



A Prayer for Life

Father and Maker of all,
You adorn all creation with splendor
and beauty, and fashion human lives
in Your image and likeness.

Awaken in every heart, reverence
for the work of Your hands,
and renew among your people
a readiness to nurture and
sustain Your precious gift of life.

Grant this through our
Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
Who lives and reigns with
You in the unity of the Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



Welcome to
Saint Charles Borromeo Parish
 St. Charles Borromeo Church - Ashland
 Saint Vincent de Paul Worship Center - Girardville
 Rev. Giuseppe Esposito, M. Div., M.A., Parochial Administrator
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Office Times: Tuesday, Wednesday, & Fridays 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and every other Thurs. 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Office is closed all Federal Holidays and Holy Days

Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 PM St. Charles Borromeo
 Sunday 9:30 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: 9:00 AM to 9:25 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, except on Sundays. Monday through Friday it opens at 6 AM, and at 8 AM on Saturday. It remains open until 4 PM.

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

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

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 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 12, 2023

Saturday, February 11

St. Charles Borromeo Church
4:00 PM Diane Tarantelli

Sunday, February 12

9:30 AM Jimmy Winters

Regularly scheduled weekday Masses are in Ashland

St. Anne Chapel is the lower level of our Church.

Mon., February 13 NO MASS

Tues., February 14

8:30 AM Carado & Chismar Families

Wed., February 15 NO MASS

Thurs., February 16 NO MASS

Fri., February 17

8:30 AM Joseph & Veronica Murawski

Saturday, February 18

St. Charles Borromeo Church
4:00 PM Yourshites Family

Sunday, February 19

9:30 AM Mary Ellen Kervanis



Please pray for all our military men and women, our policemen and women, our sick at home and in the hospitals, and nursing homes, also our deceased brothers and sisters in Christ.

The Vigil Lights burn brightly this week: 

In **St. Charles Borromeo**, in loving memory of Kim Heiber by Earl Heiber.

The Vigil Light burn in **St. Anne Chapel** in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Carl M. Newman & Mr. and Mrs. John W. Newman from Arthur and Max.

Sunday Missals

If you have ordered a Sunday Missal, they are now available for pick up in the Parish Office during office hours. **If anyone has not ordered a missal, and still would like one, extras are available for purchase in the back of church and in the Parish Office.**

St. Charles Borromeo "Text Alerts"

With the upcoming Winter Season, if St. Charles wants to send out a reminder and you want to be added to the St. Charles Borromeo's "Text Alerts". Please text @acb3gga to 81010. This will be a great way to keep up on Mass cancellations or changes. If anyone has any questions regarding the Alerts, please do not hesitate to call the Parish Office.

MARCH LOTTERY CALENDARS

March lottery calendars are now available for sale after each Mass and in the Parish Office.

Just a reminder that **Parish Memorials** are also available at all weekend Masses.

Mass Book is filled; we will be unable to take any more Mass Intentions. Thank you.

EASTER EGG MAKING BEGINS

The ladies of Saint Anne's Guild are a going to begin making their delicious Easter eggs on Monday, February 13. They are asking for donations of wax paper & brown paper lunch bags for their upcoming Easter Egg Sale, which may be dropped off at the Parish Office.

Everyone is welcome to come and help!!!



**ST. CHARLES BORROMEO
ANNUAL SPRING BAZAAR**

St. Charles Borromeo parish will host its annual Spring bazaar fundraiser on Saturday, March 11th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in our parish hall. Each family will soon receive \$15.00 worth of chances. Returns can be made in the collection basket or dropped in the mail slot at the parish office; please label them "**Spring Bazaar**". Join us that day for good food and fellowship. New this year will be a Children's corner with fun activities and the chance to win prizes.



Any parishioner needing a Financial Statement for 2022 tax purposes please call the Parish Office at 570-875-1521.

CCD NEWS

Congratulations to Kenzie-Lee Bidgood for receiving the sacrament of Baptism on January 29. May God continue to bless her and the entire family.

February 19 – CCD Holiday (Presidents' Day weekend)
Classes resume on February 26

February 26—Fourth Grade will take leadership roles during the 9:30 a.m. Mass

Lent-during Lent, CCD students will be donating cereal, soup, canned fruit or vegetables, and peanut butter or crackers for our local food pantry.



God's Call to Be AN ALTAR SERVER!



If your child wants to serve during Mass, we would welcome this new experience. Contact the Parish Office at (570) 875-1521 if your child would like to become a server.

POT OF GOLD RAFFLE

The Parish Leprechauns need your help. We will once again be raffling off a pot of gold. We are asking each parishioner to donate a lottery ticket for the raffle. The ticket can be in any denomination you would like. We are also accepting monetary donations towards purchasing tickets for the Pot of Gold. You may drop them off in the parish office or place them in the collection basket.

MARIAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Marian Fillies Softball Preseason Clinic for girls in grades 3-8 interested in softball. **Saturday, March 4 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Cost \$20 per player.**

Join us for instruction, practice, throwing, hitting, fielding and for the pure enjoyment of the sport and friendship. Participants should wear sneakers and bring personal softball equipment. Register by contacting Coach Deangelo at jdeangelo@mariancatholic.org.

SEAFOOD DINNER-sponsored by St. Teresa of Calcutta, Mahanoy City on **Friday, March 10 from 3:30 to 6:00 p.m.** St. Teresa Hall, 600 West Mahanoy Street, Mahanoy City. Eat in or take out—Fish, Crab or Shrimp \$15.00; Combo-one crab cake, one piece of fish and five shrimp \$18.00 All platters include: French fries, green beans, Cole slaw and dessert. **Call for tickets by March 5 at 570-773-2771.**

Cook's with Collars
COOKS WITH COLLARS
Starting January 20!
Chef Fr. Esposito needs your help!

Fr. Esposito will represent St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland, in COOKS WITH COLLARS, an online cooking competition to raise funds for our parish and Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Allentown. Visit www.cookswithcollars.com to see Fr. Esposito and your other favorite priests from around the Diocese creating delicious culinary cuisines. Vote early and vote often! (deadline is February 20)

All voting proceeds benefit our parish. Thanks for making Fr. Esposito & St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland, the next top chef! Votes/donations can be placed in the collection basket or put in mail slot at the Parish Office for those without internet access.

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DIocese of ALLENTOWN

ALLENTOWN DIOCESE'S COMMISSION FOR MEN AND MEN ALIVE IN CHRIST

An annual event, the Men's half-day Lenten Reflection will be in Berks County for the first time on **February 25, 2023**, the first Sunday morning after Ash Wednesday. The theme this year is "**Lift High the Cross, Men Carrying Their Own Crosses in Solidarity with The Passion of Christ**". Our Bishop Schlert will attend and speak! The event will begin with Mass at 8:00 a.m. and will include light refreshments after Mass. To register, **email www.menaliveinchrist.org/events**

SPEAKERS

Most Reverend Alfred A. Schlert

Father Stephani Isaac

Father Thomas Dalley O.S.F.S.

DIocese of ALLENTOWN COMMISSION FOR MEN PRESENTS:

MEN'S LENTEN MORNING REFLECTION

LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

"MEN CARRYING THEIR OWN CROSSES IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE PASSION OF CHRIST"

FEBRUARY 25TH 2023
8AM - NOON
ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA CHURCH
READING PA

TO REGISTER FOR THIS FREE EVENT
FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW