



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

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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
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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.



Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 30, 2023

Saturday, April 29

St. Charles Borromeo Church
4:00 PM Gabel and Tappe Families

Lector: Sarah Stepanchick **EM:** Sarah Stepanchick, Penny Herb, John Smolock.

Altar Server: Gregory and Ella Stump.

Sunday, April 30

9:30 AM Mass for the Unborn.

Lector: Dwight Davis **EM:** Arlene Merritt, Michael Stepanchick, Mary Davis **Altar Server:** Peter Schachte

Regularly scheduled weekday Masses are in Ashland

St. Anne Chapel is the lower level of our Church

Tuesday, May 2

8:30 a.m. Richard Elliot

Thursday, April 27 No Mass

Friday, May 5

8:30 a.m. P.F.C. Arthur Camponizzi KIA
1953, 70th Anniversary

Saturday, May 6

St. Charles Borromeo Church
4:00 pm: John and Marie Kitsock

Lector: Bonnie Spieles **EM:** Jim Hogan, Marie Fertig, John Smolock **Altar Server:** Gregory and Ella Stump.

Sunday, May 7

9:30 am: Mrs Nancy Lewullies and Son,
Joseph.

Lector: Mary Cuthie. **EM:** Mary Cuthie, Mike Cuthie, Kathy Glessner. **Altar Server:** Peter Schachte

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 Tom Smith and Margaret Ennis.



MAY LOTTERY CALENDARS

MAY lottery calendars are now available for sale after each Mass and in the Parish Office. This will be the last week to purchase them.

COLLECTIONS:

April 22 and April 23

Sunday Collection: \$3789.45

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.

CCD NEWS

Last class for this year will be Sunday, April 30. It will include Mass, May Crowning & light social.

Practice for First Holy Communion is Tuesday May 2 at 6PM in Church. All students & one parent per child is to attend.

First Holy Communion is Saturday, May 6 at 11 AM. Children are to report to back of Church for 10:30 AM.

M & J BIG BAND

JUNE 17, 2023

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO HALL

Where: 1115 Walnut Street, Ashland, PA 17921
Cost \$20.00

When: June 17, 2023

Doors open at 5:00 p.m.; music 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Call 5709-875-1521 for tickets

Tickets available at the door

BYOB, Food available for purchase.

CHICK-FIL-A SANDWICH SALE

Orders must be made by Friday, May 12th by calling the Parish Office at 570-875-1521.

Cost is \$6.00 each and may be picked up on Monday, May 22nd at the St. Charles Borromeo Parish Hall at 1115 Walnut Street, Ashland from 3-5PM for pick-up.

All orders must be pre-paid.

Meeting of St. Anne's Guild

There will be a meeting of the St. Anne's Guild on Wednesday, May 3rd at 1PM.

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER'S FEAST DAY

On Monday, May 1st St Joseph the Worker in Frackville will be celebrating their Feast Day with:

Adoration: 4:30-5:30 p.m. St. Ann's Church

Evening Prayer: 5:30 p.m. St. Ann's Church

After Evening Prayer: Dinner at the Parish Hall, Nine South Broad Mountain Avenue, Frackville.

Sign up sheets are in the Parish Office at St. Charles and St. Joseph the Worker and in the vestibule of the both Parishes. ALL ARE WELCOME!

NO THREAD (CD)

Featuring: Fr. Mongiello and Fr. Esposito

CD is on sale in the Parish Office during normal business hours. **The cost is \$15.00 each.**

Limited amount available.

Some of the songs on CD: Heart of Gold...Neil Young; Fire and Rain...James Taylor; This Alone...Tim Manion, Love Will Find You....Chris Cunningham and John Hermanson. 12 tracks in all.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER-FRACKVILLE

St. Joseph the Worker will host Vacation Bible School on June 12 to 15 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Parish Hall, Nine South Broad Mountain Avenue, Frackville. The program is open to students ages 4-12. If interested, please sign the sheet in the vestibule of either St. Joseph the Worker or St. Charles Borromeo Parishes. Any questions, please text Siobhan at 570-449-7229. Hope to see you there!

**ST. JOSEPH CENTER FOR SPECIAL LEARNING
POTTSVILLE**

Is hosting its 32nd Annual Golf Classic tournament on May 19th at Mountain Valley Golf Course. Sponsor and/or join us for an adventurous day of food, fellowship and, of course....golf! For more information, please visit www.stjosephctr.com.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

An intimate spiritual journey for anyone seeking healing after abortion. In a safe, supportive, non- judgmental environment you can focus on this painful time in your life and enter into the process of healing. For registration information contact: Carol Swavely, MA 1-866-3RACHEL(TOLL FREE) or 610-435-1541, ext. 373. The retreat will be held May 19th-21st. Deadline for registration is May 12.

**MARIAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
INFORMATION SESSIONS**

Monday, May 15th & Thursday, May 25th.

4:30PM-6:00PM. Come tour the school and get information on how to make a Marian education possible. For more information call 570-467-3335 ext. 117 or 116.

WOMEN'S EASTER RETREAT

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
Matt 28:19

**Enjoy and Evening of Mass, Adoration,
Refreshments, & Reflection.**

Event is FREE.

**Sponsored by the Bishop's Commission for Women,
Diocese of Allentown.**

Date: Wednesday, May 24 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Location: St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall at Nine South Broad Mountain Avenue, Frackville.
Mass in St. Ann's at 6:00 then to the Parish Hall at 9th South Broad Mtn. Ave. for refreshments, Adoration, Discipleship talk and Confessions.

To Register:

Sign up in Parish Office or in back of Church after Mass.

Spaghetti Dinner

On Sunday, May 7th, 11AM-2PM(or sell out) St. Patrick's Church 313 Mahantongo Street, Pottsville is sponsoring a dine in or take out Spaghetti Dinner. Spaghetti platter includes pasta with our homemade sauce, two meatballs, a salad, and bread. Cost is \$11 per platter. Extra meatballs and/or sauce available for purchase. For information call Deborah Walker at 570-622-1802 ext. 0. Office hours: 8:30-4:30 Monday thru Thursday and 8:30-noon on Friday. Website: www.stpatrickpottsville.org

BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL

Many thanks to those who have made a pledge to the **Because we are Catholics Annual Appeal.** Making a six-month pledge to the Appeal allows you to maximize the amount that you give by making monthly payments. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how big or small. Your generosity supports children and families in our own community and throughout the Diocese of Allentown.

CASH & GIFT CARD BINGO sponsored by
Assumption BVM School

Sunday, April 30 at Hillcrest Hall in Minersville

Doors open at 11:00 a.m. Bingo begins at 1:00 p.m. Advance Tickets: \$35.00 at door tickets \$40.00. Only 300 tickets available. Admission ticket includes: 20 regular games, 3 special games, \$1,000 Jackpot Game. Tickets can be purchased from any ABVM student, at school or at the door. BINGO, 50/50 and delicious food available. Everyone is required to purchase a ticket to enter. Must be 18 or older to claim prizes. Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. For more info, please call 570-622-0106 or email tmengel@assumptionbvmschool.net.

BLESSED TERESA GOLDEN AGE, MAHANNOY CITY
TRIP

Blessed Teresa Golden Age, Mahanoy City is accepting reservations for a bus trip to Cape Cod, Massachusetts including Martha's Vineyard. June 19-23. For information call 570-773-1753.

Prayer for those who are preparing Children
for their First Holy Communion

O Jesus, Thou hast loved us with an exceedingly great love by giving us the Ineffable Gift of Thy Holy Eucharist. In flame within us a burning [zeal](#) to promote Thy [glory](#) in Thy children, now worthily prepared, Thy [children](#) who will Thy holy table for the first time.

Protect, O Sacred Heart of Jesus, these young souls from assaults of the Evil One, strengthen their faith, increase their love, and endow them with all the virtues that [will](#) make them most worthy to receive Thee.

Amen.

