

A Prayer for Lent

O gracious Master, infuse in our hearts
the spotless light of Your Divine Wisdom,
and open our minds so that we may
understand the teachings of Your Holy Gospel.
Instill in us also a reverence for Your Commandments,
so that having curbed all desires of the flesh,
we may lead a truly spiritual life,
both in thinking and in doing
everything to please You.
O Christ, our God, enlighten our
souls and sanctify our bodies.
We render glory to You, together
with Your Eternal Father, and with
Your all-holy, life-creating Spirit, now and forever.

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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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
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Diocese of Allentown
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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 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 5, 2023

Saturday, March 4

St. Charles Borromeo Church
4:00 PM Dominick and Rose Grasso

Sunday, March 5

9:30 AM Frances and William Klinger & Family

Regularly scheduled weekday Masses are in Ashland

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

Monday, March 6 NO MASS

Tuesday, March 7

8:30 AM Anthony Stasulli

Wednesday, March 8 NO MASS

Thursday, March 9 NO MASS

Friday, March 10

8:30 AM Ed Kleha

Friday, March 10

6 to 7 p.m. Adoration, Confessions 6:30 to 7 p.m. and Stations at 7 p.m. in St. Joseph the Worker-Frackville

NO daily Mass in St. Joseph the Worker on Monday, March 6.

Saturday, March 11

St. Charles Borromeo Church
4:00 PM Larry Wood and Father Bambrick

Sunday, March 12

9:30 AM Vincent and Gertrude Vaughn



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 Ronald J. Ferrari, Sr.



The Vigil Lights burn brightly this week:

In **St. Charles Borromeo**, in loving memory of Raymond and Steven Coniff from Family.

In **St. Anne Chapel**, in loving memory of Sister Elaine Joyce.

APRIL LOTTERY CALENDARS

APRIL lottery calendars are now available for sale after each Mass and 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 left.

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

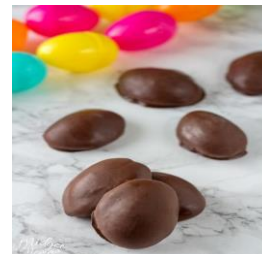
Mass Book is filled. We will not be able to take any more Mass Intentions. Thank you!

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:

February 12 -- \$4,441.20

February 19 -- \$4,514.40

February 26 -- \$4,517.39

Ash Wednesday Collection -- \$851.00

Black and Indian Mission and Catholic Home Mission Collection -- \$510.75

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 which will begin on Monday, March 6 at 6:30 p.m. in St. Charles Borromeo Parish Hall.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEEO ANNUAL SPRING BAZAAR

St. Charles Borromeo parish will host its annual Spring Bazaar fundraiser on Saturday, March 11th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in our parish hall. Each family should have received \$15.00 worth of chances. Returns can be made in the collection basket or dropped in the mail slot at the parish office; please label them “**Spring Bazaar Chances**”. Donations for the **White Elephant Sale** (rummage sale) can be dropped off at the parish hall between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please **NO SHOES, CLOTHING OR BOOKS**. Donations to the bake sale can be dropped off at the Parish Office on Friday, March 10th or Saturday morning. We will need volunteers to cook for the Bazaar on Thursday, March 9th beginning at 9 a.m. We will also need volunteers to work the stands the day of the bazaar. Please call the Parish Office at 570-875-1521, if you are willing and able to volunteer your time. Any and all help is greatly appreciated!!!

Join us that day for good food and fellowship. New this year will be a Children’s corner with fun activities and the chance to win prizes.



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.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Thank you for your generous support of last week’s Catholic Home Missions Appeal. This will help to strengthen the Church at home and spread the Gospel across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it’s not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

Tuesday, March 7 at 7:00 p.m. – Monthly Rosary for the Protection of the Unborn will be led by the Knights of Columbus in the St. Anne Chapel

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!

SECOND COLLECTION WEEKEND OF MARCH 4-5

The special second collection this weekend will be for those devastated by the two large earthquakes and aftershocks. We recognize that extraordinary second collections can be burdensome to you; however, given the extreme need created by this natural disaster, we cannot deny ourselves nor our people the opportunity – rather, the duty – to assist in this corporal work of mercy. The funds collected will be sent to Catholic Relief Services which is the most reliable means of sending disaster relief internationally.

In advance, we thank you for your generous response to such great human suffering.

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.**

Order by 7 p.m.:

Wed. March 8

Wed. March 15

Wed. March 22

Wed. March 29

Mon. April 3 (Holy Week)

To pick up on:

Friday, March 10

Friday, March 17

Friday, March 24

Friday, March 31

Wed. April 5

WOMEN’S LENTEN RETREAT

Tuesday, March 14th at Holy Cross Parish, New Philadelphia. Begins at 6:00 p.m. with Mass—then Adoration, light refreshments, Lenten Reflection by Maggie Riggins-Diocese of Allentown and Closing Prayer and Conclusion. **Event is FREE, but an RSVP 610-866-0581 ext. 2022.**