

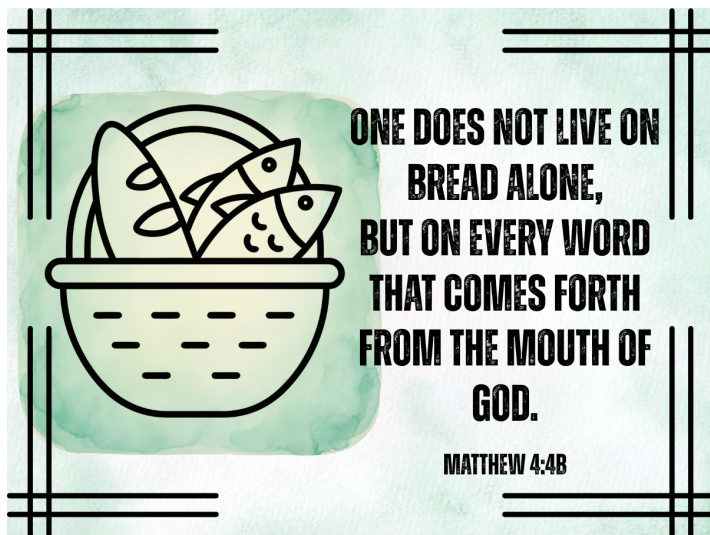


St. Joseph Church



Limeport-Coopersburg
A Parish Family - Living the Word, Loving Through Christ

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18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, August 1, 2026 - 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Art & Edie Fischer

Altar Servers: B. Kelhart; R. & A. Shoemaker

Greeters: A. & L. Sumner

Commentator/Lector: T. Yaeger; B. Wallerich

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Figuli; A. & L. Sumner

Sunday, August 2, 2026 - 9:00AM Mass

Msrgr. Robert Coll

Altar Servers: E. Gridley; P. & S. Grubb

Greeters: S. Bartholomew; G. Bender

Commentator/Lector: D. Ward; C. Grubb

Eucharistic Ministers: S. Bartholomew;

J. & P. Patterson

Sunday, August 2, 2026 - 11:00AM Mass

Michael F. Fitzpatrick, Sr.

Altar Servers: A. & A. Davis; E. Tran

Greeters: R. Hartung; R. Luna

Commentator/Lector: A. Ellenberger; C. Zientara

Eucharistic Ministers: C. Hendricks; G. Schultz;

M. Zientara

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-3

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18
"The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs."

Second Reading: Romans 8:35, 37-39

Gospel Acclamation: "One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God."

Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, August 3 - 8AM Mass

Linda Kardos

Tuesday, August 4 - 8AM Mass

Robert F. Fox

Wednesday, August 5 - 8AM Mass

Fred Lanshe Jr.

Thursday, August 6 - 8AM Mass

Deceased of the Lynch Family

Friday, August 7 - 8AM Mass

Mary Beth DiEmedio

Saturday, August 8 - 8AM Mass

Michael Pancoast

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 8, 2026 - 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Dave Newcomer

Sunday, August 9, 2026 - 9:00AM Mass

Karen Buckley

Sunday, August 9, 2026 - 11:00AM Mass

Judith Zelenz



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.

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@stjoescopersburg.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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For information regarding the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People adopted by the USCCB, please visit the USCCB Website. To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy and Code of Conduct, please visit the Diocesan website. Please view the Volunteers page of our parish website for Pennsylvania & Diocesan Volunteer Requirements at St. Joseph Church.

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 1-800-276-1562.

VOLUNTEERS AND CATECHISTS NEEDED!

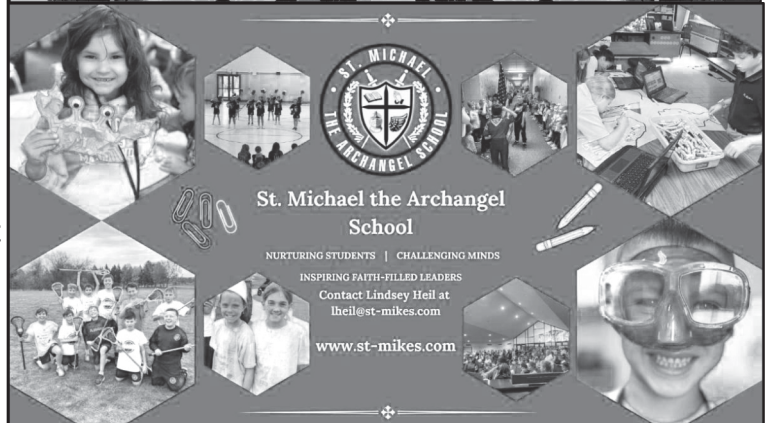
We are looking for Catechists and room aids to share their faith with
our Parish Religious Education Program!

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Contact Janessa O'Donnell at
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for more info!



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.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP Best Bet Based on Inflation 2026-2027 Budget

Last Week	Fiscal Year To Date
07/26/26	07/01/26-06/30/27
Operating Expenses	Operating Expenses
\$13,254.	\$ 53,016.
Sunday/Holy Day Collections	Sunday/Holy Day Collections
\$ 8,747.	\$ 42,067.
Over/(Under) Budget	Over/(Under) Budget
(\$ 4,507.)	(\$10,949.)

Additional Churches in Central & Eastern Europe Collection: \$60.00 both reflected in the above. Thank you!

GIVING ENVELOPES DELAY CONTINUES

We have been informed by Cathedral Letter Concepts that although they had expected to be back on schedule for the August offertory envelope mailing, some parishioners may still experience a delay in receiving their envelope packets. Cathedral Letter Concepts sincerely apologizes for not meeting the timeline they had communicated. Their team continues to work diligently to complete production and mail all remaining envelopes as quickly as possible. Please follow the important steps below if you are missing Giving Envelopes.

If you are donating by check, simply write your envelope number (if you know it) on the memo line. You may place the unfolded check, without an outside envelope, in the collection basket.

If you are donating with cash, print your name and envelope number (if you know it) on the outside envelope (do not seal envelope) and place it in the collection basket.

If you have an unused envelope, you may use it, just cross-off the date and print the current date on the address side of the envelope.

IN ALL CASES, PLEASE NO SEALED OUTSIDE ENVELOPES!

OUR PARISH & COMMUNITY CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

- Through 8/16 - Laundry Detergent Collection for Betty Lou's Pantry
- Through 9/16 - Wednesdays 8:45-10AM - Women's Book Study in Church Meeting Room
- 8/2 - Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship following the 9AM & 11AM Masses - Weather permitting; look for the tent outside.
- 8/3 - Monthly Rosary Gathering - 6PM in the church
- 8/8 - VBS Experience - "Camp WWJD" - 9AM-2PM in the Parish Center - Pre-registration required
- 8/8 and 8/22 - St. Joe's Help with BLP Distribution - 7:45 - 11:30 am
- 8/22 - Cemetery Cleanup - 8:30-10AM
- 8/29 - Altar & Rosary Society Hoagie Sale Pickups - Order forms on website & in the back of church
- 9/6 - Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship following the 9AM & 11AM Masses - Weather permitting; look for the tent outside.
- 9/7 - Monthly Rosary Gathering - 6PM in the church

WEEKLY REMINDERS

* **Saturday Confessions** are held from 4:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

* **The Rosary** is recited after the 8AM Weekday Mass, and on the first Monday of the month (every month!) at 6PM in the church.

* **The Free Table** throughout August will feature different saints each week according to their feast days. You may find coloring sheets, medals and prayer cards as well as other information on these remarkable people. We will continue to have coloring sheets that reflect the Sunday Gospel as well. For the next two weeks the Parish group being highlighted are the Greeters. You will find an information sheet as well as a way to sign up to participate.

SPECIAL PARISH & COMMUNITY 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. 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. 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.

* **Altar Flowers** - To place orders for flowers, 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!

* **Charitable Contributions** - Charitable Contributions to St. Joseph Church, Coopersburg, can provide support to the Parish, while providing financial and tax benefits for you and your family. For those that are over age 70½, a very popular method of making charitable contributions is by a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your IRA. This QCD amount is excluded from your taxable income. Talk to a professional tax advisor before you take any action regarding your IRA. If you have any questions about making a charitable gift, please feel free to contact Bob Carlin of the Parish Finance Committee @ 610-798-7220 or robertcarlin@rtcrlin.com with any questions.

* Our next **Cemetery Cleanup** will be on August 22nd from 8:30-10AM. This cleanup will be focusing on clipping trees and bushes away from the roadways, and any litter that needs to be collected. If you are able to join us and help out please let Linda know at hoffyphotos@aol.com or 610-653-9542.

* **OCIA, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, will begin Wednesday, September 16th, at 7 PM in the Church Meeting Room**, off the Narthex. OCIA is for anyone who would like to come into full communion with the Catholic Church, anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Church including current Catholics who desire a deeper understanding of the faith. If you would like more information or have questions, please contact Andrew Sumner at (484-264-8565) or st.joesph.coopersburg.rcia@gmail.com. You may also speak with Father Buckley after Mass, or email the Rectory at rectory@stjoescoopersburg.org.

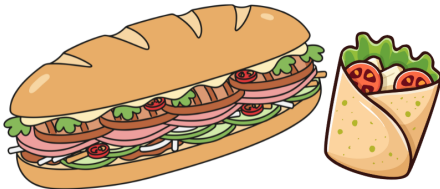
* **St. Mike's CYO Announcement** - CYO is open to all students of St. Michael the Archangel and PREP students of both St. Joseph's and Assumption BVM. For links to register and/or Questions, contact: Colleen Fitzpatrick Colfitzpat@gmail.com



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