Baptism of the Lord

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the son of the Father, your ministry to complete a mission which has been yours alone since before time began. All earthly signs of your magnificence pale in comparison to the glories of the Holy Spirit, your triune partner and advocate for mercy. Bestow upon us your grace and cleanse us of our sins.

Amen.

Monday, January 9, 2023





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

Parish Office: 1115 Walnut Street, Ashland PA 17921 Phone: 570-875-1521 (fax) 570-875-2635

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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 homebound 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.



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

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 8, 2023

Saturday, January 7

St. Charles Borromeo Church 4:00 PM Edward Sincavage, Jr

Sunday, January 8

9:30 AM James and Theresa Jeffery

Regularly scheduled weekday Masses are in Ashland

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

Mon., January 9 - NO MASS

Tues., January 10 -

8:30 AM Edward Chaklos

Wed., January 11 - NO MASS

Thurs., January 12 - NO MASS

Fri., January 13 - NO MASS

Saturday, January 14

St. Charles Borromeo Church

4:00 PM Samuel Chillis, Jr. (16th Anniversary)

Sunday, January 15

9:30 AM For all St. Charles Borromeo parishioners

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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 all deceased members of St. Charles Borromeo and especially Joseph A. Muredda.

As we approach a new year, our parish would like to <u>SINCERELY THANK</u>, Thomas and Timothy Sullivan of the Sullivan Funeral Home, Shawn and Melissa Clark of the Kull-Heizenroth Funeral Home, and Rick Fritz of the Fritz Funeral for donating the 2023 Religious Calendars for our Parish. The calendars can be found in St. Charles Borromeo Church, St. Anne Chapel, and/or our Parish Office.

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. Thank you!

CCD News!

CCD Classes will resume on January 15, 2023.

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.

<u>Christmas Season at St. Charles and</u> <u>St. Vincent Worship Center</u>

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!

Also, if anyone would like a Christmas Flower, you make take one home after Mass. Thank you!

2023 Mass Book

<u>2023 Mass book is still open.</u> Please call or stop by the Parish Office to commit a Mass or a Vigil Light.



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.

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

Office News

If there are any changes to your mailing information or phone information, please call the Parish office so we can update our records.

Thank you for your cooperation!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LADIES' AUXILIARY, FR. SHERIDAN COUNCIL #748 (PRIOR 2580) FRACKVILLE

The Auxiliary wants to wish all parishioners and their families a Blessed and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We will resume our monthly meetings beginning, Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 6:10 p.m. in the St. Joseph the Worker Social Room at 34 South Line Street, Frackville. We continue to seek new members. For consideration for membership, you must be a spouse or child 18 years of age or older, of a Knights of Columbus member and a Catholic in good standing with your church. For more information, please contact Carol Syzdek, 570-467-3744.

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ST. ANNE'S GUILD

St. Anne's Guild would like to thank all who helped in our holiday candy sale. A profit of \$4,700.00 was made. There will be a meeting for all members on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.



THREE-MONTH LOTTERY CALENDARS

Three-month Lottery calendars are available after Mass. January calendars will also be available.



The **Ashland Food Pantry** can always use more nonperishable 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!!

Donations for the Babies – A few dollars, or even just a few cents, in one of the baby bottle banks near the church entrances add up to help mothers CHOOSE LIFE over abortion. Thank you for your generosity!



Prayer for Peace

Almighty God, in whose hands lies the destiny of men and nations, let not the hopes of men perish, nor the sacrifices of men be in vain. O holy and life-giving Spirit, enable us by thy grace to root out from our common life the bitterness of ancient wrongs and the thirst to avenge the betrayals of long ago. Save us from the tyranny of history and set us free in a new obedience to serve each other in the present hour. Accepting the redemption wrought for us, we believe that all our sins of yesterday are covered by thy mercy; Grant us therefore grace and courage to give and to receive the forgiveness which alone can heal today's wounds. Draw us, O Lord, towards loving kindness and guide us into the way of peace.

AMEN