



Welcome

Saint Charles Borromeo Parish

St. Charles Borromeo Church - Ashland
Saint Vincent de Paul Worship Center - Girardville
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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: 8:15 AM to 8:45 AM, Ashland

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Baptisms take place in the main Church in Ashland. They occur on Saturday Mornings. 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 8-9 AM.

Regional Catholic Schools

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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610-871-5200, Ext. 2204
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Ms. Wendy Krisak, MA, NCC, LPC
Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator
1-800-791-9209

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service

1-800-276-4562, www.reportbishopabuse.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.



The Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, November 16, 2025

Saturday, November 15 St Charles Borromeo

4:00PM Ted and Patrick Yackera

Lector: Jack Reilly

EM: Deacon John Sutter, Jim Hogan, Ed Tarantelli

Altar Servers: Gregory & Ella Stump

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

SJWP confessions: 5:10 to 5:25

Sunday, November 16 St. Charles Borromeo

9:00AM Barbara Thomas & Andrew Petrousky

Lector: Mary Cuthie

EM: Deacon John Sutter, Vince & Cheryl Cuthie

Altar Servers: Rosemary Schachte

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

WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK.

Weekday Mass: St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland

St. Anne Chapel, lower level of Church

Monday November 17

Adoration: 1:00 to Mass time

SJWP confessions: 5:10 to 5:25

St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville 5:30PM

Tuesday November 18 St. Charles Borromeo

8:30AM Leo Schilling & William Whalen Families

Wednesday November 19

Adoration 9-12

8:30AM Mass at St. Joseph the Worker

Thursday November 20 No Mass

Friday November 21 St. Charles Borromeo

8:30AM Jimmy Winters

Saturday November 22 St. Charles Borromeo

4:00PM Gene O'Hearn

Lector: Mary Ann Stump

EM: JoAnne Leinenbach, Anne Tarantelli, Penny

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Altar Servers: Gregory & Ella Stump

St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville 5:30PM

Sunday November 23 St. Charles Borromeo

9:00AM Lenore Slotterback, Anna & Edward

Conniff

Lector: Margaret Schachte

EM: Deacon John Sutter, Aaron & Mike

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Altar Servers: Rosemary Schachte

St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville 11:00AM

The Vigil Light burns brightly this week at St. Charles in loving memory of Charles & Shirley Burns from Tom Burns.

In St. Anne's in loving memory of Frank, Frankie, Shawn, and Joe from Mary Towey.



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, Stephen Groody, Breanna Hammond, Jim Murphy, Doug Johnson, Linda Sausser, Wallee Fedko, Earl Heiber and our deceased brothers and sisters especially Valerie Schreck.

December Lottery Calendars

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

Never Alone Group

St. Charles Peer Support and Recovery Group is open to anyone who has suffered a loss regardless of the length of time. **Always remember that we are here for you! Next meeting will be December 4th in the Parish Hall at 10AM.**

The Massbook for next year is now opened.

Days the Parish office will be closed in November

Monday, November 17, Friday, November 21, Thursday November 27, Friday, November 28 and Monday, December 1.

Toys for Tots

There will be a Toys for Tots bin in the back of the Church starting this weekend till the first week in December.

The office is closed this week on Monday, November 17.

There will be a second collection next week Sat. and Sun. November 22 and 23 for Diocesan Poverty Relief.

Money Chances

Our \$500.00 winner for November is Lorena Dobson.

Schuylkill County K of C Councils Announcement

The Schuylkill County Knights of Columbus Councils will be delivering a Turkey Dinner complete with Turkey, filling, yams, gravy vegetable and dessert to all residents of Schuylkill County who are in need of a meal for this Thanksgiving (27 November 2025). If you know a person who is in need of a meal, or if you are a person who is in need of a meal, please call either 570-773-0627 or 570-516-9514 or 570-628-3333 and leave the following information if no one answers the phone (**Name and Phone number only**) and we will get back to you. You can also contact us at KofC431@yahoo.com The only requirement we have for the meal is that the person be home. Closing date to order is November 20, 2025 at 5PM in order to order the required items for the meal. Thank you.

Also, anyone who can give us a hand delivering the meals is asked to come to St. Patrick's social hall in Pottsville on Thankgivings Day by 8AM. You can sign up for an area you may know in order to deliver the meals or for any area. We are usually finished by 1PM

"Chosen, Blessed, Shared"

The Diocese of Allentown is conducting an annual fund to support the endowment for the care of retired Priests. All Gifts received will be used to support the rising costs of retirement care for those priests who faithfully served. Please consider making a donation as part of your yearly giving. Thank you! Envelopes will be sent in the mail.

St. Patrick Church Spaghetti Dinner

When: Sunday December 7th from 11-2 (or sell out)

Where: 313 Mahantongo St. Pottsville

\$12 per spaghetti platter (which includes pasta with Our homemade sauce, two meatballs, salad, & bread) Want just meatballs and sauce, or extra meatballs and Sauce? Just Ask!! Sold in half dozens! While supplies Last!*****

Parish Stewardship

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Sunday 11/2/25 (week 18)

Budgeted Weekly Sun. Offering	\$	4,334
Last Sun.'s Offering / % of Budget	\$	4,014 93%
Sun. Offerings to-date	\$	65,624

165 Envelopes Used, out of a possible 370

Fiscal Year 7/1/2024 through 6/30/2025 Sun.

Collection \$225,372

St. Joseph Center for Special Learning

St. Joseph Center for Special Learning invites you to join us for our **70th Anniversary Platinum Gala: 70 years of Dedication and Light, A Legacy that Shines Bright on Saturday, November 15, at Mountain Valley Seasons Restaurant.** This special eveing will celebrate our history, our mission, and the incredible students and adults who inspire us every day, while honoring seven decades of providing faith-filled education, care and opportunities for individuals with special needs. For more information, please visit www.stjosephctr.com or call Monica Walborn at 570-622-4638.

Missals

Missals will be available this weekend after Church or next week in the Parish Office. Due to the increase in cost they will be \$8.00.

Christmas Bazaar

The Christmas Bazaar is this Saturday, November 15, 2025 from 10 to 2 in St. Charles Parish Hall. Chance returns may go in the weekend collection basket in an envelope labeled "Bazaar" or through the mail, or directly into the Parish Office. If you would like to make a cash donation towards the food items, you can place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. Put in a envelope marked "Christmas Bazaar". Also, please consider making a donation for the bake sale. Baked goods can be dropped off at the parish hall on Friday Nov. 14th until 3 or on Sat. Morning before 10AM. There will also be White Elephant Tables. You can drop off these items at the parish hall daily between the hours of 9 to 3. Thank you for all you do!!

***New this year: We will be selling chances on a Santa sign worth \$250(\$100 cash plus \$150 rub-off lottery tickets) just in time for Christmas.**

Also Homemade foods and soups ,and baked goods will be available. Eat in or take out.



Nativity Happenings

The month of November, Nativity's Green and Gold Club will be selling Gift Card Calendars. The Calendars will be available in the main office at Nativity. The cost of each calendar is \$10.

On Sunday, November 23th, Nativity will be hosting a Fall Open House for potential students for the 2026-2027 school year beginning at 4:30PM at the school. Nativity BVM High School Administration, faculty, staff, students, parents and Board members will be on hand to discuss specific information about academics, financial aid, guidance services and opportunities for students. This information will be particularly helpful for incoming Freshmen, transfer students, new students and potential host families. We invite you and your family to join us for the event. No pre-registration is required. All are welcome! Please contact the school at 570-622-8110 or jdaubert@nativitybvm.net with any questions.

Sight and Sound Bus Trip to Joshua

Tuesday April 21, 2026

Due to increasing ticket costs the cost is \$172. The total cost includes your ticket to Sight and Sound production of Joshua, after show buffet lunch at Hershey Farm, and round-trip Coach bus transportation. A Non-refundable deposit of \$85 is due at your time of reservation. (**If you call the parish office to make your reservation, please make your downpayment within a week) Final payment is due on March 20, 2026. All reservations can be made at the St. Charles Borromeo Parish office, 570-875-1521. **Father Isaac will be teaching a class about Joshua on Monday-April 20th. Surely this class will enrich our understanding of the journey and life of Joshua! More details will follow in a few weeks!

Jubilee Year Closing Mass

This Celebration will take place at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Siena on **Sunday, Dec. 28, 2025, Feast of the Holy Family**, the same feast on which we began this Jubilee Year of Hope one year ago. It is fitting that we conclude our journey together under the patronage of the Holy Family of Nazareth, invoking their prayers and example for our families, parishes, and Diocese.

The afternoon will include: **2:00PM** – A choral presentation of Vivaldi's Gloria by the Cathedral Choir, beautifully interspersed with a Narrative Tour of the Cathedral Church, offering insights into the sacred art and architecture of the Cathedral in light of our diocesan history and mission. **2:00 – 3:00PM** – the Sacrament of Penance will be available. **3:00PM** – The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass closing the Jubilee Year. This Celebration is an opportunity for us to come together as a diocesan family of faith to give thanks to God for the many blessings of this Jubilee Year.
