Welcome
Saint Charles Borromeo Parish

St. Charles Borromeo Church - Ashland
Saint Vincent de Paul Worship Center - Girardville
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Deacon John Sutter
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DRE: JoAnne Leinenbach **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 9:00 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: 8:15AM to 8:45AM, 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.report bishop/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.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 26, 2025

Saturday, January 25 St Charles Borromeo
4:00PM Gloria Haluska
Lector: John Smolock
EM: John Smolock, Penny Herb, Jan Paulukonis
Altar Servers: Gregory & Ella Stump
-St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville: 5:30PM
Sunday, January 26 St. Charles Borromeo
9:00AM Deceased Members of the Bradshaw Family
Lector: Mike Stepanchick
EM: Mike, Sarah, and Aaron Stepanchick
Altar Servers: Rosemary Schachte
-St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville
8:30&11:00AM

WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK.
Weekday Mass: St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland St. Anne Chapel, lower level of Church
Monday January 27
5:30PM St Joseph the Worker, Frackville
Tuesday January 28
8:30AM LeeAnne Krieger & Kay Hogan
Wednesday January 29
8:30AM St Joseph the Worker, Frackville
Friday January 31
12:00PM Sheila Colihan and Sister Noels

Saturday February 1
4:00 PM Joseph & Veronica Murawski
Lector: John Smolock
EM: John Smolock, Anne Tarantelli, Penny Herb
Altar Servers: Gregory and Ella Stump
-St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville 5:30 PM

Sunday February 2
9:00AM Larry Madden
Lector: Sarah Stepanchick
EM: Sarah Stepanchick, Aaron Stepanchick, Kathy Glessner
Altar Servers: Charles Clark, Martin Wrobel.
11:00AM St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville

The Vigil Light burns brightly this week at St. Charles in loving memory of Mary Kay Cray from Puglia Family.

In St. Anne's in loving memory of John and Gladys Hardnock from Family.

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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 Theresa Mock, Sue Klinger, Christine Groody, Mark Oshman, Nancy Yanacek, Bill Kripplebauer, Rita Yarnell, John Petrousky, Frank Locke, Stephen Groody, and our deceased brothers and sisters especially Ann McAndrew and James Dwyer.

Feb. Lottery Calendars

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

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Catholic Charities Food Truck

The next food truck will be at St. Charles on Tuesday, January 28th, 2025 from noon to 1:30PM.

Catholic Charities Community Café Inclement Weather Update

In the event of inclement weather on a day the meal service is scheduled for your town, please follow you town's school district policy a it appears on television or announced in the radio. If the school district is on a 1-or 2-hour delay, the service will occur. Should the district be closed or virtual, the truck will not be available for meal service.

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Second Collection

There will be a second collection this week, January 25 and 26 for Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for your generosity!

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Finance Council Meeting

There will be a Finance Council Meeting on Monday February 3rd at 6:30PM in the Parish Hall.

Nativity Happenings

Registration for the 2025-2026 school year at Nativity is scheduled for Sunday, January 26,2025 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 @ 570-644-8110 with any questions.

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Marian Happenings

Open house for Marian will be on Sunday, January 26, from 1-3. Tour the school, meet faculty and administration, and learn how to make a Marian education possible. For more information, contact Mary Milosh at 570-467-3335 ext 117 or email mmilosh@mariancatholichs.org

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Never Alone Support Group

St. Charles Borromeo's peer support and recovery group is offering a place where you can share your own or just listen to others convey their feelings and life experiences of dealing with a personal loss. For more information, call the parish office at 570-875-1521 or Carol at 570-400-0864 after 2. **Always remember that we are here for you!** Our next meeting will be in the lower hall of St. Charles parish office on Friday, January 31st at 10:00AM.

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Head Girls Softball Coach

Nativity BVM High School is accepting applications for the position of: Head Girls Softball Coach for the 2025 spring season. Head coaching experience preferred. interested Candidates should send resume, certifications and all clearances by January 25,2025 to: Nativity BVM High School, Attn. Mrs. Lynn Sabol, Principal, One Lawtons Hill, Pottsville PA 17901. isabol@nativitybvm.net

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St. Patrick's Spaghetti Dinner!

When: Sunday, February 2 11:00AM-2:00PM
Or sell out

Where: 313 Mahantongo Street, Pottsville

$11 per spaghetti platter which includes pasta, with our homemade sauce, two meatballs, salad and bread. Want just meatballs and sauce, or extra meatballs and sauce? Just Ask! Sold in half dozens! While supplies last!

Sight and Sound Bus Trip
Wednesday – May 7, 2025
Noah

Total cost of $160.00 includes ticket to Sight and Sound Theatre production of Noah, after show buffet style meal at Shady Maple, and round-trip Coach bus transportation. Reserve your seat early!!! A non-refundable deposit of $80.00 is due at time of reservation.(**We are missing some down payments from people who called the parish office) Final payment due April 30, 2025. 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 ** Father Esposito will be teaching a class about Noah on Tuesday-May 6th at 6:30 in the Parish Hall. Surely this class will enrich our understanding of the journey and life of Noah!
Only 6 Seats left!

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New Classes to Offer

We have some exciting news for the new year. Staring in January and running through April we will offer one kindergarten class per month. Ann Tarantelli will lead this class and will present a story and an accompanying craft. If you have a kindergarten student or know of a kindergarten student who would be interested in attending these classes, please contact our DRE(JoAnne Leinenbach) with their names and contact information so that we have an approximate idea of how many children will be attending. Thank you!

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Seven Sisters Apostolate Ministry

The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a ministry where seven women from a parish commit to praying on holy hour per week for their parish priest. Today, more than 1350 parishes around the world participate in the Apostolate. We would like to begin this apostolate at our parish. If you are interested in joining this ministry or learning more about it please call the parish office and someone will contact you.

"From the Heart" Ministry Update

As this card-communication ministry approaches its 1-year Anniversary, we would like to wish all parishioners a Happy, Healthy 2025! We connected monthly with the shut-ins of the parish & sent sympathy cards & other greetings as needed. We will continue this in the New Year. We would like to thank all of you for your prayers, support & forwarding of cards.

Sue Klinger, Maryann Groody, Gayle Sokoloski, Mary Davis

Just as immediate family share special events, our goal in 2025 is to send birthday wishes to all parishioners. To do this we need your help. If you would like family members to receive a card (including yourself) simply forward the following: name, address, & month of birthday. It's not necessary to include a date since cards will be sent randomly 1-2 days of the month. Feel free to note the SPECIAL birth age. Other special occasions are always welcome, too. E-mail or text information to me. sklinger43@yahoo.com or 570-590-1297. I hope to hear from you soon.
Sue Klinger.

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New Liturgical Linens

Don't Miss This Exciting Opportunity…

We have purchased new Altar linens, chasubles, and other liturgical linens; and we are offering you the chance to sponsor one or more. Take this opportunity to dedicate a vestment or linen for the memory of a loved one, honor their family, or join with other family/friends to celebrate a milestone anniversary/birthday. If you are interested, please contact St. Charles Borromeo Parish Office at (570)-875-1521 or St. Joseph the Worker Parish Office at (570)-874-0610 ext 4 for more information.**********

Recently enrolled in St. Charles Parish Memorial Society were the following deceased:

Kathleen M. Chuplis by Gerry and Carol, Barbara Lynch, Mary Towey; **Stephen Demko, SR** by Bob and Marie Breininger, David and Cindy Fickinger; **Sister Incarnata Maria DiPilla** by John Hogan, JoAnne Leinenbach; **Catherine Dudish** by Catherine Coyne; **James Lid Dwyer** by Deborah, Arthur, and Max Campomizzi; **Mary Lou Gaughan** by Ann Helwig; **Patty Anne Grasso** by Mary and Bob Burns and Family; **Kathleen Hartigan** by The Colihan Family; **Michelle Herb** by Georgann and Jim Connell; **Thomas Kelly** by Amy Fanelli, The Kleeman's Cousins and Families; **Joseph Kurylak** by Maureen and Jim Leibig; **Marcia Mahler** by Kelly Lindenmuth; **Melvin Martin** by Bob and Marie Breininger, Mary Beth Dougherty, Carol and Gerry, Gerard and Dot Higgins; **Rose Matthews** by Maureen and Jim Leibig; **Ann McAndrew** by Cheryl Haley, Janet Paulukonis, Betty Puglia and Family, Bernice Yackera; **Gerry Moore** by Sokoloski Family; **Gaynell Natoli** by Gerry and Carol; **Barbara Noone** by Nancy (Reichwein) Hepler, Leo and Kay Sokoloski; **Dorothe Schmerfeld** by Gerry and Carol.