

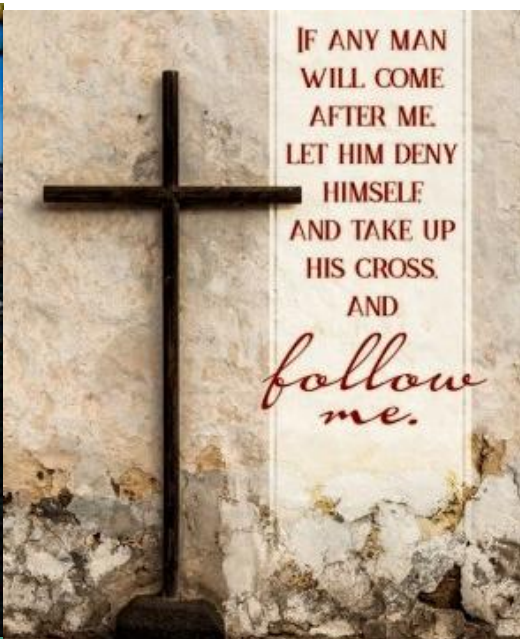
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

134 East Bishop Street,
Bellefonte, PA 16823

ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA CATHOLIC CHURCH

PO Box 159
3503 Penns Valley Rd,
Spring Mills, PA 16875

October 4, 2026/27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

Weekday: Varies—see weekly
Mass schedule

St. Kateri Church: 12:00 p.m.
Sunday

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

CONTACT US

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Join us on FlockNote!
Text "SJ814" to the number 84576

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Brian Saylor, Pastor | Deacon Tom Boldin
Fr. Joshi Narisetti, HGN, Parochial Vicar
Lorraine Fello and Rose Truglio: Office Staff
Michelle Russell: St. John School Principal
Tony and Paula Roland: Directors of Rel. Ed.
David Harry: R.C.I.A. Coordinator
Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin:
Confirmation Directors
Natalie Stanton: Music Ministry Coordinator
Joe Baummer: Maintenance

SACRAMENTS

Confession: Saturday 4:00-4:30 p.m.
Baptism: Call the rectory
R.C.I.A.: Call the rectory
Marriage: Notify pastor 9 months
in advance

Masses for the week

Saturday, October 3

8:00 AM Healing of Dana Gambino
(Mariah Lucas)

5:00 PM Edward P. Rose
(Wendt/Rose Family)

Sunday, October 4

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:15 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory
(Suzanne & Richard Egli)

Monday, October 5

9:00 AM Mitchell Taylor (Dick & Nancy Taylor)

Tuesday, October 6

8:00 AM C. Merrill Waite (The Family)

Wednesday, October 7

8:00 AM Carmen Rose (The Rose Family)

Thursday, October 8

6:00 PM Clinton & Sylvia Swartz
(Susan Swartz)

Friday, October 9

8:00 AM Nancy Mutch (Nancy Zelenlg)

Saturday, October 10

5:00 PM Kimberly Rose (Wendt/Rose Family)

Sunday, October 11

8:00 AM Donny Koshko (Koshko Family)

10:15 AM People of the Parish

Eucharistic Minister/Lector /Altar Server/Music

Saturday, October 10 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Michael Pavone/Barry Pearce
Lector: Angela Basalla
Servers: Cameron Niemann/Kamdyn Brungard
Music: David Harry

Sunday, October 11 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Art & Deb Ardire
Lector: David Harry
Servers: Matt & Josie DeRemer
Music: Jay Zimmerman

Sunday, October 11 10:15 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Adam Rawding/Jason Cossman
Lector: Christine Surovec
Servers: Makenzie Kellogg/Frankie McDermott
Music: Youth

St. Kateri Masses for the week

Sunday, October 4

12:00 PM Joyce Sipley (Lynn Ellen Dixon)

Tuesday, October 6

11:00 AM The Leggett Family (Lynn Ellen Dixon)

Sunday, October 11

12:00 PM 60th Anniversary of Hal & Karen Grove
(Family)

WEEKDAY MASS There will be Mass this Tuesday,
October 6th at 11:00 AM.

The ROSARY is prayed before Mass most Sundays beginning
at 11:30 am. Why not come a little early to church that day to pray
the rosary to Our Lady with us! Contact Millie Turner
(mlt3557@verizon.net) if you would like to lead the rosary on
occasion.

ST. KATERI MINISTERS

Lector

October 4: Jim Hodgson
October 11: Millie Turner

Eucharistic Minister

October 4: Gail Anderson
October 11: Sister Judith

Hospitality

October 4: Diane Brown & Barb & Chris Cole
October 11: Connie Corl & Celina Jovel
October 18: Stephanie Perrot, kb Boomer & Rick B.

TRAVELING VOCATION CRUCIFIX PROGRAM:

The Vocation Crucifix will be available to travel from home to home
for one-week intervals. During that week the host family will be
asked to make a special effort to pray together with emphasis
on an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life,
as well as a clear understanding as to the vocation Christ is
calling each family member. A booklet of prayers will
accompany the crucifix. Sign-up by calling or emailing the
Church Office.

BAPTISM CLASS DATES 2026: Families who would like their
first child baptized must attend a baptism class. The class dates
for 2026 are December 13. For additional information or
questions contact Deacon Tom Boldin at 814-355-4234(H) or
text to 814-883-8123 or email tboldin@verizon.net **CLASS**
DATES 2027: March 14, June 13, September 12 and December
12.

Weekly events

Mon. October 5 **9:30 AM Adoration**
Thurs. October 8 **6:30 PM KOC meeting**

COME CELEBRATE THE WONDER, WARMTH, AND MAGIC OF THE SEASON!

Father Brian will be hosting a bus trip to Lancaster to see the all-new American Music Theatre live, original musical Christmas Show: Winter Wonderland.

Step into the magic of the season with Winter Wonderland, American Music Theatre's 2026 Christmas show! From a charming Bavarian village to the festive North Pole, this dazzling production features stunning sets, gorgeous costumes, and live performances of your favorite sacred and secular holiday songs. With our sensational cast, live orchestra, and even a visit from Santa, it's a joyful experience for the whole family—and a holiday tradition for all!

The bus trip is on **Thursday, November 19**, for the 10:30 am showing. Travel will be by Fullington Trailways. We will be stopping after the show at Cracker Barrel in Harrisburg. The bus will be boarding in front of St. John's at 6:00 am and returning approximately at 7:00 pm. Cost of the trip is **\$140.00 per person** which includes show ticket and transportation. Meals will be on your own.

All reservations and money must be received in St. John's parish office by Friday, October 9th. Please note – no reservations will be accepted without payment. Space is limited. If you have any questions, please contact St. John's parish office at (814) 355-3134.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Amount Raised as of 30 Sep 2026

Pledged: \$375,965.00

Received: \$215,604.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Capital Campaign Update

Thank you to those who have donated & those who

Continue to pray about Giving!.

Please contact Father Brian, or one of the Capital Campaign committee members (Ed Mulfinger, David Files or Barbara Materna) if you have any questions.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES DRIVE GOAL

St. John Parish: \$55,600.00

\$44,425.00 as of August 31, 2026

St. Kateri Parish: \$7,700.00

\$12,980.00 as of August 3, 2026

Weekly Financial Report

For the Weekend of September 27, 2026

ORDINARY COLLECTION INCOME RECEIVED:

Adult Offertory (regular & online):	\$ 6,573.55
Loose Offertory:	\$ 1,481.00
Children's Offertory:	\$ 10.00
Special Monthly:	\$ 169.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 190.00

ORDINARY TOTAL **\$ 8,423.55**

EXTRA ORDINARY INCOME RECEIVED:

Local Family:	\$ 237.00
Maintenance:	\$ 429.00
Cemetery:	\$ 1,017.00

EXTRA ORDINARY TOTAL: **\$ 1,683.00**

ORDINARY & EXTRA TOTAL: **\$ 10,106.55**

SCHOOL COLLECTION: **\$ 602.00**

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: (Diocesan or Other)

Holy Name of Mary	\$ 320.00
Missionary Coop	\$ 110.00
Retired Priest Medical	\$ 1,542.00
Catholic University	\$ 87.00
Jesus Calls	\$ 20.00

ST. KATERI COLLECTION TOTALS (regular & online)

September 20, 2026	\$ 1,206.00
Outreach	\$ 13.00
Missionary Coop	\$ 470.00
September 27, 2026	\$ 981.00

Thank you for your generosity!

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE WITH FR. BRIAN

October 4-14, 2027

Fr. Brian invites you to join him for a pilgrimage to France.

WHERE YOU'LL GO: Paris • Lisieux • Omaha Beach • Mont St. Michel • Nevers • Paray-Le-Monial • Lourdes
 COST: \$5,800.00

For more information contact Pam Callahan

(psb146@msn.com) or Fr. Brian Saylor

(bsaylor@dioceseaj.org or 814-355-3134) or

L.P. Pilgrimage (1-833-944-8242 or booking@Lppj.org).

Religious Education

St. John

CCD GRADES K-8

CCD classes begin **Sunday, September 13th at 9 AM.**

Registration forms are available at the back of the church by the confessionals for any students not already registered. Please return completed forms to the church office or bring the first day of class.

We will hold a brief parent meeting the first week in the school auditorium. Students will gather with their grades and proceed to their rooms after the meeting has ended.

Starting 9/20 we can update it to:

CCD GRADES K-8

CCD classes have resumed! Grades K-8th class times are Sunday 9:00-10:00 in St. John School. Please contact Tony (tcroland@hotmail.com) or Paula Roland (proland@dioceseaj.org) for new student registration or with any questions.

Please note the following class schedule

Oct 4th - Class

Oct 11th - Class- 7th & 8th grade mass (10:15)

Oct 18th - NO CLASS

Oct 25th - Class

9th GRADE CONFIRMATION CLASS

Mass at 10:15 AM Followed by Class from 11:15 AM-12:30 PM in the School Auditorium.

Sunday, October 4 Group Mass & Class

Sunday, October 11 No Class

Sunday, October 18 No Class

Sunday, October 25 Group Mass & Class

Questions- please contact Deacon Tom & Shirley Boldin

At (814)355-4234(H) or text (814)883-8123 or email:

stboldin@verizon.net

St. Kateri

CCD classes are from **10:15-11:45** the first and third Sunday with some variations during Easter season.

Classes are offered for students in grades Kindergarten through 9th grade. Only new students need to register.

Forms are on the bookshelf in the church foyer. Contact Millie Turner if you have questions. 814-883-6474 or mlt3557@verizon.net

October 4—CCD

October 11—No CCD

PRAY FOR AMERICA: The prayer group will be meeting after the 10:15 mass on Sunday, October 25th in the rectory dining room. All are welcome! Please join us to pray "The Divine Mercy Chaplet" as well as prayers for America and any special intentions. Copies of the Pray for America prayer booklet are available in the entryway of the church. Email Stan and Tanya at tsechrist260@comcast.net with any questions.

Box of Joy 2026

St John in Stitches is excited to announce the **Box of Joy Christmas Shoebox** campaign for 2026. We will be collecting for 5 weeks from Sept 6th - October 11th. Our goal is to provide 50 gift boxes for girls and boys 10-14 years old living in Central and South America. The sewing group has been busy making small dresses, headbands, drawstring bags, wash cloths and hacky sacks.

We are asking our parish family to help fill the boxes with additional items such as: small* toys & games, lip balm, boys and girls socks and underwear (large youth), sunglasses and flip flops. *Items should be SMALL. Space is limited in the shoeboxes. Please drop your donations in the collection bins in the vestibule of the church.

UPDATE

Thanks to your overwhelming response, we no longer need financial donations to cover the postage for mailing the boxes. We have met our goal of \$450! Thank you so much for your generosity. It's nothing short of amazing.

Thank you for caring for these children in need. We couldn't do it without your help and generosity!

The Saint John Church Youth Choir is looking for new members!

Children in grades 3-12 are welcome to come check out what we're all about. No official sign-up is necessary; just come up to the choir loft and sing! Whether you've been singing for years or have never sung in a choir before, there's a place for you! Come be a part of our musical adventure and help us make a joyful noise!

St. John School News

MEMORIALS & DONATIONS

Birthday Treats: Pelican's Snowballs generously donated coupons this year for each student to receive on their birthday. We are grateful for their willingness to provide each student with a delicious frozen treat in celebration of their birthday.

Thank you to all of our benefactors and God bless your generosity to and support of our school.

LIVING ROSARY:

Our 3rd grade class will be presenting a Living Rosary on Wednesday, October 28, at 10:00 a.m. in the Church. All parishioners are invited to attend this lovely celebration with our school students.

GRANDPARENT'S DAY:

Thank you to our grandparents and grandfriends who joined us on Monday, September 28 to celebrate with Mass and time together afterwards. Love filled and overflowed the Church, school auditorium, and Pre-K.

Our students are so proud of their school and we loved seeing all the smiles and joy while they spent time with their special visitors.

SCHOOL SUBSTITUTES:

We are accepting applications for substitute teachers. Candidates must possess a valid Pennsylvania teaching certificate and be able to obtain all state and federal clearances. Candidates must be supportive of the mission of the Catholic Church and be able to provide for the academic and spiritual health of our students. Interested applicants should contact Michelle Russell at principal@sainjohnsch.net.

SCHOOL LUNCH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE NEEDED:

As part of our Saint John family, we often hear from parishioners looking for ways to support our school and students in a significant way. If you would like to make a daily impact in the life of a student, we would be greatly appreciative of donations geared directly toward offsetting lunch fees for our students in need. Saint John School does not receive government funds for school lunches, but we still have students who qualify for reduced lunches. Donations can be sent to the school office via a labeled envelope in the collection basket, dropping it off directly, or mailing to 116 E. Bishop St., Bellefonte, PA 16823. If you have any questions, please contact Erin St. Amant at estamant@saintjohnsch.net or 814-355-7859. We are grateful for your consideration.

VOCATION CORNER **27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the story of the vineyard entrusted to tenants—an image of the care, responsibility, and faithfulness God asks of each of us. A vocation begins with recognizing that our lives and gifts come from God, and that He invites us to use them generously for His Kingdom. Whether God calls us to priesthood, religious life, marriage, or a dedicated single life, each vocation is a way of tending the "vineyard" entrusted to us. God continues to send His messengers, inviting us to bear good fruit through lives of service, prayer, and love.

If you sense an invitation to consider the priesthood or religious life, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at email: vocations@dioceseaj.org.

