



Saint Charles Borromeo Parish

Rev. Christopher M. Zelonis, Pastor

Deacon John Sutter

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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

Sunday 9:00 AM

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

Sundays: 8:15 AM to 8:45 AM

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Baptisms occur on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 11 AM. 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 every case, but can normally be expected to be granted.

St. Anne Chapel Hours Located in the lower level of our Church, this chapel is unlocked daily. Monday through Friday it opens at 7 AM, and at 2:45 PM on Saturday. It remains open till 4:00 PM. Sunday 8-9 AM.

Regional Catholic Schools

Assumption BVM School, Pottsville

Grades K-8, 570-622-0106

St. Jerome Regional School, Tamaqua

Grades K-8, 570-668-2757

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 Safe Environment

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.reportbishopabuse.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 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 27, 2026

Saturday September 26

4:00PM Mary Batdorf & Sue Wisdo

Lector: Ed Tarantelli

EM: Anne Tarantelli, Jim Hogan, John Smolock

Altar Servers: Gregory & Ella Stump

-St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville: 5:30PM

Sunday, September 27

9:00AM James & Mary Eileen Reichwein

Lector: Sarah Stepanchick

EM: Deacon Sutter, Margaret Schachte, Nora Coyne

Altar Servers: Ava Staudenmeier

-St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville 11:00AM

Monday September 28 (Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr;
Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs)

SJWP

Adoration: 1:00PM – Mass time

Confessions: 4:30PM – 5:25PM

Mass: 5:30PM

Tuesday September 29 (Saints Michael, Gabriel,
and Raphael, Archangels)

8:30AM Jambeter & Stanziola Families

Adoration: After Mass till 11:00AM

Wednesday September 30 (Saint Jerome, Priest,
Doctor of the Church) - **No Mass**

Thursday October 1 (Saint Therese of the Child
Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church) **SJWP**

8:30AM Mass

Adoration: 9AM – 11AM

Friday October 2 (The Holy Guardians Angels)

8:30AM Memorial Society and Teresa Karavage

Saturday October 3

4:00PM Bob & Anne Freiler

Lector: John Smolock

EM: JoAnne Leinenbach, Mike Sokoloskie, Karol
Freiler

Altar Servers: Gregory & Ella Stump

St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville 5:30PM

Sunday October 4

9:00AM Dr. Dwight Davis

Lector: Nora Coyne

EM: Deacon Sutter, Mike & Mary Cuthie

Altar Servers: Liam McDonald

St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville 11:00AM

The Vigil Light burns brightly this week at St. Charles
in loving memory of James & Mary Eileen Reichwein
from Family.

In St. Anne's in loving memory of August & Mary
(Boxer) Mall from Joanie.



****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 Sue Klinger, Mark Oshman, Nancy Yanacek,
Bill Kripplebauer, Rita Yarnell, John Petrousky, Frank
Locke, Breanna Hammond, Jim Murphy, Doug
Johnson, Linda Sausser, Wallee Fedko, Earl Heiber,
Jerome Schmoltze, Robert Bruce, Leo Lubinsky, Ann
Helwig, Billy Simons, Father Gregory Karpyn, and all
our deceased brothers and sisters.**

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October Lottery Calendars are now on sale after Mass
or in the Parish Office.
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St. Patrick Church Spaghetti Dinner

319 Mahantongo St.

Pottsville, PA

When: Sunday, October 4th 11AM-2PM (or sell out)

Eat in or Take out. Spaghetti platter includes pasta with
our homemade sauce, two meatballs, a salad, and
bread. Extra meatballs and/or sauce available for
purchase. For more info call 570-622-1802 prompt 3

St. Charles Feast Day

On Wednesday, November 4th we will celebrate St.
Charles Feast Day beginning with a Mass at 5:30PM at
our Church followed by our Spaghetti Dinner in the
Parish Hall! All are welcome!

Memorial Mass

This year our Memorial Mass will be at St. Charles on
Monday, November 9th at 5:30 PM.

Second Collection

**There will be a second collection this weekend for the
Church in Latin America.**

Pet Blessings

**Father will do the pet blessings on Sunday, October 4
at 3PM in St. Joseph the Worker's Grove in Frackville.**

TREASURY OF PRAYER BOOKLETS

We are grateful that you have been making use of the "Treasury of Prayer" booklets, which contain dozens of prayers new and old, outlines of the Catholic faith, a guide to confession, and more. These booklets have replaced the laminated prayer cards that were in the hymnal racks. Those cards are in the main vestibule for those who would like to take them. Please consider donating to make more copies available to take home and to keep the racks full. Each copy costs \$1.60 at the print shop we use. Thank you!

Nativity Happenings

Homecoming Football Game 50/50 – Our annual Homecoming 50/50 Drawing is one of Nativity's biggest fundraisers of the year. This year's Homecoming Football Game against Shenandoah Valley will be held at St. Clair on **October 16 at 7:00PM**. We greatly appreciate your continued support of Nativity and our 50/50 Drawing. Your participation helps make this fundraiser a success and directly supports our school and students. Please call us at 570-622-8110 to get your tickets!

Celebrating Nativity BVM High School's 70th Anniversary – We invite our Nativity families, alumni, and friends to join us on Saturday, Oct. 10th, from 7:00 to 10:00PM as we celebrate 70 years of faith, academic excellence, service, and leadership. The celebration will be held at Nativity High School and will feature tours of the building and memorabilia room, small plates, a dessert array, and open bar. Tickets are \$70 per person. For more information, please contact Nativity at **570-622-8110**. We hope to see you there!

October is Pro-Life Month

October is Pro-Life Month. "Mother of Life" Prayer Cards with a prayer asking for the Blessed Virgin Mary's intercession for an end to abortion are available in the back of the church. Please take a card and join in praying the prayers.



ATTENTION MEN: A Men's Spirituality Program entitled "That Man is You" for men of St. Charles Borromeo and St. Joseph the Worker parishes will begin Saturday, September 12 and continue through December 5 from 8:30-9:30AM at St. Joseph the Worker Parish. We will take a break and then meet again from January 9 through April 3 at St. Charles Borromeo Parish. All men age 18 and older are invited to come participate in a powerful experience of spiritual growth led by Fr. Zelonis, Deacon John Sutter, and a team of men from the two parishes. Please pray about joining us. *****

NEW TEXT MESSAGE SERVICE

To receive emergency notification of Mass Cancellations and other important information:
TEXT 27423

TO PHONE NUMBER (646)681-7694

Do not respond to messages received through this Service. They are one-way messages. Depending on Your cell phone plan, text messaging rates may apply

Holy Family Parish of Minersville

Holy Family Parish of Minersville is holding a Cash Bingo on Sunday, Sept. 27th at their Parish Center at Hillcrest. Admission is \$25 for 20 games with prizes of \$100 each! Food, specials, and tickets for a 50/50 drawing will also be available for purchase. Doors open at 11AM and bingo begins at 1PM. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at the Parish Office. Call 570-544-4741 ext 1 for more information.

St. Charles Phone System

We are excited to announce St. Charles now has a new phone system. When calling into the office you will be greeted with a prompt that will allow you to choose the extension of the person you would like to speak to. Please let us know if there any issues that you may experience. God Bless!

Ext: 1 – Mass times and Special Events

Ext: 2 Main Office Ext: 3 – Cemetery/Business Office

Ext. 3 – Cemetery/ Business Office

Ext. 4 – Father Zelonis

Food Truck

The next food truck will be Tuesday , October 27 from noon to 1:30.

HOLLY JOLLY HOLIDAY

St. Patrick Church is sponsoring a trip to the Dutch Apple Theatre in Lancaster on November 20. It will be an evening trip. The cost is \$125 and will need to be paid by October 19. The cost includes the bus, the buffet, tax, gratuity, and the show. *“Immerse yourself in the spirit of the season with this original holiday musical extravaganza sure to make you merry. The halls are decked with holly, so let the jolly festivities begin with lively dancing and singing to the yuletide tunes you know and love – along with a visit from Old St. Nick himself! The perfect feel-good, hometown Christmas revue the entire family will enjoy.”* Please call Debbie at 570-622-1802, ext. 3 for more details.

Parish Stewardship

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

Sunday 09/06/2026 (week 10)

Budgeted Weekly Sunday Offering	\$ 4,077	
Last Sunday's Offering / %of Budget	\$ 3,553	87%
Sunday Offerings to date	\$ 40,462	

145 Envelopes Used, out of a possible 370

Fiscal Year 7/1/2025 through 6/30/2026 Sunday Collection \$219,510.00

Parish Stewardship

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

Sunday 09/13/2026 (week 11)

Budgeted Weekly Sunday Offering	\$ 4,077	
Last Sunday's Offering / % of Budget	\$ 3,302	81%
Sunday Offerings to date	\$ 43,764	

182 Envelopes Used, out of a possible 370

Fiscal Year 7/1/2025 through 6/30/2026 Sunday Collection \$219,510.00

Parish Stewardship

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

Sunday 09/20/2026 (week 12)

Budgeted Weekly Sunday Offering	\$ 4,077	
Last Sunday's Offering / % of Budget	\$ 4,231	104%
Sunday Offerings to date	\$ 47,995	

188 Envelopes Used, out of a possible 370

Fiscal Year 7/1/2025 through 6/30/2026 Sunday Collection \$219,510.00

Housekeeping Position

We would like to thank everyone who applied for the housekeeping position. We are happy to announce that the position has been filled. We would like to welcome Angi Weinhold to our St. Charles staff. If you see her around the parish, please be sure to say hello!

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