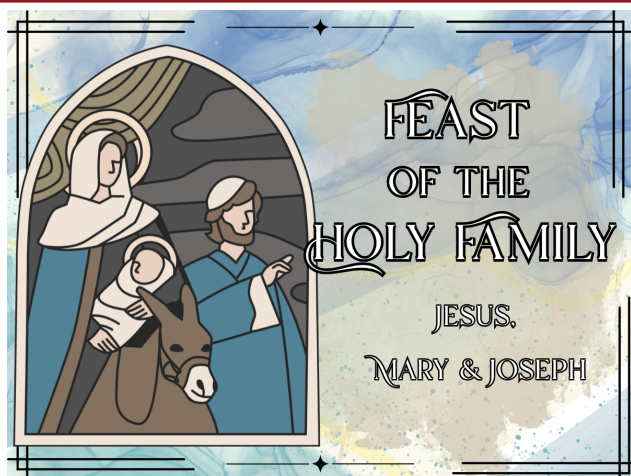


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Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

**Saturday, December 27, 2025 - 5:15PM Vigil
Mass**

Mary Elizabeth DiEmedio

Altar Servers: A. & T. DaSilva; Z. Steiner

Greeters: A. & L. Sumner

C/L: M. Andrews; N. Wallerich

EMs: B. Wallerich; A. & L. Sumner

Sunday, December 28, 2025 - 9:00AM Mass

Intentions of the Altar & Rosary Society

Altar Servers: T. Reinert; A. & A. Zabinski

Greeters: R. Luna; R. Hartung

C/L: S. Dale; B. Reinert

EMs: S. Bartholomew; K. Flounders; R. Hartung

Sunday, December 28, 2025 - 11:00AM Mass

Fred Lanshe Jr.

Altar Servers: M. & P. Arruda; E. Tran

Greeters: G. Bender; B. Busfield

C/L: E. Petrash; A. Ellenberger

EMs: C. Hendricks; J. Krafczyk; G. Schultz

Today's Readings

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5.
"Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways."

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21

Gospel Acclamation: *"Let the peace of Christ control your hearts; Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly."*

Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Upcoming Mass Schedule

Monday, December 29 - 8AM

Living & Deceased of St. Joseph Parish

Tuesday, December 30 - 8AM

Sick & Homebound of St. Joseph Parish

Wednesday, December 31 - 8AM

Donald Vasta

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

Wednesday, December 31 - 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Donald Lees

Thursday, January 1 - 9:00AM Mass

Intentions of the Altar & Rosary Society

Thursday, January 1 - 11:00AM Mass

Thomas R. Buckley, Sr.

Friday, January 2nd - 8AM

Michael Lynn

Saturday, January 3rd - 8AM

Rev. Dominick Kalata

Feast of the Epiphany

Saturday, January 3rd - 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Mary Elizabeth DiEmedio

Sunday, January 4th - 9:00AM Mass

Maryanne Baus

Sunday, January 4th - 9:00AM Mass

Raymond Buckner



WELCOME TO THE ST. JOSEPH PARISH FAMILY

We are a faith-filled community that rejoices in, grows in, and spreads the Love of God the Father as revealed through the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit, and the Teachings of the Holy Roman Catholic Church through Word, Sacrament and Service.

Mass & Confessions Schedule

Weekday Mass - 8:00AM

Saturday Evening Vigil - 5:15PM

Sunday Morning - 9:00AM and 11:00AM

Confessions are held Saturday afternoons from
4:30pm to 5:00pm.

The Rosary is said after 8 am weekday morning Masses throughout the year, and at 6PM on the first Monday of the month.

Our parish is a Sacrificial Giving Parish committed to serving the Lord with God-given time, talents and treasures.

Pastor: Rev. Thomas R. Buckley, M. Div.

Deacon: Conrad Paulus

Parish Administration:

Rosemarie Lanning

Janessa O'Donnell

All wage earners should be receiving and using their envelopes regularly. Active parish membership of no less than six months duration is required to be a sponsor, to be married in the parish, and/or to have a child baptized. Contact the Rectory for more information.

New members are asked to register at the church following the 5:15 PM or 9:00 AM Masses on weekends. Please notify the parish office of a change of address or phone number. Information regarding Anointing of the Sick, Baptism, Marriage, Prayer Requests, Parish Religious Education, and more, is available on our website.

Stay up-to-date on our Parish News by joining our e-newsletter mailing list! Join via the link on our webpage, or email: janessa.odonnell@stjoescoopersburg.org.

Parish Bulletin & Newsletter Submissions & Deadlines - All copy for the bulletin & newsletter must be submitted no later than 10:00 A.M. Monday. Print advertisements are on a set schedule. See website for more info.

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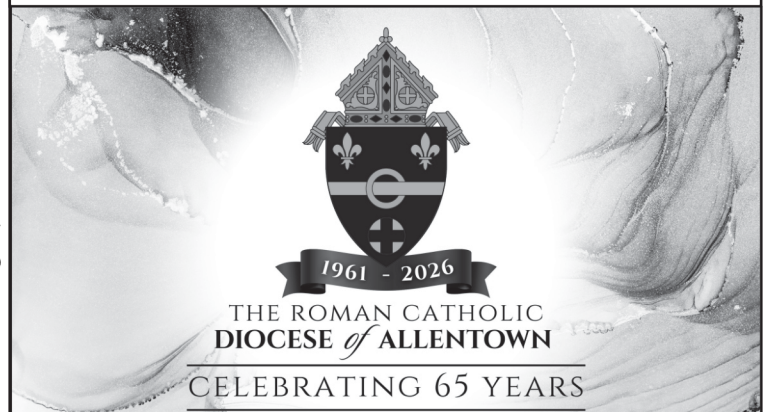
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St. Joseph Parish Family



Newsletter



Scan this box with your device to be taken to our weekly newsletter, which contains the most up-to-date news, including our full prayer list. Please remember in your prayers all of the recently deceased, sick and homebound of our parish family, especially those whose names appear on our prayer list. If you are a parishioner who would like to be added to our prayer list, please feel free to contact Fr. Buckley, or janessa.odonnell@stjoescoopersburg.org. Names are not removed from the list until we are asked to remove them - please advise if a name appears in error.

MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

Pope Francis - December 2025: For Christians in areas of conflict. Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

Pope Leo XIV - January 2026: For prayer with the Word of God. Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP Best Bet Based on Inflation 2025-2026 Budget

Last Week 12/25/25	Fiscal Year To Date 07/01/25-06/30/26
Operating Expenses \$12,744.	Operating Expenses \$305,816.
Sunday/Holy Day Collections \$43,420.	Sunday/Holy Day Collections \$299,001.
Over/(Under) Budget \$30,676.	Over/(Under) Budget (\$ 6,815.)

Christmas Collection: \$32,609 reflected in the above.
Additional Retired Religious Collection: \$1,756.00;
additional Immaculate Conception Collection: \$50.00
both not reflected in the above.

OUR PARISH & COMMUNITY CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

- 12/31 & 1/1 Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God - NYE Mass at 5:15PM, NYD Masses at 9AM & 11 AM
- 1/5 - Monthly Rosary Gathering - 6PM in the church
- 2/2 - Monthly Rosary Gathering - 6PM in the church
- 2/7 - A&R Society Soup & Sandwich Sale - More info to come!
- 2/7 - KOC Bingo Night - More info to come!
- 2/15 - Mardi Gras Mission Sunday Carnival - More info to come!
- 2/18 - Ash Wednesday - Masses at 9AM & 7PM
- 2/20, 27 - Stations of the Cross - 7PM
- 3/2 - Monthly Rosary Gathering - 6PM in the church
- 3/6, 13, 20, 27 - Stations of the Cross - 7PM
- 3/7 - First Reconciliation - 10AM
- 3/14 - A&R Society Shepherd's Pie Sale - More info to come!
- 3/15 - Confirmation Retreat & Practice - 11AM-4PM
- 3/16 - Confirmation - 4:30PM
- 3/28 - Fr. Buckley's Annual Easter Egg Hunt - 11AM Sharp; Rain or shine!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **Mass & Sanctuary Candle Offerings** -- MASSES for the deceased or to honor a special occasion are available for a \$10 stipend. SANCTUARY CANDLE requests may also be made for a separate stipend of \$5.00. Click here to download & print the form on our website to make your request(s). Place your request(s) through the contribution basket, or mail to the Rectory. The 2026 calendar is open. Please be sure to give multiple dates if you have a request for a specific Mass. We will do our best to schedule on your request or the closest date to it. For questions, please contact Roe Lanning at the rectory office at 610-965-2877.

* **Schedule Altar Flowers for the New Year!** If you are interested in purchasing the altar flowers for a special occasion or in memory of someone in 2026, please contact Reg Hartung at regh@ptd.net or 610-965-3268. A triangular arrangement is \$100., and a bouquet is \$45. As a reminder, this is not a fundraiser, but rather a special way to participate in the Mass. Thank you!

* **INCLEMENT WEATHER REMINDERS** -- All weather or other emergency cancellations of weekend Masses will be announced on WFMZ. Daily Mass is cancelled whenever Southern Lehigh School District announces either a delay or cancellation for winter weather.

* **GIVING TREE 2025** -- At this time, all tags have been removed from the tree. Please be sure to bring your gift no later than this Sunday, December 28th. All items should be new & unopened and UNWRAPPED please. Thank you!

* **ORNAMENTS FOR PARISH FAMILY CHRISTMAS TREE** - All families, especially those who have joined recently, are invited to add an ornament to our Parish Family Tree, which is located in front of the baptismal font. The tree will remain up through the Feast of the Epiphany.

* **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS & WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA UPDATE** - There has been some interest to take advantage of the by-one-get-one deal being offered by Wreaths Across America this year. The offer runs until December 31 and wreaths are \$17. Order online at <https://wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/174916/Overview/?relatedId=0> When you purchase, please make sure the wreaths are purchased under our KofC "Sponsorship Group" ID (PA0763) NOT the Cemetery "Location" ID (PASJCE). Wreaths purchased off the website front page will not apply to our cemetery and wreaths purchased to our "Location" will not benefit from the buy-one-get-one deal. It's a bit convoluted, so just remember "Sponsorship Group PA0763." If you have any questions, please contact Alex Arruda at alexander.gray.arruda@gmail.com. Thank you!

* **"Vatican For All" News App** - The Dicastery for Communication has released a free App entitled "Vatican for All" to provide information on the activities of the Pope and the Church in the world for people with sensory disabilities, as part of the "No One Left Out" project. It is available for free on the App Store and Google Play. Once the app is downloaded, click "impostazioni" then "seleziona lingua" then choose preferred language. The app otherwise defaults to Italian.

* **2026 National March for Life, Washington, D.C.** - Please consider attending the National March for Life in Washington, D.C. on Friday, Jan. 23. To learn more about this annual initiative, visit <https://marchforlife.org/national-march-for-life/>. A bus from St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Easton, departs at 7:30 a.m. You may attend 6:30 a.m. Mass before departure. Cost is \$20 per rider. Please pay in advance to hold your seat. Checks should be made out to Sacred Heart Church and mailed to Andrew Azan 3rd, PO Box 3278, Bethlehem, PA 18017. Also include your name, email, and mobile number with the payment.

* **Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts & Our Lady of Martyrs in Fultonville, New York - April 15 & 16, 2026** - Space is limited! For questions about reservations, please visit asktravelworld.com or email info@asktravelworld.com.



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