



Welcome

Saint Charles Borromeo Parish

St. Charles Borromeo Church - Ashland
Saint Vincent de Paul Worship Center - Girardville
Rev. Giuseppe C. Esposito, M. Div., M.A., Pastor
Deacon John Sutter

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DRE: JoAnne Leinenbach **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 9:00 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: 8:15AM to 8:45AM, 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

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.report bishop/abuse.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.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 19, 2025

Saturday, January 18 St Charles Borromeo
4:00PM Fred and Helen Mattro & Family
Lector: JoAnne Leinenbach
EM: JoAnne Leinenbach, Ed & Anne Tarantelli
Altar Servers: Gregory & Ella Stump
-St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville: 5:30PM
Sunday, January 19 St. Charles Borromeo
9:00AM Kay Hogan 2nd Anniversary
Lector: Jim Hogan
EM: Jim and John Hogan, Aaron Stepanchick
Altar Servers: Rosemary Schachte
-St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville
8:30&11:00AM

NO WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK.
Weekday Mass: St. Charles Borromeo, Ashland
St. Anne Chapel, lower level of Church
Monday January 20
5:30PM NO MASS
Tuesday January 21
8:30AM NO MASS
Wednesday January 22
8:30AM NO MASS
Friday January 24
12:00PM NO MASS

Saturday January 25
4:00 PM Gloria Haluska
Lector: John Smolock
EM: John Smolock, Penny Herb, Jan Paulukonis
Altar Servers: Gregory and Ella Stump
-St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville 5:30 PM

Sunday January 26
9:00AM Deceased Members of the Bradshaw
Family
Lector: Mike Stepanchick
EM: Mike, Sarah, and Aaron Stepanchick
Altar Servers: Charles Clark, Martin Wrobel.
11:00AM St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville

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 Elwood and Irene Kaufman from Family.



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 Theresa Mock, Sue Klinger, Christine Groody, Mark Oshman, Nancy Yanacek, Bill Kripplebauer, Rita Yarnell, John Petrousky, Frank Locke, James Dwyer, Stephen Groody, and our deceased brothers and sisters.

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Feb. Lottery Calendars
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Feb. Lottery Calendars are now on sale after Mass or in the Parish Office

Catholic Charities Food Truck

The next food truck will be at St. Charles on Tuesday, January 28th, 2025 from noon to 1:30PM.

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Catholic Charities Community Café Inclement

Weather Update

In the event of inclement weather on a day the meal service is scheduled for your town, please follow you town's school district policy as it appears on television or announced in the radio. If the school district is on a 1-or 2-hour delay, the service will occur. Should the district be closed or virtual, the truck will not be available for meal service.

Second Collection

There will be a second collection next week, January 25 and 26 for Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for your generosity!

Finance Council Meeting

There will be a Finance Council Meeting on Monday February 3rd at 6:30PM in the Parish Hall.

Nativity Happenings

Registration for the 2025-2026 school year at Nativity is scheduled for Sunday, January 26, 2025 from 1-3PM at the school. Faculty, staff, administration, and coaches will be available to answer questions. Tours of the school will be given and tuition assistance drawings will be available that afternoon for those who register. Please contact Jennifer Daubert @ 570-644-8110 with any questions.

Marian Happenings

Open house for Marian will be on Sunday, January 26, from 1-3. Tour the school, meet faculty and administration, and learn how to make a Marian education possible. For more information, contact Mary Milosh at 570-467-3335 ext 117 or email mmilosh@mariancatholics.org

Never Alone Support Group

St. Charles Borromeo's peer support and recovery group is offering a place where you can share your own or just listen to others convey their feelings and life experiences of dealing with a personal loss. For more information, call the parish office at 570-875-1521 or Carol at 570-400-0864 after 2. **Always remember that we are here for you!** Our next meeting will be in the lower hall of St. Charles parish office on Friday, January 31st at 10:00AM.

Head Girls Softball Coach

Nativity BVM High School is accepting applications for the position of: Head Girls Softball Coach for the 2025 spring season. Head coaching experience preferred. interested Candidates should send resume, certifications and all clearances by January 25, 2025 to: Nativity BVM High School, Attn. Mrs. Lynn Sabol, Principal, One Lawtons Hill, Pottsville PA 17901.

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Parish Stewardship

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Sunday 12/22/24 and Christmas 12/25/24 (week 25)

Budgeted Weekly Sunday offering \$ 4104

Last Sunday's Offering / % of Budget \$ 5016 122%

Sunday Offerings to-date \$ 97365

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION \$ 12,010.00

227 Envelopes Used, out of a possible 576

Fiscal Year 7/1/23 to 6/30/24

Sunday Collection \$213,408



Sight and Sound Bus Trip
Wednesday – May 7, 2025

Noah

Total cost of \$160.00 includes ticket to Sight and Sound Theatre production of Noah, after show buffet style meal at Shady Maple, and round-trip Coach bus transportation. Reserve your seat early!!! A non-refundable deposit of \$80.00 is due at time of reservation. (**We are missing some down payments from people who called the parish office) Final payment due April 30, 2025. Come enjoy a one-of-a-kind panoramic theatrical performance including live animals and special effects. Spend an enjoyable day with Father Esposito and our fellow parishioners! All reservations can be made at the St. Charles Parish Office, 570 -875-1521 ** Father Esposito will be teaching a class about Noah on Tuesday-May 6th. Surely this class will enrich our understanding of the journey and life of Noah!

New Classes to Offer

We have some exciting news for the new year. Starting in January and running through April we will offer one kindergarten class per month. Ann Tarantelli will lead this class and will present a story and an accompanying craft. If you have a kindergarten student or know of a kindergarten student who would be interested in attending these classes, please contact our DRE(JoAnne Leinenbach) with their names and contact information so that we have an approximate idea of how many children will be attending. Thank you!

Seven Sisters Apostolate Ministry

The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a ministry where seven women from a parish commit to praying on holy hour per week for their parish priest. Today, more than 1350 parishes around the world participate in the Apostolate. We would like to begin this apostolate at our parish. If you are interested in joining this ministry or learning more about it please call the parish office and someone will contact you.



"From the Heart" Ministry Update



As this card-communication ministry approaches its 1-year Anniversary, we would like to wish all parishioners a Happy, Healthy 2025! We connected monthly with the shut-ins of the parish & sent sympathy cards & other greetings as needed. We will continue this in the New Year. We would like to thank all of you for your prayers, support & forwarding of cards.

Sue Klinger, Maryann Groody, Gayle Sokoloski, Mary Davis

Just as immediate family share special events, our goal in 2025 is to send birthday wishes to all parishioners. To do this we need your help. If you would like family members to receive a card (including yourself) simply forward the following: name, address, & month of birthday. It's not necessary to include a date since cards will be sent randomly 1-2 days of the month. Feel free to note the SPECIAL birth age. Other special occasions are always welcome, too. E-mail or text information to me. sklinger43@yahoo.com or 570-590-1297. I hope to hear from you soon.

Sue Klinger.



New Liturgical Linens



Don't Miss This Exciting Opportunity...

We have purchased new Altar linens, chasubles, and other liturgical linens; and we are offering you the chance to sponsor one or more. Take this opportunity to dedicate a vestment or linen for the memory of a loved one, honor their family, or join with other family/friends to celebrate a milestone anniversary/birthday. If you are interested, please contact St. Charles Borromeo Parish Office at (570)-875-1521 or St. Joseph the Worker Parish Office at (570)-874-0610 ext 4 for more information.

Parish Stewardship

Fiscal year 2024-2025

Sunday 12/29/24 (week 26)

Budgeted Weekly Sunday Offering \$ 4104
Last Sunday's Offering / % of Budget \$ 3785 92%
Sunday Offerings to-date \$ 101,150

221 Envelopes Used, out of a possible 576

Fiscal Year 7/1/23 to 6/30/24 Sunday collection \$213,408

Parish Stewardship

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Sunday 1/5/25 (week 27)

Budgeted Weekly Sun. Offering \$ 4104
Last Sunday's Offering / % of Budget \$ 3652 89%
Sunday Offerings to-date \$104,802

200 Envelopes Used out of a possible 576

Fiscal Year 7/1/23 to 6/30/24 Sun. Coll. \$213,408
