



Saint Charles Borromeo Parish

St. Charles Borromeo Church - Ashland
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Office Times: Monday through Friday 8:30 to 4:00 p.m. Closed daily 12 to 12:30 p.m.

Office is closed all Federal Holidays and Holy Days



Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 PM St. Charles Borromeo
Sunday 9:00 AM St. Charles Borromeo
For holy days and weekdays, consult the Bulletin.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration takes place Tuesdays after 8:30 AM
Mass until 11 AM.

Communion Calls

Communion is normally distributed to the home-bound on the Thursday morning before First Friday of each month, except by special arrangements.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturdays: 3:15 PM to 3:45 PM, Ashland
Sundays: 8:15AM to 8:45AM, Ashland

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Baptisms take place in the main Church in Ashland. They occur on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 11AM. Prior to the day, parents must attend a class, and be regularly attending weekend Masses for at least three months. Pre-register for this class with the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

At least six months before a couple hopes to get married, he and she must talk face to face with the priest and get a firm wedding date and time from him. Only after this initial contact should a couple set the dates for a reception or a honeymoon.

Parish Religious Education

CCD Grades 1-8
Contact the Parish Office to enroll your children.
RCIA / Adult Education Contact the Parish Office

Hall Rentals may occur for private events.

Parish Funerals

Any family who desires a priest other than the Pastor to celebrate the funeral Mass of a deceased loved one *on parish premises* must first obtain the Pastor's explicit approval. Such approval, as for other special requests, must be sought in each and every case, but can normally be expected to be granted.

St. Anne Chapel Hours Located in the lower level of our Church in Ashland, this chapel is unlocked daily. Monday through Friday it opens at 7 AM, and at 2:45 PM on Saturday. It remains open till 4:00 PM. Sunday 8-9AM.

Regional Catholic Schools

Assumption BVM School, Pottsville
Grades K-8, 570-622-0106
St. Jerome Regional School, Tamaqua
Grades K-8, 570-668-2757
Marian High School, Tamaqua,
Grades 9-12, 570-467-3335
Nativity BVM High School, Pottsville,
Grades 9-12, 570-622-8110
St. Joseph Center for Special Learning, Pottsville,
All levels, 570-622-4638

Diocesan Coordinators for Minors

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS
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Diocese of Allentown
1515 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive
P.O. Box F Allentown, PA 18105-1538
610-871-5200, Ext. 2204
610-871-5211 (Fax)
prusso@allentowndiocese.org

Ms. Wendy Krisak, MA, NCC, LPC
Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator
1-800-791-9209

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service

1-800-276-4562, www.reportbishop/abuse.org

If you are new to the area, please consider registering with us.

Contact the Parish Office to establish a relationship with us through registration.



Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 24, 2026

Saturday May 23 St Charles Borromeo

4:00PM Earl & Kim Heiber

Lector: Jack Reilly

EM: Deacon Sutter, Ed & Anne Tarantelli

Altar Servers: Gregory & Ella Stump

-St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville: 5:30PM

Sunday, May 24 St. Charles Borromeo

9:00AM Wes & Anna Scheuren

Lector: Margaret Schachte

EM: Aaron Stepanchick, Vince & Cheryl Cuthie

Altar Servers: Peter Schachte, Michael Schachte

-St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville 11:00AM

Weekday Mass: St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland

St. Anne Chapel, lower level of Church

Monday May 25 St Joseph the Worker

No Mass

Tuesday May 26 St. Charles Borromeo

8:30AM Mr. & Mrs. Carl M. Newman and Mr. &

Mrs. John W. Newman

6:30PM Baccalaureate Pray Service. NS Class of

2026

Wednesday May 27

8:30AM St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville

Thursday May 28

No Mass

Friday May 29 St. Charles Borromeo

8:30AM Juleanne Groody and Mae Brennan

Saturday May 30 St. Charles Borromeo

4:00PM Bob & Anne Freiler

Lector: JoAnne Leinenbach

EM: John Smolock, Mike Sokoloskie, Karol Freiler

Altar Servers: Gregory & Ella Stump

St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville 5:30PM

Sunday May 31 St Charles Borromeo

9:00AM Puglia, Davies, & Czeponis Families

Lector: Sarah Stepanchick

EM Deacon Sutter, Mike & Mary Cuthie

Altar Servers: Peter and Rosemary Schachte, Liam

McDonald.

St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville 11:00AM

Father Guency and Staff would like to wish everyone a Safe and Happy Memorial Weekend!

The Vigil Light burns brightly this week at St. Charles in loving memory of Bob & Anne Freiler from Bob and Karol.

In St. Anne's in loving memory of Albert & Arlene Chillis from Family.



****Please pray for our military men and women, our policemen and women, firemen and women, our sick in nursing homes, at home and in the hospitals, especially Sue Klinger, Mark Oshman, Nancy Yanacek, Bill Kripplebauer, Rita Yarnell, John Petrousky, Frank Locke, Breanna Hammond, Jim Murphy, Doug Johnson, Linda Sausser, Wallee Fedko, Earl Heiber, Jerome Schmoltze, Robert Bruce, Leo Lubinsky, Ann Helwig and our deceased brothers and sisters especially Andrea Cannon Brennan.**

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June Lottery Calendars

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June Lottery Calendars are now on sale after Mass or in the Parish Office.

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NEW TEXT MESSAGE SERVICE

To receive emergency notification of Mass Cancellations and other important information: TEXT 27423

TO PHONE NUMBER (646)681-7694

Do not respond to messages received through this Service. They are one-way messages. Depending on Your cell phone plan, text messaging rates may apply

Please join our Parish Family on Friday, June 5th in thanksgiving for the six priests who will be ordained, to pray for vocations and to spend some time with our Lord in the Eucharist. Adoration will begin immediately following the 8:30 AM Mass and continue all day. The evening will conclude with night prayer and benediction at 7:30PM. Throughout the afternoon and evening there will be music and quiet time. Jesus is calling you to come away from busyness and stress and spend some time with Him. Bring your family and friends. Let your heart rest in God's presence and you will be refreshed!

On Tuesday, May 26 at 6:30PM in St. Charles, there will be a Baccalaureate Pray Service for NS Class of 2026. Congratulations to the Class of 2026!!!



Because we are Catholic Annual Appeal

The 2026 **Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal** is underway! Our Parish support is a vital part of this Diocesan-wide effort to serve children and families in our own community and throughout the Diocese of Allentown. Make your gift today at: www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org or there are envelopes at the back of the Church you can put in the collection or drop off at the Parish Office. Thank You!

Basket Auction Meeting

The next Basket Auction meeting will be Tuesday, May 26 at 6:30PM in the parish hall. All are welcome!

Save the Date: Holy Family Senior Living Annual Golf Tournament.

Friday, June 12, 2026
Southmoore Golf Club
For more info visit: www.holyfamilysl.org/golf/
Or contact Michelle Mullikin at 1-610-871-5200 ext 2282 or mmullikin@allentowndiocese.org

Daily Mass with Bishop Schlert

Join Bishop Schlert for Daily Mass at parishes throughout the Diocese as we come together in faith and unity:

- Thursday, Sept. 3 – 8:00AM Holy Trinity, Whitehall**
 - Wed. Sept. 9 – 6:00PM St. Peter the Fisherman, Lake Harmony**
 - Wed. Sept. 16 - 8:00AM Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Bethlehem**
 - Thursday Sept. 17 – 8:00AM Holy Family (St. Michael The Archangel Church), Minersville**
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FOOD TRUCK

The food truck this month will be here on Tuesday, May 26 from 12-1:30.



MARY, OUR MOTHER. PRAY FOR US!

Cemetery News

As our new cemetery season begins, there are a few things that we would like to update everyone on. We are happy to announce that our grass cutters will be returning this year and remain fully focused on making sure the cemeteries are cut properly and in a timely manner. They did an excellent job last year and will continue to do so this year. We would just like to remind everyone to please keep all plants and/or items close to the stones in order for the grass cutter to move around easily. Reminder: potting soil, weeds, grass, real flowers, anything that is biodegradable, may be dumped in the proper location in the cemetery. We ask that all other garbage be taken home and disposed of. Notice, the water in St. Joseph Fountain Springs, will not be turned on this year due to a leak in the main water connector. We are looking into it to see if it can be repaired but for now, water will not be available. Thank you for your cooperation!

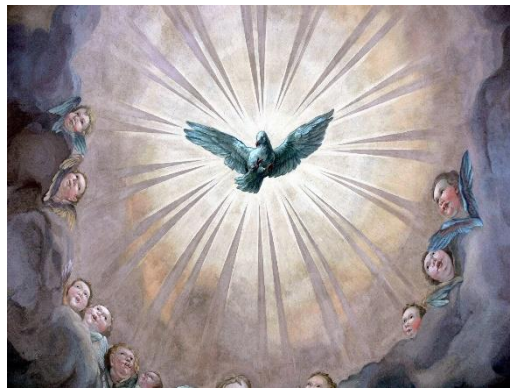
Policy reminders:

2026 Cemetery Policies and Procedure

1. Under normal circumstances, **all cemeteries will be cut twice a month**, this includes cutting the grass, trimming around stones, walkways, and driveways to be cleared of grass trimmings. More cuts per month can occur if there is a holiday and/or other circumstances that require the grass to be cut more often.
2. **Cemetery Cleaning** will be done approximately 3 times a year: Spring, Mid-Summer and Fall. We ask if you have any flowers, etc that you would like to keep, be removed within three weeks of their placement.
3. **Overtured stones –** We understand that this is very dis-hearting to many people when they see that their loved one’s stone has fallen. We, as a church, are not responsible for putting the stone back up, unless it has fallen due to the church itself. We, however, will help you obtain the information needed to rectify the stone

Never Alone Meeting

The next Never Alone Meeting will be Friday, June 12, 2026 at 10AM in the Parish Hall. All are welcome!



Come Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit, and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. O God, Who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit, we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

