



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., Pastor
Parish Office: 1115 Walnut Street, Ashland PA 17921
Phone: 570-875-1521 (fax) 570-875-2635
Parish Website: www.stcharlesashland.com
Parish Email: catholicchurchashland@msn.com
Parish Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/stcvmoj

DRE/Music: Susan Klinger **Business Manager:** Shannon Butler **Office Assistant:** Janet Paulukonis
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

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

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.



The Epiphany of the Lord
January 7, 2024

Saturday, January 6 St. Charles Borromeo
4:00PM James and Terry Jeffery

Lector: Jack Reilly

EM: Penny Herb, Sarah Stepanchick,
JoAnne Leinenbach

Altar Servers: Gregory & Ella Stump

Sunday, January 7 St. Charles Borromeo

9:30AM Sam Chillis JR. 17th Anniversary

Lector: Arlene Merritt

EM: Arlene Merritt, Mike Stepanchick,
John Hogan

Altar Server: Peter Paul Schachte

Weekday Mass: St Charles Borromeo, Ashland
St. Anne Chapel, lower level of Church

Tuesday, January 9

8:30AM Anne and John Matlock

Friday, January 12

8:30AM Albert Chillis

Saturday, January 13 St. Charles Borromeo

4:00PM Davies and Puglia Families

Lector: John Smolock

EM: John Smolock, Jim Hogan, Marie
Fertig

Altar Server: Gregory & Ella Stump

Sunday, January 14 St. Charles Borromeo

9:30AM Kanes, Pogash, Bennyhoff, and Kehler
Families.

Lector: Bonnie Spieles

EM: Bonnie Spieles, Vince&Cheryl Cuthie

Altar Server: Peter Paul Schachte

Please pray for all our military men and women,
our policemen and women, firemen and women,
our sick in nursing homes, at home and in the
hospitals, especially Theresa Mock, Sue Klinger,
Margaret (Peggy Ann) Clarke, Christine Groody,
and the Artz Family and our deceased brothers
and sisters in Christ especially Joann Woodward,
Carole Reilly, John Hood, and Brian Hepler.

**The Vigil Light Burns Brightly this Week in St.
Charles: In Loving memory for the Mushalko
Family by Sue Klinger**



February Lottery Calendars

February Lottery Calendars are now on sale after Mass or
in the parish office.

.....

Collections

Sunday Collection

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.

.....

Aluminum Tabs

Keep Collecting the aluminum tabs for the Ronald
McDonald House and drop them off in the Parish Office.
You can get them from beverages, soup, desserts, pet
food or any other can. Color doesn't matter.



Sight and Sound Bus Trip

Thursday – April 25, 2024

DANIEL

Total cost of \$150.00 includes ticket to Sight and Sound
Theatre production of Daniel, after show buffet style
meal at Shady Maple, and round-trip Coach bus
transportation. Reserve your seat early!!! A non-
refundable deposit of \$75.00 is due at time of
reservation. Total payment due April 5, 2024. Come enjoy
a one-of-a-kind panoramic theatrical performance
including live animals and special effects. Spend an
enjoyable day with Father Esposito and our fellow
parishioners! All reservations can be made at the St.
Charles Parish Office, 570-875-1521.



New Chapel Hours
Starts Immediately



Weekdays Mon. through Fri. – 6AM – 3PM

Saturday 12PM – 5PM

Sunday 8:30AM – 11AM



RCAA's After Christmas Clothing DriveRCAA

Health Services and Community Aid Foundation have partnered to turn your gently used items into funds that support our mission of helping those in need. **From Dec. 27, 2023 to Jan. 8, 2024 call RCAA at 570-875-8936 for a convenient pickup time, or drop off donations** at the Selinsgrove Community Aid store **at any time using our partner number (#10350)**. We welcome clean and gently used accessories, toys, household items, decorations, linens, and electronics in working condition. Thank you for being a part of this meaningful initiative!

St. Monica Ministry

All are warmly invited to take part in a Holy Hour sponsored by the St. Monica Ministry. The Holy Hour will take place at St. Theresa Church, Hellertown at 6:00PM on Tuesday, January 9. We will come together before the Blessed Sacrament to ask Our Lord's mercy and to invoke the powerful intercession of St. Monica for our fallen-away loved ones. Presiding at the Holy Hour will be Rev. Stephan Issac, Parochial Vicar at the Cathedral Church of Catherine of Siena, Allentown. Immediately after the Holy Hour, a meeting and book discussion will take place in the rectory. All are welcome, and no registration is required. For more information, please e-mail

StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com

Sunday Missals

If anyone has not ordered a missal and still would like one, extras are available for purchase in the parish office.

.....
MASS SCHEDULE

There will be no morning Masses during the week of Monday, January 22 through and including Friday, January 26 as Father Esposito will be on retreat.

CCD NEWS

CCD classes will resume on Sunday January 14th !

Marian Catholic High School News

The Marian Catholic High School Blue & Gold Club is selling lottery Calendars for the 2024 year. Match the daily number on the 7PM drawing. The Cost is \$25.00. To purchase a calendar please contact a school volunteer: Janis Dvorak at 570-929-2921, Kathy Goff at 610-704-8037, Maria McGinley at 484-629-4997 or Erin Marek at 570-467-3335 at Marian or even visit the Facebook page; Blue and Gold Club.

There will be an open house on Sunday, January 28, from 2-4PM. Come learn how to make a Marian education possible. To RSVP, please contact Mary Milosh at mmilosh@mariancatholic.org or 570-467-3335 ext. 117

Nativity Happenings

Nativity is currently accepting inquiries for enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year. Individual meetings, school tours and shadow days are being scheduled for possible enrollment. Please contact Mrs. Jennifer Daubert in the Development office with any enrollment questions @ 570-622-8110.

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year at Nativity is scheduled for Sunday, January 28, 2024 from 1-3PM at the school. Faculty, staff, administration, and coaches will be available to answer questions. Tours of the school will be given and tuition assistance drawings will be available that afternoon for those who register. Please contact Jennifer Daubert @ 570-622-8110 with any questions.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK IS SUNDAY JANUARY 28, 2024 TO FRIDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2024!

Christmas Season at St. Charles and

St. Vincent Worship Center

At this time, we would like to thank all those who made St. Charles Borromeo and St. Vincent Worship Center look beautiful for the Christmas Season. To those who donated their time to decorate the churches and those who made contributions towards the beautiful flowers that were purchased in your loved one's memory, we thank you! Without all of your help and contributions we would not have been able to make this possible. We wish you all a very happy and healthy new year!

.....

Any parishioner needing a Financial Statement for 2023 tax purposes please call the Parish Office at 570-875-1521.



Be Our Daily Star
An Epiphany Prayer

God of Heaven and Earth,
From the breath of Your love came the creation of the
world.

We are amazed at the vast beauty of the night sky and
at the intimate nature of the love You have for us Your
children.

Be our Daily Star,
guiding our lives to search for the Kingdom of Love.
May we always follow Your light of truth in
all that we do,

Forever trusting, hoping, and believing in Your Word.
Lift our eyes tonight to see Your eternal life shining
brightly, leading us home.

Amen.



