

8:00 AM Henry & Anne Haranin
(Ivicic & Haranin Families)

10:15 AM Eugene & Jane Nagel (Nagel Family)

Monday, September 25

9:00 AM St. John's School Grandparents
The Greg & Tina Wendt Family)

Tuesday, September 26

8:00 AM Jennie Benzie Neibauer
(Dorothy Beiswenger)

Wednesday, September 27

8:00 AM Laura Thorne (Mom & Dad)

Thursday, September 28

6:00 PM Joseph & Barbara Kucas (The Family)

Friday, September 29

8:00 AM LT Jonas M. Panik
(Tom Bender Family)

Saturday, September 30

5:00 PM Josephie Ebeling (Cecelia Doty)

Sunday, October 1

8:00 AM Christopher Austin (Phyllis Austin)
10:15 AM Marjorie Waite
(Richard & Suzanne Egli)

Eucharistic Minister/Lector/Altar Server/Music

Saturday, Sep 30 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: George Callahan/Volunteer
Lectors: Stephanie Mullin
Servers: Megan Weiser
Music: David Harry

Sunday, Oct 1 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Art Ardire/Volunteer
Lector: David Files
Servers: Carter Boone
Music: Traditional

Sunday, Oct 1 10:15 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Linda Jabco/Volunteer
Lector: Christine Surovec
Servers: Claire Hoover
Music: Folk

Weekly events

Monday, September 25

1:00 PM St. John's in Stitches



11th Grade Confirmation Class

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

Sunday, September 24 - No Class

Sunday, October 1 - Stromboli Night 5:00 pm ***Note time change

Sunday, October 15 - Parents Meeting 7:00 in the church - ***Candidate and at least one parent must be present

Sunday, October 22 - Class

Sunday, October 29 - 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.

Cross Catholic Outreach

Father Richard Kunzman will be visiting our parish this weekend to speak at all Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday / Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

Monday / Weekday

Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday / Saints Cosmas and Damian

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday / Saint Vincent de Paul

Ezr 9:5-9; Tobit 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday / Saint Wencelaus, Martyr and Saint Lawrence Ruiz

Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Lk 9:7-9

Friday / Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51

Saturday / Saint Jerome

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday / Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Phil 2:1-11 or Phil 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32

Parish News

Thank you note from Father Ralph

Dear Fr. Brian, Deacon Tom, Parishioners of St. John and St. Kateri,

I wanted to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude for your kindness and generosity. Your unwavering support has been a source of strength and comfort for me during my three-month stay here with you.

Even though I know how hard it has been for you as a parish to meet your financial needs and your priorities, you still found a place in your hearts to provide for our school back in Beyin, Ghana. Your generosity has provided me with hope when I needed it the most. I am overwhelmed by just how kind you have been to me. I doubt these words will do justice to the way I feel, but I wanted to thank you from the bottom of my heart. I am grateful for the opportunity to have served alongside you and to have been part of such dynamic, adaptive, lovely and creative parishes.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks for your generosity. You have forever earned a place in my heart. May God continue to bless you immensely. Shalom!
Sincerely, Fr. Ralph

COME CELEBRATE THE WONDER, WARMTH, AND MAGIC OF THE SEASON!

Father Brian will be hosting a bus trip to Sight and Sound in Lancaster to see MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS.

This holiday season, travel back in time to Bethlehem as the original Christmas story unfolds all around you.

Journey alongside of Mary and Joseph, a flock of surprised shepherds, and three wise men – along with their camels! There may be no room in the inn, but God has a lowly stable prepared as the angels announce the coming of the Messiah! The bus trip is on Tuesday, November 28, for the 11AM showing. Travel will be by Fullington Trailways. We will be stopping after the show at Cracker Barrel in Harrisburg. The bus will be boarding in front of St. John's at 6:30AM and returning approximately at 7:00PM. Cost of the trip is \$130.00 per person which includes show ticket and transportation. Meals will be on your own. All reservations and money must be received in St. John's parish office by Friday, October 27th. Please note – no reservations will be accepted without payment. Space is limited.

If you have any questions, please contact St. John's parish office at (814) 355-3134.

Help Wanted – Parish Secretary

The Parish Secretary is responsible for managing the front office to include creating the layout and design of bulletins, maintaining Mass intentions calendar, ordering supplies, updating parish database, Diocesan reports, assisting in funeral arrangements, Liturgical Minister schedules and more. The position also includes processing accounts payable & receivable, OnLine Giving and weekly deposits as well as reconciling monthly bank statements. This is a part-time position (no more than 29 hours per week) serving both St. John and St. Kateri churches. If interested, please contact Father Brian in the Rectory Office.

Weekly Financial Report

For Weekend of September 17 2023

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 7,352.05
Loose Offertory:	\$ 954.60
Children's Offertory:	\$ 12.50
Special Monthly:	\$ 141.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 209.95
ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$ 8,892.10

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Maintenance:	\$ 40.00
Cemetery	\$ 463.00
Local Family Assistance	\$
EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL:	\$ 503.00

ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: \$ 9,395.10

SCHOOL COLLECTION: \$ 1,030.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Holy Name of Mary	\$ 290.00
Priest Retirement	\$ 166.00
Catholic University	\$ 56.00
Roof collection	\$ 20.00

Thank you for your generosity!

**Roof Collection Total
\$ 109,080.00**

**2023 Catholic Ministries Drive Goal-
\$55,970
\$33,639.00 as of August 31, 2023**

Titan Market will be hosting a Move & Groove for Education Event

at the market on Saturday, October 7th, 10 am - 12 pm, to benefit Saint John Catholic School. All children in the community, pre-k through 5th grade can participate. There will be a \$5 registration fee per child. Children can raise money for the school by seeking pledges from family, friends, and neighbors. If they raise \$50 or more, their registration fee will be waived. If they raise \$100 or more, they will receive a free t-shirt. During the event there will be dancing, activities, door prizes, snacks, etc. If anyone has any questions or would like to make a donation, please call Brooke Watson at 814-574-7506.

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, September 24, 2023

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

Sunday, October 1, 2023

12:00 PM BMary Colangelo
(Father Brian)

LECTOR SCHEDULE

September 24 Deb Cusatis

October 1 Jim Hodgson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

September 24 Gail Anderson

October 1 Jim Hodgson

HOSPITALITY

September 24 Shelly Ash and Susan Slenker

October 1 Stephanie Perrot and Millie Turner

WEEKLY COLLECTION TOTALS (regular & online)

September 10 \$ 1,205.00

September 17 \$ 1,792.12

COMMUNION SERVICE

There will be a Communion Service at 11:00 AM with adoration on September 16, 2023.

Annual Financial Report/Comparison

Regular Receipts	2022-2023	2021-2022
☐ Collections	\$86,115.07	\$ 93,348.35
Auxiliary Receipts	\$11,871.34	\$ 17,098.69
Total Parish Receipts	\$97,986.41	\$110,447.04
Expenditures		
☐ Parish	\$ 9,173.46	\$11,994.90
☐ Rectory	\$ 5,394.75	\$11,179.38
☐ Religious Education	\$ 1,971.75	\$ 1,535.53
☐ General Expenses	\$16,666.40	\$13,368.18
☐ Diocesan Assessments	\$15,013.00	\$14,422.00
Total Parish Expenditures	\$48,219.36	\$52,499.99

There will be a pancake-egg-sausage breakfast after Mass on October 15 as a fund raiser for Father Ralph's school in Ghana. Donation is \$6 and \$3 under 10 years old. All are welcome!

Coming Soon!

OUR NEW
Directory!



It's time for a new church pictorial directory. It won't be our directory without you, so sign-up today for family photography!

BOOK NOW

 Universal Church Directories

Church Directory

Get a free family portrait and a directory for just participating! Sign up at either church.

Appointments available at St. John the Evangelist

Tuesday, October 31 – Friday, November 3 from 2:00PM-8:30PM

Saturday, November 4 from 10:00AM-4:00PM

Appointments available at Saint Kateri Church

Tuesday, November 7 & Wednesday, November 8 from 2:00PM-8:30PM

To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to www.ucdir.com, click on photography appointment scheduling login in the right side, enter **pa1044** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have 5 or more in your family, please use 2 consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday and until Noon on Saturday. Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time.



PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Kristina V. Tice
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sjadmin@saintjohnsch.net
www.saintjohnsch.net

MEMORIALS AND DONATIONS

Alumni:

J. Ronald Hughes - donation
 Deacon Tom Boldin - volunteering his time and talent each September to train/refresh our school altar servers on the responsibilities and functions of their ministry.

Angel Fund (assists families to meet their tuition requirements):

In Memory of Elizabeth "Betty" Nastase from Donna and Terry Neidigh, Donald Anspach, Jr.

Children's Bibles: Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Reverend Patrick McArdle #448 for their donation of Catholic Children's Bibles to our 2nd Grade students. These Bibles will travel with them through their remaining years at Saint John, and it is our prayer that they form special connections to the Good Book and become closer to God.

Memorials:

In Memory of Richard "Rock" Ray from John and Margie Luckovich

In Memory of Elizabeth "Betty" Nastase from Dave and Karen Grine, Marilyn Houtz, Robert Breon, Gloria Rogers, Joe Green & Carolyn DuBois, John and Rosemary Wood, Orazio and Martha Nastase, Ladies Bible Study, Stephen and Erin St. Amant, Rosemarie Giunta & Arline and Dennis Brumbaugh

In Memory of Michael Gerber from Rosalie Bailey, Doug and Kristina Tice & family, Gloria Rogers, Stephen and Erin St. Amant & family, Marnette Severance, Jason and Michelle Russell, Mary Beth Taylor

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

SCHOOL LUNCH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE NEEDED

As part of our Saint John family, we often hear from parishioners looking for ways to support our school and students in a significant way. If you would like to make a daily impact in the life of a student, we would be greatly appreciative of donations geared directly toward offsetting lunch fees for our students in need. Saint John School does not receive government funds for school lunches, but we still have students who qualify for reduced lunches. Donations can be sent to the school office via a labeled envelope in the collection basket, dropping off directly, or mailing to 116 E. Bishop St., Bellefonte, PA 16823. If you have additional questions, please contact Erin St. Amant at estamant@saintjohnsch.net or 814-355-7929.

We are grateful for your consideration.

SCHOOL SUBSTITUTES

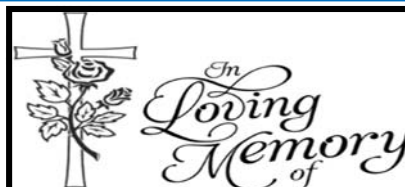
We are accepting applications for substitute teachers. Candidates must possess a valid Pennsylvania teaching certificate and be able to obtain all state and federal clearances. Candidates must be supportive of the mission of the Catholic Church and be able to provide for the academic and spiritual health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

RACE FOR EDUCATION

Saint John School will be holding our 15th Annual Race for Education on Friday, October 27, 2023. The funds from this event help us to provide quality education with affordable tuition. This is our largest fundraiser and its success helps us determine the need for additional fundraisers throughout the year. Please watch future bulletins or visit the school website for more information.

Calling All St. John Youth! Our Youth Group will hold its Autumn Meeting, October 8 @ 2:00 PM in the school auditorium. Fun, games, snacks & a short spiritual session are planned.

Come Join the fun and please feel free to bring friends, even if they are not Catholic. See you there!



Betty Nastase
 from Daniel & Jane
 Fisher

Betty Nastase
 From Dennis & Kate
 Reiter