



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: 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 9:30 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 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 19, 2023

Saturday, March 18

St. Charles Borromeo Church

4:00 PM John Hornung (39th Anniversary)

Sunday, March 19

9:30 AM Miller Families

Regularly scheduled weekday Masses are in Ashland

St. Anne Chapel is the lower level of our Church

Monday, March 20 NO MASS

Tuesday, March 21

8:30 AM Robert J., Robert P., and Debra
Smith

Wednesday, March 22 NO MASS

Thursday, March 23 NO MASS

Friday, March 24

8:30 AM For all Parishioners

Friday, March 24

**6 to 7 p.m. Adoration, Confessions 6:30 to
7 p.m. and Stations at 7 p.m. in
St. Charles Borromeo Ashland**

Saturday, March 25

St. Charles Borromeo Church

4:00 PM John Reilly

Sunday, March 26

9:30 AM Kim Heiber

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, especially Marie Kane, and Frances Mitten.



The Vigil Lights burn brightly this week:

In **St. Charles Borromeo**, in loving memory of Robert J., Robert P., and Debra A., from Florence.

In **St. Anne Chapel**, in loving memory of Harold and Mary Burns from the Burns Family.

APRIL LOTTERY CALENDARS

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

Rice Bowl collections are now being accepted through April 9th and can be placed in the collection basket or dropped off in the Parish Office.

Sunday Missals

If anyone who did not ordered a missal, and still would like one, extras are available for purchase in the back of church and in the Parish Office--**\$6.00/Missal. Only a few remaining.**

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

Mass Book is filled. We will not be able to take any more Mass Intentions. Thank you!
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EASTER EGG MAKING HAS BEGUN

Everyone is welcome to come and help!!!

The ladies of Saint Anne's Guild are still in need of brown paper lunch bags which can be dropped off at the Parish Office. **Last day to order is March 27th.**

Order your Easter Eggs today--after Mass or at the Parish Office--\$15.00/dozen and/or \$1.25/egg. Choices to choose from: Peanut Butter, Butter Cream, Coconut Cream and Cherry.

CCD NEWS

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

COLLECTIONS:

March 11 & 12 -- \$4114.31

Easter Flowers Collection - \$1100.00

Thank you to everyone who so generously continue to support our Parish and those less fortunate. May God bless and protect you and your families.

LENTEN SCHEDULE 2023 & INFORMATION

Please refer to the Lenten schedule provided for you in the bulletin the first week of Lent, for both St. Charles Borromeo and St. Joseph the Worker, for Confessions and upcoming Monday Lenten Study – Bishop Robert Barron Series on the Eucharist with Fr. Esposito next session will be Monday, March 13 at 6:30 p.m. in St. Charles Borromeo Parish Hall.

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.

**THE MANTLE OF MARY PROJECT TO
HELP GOD SAVE AMERICA!**

If you want to enrich your Lent and pray for the Great Awakening of America, join Mary and Mary Beth for a six-week special Lenten prayer group on **Mondays at 2:30 p.m. in the chapel at Saint Charles Borromeo Church in Ashland., beginning February 27th and ending April 3rd.** The prayers will include "Auxilium Christianorum Prayers" by exorcist, Rev. Chad Ripperger, "The Divine Mercy Chaplet" (to strengthen our nation's guardian angel), and "Mantle of Mary Prayer" by Rev. Antony Boughton, CFR, and Bud Macfarlane, Jr. We hope to see you there!

**ST. CLARE OF ASSISI PIEROGY SALES
DATES/DEADLINES TO ORDER**

We will be selling our delicious homemade frozen pierogies (\$9/dozen) and cooked pierogies, with butter only or butter and onions (\$10/dozen) for Lent. **All must be pre-ordered by 7:00 p.m. of the order date.** Pick-up will be 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Saint Clare Church Hall, using the Hancock Street Entrance. To order your pierogies, please call the following **NUMBERS: 570-429-0863 OR 570-429-0071 OR 570-429-0343.**

<u>Order by 7 p.m.:</u>	<u>To pick up on:</u>
Wed. March 22	Friday, March 24
Wed. March 29	Friday, March 31
Mon. April 3 (Holy Week)	Wed. April 5

**MONDAY LENTEN STUDY – BISHOP ROBERT BARRON
SERIES ON THE EUCHARIST**

St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Frackville
March 20 6:30 PM
March 27 6:30 PM
St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall at Nine South Broad Mountain Avenue, Frackville

Donut Sale

Thank you to all who participated in the recent donut sale. Our donut sale profit: \$210.00.

**PARADE DAY MASS IN GIRARDVILLE
AT ST VINCENT'S**

St. Patrick's Day Mass will take place at St. Vincent's Church in Girardville on Saturday, March 25th 10AM. The parade will begin at 12 pm.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS
THAT RECEIVED THEIR FIRST PENANCE**

Brook Ackell, Kenzie-Lee Bidgood, Irelyn Brobst, Brynlee Burns, Brooke Burns, Charles Clark, Camden Klementovich Stella Lyden, Martin Matelevich, Liam McDonald, Della Troutman, Alexsys Yotko

May God continue to show His love & mercy to them & their families.

HEALING MASS

Fr. George Winne, assistant pastor of Sacred Heart and Immaculate Conception Churches, Allentown, will celebrate a healing Mass at St. John the Baptist Church (10th and Mahantongo Strs., Pottsville) on Monday, March 27 at 6:30 p.m. Mass will be followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during which Father will pray for and with anyone who wishes. The evening will conclude with Benediction. All of us need healing somewhere in our lives, whether physically, spiritually, or emotionally. As we journey through Lent, please consider joining us to pray for yourself or someone else in your life in need of healing.

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER MEAT RAFFLE

The Friends of St. Joseph the Worker is sponsoring a "April Showers Meat Raffle". Tickets are \$10 each. There are five prizes: 1st Prize - \$200 and the other four prizes are \$100 each. They are gift cards to Marlin Markets. You may purchase tickets at the St. Joseph the Worker Parish Office during normal business hours. The last day to purchase chances is Thursday, April 13th. Drawing will take place after 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, April 15th at St. Joseph the Worker Parish. You need not be in attendance to win.

Cemetery News!

**It's that time of year. Spring cleaning of the cemeteries will begin in a few short weeks. If there is anything that you would like to keep, please be sure to remove it from your loved one's graves.
Thank you for your cooperation!**



LENTEN SCHEDULE

Friday Stations of the Cross with Adoration & Confessions

SCB Ashland (Main Church): March 24 and March 31

6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Adoration

6:30 to 7:00 p.m. Confessions (St. Anne's Chapel)

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Main Church)

Due to the increase in Confessions, there will be no formal Penance Service during Lent.

Holy Thursday, April 6, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. SCB, Ashland – Fr. Gregory Karpyn

Holy Thursday, April 6, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. SJWP Hall, Frackville – Fr. Giuseppe Esposito

Good Friday, April 7, 2023 – 3:00 p.m. SCB, Ashland – Fr. Giuseppe Esposito

Good Friday, April 7, 2023 – 3:00 p.m. SJWP Hall, Frackville – Fr. Gregory Karpyn

Holy Saturday Food Blessing – Saturday, April 8, 2023 – 10:00 a.m. SCB Church (Main)

Holy Saturday Food Blessing – Saturday, April 8, 2023 – 11:00 a.m. SJWP (SA Church)

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 8, 2023 – 8:00 p.m. SCB, Ashland – Fr. Gregory Karpyn

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 8, 2023 – 8:00 p.m. SJWP Hall, Frackville – Fr. Giuseppe Esposito

Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023 – 8:00 a.m. Girardville – Fr. Giuseppe Esposito

Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023 – 9:30 a.m. SCB, Ashland – Fr. Giuseppe Esposito

Easter Sunday – April 9, 2023 – 6:30 a.m. SJWP Cemetery, Frackville – Fr. Giuseppe Esposito

Easter Sunday – April 9, 2023 – 11:00 a.m. SJWP Hall, Frackville – Fr. Giuseppe Esposito



AN IRISH PRAYER

As I arise today, may the strength of God pilot me,
the power of God uphold me, the wisdom of God guide me.
May the eye of God look before me, the ear of God hear me,
the word of God speak for me. May the hand of God protect me,
the way of God lie before me, the shield of God defend me,
the host of God save me. May Christ shield me today.

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,

Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,

Christ on my right, Christ on my left,

Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit, Christ when I stand,

Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,

Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,

Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me.

Amen

