

## *Redeemer in the Womb*

Lord Jesus Christ, You took our human nature upon Yourself. You shared our human life and death, our childhood and adulthood.

You also shared our time in the womb. While still God, worshipped and adored by angels, almighty and filling every part of the universe, You dwelt for nine months in the womb of Mary. You were our Redeemer in the womb, our God, once a preborn Child.

Lord Jesus, we ask You to bless and protect the children who today are in their mothers' wombs. Save them from the danger of abortion. Give their mothers graces to sacrifice themselves, body and soul, if necessary, for their children. Help all people to recognize in the preborn child, a brother, a sister, eternally loved by You, our Redeemer in the womb.

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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 Parish Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/stcvmoj](http://www.facebook.com/stcvmoj)

**DRE/Music:** Susan Klinger **Business Manager:** Shannon Butler **Office Assistant:** Teri Krolick  
**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**

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS  
 Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator  
 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](mailto:prusso@allentowndiocese.org)

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 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**JANUARY 22, 2023**

**Saturday, January 21**

St. Charles Borromeo Church  
4:00 PM Ann and Charles Beck

**Sunday, January 22**

9:30 AM Sheila Colihan & Colihan Family

***Regularly scheduled weekday Masses are in Ashland***

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

**Mon., January 23 - NO MASS**

**Tues., January 24 - NO MASS**

**Wed., January 25 - NO MASS**

**Thurs., January 26 - NO MASS**

**Fri., January 27 - NO MASS**

**Saturday, January 28**

St. Charles Borromeo Church  
4:00 PM For all St. Charles Borromeo  
Parishioners

**Sunday, January 29**

9:30 AM Peg Conroy



**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 Kitty Silvestri and Thomas McManus.

**MASS SCHEDULE**

There will be no morning Masses during the week of January 24 through and including Friday, January 27 as Father Esposito will be on retreat.

**Monday, January 23,** there will be 8:30 a.m. Mass in St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Frackville.



**2023 MASS BOOK**

**2023 Mass book is still open.** Please call or stop by the Parish Office to commit a Mass or a Vigil Light. Stipend is still \$10.00/Mass or Candle.

**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 after all Masses.** Thank you!

**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.

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

**FEBRUARY LOTTERY CALENDARS**

February 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.

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**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.

**CATHOLIC RELIEF COLLECTION-January 29**

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at **www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.**

## DONATIONS

Thank you to all who donated in any way during the Christmas Season to Birthright, the local food pantry and/or our community. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

*Thank  
You*

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### SOUP SALE TO BENEFIT MARK BENNYHOFF

There will be a soup sale on Saturday, February 4, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. until sell out to benefit Mark Bennyhoff who is battling ALS.

Donations of any type of soup in any amount will be greatly appreciated.

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**Retrouvaille: Rediscover the Love in your Marriage** Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of February 10 - 12, 2023 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

The **Ashland Food Pantry** can always use more non-perishable food items for the poor and needy. You can drop your donations into the designated boxes in St. Charles Borromeo Church, the Worship Center, or at the Office entrance. May God smile upon you!!

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### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2023

**THEME: "STELLAR"**

St. Joseph the Worker in Frackville is beginning to plan the 12<sup>th</sup> year for Vacation Bible School. The first meeting will be on Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the social room at 34 South Line Street, Frackville. If you would like to help in any way, please plan to attend. **More info to follow.**



**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](http://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!



### MARIAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Marian Catholic High School OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. Come tour the school with our Student Ambassadors. Meet our teachers and administration. Learn how we can make a Marian education possible. To register, please call or email: Mary Milosh: [mmilosh@mariancatholic.org](mailto:mmilosh@mariancatholic.org) or 570-467-3335 ext. 117.

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### NATIVITY BVM HIGH SCHOOL

On Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, Nativity will be hosting an Open House and Registration for the 2023-2024 school year. School tours, presentations and displays will begin at 1:00 p.m. We invite you and your family to join us for this event. Members of the entire Nativity community will be available to answer your questions. No preregistration is required. All are welcome! Please contact the school at 570-622-8110 or [jldaubert@nativitybvm.net](mailto:jldaubert@nativitybvm.net) with any questions.

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### Saint Patrick's Preschool

**(located in the Assumption BVM building)**

New student info session on Sunday, February 5 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Our preschool offers 2, 3 & 5 day programs both half and full day. Fundraising options available. Check us out on Facebook at Saint Patrick Preschool@Assumption BVM. **Contact us at 570-622-0106 or [saintpatricks.prek@gmail.com](mailto:saintpatricks.prek@gmail.com)**

## Office Administrator

St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Ashland is hiring an office administrator to join our parish family. This is a year-round, full-time position; hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm. Job duties include receptionist work, creating weekly bulletins, assisting with fundraisers and parish life activities, and greeting and assisting all visitors to the rectory. The full job posting can be found in the church, parish office, or website:

*<https://www.stcharlesashland.com>*

If interested, email, mail or drop off resume to:

*[catholicchurchashland@msn.com](mailto:catholicchurchashland@msn.com)*

*St. Charles Borromeo Parish Office  
1115 Walnut St.  
Ashland, PA 17931*

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## Maintenance Technician

St. Joseph the Worker in Frackville is hiring a Maintenance Technician to join our parish team. This is a year-round, part-time position; hours to be determined upon hire. Job duties include custodial and maintenance work for parish properties such as trash removal, vacuuming and mopping, snow and ice removal, security checks, opening and closing the church, and various repairs. The full job description can be found in the church, parish office, or website:

*<https://www.stjoesfrackville.com>*

If interested, email, mail or drop off resume to:

*[frackvillerc3@verizon.net](mailto:frackvillerc3@verizon.net)*

*St. Joseph the Worker Parish Office  
7 S. Broad Mountain Ave.  
Frackville, PA 17931*

Thank you and God bless!  
Fr. Esposito