

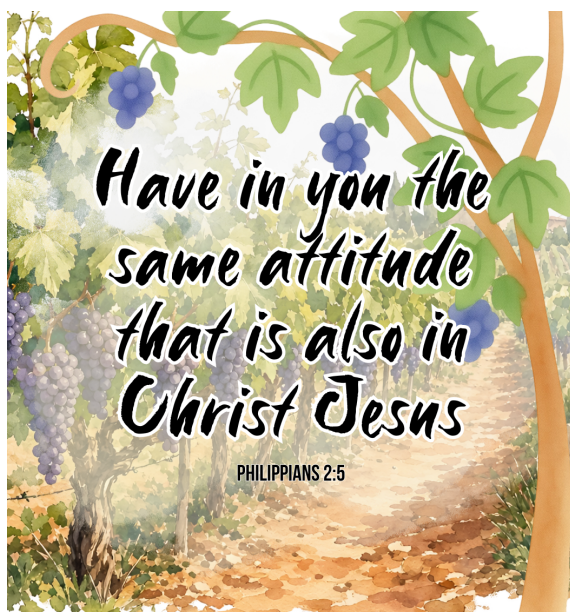


# St. Joseph Church



Limeport-Coopersburg  
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## 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Saturday, September 26, 2026 -**  
**5:15PM Vigil Mass**  
*William Carter*

Altar Servers: J. Brewer; T. DaSilva; J. Shultz  
Greeter: The DaSilva Family  
Commentator/Lector: T. Yaeger; E. Reichenbach  
Eucharistic Ministers: K. Reichenbach; M. Figuli;  
R. Wasatonic

**Sunday, September 27, 2026 - 9:00AM Mass**  
*Deceased of the Altar & Rosary Society*

Altar Servers: B. & M. Ellis; P. Serna  
Greeter: D. & G. Sago  
Commentator/Lector: : D. Ward; A. Ellenberger  
Eucharistic Ministers: K. Flounders;  
J. & P. Patterson

**Sunday, September 27, 2026 - 11:00AM Mass**  
*Carl Liebl*

Altar Servers: M. O'Donnell; P. Wenner; J. Zientara  
Greeter: The Wenner Family  
Commentator/Lector: K. Mosko; L. Rohrbach  
Eucharistic Ministers: A. Arruda; J. & M. Krafczyk

## TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
*"Remember your mercies, O Lord."*

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel Acclamation: *"My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me."*

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

## UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday, September 28 - 8AM Mass**  
*Living & Deceased of St. Joseph Parish*

**Tuesday, September 29 - 8AM Mass**  
*S. Carol Streeter*

**Wednesday, September 30 - 8AM Mass**  
*Michael Pancoast*

**Thursday, October 1 - 8AM Mass**  
*Helen Sabol*

**Friday, October 2 - 8AM Mass**  
*David Newcomer*

**Saturday, October 3 - 9AM School Mass**  
*Don Lees*

## 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday, October 3, 2026 - 5:15PM Vigil Mass**  
*Art & Edie Fischer*

**Sunday, October 4, 2026 - 9:00AM Mass**  
***New Altar Server Investiture***  
*Fred Lanshe Jr.*

**Sunday, October 4, 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@stjoescoopersburg.org](mailto: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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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](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 1-800-276-1562.



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[carmelitemonasterylehighvalley@gmail.com](mailto:carmelitemonasterylehighvalley@gmail.com)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026  
at 2:00 P.M.

✱ HOLY MASS IN HONOR OF SAINT THÉRÈSE ✱

Come to Carmel of Allentown to honor Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus  
♦ Blessing of Roses in the name of Saint Thérèse  
♦ Distribution of 1,000 Blessed Roses

All are WELCOME to the Solemn Services to glorify our Heavenly Father,  
for the Graces bestowed upon Saint Thérèse of Carmel.

Every Pilgrim receives special Blessed Rose in the Name of Saint Thérèse

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FOLLOWING DEVOTIONS

## 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](mailto: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<br>09/20/26                    | Fiscal Year To Date<br>07/01/26–06/30/27  |
| Operating Expenses<br>\$13,254.          | Operating Expenses<br>\$159,048.          |
| Sunday/Holy Day Collections<br>\$ 9,851. | Sunday/Holy Day Collections<br>\$125,640. |
| Over/(Under) Budget<br>(\$ 3,403.)       | Over/(Under) Budget<br>(\$ 33,408.)       |

Thank you!

### OUR PARISH & COMMUNITY CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

#### Weekly Meetings & Events

##### Sundays

PREP Classes - 9:45-10:45AM in the school,  
September through May

##### Mondays

Adult Choir Practice - 7PM in the church, September  
through May

##### Tuesdays

DSE Small Group Faith-Sharing Program - 7PM in the  
Parish Center, ends 11/10

##### Wednesdays

Women's Book Study - 8:45-10AM in Church Meeting  
Room

Hand Bell Choir Practices - 6:30PM in the Church

OCIA Classes - 7PM in the Church Meeting Room,  
through Holy Week

##### Saturdays

New Altar Server Practices - 10AM in the church, through  
10/3

#### Dates of Importance & Special Events

- 9/27 - Centennial Photo Scanning - After 9AM & 11AM Masses - Meeting Room of Church
- 10/4 - Altar Server Investiture - 9AM Mass
- 10/4 - Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship following the 9AM & 11AM Masses - Weather permitting; look for the tent outside.
- 10/7 - Living Rosary Prayer Service - 6PM in the church
- 10/10 - Blessing of the Pets - 10AM Under the Pavilion
- 10/11 - KOC Breakfast & Parish Groups Fair - 7:30-11AM
- 10/11-10/13 - Forty Hours of Devotion - Church open for private adoration each day and concludes with Benediction at 7PM each night
- 10/17 - A&R Rosary Making Workshop - More info to come!
- 10/17-18 - Blood Pressure Screenings after All Masses - Church Meeting Room
- 10/18 - Confirmation Investiture Mass - 11AM
- 10/25 - Centennial Photo Scanning - After 9AM & 11AM Masses - Meeting Room of Church
- 10/25 - Fr. Buckley's Annual Fall Family Festival - 3-5PM in the Parish Center

### 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 will celebrate Vincent DePaul, Our Lady Undoer of Knots, St Wenceslaus, St Michael, St Rafael, and St Gabriel, and St Jerome. There will be many items that help us to reflect on the help of God's Holy angels.

### SPECIAL PARISH & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* **Mass & Sanctuary Candle Offerings** - MASSES and/or SANCTUARY CANDLES for the deceased or to honor a special occasion can be requested by downloading & printing the form on our website. 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.

\* **The Altar Flowers for the weekend of September 26/27 are in celebration of the 60th anniversary of Joe and Susan Zola.** To place orders for flowers, please contact Reg Hartung at [regh@ptd.net](mailto: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. 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@rtcarlin.com](mailto:robertcarlin@rtcarlin.com) with any questions.

\* The Discipleship, Spirituality, and Evangelization (DSE) team would like to welcome everyone to a **small-group faith-sharing program** based on the Sunday Scriptures and Father Buckley's homily. The program is held on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm in the Parish Center gym and will continue for 8 weeks (no 10/12). The format and guidelines will be similar to those used for 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory and Christ Life. Session #1 preliminary materials, which exclude the homily and related questions, can be viewed at <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LwRVIKXgsZQNvTgvtJ8h626pU7JmPxH/edit?usp=sharing&oid=106900559634623653238&rtpof=true&sd=true>. Groups will have a facilitator to guide discussion. You do not have to sign up or commit to attending every session.

\* **SAFETY REMINDER:** We have started a **new traffic pattern for Sunday mornings during PREP classes.** Families are required to park in the church lot and walk their students to/from class. We ask that on PREP days, ALL VEHICLE TRAFFIC should follow the path outlined above for the safety of our parishioners both walking to/from PREP classes as well as trying to enter or leave the parish grounds. Please remember that the entrance to the church is for two-way traffic; do not drive in the middle of the road, be prepared to stop for those exiting the handicap circle, and be mindful of those both coming and going through the entrance/exit area. We thank everyone for their cooperation in both the new weekday morning Mass and Sunday morning Mass traffic plans. It has made a huge difference for the safety of the children and other people.



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# St. Joseph

Catholic Church

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## PARISH ACTIVITY FAIR Breakfast

Enjoy a delicious breakfast while you learn about the many ministries and groups that make our parish special!

*All are Welcome!*



**Date:**  
Sunday,  
October 11<sup>th</sup>



**Time:**  
7:30 AM to  
11:00 AM



**Location:**  
Parish Center

### Menu:

Pancakes, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs, hash browns, coffee, tea, juices, and desserts provided by Altar & Rosary.



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### Our Church Groups



Altar Rosary



Knights of Columbus



Hospitality Committee (greeters - welcome parishioners to mass, weekly and holy days)



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