



St. Joseph Church



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

5050 St. Joseph Road, Coopersburg, PA 18036 | 610-965-2877 | www.stjoescoopersburg.org



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Alberta Keenan

Altar Servers: S. & C. Krupka; L. Wilde

Greeters: A. & L. Sumner

Commentator/Lector: M. Andrews; M. Glavin

Eucharistic Ministers: A. & L. Sumner; B. Wallerich

Sunday, August 16, 2026 - 9:00AM Mass

Helen & John Spaar

Altar Servers: J. Dale; K. Hafler; E. Hayward

Greeters: E. & K. Reichenbach

Commentator/Lector: S. Bartholomew; P. Moreira

Eucharistic Ministers: S. Dale; K. Landman;
T. Lynch

Sunday, August 16, 2026 - 11:00AM Mass

Frank & Catherine Madle

Altar Servers: E. Tran; P. Wenner

Greeters: The Wenner Family

Commentator/Lector: K. Mosko; L. Rohrbach

Eucharistic Ministers: K. & P. Metzler; S. Moyer

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8
"O God, let all the nations praise you!"

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Gospel Acclamation: "Jesus proclaimed the
Gospel of the kingdom
and cured every disease among the people."

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, August 17 - 8AM Mass

Living & Deceased of St. Joseph Parish

Tuesday, August 18 - 8AM Mass

Sick & Homebound of St. Joseph Parish

Wednesday, August 19 - 8AM Mass

Daniel O'Connor

Thursday, August 20 - 8AM Mass

Carmen Hernandez

Friday, August 21 - 8AM Mass

50th Jubilee for Sr. Bernadette McCauley SCC

Saturday, August 22 - 8AM Mass

John Lynn

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 22, 2026 - 5:15PM Vigil Mass

Michael Pancoast

Sunday, August 23, 2026 - 9:00AM Mass

Henry & Catherine Soltys

Sunday, August 23, 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.

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.

Thank You to our advertisers & sponsors!



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC
DIOCESE of ALLENTOWN

CELEBRATING 65 YEARS

Stay Informed - Scan Here
to Learn More About Our Diocese!



Diocesan Website



AD-Today.com

Diocese of Allentown - Youth Protection <https://www.allentowndiocese.org/youth-protection>

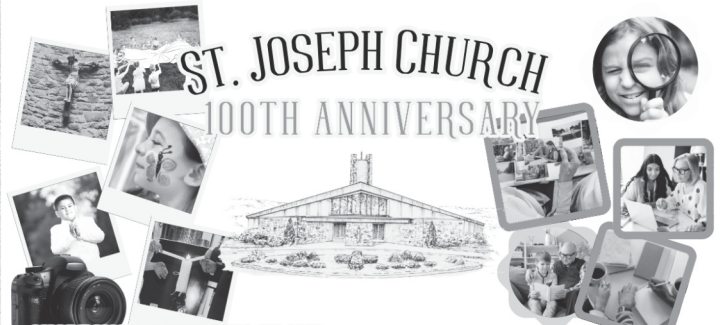
Victim Assistance Coordinator for the
Diocese of Allentown
Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC
Email:
victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org
Direct Line: 1-800-791-9209
Fax: 484-664-7794

Secretary for Youth Protection
Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS
Email: prusso@allentowndiocese.org
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)

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.



SHARE YOUR MEMORIES AT OUR PHOTO SCANNING EVENTS!

Share your photos from over the years to use for our hundredth year celebration!

- August 23rd, Sunday, after Masses from 10:00 am until 12:30 pm in the Meeting Room at church.
- September 20th, Sunday, from 12:00 until 2:00pm in the Parish Center.
Contact Kim Flounders
(KFlounders@yahoo.com) with questions!

MULTIGENERATIONAL INTERVIEWS

We're gathering the stories, memories, and photographs that have made our parish such a special place over the past 100 years. Parishioners, we'd love to hear your stories! Students, become Parish History Detectives! **September 20, 2027 12:30-2:30 p.m.** in the Parish Center. Lunch will be served. Please reply by September 13th to pdsd1@ptd.net if you can join us!



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
08/09/26	07/01/26-06/30/27
Operating Expenses	Operating Expenses
\$13,254.	\$ 79,524.
Sunday/Holy Day Collections	Sunday/Holy Day Collections
\$11,230.	\$ 63,582.
Over/(Under) Budget	Over/(Under) Budget
(\$ 2,024.)	(\$15,939.)

July online contributions: \$2,655.00 reflected in the above. Thank you!

GIVING ENVELOPES DELAY CONTINUES

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 9/16 - Wednesdays 8:45-10AM - Women's Book Study in Church Meeting Room
- 8/22 - St. Joe's Help with BLP Distribution - 7:45 - 11:30 am
- 8/22 - Cemetery Cleanup - 8:30-10AM
- 8/23 - Centennial Photo Scanning - after Masses from 10:00 am until 12:30 pm in the Meeting Room at church
- 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.
- 9/6 - Diocesan CYO Cross Country Track Meet - 1PM
- 9/7 - Monthly Rosary Gathering - 6PM in the church
- 9/13 - PREP Grades 1-7 Book Pickup and Teacher Meet & Greet - 10-10:45AM
- 9/13 - Confirmation Student & Family Mass & Meeting - 5PM
- 9/16 - OCIA, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults Begins - 7 PM in the Church Meeting Room
- 9/20 - Centennial MultiGenerational Interviews & Photo Scanning - 12-2:30PM in the Parish Center

Back to School Checklist



Please register for PREP by Aug. 30th!

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. The Parish Ministry being highlighted for the rest of the month of August is the Handbell Choir. Please look for information about the choir as well as a way to sign up to join.

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 August 15/16 are in Memory of Alberta Keenan by Marcella Carter.** 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@rtcarlin.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.

✳ **CAUTION - ROAD WORK!** Upper Saucon Township will begin sewer line work on St. Joseph's Rd. beginning next week. Please use caution when coming to and from the church, and do not park in the lot across the street from St. Joseph's Parish Center. Flaggers should be present to direct traffic.



PLEASE JOIN US IN THANKING
OUR 2026 BULLETIN SPONSORS!
*Bulletin Sponsorships are accepted on a rolling basis -- send in
the form to be added to the list at any time throughout the year!*

The Burkhardt Family
The DaSilva Family
The Gridley Family
Jay & Patricia Landis
In Loving Memory of Lou & Winnie Melinsky
The Yannarell Family

KEEP YOUR FAMILY COMFORTABLE WITH
YOUR **LOCAL** HVAC EXPERTS!

RGCC Services Inc.
Heating and Air Conditioning



215-892-3753
www.RGChvac.com



**PROUDLY OFFERING MILITARY
& FIRST RESPONDER DISCOUNTS**



Find us on Facebook:
Picture This, Sew That

Linda Hoffstetter
(610) 653-9542
hoffyphotos@aol.com

Handsewn products
Memory Bears
Alterations
Special Orders
Photography

Laura Morton
(610) 841-6824
laura.hoffstetter@gmail.com

PHYSICAL THERAPY
AT **St Luke's**



Therapists You *TRUST!*

St. Joseph Church Parishioners
David Brewer, Ryan & Fallon Hassick, Tim & Monica Miller

Schedule today! • stlukespt.com

**MADLE'S
HARDWARE & MOWERS**

ACE
The **helpful** place.

Leroy Halleman and Jeanne Halleman

3570 Lanark Rd.
Coopersburg, PA 18036
Phone: 610-797-0434
Fax: 610-797-4354
E-mail: madles@rcn.com

Store Hours

Mon - Fri 8:00am - 6:00pm
Sat 8:00am - 5:00pm
Sun 10:00am - 2:00pm