

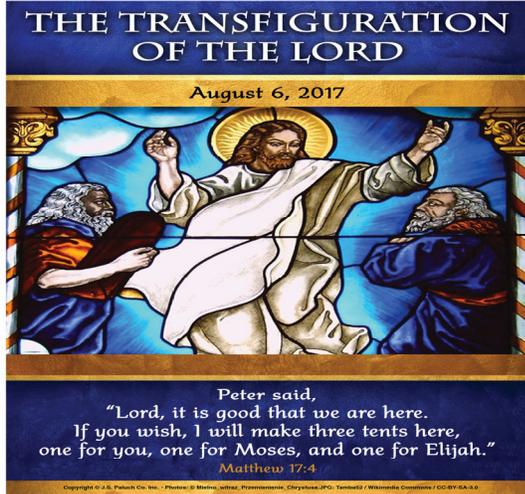


St. Joseph Parish

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Mission: Together in faith, we celebrate Christ through prayer and service.



ACTIVITIES AUGUST 6-13

- Sunday, August 6
9:00 a.m.—Call to Justice Committee Meeting
- Thursday, August 10, **8/20/17 Bulletin Deadline**
6:30 p.m.—Parish Education Committee Mtg.
- Sunday, August 13, Baptism

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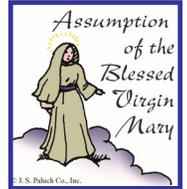
Fr. Jerzy Vacation—Fr. Jerzy is gone until August 12. Please keep Fr. Jerzy in your prayers that he has safe travel home. For emergencies, call Fr. Todd Mlsna at 715-252-8157.

Help Wanted—Persons willing to keep our sacristy candle and altar candles burning by filling with oil weekly. There will be training for all the job duties. Please call Mike Probst at 715-344-5227 for any questions or to volunteer.

Adult Mass Servers Needed—An active adult server will be training new volunteers. For questions and/or to volunteer, please call Mike Probst at 715-344-5227. Thank you.



The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is Tuesday, August 15. It is a holy day of obligation. There will be more information on Mass celebrations that day in next week's bulletin.



Gift Card Sellers—Are you looking for a way to serve the parish and your fellow parishioners? There are still two openings on the first and second Saturday of each month after the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Gift card sales and the sellers provide an important way to help financially support the parish. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the parish office at 715-341-1617.

Parish Phone Answering System is not working due to the storm in June. If no one is available to respond to your call, please call back. You can send an email to Renée at: rschneeb@togetherinfaith.org. Thank you for your continuing patience and understanding.

Operation Bootstrap—During the month of August, the parish is looking to collect cereal and juice for our Operation Bootstrap shopping carts. Operation Bootstrap is also in desperate need for paper bags. They are deeply grateful for your generosity. All donations are truly appreciated.

Lost & Found—If you have left or lost items here at church, please check the box located above the coat rack on the Jefferson Street church entrance. Thank you.



Special Collections 7/31/17

- \$ 00.00—Milk Can Fund
- \$ 100.00—Building Fund
- \$.00—Keeping Our Father's House

Envelopes/Basket Summary—7/31/17

Weekly Giving	\$4,952
Weekly Giving Budgeted	\$4,140
Giving to Date	\$27,560
Budgeted to Date	\$42,576

Mass Schedule and Intentions

MONDAY, August 7, St. Sixtus, II & St. Cajetan
8:15 a.m. *Mass at Holy Spirit Parish*

TUESDAY, August 8, St. Dominic
8:00 a.m. †Paul Laska

WEDNESDAY, August 9, St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
8:15 a.m. *Mass at St. Stephen Parish*

THURSDAY, August 10, St. Lawrence
8:00 a.m. †Arthur Boursier

FRIDAY, August 11, St. Clare
8:00 a.m. *Mass at St. Stephen Parish*

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, August 12, St. Jane Frances de Chantal
4:00 p.m. The Living & Deceased Members
of the Fisher Family
†Gene Laszewski

SUNDAY, August 13
10:30 a.m. †Fritz & Alice Richmond
†Eileen Busa



Liturgical Ministers for August 12-13

4:00 p.m. — Saturday

Mass Preparation: Marcia Molner
Altar Servers: Ben Formella, Luke Ferro
Hospitality Ministers:
 John Meyer Rose Stoltz (w) Virginia Zakoski (w)
 Maurice Stoltz Dale Tetzloff
Readers: Brian Formella
Eucharistic Ministers:
 Dave Ksionsk Marcia Molner Anne Swenson
 Lucy Ksionsk Rich Mrozinski
Gift Card Sellers: GIFT CARD SELLER NEEDED

10:30 a.m. — Sunday

Mass Preparation: Terri Chang
Altar Servers: Anna Hlavac Sarah Hopp
 Rylan Wuethrich
Hospitality Ministers:
 Jane Kennedy Casey Nieman
 Amy Nieman Perry Pazdernik
Readers: Kati Bemowski & Sandy Cekosh
Eucharistic Ministers:
 John Chang Kevin Hopp Terry Miller
 Terri Chang Gail Klauck Theron Nash
Gift Card Sellers: Laurie Schroeder

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RCIA**



Combined RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) St. Joseph and St. Stephen

—Are you interested in entering the Catholic faith from another Christian faith tradition? Are you an adult Catholic who has never completed the initiation process by being confirmed? Are you an adult who has never been baptized? If you or someone you know fits into one of these categories, we have the means to help. It is called the RCIA process. We meet Tuesday evenings beginning October 3 at 6:30 p.m. If you or someone you know is interested in joining the RCIA process this year, please call Kris Hansen at the Religious Education office at 715-341-1617, or leave a message at 715-340-7751 with name and address of the person who is interested. An official letter will be sent with the details about preparing for this process.

We also welcome young people into sacramental life through a special RCIA process for children and teens. If you wish to have an older child baptized or know an older child who needs to “catch-up” on other sacraments, contact Lynn Meyer at the Religious Education Office at 715-341-1617.



Sponsor of the Month—Thank you to Portesi Pizza for your sponsorship of St. Joseph Parish bulletin. We are able to publish a bulletin due to your generous donation. Please see Portesi Pizza’s advertisement on the back of this bulletin.

Weekly Reflections—Peter, James and John were astounded by the transfiguration of Jesus. They could hardly believe their eyes. Peter immediately thinks about setting up tents, places to keep everyone where they were. We are often like Peter. We want to cling to a special moment and never move on. But that is not what special moments and insights are about. They are given to us to help clarify our vision and understanding so that we can move on and take up the challenges that lie ahead. Recall some special moments in your own life that brought you some insight or clarity. Did you use those moments to move on or did you try to “preserve” them like a relic? Consider what these moments may have been preparing you for and how that awareness might help you in the future.

*Get up! Do not be afraid.
—Matthew 17:7*

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Congratulations to our parishioners who are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary the week of August 14-20:

John & Rebecca Niekamp, 36 years
 John & Shannon Schulfer, 24 years
 Tim & Nancy Kaczmarek, 36 years
 Pat & Linda Wenzl, 48 years
 Dr. Ron & Genie Zagorski, 49 years
 Robert & Sharon LeBlanc, 38 years
 Benjamin & Brooke Mahoney, 5 years
 Larry & Anita Danczyk, 39 years
 Rich & Amy Riggs, 39 years
 William & Theresa Rogers, 28 years
 Gene & Gail Tubbs, 46 years

May God bless and grant you many years of happiness.



A Celebration of the Gift of Service—St. Joseph Parish and its members, staff and councils recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit in calling forth Cindy Mazoch and all the volunteers for our parish Rummage Sale. We are sincerely grateful for your time sorting, organizing, and pricing the items to make the sale a continuing success year after year.

How is the Holy Spirit calling you to use your gifts for our community?

Did You Know. . . The Assumption—“While the feast of the Assumption has been celebrated for centuries, it was not until 1950 that Pope Pius XII defined it as Church dogma. Tradition holds that when Mary’s tomb was opened, her body was gone and in its place were lilies and roses. This feast has often been associated with the blessing of fruits and herbs, especially healing herbs. Mary is seen as the “first fruit” of the church. She was a perfect example for us of what it means to do God’s will. Consider her life and how her example might help you in your struggles. Pray for the grace you need so that your life may bear good fruit for the glory of God.”

—Weekly Reflections

AREA CHURCHES, SCHOOLS & DEANERY

Holy Hour for Families—Knights of Columbus, Council 1170 is proud to sponsor the Holy Hour on Monday, August 14, 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish. Considering the Assumption of Mary, all will gather in prayer for each other and all God’s family. The hour includes Exposition, Rosary, Chaplet of Divine mercy, Benediction, a prayer for families and Confession.

Franciscans Downtown Events & Information: **Franciscans Downtown** next free movie, *Testament of Youth* (a story of love, war and remembrance of WWI) is Wednesday, August 9, at 1:00 p.m.

—**Volunteers Needed** for four hours a week to assist in the ministry of presence at Franciscans Downtown. If interested, call either Fr. Placid at 201-663-1652, Leo Jacoby, 715-341-2790, or Bob Crane at 715-204-9671. Volunteers welcome guests, prepare refreshments and enter into conversation. Hours are available Monday through Friday, from 10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. or Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Thank you for your consideration.

—**Invitation;** The Third Order of Secular Franciscans invite you to join them on Sunday, August 20, 10:00 a.m., at St. Peter Parish for the Franciscan Crown Rosary. The Rosary will be followed by Mass at 10:30 a.m. After Mass, there will be a pot luck lunch to socialize and learn more about St. Francis of Assisi at Franciscans Downtown. Everyone is welcome.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed at St. Michael’s Hospital. There is a need for volunteers to bring Holy Communion to those at the hospital. Those interested in sharing the presence of Christ with patients, please contact Chaplain Bonnie in Spiritual Services at 715-346-5358 or send an email to: Bonnie.Bauman@ascension.org.

Program Openings—Pacelli Catholic Early Childhood Center (PCECC) and St. Bronislava Preschool have openings in the 3-Year Old Preschool Program beginning August 29. These programs offer a well-established and innovative preschool with a Catholic emphasis for children ages 3-4. They are taught by highly qualified staff with low student to teacher ratios. They use a learning through play approach to ensure a positive experience for children. There are two- or three-day a week programs. Classes run from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. For more information, call the Pacelli Catholic Early Childhood Center at 715-341-2878, for St. Bronislava call 715-342-2015.

Pacelli Catholic Schools has a part-time job opening in development and marketing. A bachelor’s degree in marketing, communications or a related field is preferred. Send a cover letter and résumé to Pacelli Catholic Schools, Director of Advancement, 1301 Maria Drive, Stevens Point, WI 54481 or by email to: hhenderson@pacellicatholicalschools.com. Pacelli alumni are encouraged to apply.

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St. Bartholomew, Mill Creek, Parish Picnic is Sunday, August 13. Mass is at 9:00 a.m. with Polka music. Three different bands will provide music from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. A family-style chicken dinner will be served from 11:00 a.m. until it is sold out. There will be refreshments, cash raffle, games, crafts, bake sale, Cherry Tree and Bingo.

Sacred Heart Church Picnic, Polonia is Sunday, August 20. Mass is at 10:00 a.m. with Polka music. A chicken and roast beef dinner will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in an air-conditioned dining room. Carry-outs will be available. Music will play from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Bingo starts at 1:00 p.m. There will be a rummage and furniture sale, a live auction, refreshments, basket raffle, Cherry Tree, games, Cash Raffle and much, much more. The Wisconsin River Wood Carvers will also be at the picnic.

Pilgrimage to Poland—Fr. Joseph of St. Peter Parish will host the pilgrimage, April 9-17, 2018. This pilgrimage is a fully escorted tour which includes most meals. An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 16, 6:00 p.m. in Kolbe Hall at St. Peter Parish. You may also call Global Travel for a brochure at 715-341-7227.

DIOCESE/WIDER CHURCH

St. Therese Parish, Rothschild/Schofield, August Fest is August 12-13. Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass and Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Mass will both have Polka music. Sunday features a chicken and BBQ meatball dinner from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Bingo will start at 12:00 p.m. Both days will have raffles, a cash raffle, Polka music, refreshments, flea market, games, and much more.

St. Joachim Parish, Pittsville, Harvest Festival Picnic is Sunday, August 13. The festival begins with 10:00 a.m. Mass which features Polka music. A baked chicken dinner served buffet style starts at 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. There will be Bingo at 12:00 p.m. followed by a Live Auction at 2:00 p.m. Polka music will play from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., along with Basket Raffles, a Cash Raffle, refreshments, children's mini-tractor pull, arts and crafts, and bake sale. All are welcome.

Holy Father's Intentions for August: Artists. That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

Concert on the Grounds, St. Ladislaus, Bevent—On August 8, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Ron Gruna and country band "Night Train" will be performing. There will be food and refreshments for purchase or bring your own. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on. (Rain date will be August 15.)

Healing the Culture; Guiding Principles for a Confusing Age—This conference is August 11-12 at Blessed Sacrament Parish, La Crosse, WI, with an \$80.00 fee. The conference will cover fundamental principles in a relativistic culture that is always talking about what is "true for me" or "true for you," rather than what is simply *true*. For more information go to www.dioc.org/catechesis or call Susan at 608-791-2658.

Lay Formation Institute—A few openings are still available in the diocesan Lay Formation Institute class starting September 8-9. Join a community of learning, prayer and fellowship. For complete details go to www.dioc.org/lay-formation, or call the Office for Ministries at 608-791-2664.

ST. ANTHONY SPIRITUALITY CENTER

Saint Clare: Healer and Encourager, August 11, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. This is a day to celebrate the life of Saint Clare and the various ways she brought healing and gave encouragement to many persons. Stories of her gift of healing as well as her letters to St. Agnes, reveal a life of deep spirituality. Cost is \$45.00. To register, call 715-443-2236, or email info@sarcenter.com.

Psalms Retreat, August 18-20, with Sr. Dianne Bergant. This retreat will look at different kinds of psalms, the religious themes and sentiments they contain, and how they may relate to us today. Cost is \$200.00. To register, call 715-443-2236, or email info@sarcenter.com.

COMMUNITY

Foster Grandparent Program—Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC), is looking for income-eligible people, age 55 and older, who enjoy children, have extra time and could use a monthly tax-free stipend. Under the supervision of a teacher, a volunteer spends 15-20 hours each week assisting children. Continual training is provided. For details call 715-346-1401.

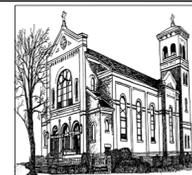


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Mission: Together in Faith,
we Celebrate Christ
through Prayer
and Service.



Welcome to St. Joseph Parish—to those who are new to our church or just visiting. We are grateful to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you are not currently a member of a local church, we invite you to become part of our parish family. Visit our Parish Office to sign up, ask questions or receive more information about our parish. We're glad you're here and hope you become involved in our parish family. Our website is www.togetherinfaith.org.

Remember St. Joseph Parish in your Legacy. St. Joseph Parish has seen a decline in giving over the past year, while at the same time expenses have gone up. The Parish would like to continue with expansion of many worthwhile programs and projects successfully. Please, ask Fr. Jerzy how you can help by giving to St. Joseph Parish General Fund.

Sacraments

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office for detailed information on infant Baptism, as parents are asked to attend a baptismal preparation program. The Baptism will be scheduled after completion of the class.

Marriage: Marriage is celebrated for couples who are active and registered members in the Parish. Please contact the Parish Office at least eight (8) months prior to the requested wedding date.

Reconciliation: Confessions are heard on Saturday at 3:30 p.m., before the evening Mass, or you may call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Funeral: Please contact the funeral home director who will assist in making arrangements. The funeral director will then contact the Parish Office.

Services

Visitation of the Sick: If you become homebound because of illness and would like a visit, please call the Parish Office.

Bulletin Deadline: Articles are due Thursday by 12:00 p.m. Drop off the articles at the Parish Office, or send by email to bulletin@togetherinfaith.org, with a copy to rschneeb@togetherinfaith.org.