

Welcome

to the Parishes of St. John XXIII and St. Richard

Reverend Robert T. Finlan, Pastor
Deacon Edward J. Girard

January 21, 2024
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Church of St. John XXIII

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Parish Staff

Dale Bonenberger, Director of Music

Louise Howells, Cemetery Administrator

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Deacon John A. Setlock, (Retired)

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Catholic Schools

St. Jerome Regional School ~ 50 Meadow Avenue, Tamaqua PA ~ 570-668-2757 ~ Grades PreK-8

Marian Catholic High School ~ 166 Marian Avenue, Tamaqua PA ~ 570-467-3335 ~ Grades 9-12

St. Joseph's Center for Special Learning ~ 302 Randel Street, Schuylkill Haven PA ~ 570-622-4638 ~ Children & Adults

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are usually celebrated on a Sunday afternoon. Parents need to be registered parishioners and attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. At least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic and obtain a Certificate of Eligibility from their parish.

Sponsor Eligibility

Certificates of Eligibility for Baptism and Confirmation require the sponsor to be a registered and active member of the parish, and if married, in a valid marriage recognized by the Catholic Church. Please call the Parish Office for additional information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements should be made at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date to begin pre-nuptial instructions before making any arrangements. Please call the parish office for more information and to schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

Parish Prayer List

To be placed on the Parish Prayer List or to be removed when appropriate, please call either Parish Office and someone will be happy to assist you. Names placed on the Prayer List are automatically removed after three months.

Diocesan Secretary for Office of Safe Environment

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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 800-276-1562.

SJ = St. John XXIII**SR = St. Richard**

Saturday, January 20 2:45PM – 3:15PM Confessions: SJ 3:30PM Mass: SJ 5:00PM – 5:15PM Confessions: SR 5:30PM Mass: SR	Vigil to The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: Mary Wagner Mass Intention: Joseph Klatka
Sunday, January 21 8:30AM Mass: SJ 10:30AM Mass: SR	The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: Theresa Parkhurst Mass Intention: Joseph H. Bones, Sr.
Monday, January 22 8:00AM Mass: SJ	Weekday Mass Intention: Day of Prayer for Protection of Unborn Children
Tuesday, January 23 8:00AM Mass: SJ 8:30AM – 9:00AM Confessions: SJ 8:30am – 9:30AM Adoration & Benediction: SJ	Weekday Mass Intention: Carol Troxell
Wednesday, January 24 8:00AM Mass: SR 8:30AM – 9:00AM Confessions: SR 8:30am – 9:30AM Adoration & Benediction: SR	St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church Mass Intention: In Loving Memory of my parents Joseph & Florence Filip
Thursday, January 25 8:00AM Mass: SR	The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle Mass Intention: Living and Deceased Members of St. Richard and St. John XXIII Parishes
Friday, January 26 <i>No Mass at either church on this date</i>	Ss. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
Saturday, January 27 2:45PM – 3:15PM Confessions: SJ 3:30PM Mass: SJ 5:00PM – 5:15PM Confessions: SR 5:30PM Mass: SR	Vigil to The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: Anthony Macchiano Mass Intention: Robert J. Allesch Sr.
Sunday, January 28 8:30AM Mass: SJ 10:30AM Mass: SR	The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: All Catholic School Teachers and Students Mass Intention: Michael Mazur

TODAY'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: In the first reading, Jonah answers God's call to preach in Nineveh and the city repents. In the second reading, Saint Paul urges the Corinthians to act as if time is running out. The Gospel tells of the beginning of Jesus' ministry, as he calls the Galileans to repent and believe in the Gospel. We also hear of the call of James, John, Andrew, and Simon. Jesus is calling us today. Maybe he is calling us to drop something we have been clinging to. Maybe he is calling us to lay down our weeping or rejoicing, to move into something new. Maybe he is calling us to listen. In the precious time we give to him, he will give us all we need to answer his call...big or small.

TODAY'S RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Teach me your ways, O Lord.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 28th: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

St. John XXIII

The Order of Mass can be found starting on page 140 in the Journeysongs Hymnal.

The Heritage Mass can be found on the following pages:

Holy, Holy, Holy – 227 / Memorial Acclamation – 228 / Amen – 231 / Lamb of God – 232

The prelude is **Pastorale on the Hymn Tune "Picardy"** by Gordon Young (1919-1998)

The postlude is **Raise Now Your Song on High from "Christmas Oratorio"** by Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

The altar flowers are in memory of Sally Best-Haas.

PRAYER LIST FOR BOTH PARISHES

Please remember in your prayers...

Marge Coassolo, TJ Dombrowski, Dee Harvan, Valerie Higgins, Margaret Kufrovich, Kathy Sanchez, Joe Shustack Sr., Barbara Houser, Rich Campbell, David Rickert, Craig Goida, Bernard Hasara, Bob Bonner, Marci Bonner, Bill Savage, Sue Taiko, Paul Setlock, Deacon John, Ellie Setlock, Maryann Zakrewsky, Sandra McGlinchey, Ben Shellhamer

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them...

John Leipold

DEVOTIONAL CANDLES

<p>St. John XXIII Sanctuary Lamp For the healing of Elizabeth Murphy and Sharon Sword Crucifix Candle In Memory of Dr. George Lenyo</p>	<p>St. Richard Blessed Virgin Mary For my beloved wife Florence M. Nolan Sacred Heart Special Intention St. Richard Health Blessings for Bernard Hasara</p>
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YOUTH FORMATION

Childrens' bulletins are available in Narthex/Vestibule

<p>St. John XXIII AFTER MASS, PARENTS AND STUDENTS WILL DISMISS TO THE UPSTAIRS CLASSROOMS FOLLOWING THE RECESSIONAL HYMN ----- Sunday, January 21 – Youth Formation Grades 1-6 & 8 <i>(First Communion and Confirmation Parents meet with Deacon Ed)</i> Sunday, January 28 – No Youth Formation Today Sunday, February 4 – Youth Formation Grades 1-7 Sunday, February 11 – Family Day Mass Grades 1-8 Pancake Breakfast after Mass in Hall – 9:30AM-10:30AM</p>	<p>St. Richard RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2023-2024 Grades 5-8; Sunday, January 28th at 9:00AM Grades 1-4; Sunday, February 4th at 9:30AM Grades 5-8; Sunday, February 11th at 9:00AM Grades 1-4; Sunday, February 18th at 9:30AM Grades 5-8; Sunday, February 25th at 9:00AM *All classes are held in Parish Hall <u>unless</u> noted. SCOUT MEETINGS Cub Scouts – Thursday, January 25th at 6:00PM in the Parish Hall Boy Scouts – First Thursday at 7:00PM in Parish Hall</p>
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ADULT FORMATION

Bible Study: Wednesday evenings from 6:30PM until 8:00PM in St. Richard Parish Hall. All are invited to attend.

RCIA: RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. If there is an adult who wishes to become Roman Catholic and receive their Sacraments of Initiation, this is the process to make that happen. Adult Christians who have been attending Mass for several years may complete their Catholic initiation through a period of instruction; then Reconciliation, Profession of Faith, Confirmation, and Reception into Full Communion which often occurs during the Vigil of Easter but can also occur at other times of the year. Adults may be Baptized also in an extended process as well. Please let us know if you or someone you know would like to become Catholic.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Today's second collection is for Stained Glass Window Repair – SR
Cemetery Fund for maintenance at all five parish cemeteries – SJ

Upcoming second collections are...

1/28 ~ Catholic Relief Services

2/4 ~ Parish Facility Fund

ST. JOHN XXIII AND ST. RICHARD NEWS AND UPDATES

This Week	
Sunday	2:00PM St. Cecelia Chapel, South Catawissa Street, Mahanoy City – Prayer Service for Christian Unity
Monday	Rosary for Life, Adoration, and Benediction after 8:00AM Mass – more details below
Thursday	6:00PM St. John XXIII Parish Choir rehearsal
Upcoming Events	
January 28	Catholic Schools Week Begins / Culture of Life in St. John XXIII Parish Hall after weekend Masses Communion to the Homebound immediately after 8:30AM Mass 7:00PM Men’s Group in St. Richard Meeting Room
January 29	6:00PM Organ Concert publicity meeting in St. John XXIII Parish Hall – help is needed – all are welcome 7:00PM Finance Council Meeting in St. Richard Meeting Room

CAPRIOTTI’S SUPER BOWL FOOD SALE

We are offering a selection of food items that can be purchased from Capriotti’s – just in time for the Super Bowl! An order form was included in last week’s bulletin, but extra order forms are in the Family Room. Orders must be received no later than Sunday, January 28th – along with payment in full. The food items are frozen and must be picked up on Wednesday, February 7 in the St. John XXIII Parish Hall between 4:45 P.M. and 5:30 P.M. The seller must pick up all the items on their order form and deliver it to the recipients. If someone else will be picking up your order, please call to inform Terese Ristila at 570-225-1512 or Jen Karnish at 610-577-5891.

ADORATION FOR LIFE ON JANUARY 22

Next Monday, January 22 is the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. This day is set aside to pray for the guarantee of the right to life and for the dignity of the human person. After the 8:00AM Mass at St. John XXIII, there will be Eucharistic Adoration, with the recitation of the Rosary for Life and quiet time to pray for the Unborn. Adoration will close with Benediction at 1:00PM.

CULTURE OF LIFE CELEBRATION JANUARY 27&28

What is a “Culture of Life”? How can you be a part of this culture? Come & see. Saturday, January 27 after the 3:30PM Mass and Sunday, January 28 after the 8:30AM Mass in St. John XXIII Hall. Information will be available, as well as a food sale (eat in or take out), bake sale, raffles, and more.

ORGAN RECITAL PUBLICITY MEETING – JAN. 29

The organist from St. Patrick’s Cathedral in New York City is coming to Tamaqua to give a concert on our Walker organ on Friday evening, April 19th. Assistance is needed to properly publicize this concert. If you can help, please come to the publicity meeting next Monday, January 29th at 6:00PM in the St. John XXIII Parish Hall.

REDNER’S GROCERY STORE REBATE PROGRAM

We need to make clear that you must REGISTER with Customer Service to receive a card or fob AND you must SAVE THE ENTIRE GROCERY RECEIPT showing the Save-A-Tape Total – just below the bar code – for it to count. Otherwise, the receipt is worthless!

2024 MISSALS AND CALENDARS

St. Joseph Missals (\$5 each) and Parish Calendars (free) are still available in the Family Room located off the Narthex of St. John XXIII Church.

ST. JOHN XXIII PARISH CAFE IS OPEN TODAY

Please join us in the Parish Hall immediately after all weekend Masses for coffee and refreshments.

JANUARY 2024 LOTTERY WINNERS

01/08 #775, Larry Thompson, \$25
01/09 #410, Robert & Ann Derlunas, \$25
01/10 #760, John Petritsch, \$25
01/11 #602, Barbara Dereskavich, \$25
01/12 #447, Bryant Pollard, \$25
01/13 #335, Timothy Wuttke, \$50
01/14 #121, Kay McGrath, \$50

COOKS WITH COLLARS HAS BEGUN! UPDATE

Our GREAT Baker Fr. Finlan has made homemade Paska Bread for the first time and is representing both parishes in COOKS WITH COLLARS. Donations can be made through the site or dropped in a collection which will then be sent to the Diocese for posting and relaying your personal message. To donate online, go to www.cookswithcollars.org and click on Fr. Finlan’s picture and it will take you to the full video. From there click on the brown colored box (“Support...”). This is where you will be able to donate and write in your personal message. Vote early and often (deadline February 12th) for our Diocesan top chef! All voting proceeds benefit the parishes.

FUNDRAISING MEETING UPDATE AT ST. RICHARD

Due to the inclement weather on Tuesday, January 9th, the Fundraising Meeting has been rescheduled to Tuesday, January 23rd in the Parish Hall.

BLOCK POOL AT ST. RICHARD

The Fundraising Committee once again is holding a Block Pool for the Super Bowl on February 11th, 2024. A flyer is currently on the community board in the vestibule and an insert in next week’s bulletin with all the details will follow.

2024 MASS BOOK AT ST. RICHARD

Mass Intentions & Devotional Candles are still being accepted (found in church or online). Submit completed forms with the \$10 per Mass stipend &/or Candle offering enclosed.

PARISH PRAYER LIST FOR 2024

Names will remain on the Prayer List for three months and will then be removed. If at any time you would like to add or remove a person’s name, please call the Parish Office.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

In case of snow or ice, St. Richard will follow Mahanoy Area School District and St. John XXIII will follow Tamaqua Area School District. If the district has a cancellation or delay because of weather, there will be NO weekday Mass.

PARISH OFFICE REMINDER

Bulletin announcements must be received no later than Wednesday at 12:00PM to be included in that week’s bulletin.

