



# St. Joseph Church



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

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## Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord

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

*Mary Elizabeth DiEmedio*

Altar Servers: O., M. & L. Wilde

Greeters: A. & L. Sumner

C/L: A. Garguilo; A. Sumner

EMs: M. Figuli; S. Moyer; L. Sumner

### **Sunday, January 4th - 9:00AM Mass**

*Maryanne Baus*

Altar Servers: T., P. & S. Grubb

Greeters: S. Dale; S. Bartholomew

C/L: C. Grubb; R. Hartung

EMs: A. & P. Lohr; H. Stankewicz

### **Sunday, January 4th - 9:00AM Mass**

*Raymond Buckner*

Altar Servers: A. & A. Davis; P. Wenner

Greeters: B. Busfield & Wenner Family

C/L: P. Moreira

EMs: G. Schultz; K. & P. Metzler

The Adult Choir and the Bells Choir will perform at this Mass.

## Today's Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13  
"Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Gospel Acclamation: "We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

## Upcoming Mass Schedule

### **Monday, January 5 - 8AM**

*Living & Deceased of St. Joseph Parish*  
Monthly Rosary Gathering - 6PM in the church

### **Tuesday, January 6 - 8AM**

*Sick & Homebound of St. Joseph Parish*

### **Wednesday, January 7 - 8AM**

*James Wise*

### **Thursday, January 8 - 8AM**

*Rev. Dominick Kalata*

### **Friday, January 9 - 8AM**

*Joyce Newcomer*

### **Saturday, January 10 - 8AM**

*Donald Lees*

## The Baptism of the Lord

### **Saturday, January 10, 2026 - 5:15PM Vigil Mass**

*Fred Lanshe Jr.*

### **Sunday, January 11, 2026 - 9:00AM Mass**

*Peggy Zarbatany*

### **Sunday, January 11, 2026 - 11:00AM Mass**

*Stefan & Elizabeth Liebl*



# 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@stjoescopersburg.org](mailto: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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## Secretary for Youth Protection

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS

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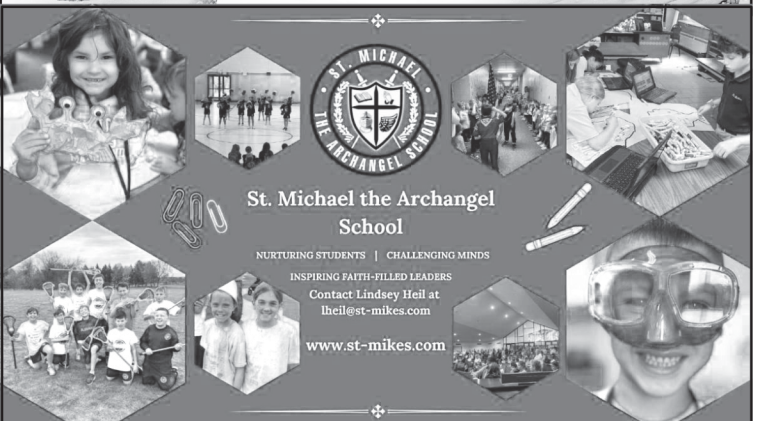
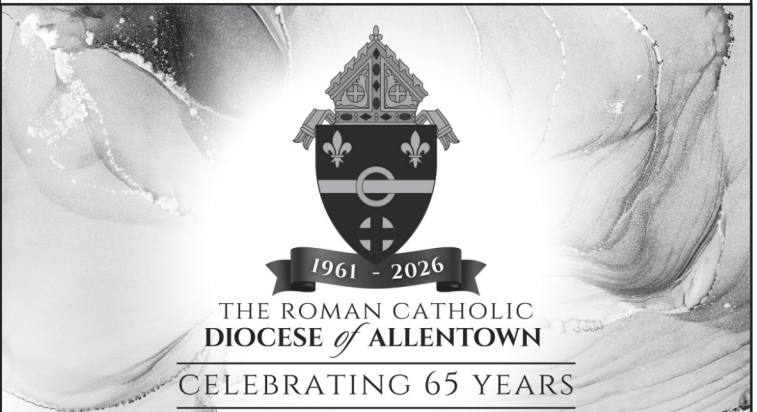
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For information regarding the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People adopted by the USCCB, please visit the USCCB Website. To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy and Code of Conduct, 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.



Contact Lindsey Heil, Director of Advancement, at [lheil@st-mikes.com](mailto:lheil@st-mikes.com). Visit our website at [www.st-mikes.com](http://www.st-mikes.com) and our FACEBOOK page for more school announcements and information.



# 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.

### OUR PARISH & COMMUNITY CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

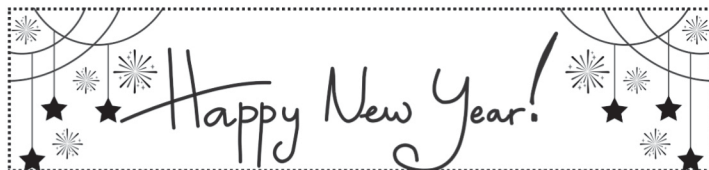
- 1/5 - Monthly Rosary Gathering - 6PM in the church
- 2/2 - Monthly Rosary Gathering - 6PM in the church
- 2/7 - A&R Society Soup & Sandwich Sale Pickup
- 2/7 - KOC Bingo Night - More info to come!
- 2/15 - Mardi Gras Mission Sunday Carnival - More info to come!
- 2/18 - Ash Wednesday - Masses at 9AM & 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!

## NEW YEARS RESOLUTION FOR 2026: Offer our Parish Family the gifts of your time & talents!

The new year is a great time to become a liturgical minister within our parish! If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a greeter, usher, lector, commentator, and/or Eucharistic Minister, please contact Janessa O'Donnell at [janessa.odonnell@stjoescoopersburg.org](mailto:janessa.odonnell@stjoescoopersburg.org), see Fr. Buckley after Mass, or call the Rectory at (610) 965-2877.



The Altar and Rosary Society will be holding their first hoagie sale of 2026 on the weekend of the Super Bowl by having a **Soup and Sandwich Sale**. The sale begins on Jan. 3 with orders being due on Jan. 25. Pick up is Saturday, Feb. 7, from 11AM-12PM in the parish center. You can find an order form in the back of church. Thank you for your support!



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* **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.

\* **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](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!

\* **"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.

\* **Candlelight Prayer Service in the Taize tradition January 6 - 6:30pm - Feast of the Epiphany** - Join us on the Feast of the Epiphany for a Taize service at Assumption Church, 4101 Old Bethlehem Pike, Bethlehem, PA, at 6:30pm. Taize involves sung and chanted prayers, meditation, a period of silence, and liturgical readings. There will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation following the service. Contact Mary Williams at 610-867-7424x16 or email [abvmrect@ptd.net](mailto:abvmrect@ptd.net).

\* **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](http://asktravelworld.com) or email [info@asktravelworld.com](mailto:info@asktravelworld.com).



**PREP CLASSES THIS WEEKEND!**  
Please be alert for extra pedestrian traffic in the church lot after the 9AM Mass and prior to the 11AM Mass on Sunday morning, and be sure to stop at the pedestrian crossing leading to the school building. Thank you!

# Thank You!

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*Chalking the Door*

*An Epiphany Tradition*

Chalking the front door with "20+C+B+M+26" marks our homes as we ask God's blessing upon those who live, work, or visit throughout the coming year. It is a sign that we invite God and His blessing into our home. The numbers refer to the current year. The letters (C+M+B) refer to the three kings - Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They also represent "Christus Manionem Benedicat", which means, "May Christ bless this dwelling!" Start a new prayerful, meaningful tradition with your family this year, by reading the scriptures together and chalking your door!