

# Welcome

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

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

February 4, 2024

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Church of St. John XXIII

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### Office Hours

Monday-Thursday ~ 9:00AM-3:00PM

### Parish Staff

Dale Bonenberger, Director of Music

Louise Howells, Cemetery Administrator

Lisa Frederick, Office Administrator

Patricia Radocha, Business Manager

Melissa Grimminger, Director of Religious Education



### Church of St. Richard

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### Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday ~ 9:00AM-2:00PM

Thursday ~ 9:00AM-12:00PM

### Parish Staff

Reverend Joseph T. Whalen, Pastor Emeritus

Deacon John A. Setlock, (Retired)

Teri Howerter, Office Administrator

Mary Soberick, Business Manager

Krissy Wonsock, Director of Religious Education

### 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

Pamela J. Russo, MSW, MS ~ P.O. Box F Allentown, PA 18105  
610-871-5200 ext. 2204 ~ [prusso@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:prusso@allentowndiocese.org)

### Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak ~ 800-791-9209  
[victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:victimassistance@allentowndiocese.org)

### 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 800-276-1562.

**SJ = St. John XXIII**

**SR = St. Richard**

<p><b>Saturday, February 3</b>  2:45PM – 3:15PM Confessions: SJ  3:30PM Mass: SJ</p> <p>5:00PM – 5:15PM Confessions: SR  5:30PM Mass: SR</p>	<p><b>Vigil to The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>  Mass Intention: Living and Deceased Parishioners of St. John XXIII  and St. Richard Parishes</p> <p>Mass Intention: Robert Rehatchek</p>
<p><b>Sunday, February 4</b>  8:30AM Mass: SJ</p> <p>10:30AM Mass: SR</p>	<p><b>The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>  Mass Intention: Anne Zeplin</p> <p>Mass Intention: James and Catherine Weber</p>
<p><b>Monday, February 5</b>  8:00AM Mass: SJ</p>	<p><b>St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr</b>  Mass Intention: Mike Mazur</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, February 6</b>  8:00AM Mass: SJ  8:30AM – 9:00AM Confessions: SJ  8:30AM – 9:30AM Adoration &amp; Benediction: SJ</p>	<p><b>St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs</b>  Mass Intention: Eternal Remembrance Society</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, February 7</b>  8:00AM Mass: SR  8:30AM – 9:00AM Confessions: SR  8:30AM – 9:30AM Adoration &amp; Benediction: SR</p>	<p><b>Weekday</b>  Mass Intention: Robert Finlan</p>
<p><b>Thursday, February 8</b>  8:00AM Mass: SR</p>	<p><b>Weekday</b>  Mass Intention: Brian Olenek</p>
<p><b>Friday, February 9</b>  <i>No Mass at either church on this date</i></p>	<p><b>Weekday</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday, February 10</b>  2:45PM – 3:15PM Confessions: SJ  3:30PM Mass: SJ</p> <p>5:00PM – 5:15PM Confessions: SR  5:30PM Mass: SR</p>	<p><b>Vigil to The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>  Mass Intention: Brian Carroll</p> <p>Mass Intention: Alvin Fritz  Missing you on our 60th Wedding Anniversary</p>
<p><b>Sunday, February 11</b>  8:30AM Mass: SJ</p> <p>10:30AM Mass: SR</p>	<p><b>The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>  Mass Intention: Bill Paslawsky</p> <p>Mass Intention: Joseph H. Bones Sr.</p>

**TODAY’S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** In the first reading, Job speaks of living in misery. Paul, in his Letter to the Corinthians, tells them he has an obligation to preach the Good News of the Gospel. In the Gospel, Jesus drives out demons and heals Simon’s mother-in-law, and then goes on healing and preaching throughout the whole of Galilee. Jesus came not just for those he encountered in person but for the salvation of the whole world. As his earthly ministry touched the lives of many people, so does his Word spread to all the earth. He brings healing to those who are in despair by offering the hope of the kingdom of God.

**TODAY’S RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Praise the Lord, who heals the broken hearted.

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11th:** Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10: --11:1; Mk 1:40-45

<p><b>St. John XXIII</b></p> <p><b>The Order of Mass</b> can be found starting on page 140 in the Journeysongs Hymnal.</p> <p><b>The Heritage Mass</b> can be found on the following pages:  Holy, Holy, Holy – 227 / Memorial Acclamation – 228 / Amen – 231 / Lamb of God – 232</p> <p>The prelude is <b>Fuga sopra: Durch Adams Fall Ist Ganz Verderbt (BWV 705)</b> by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)  The postlude is <b>Prelude from “Te Deum”</b> by Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1634-1704)</p> <p>The altar flowers are in memory of John Leipold.</p>
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## 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, Sandra McGlinchey, Ben Shellhamer, Lou Ann Knittle, John Crammond/

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

Francis Hill

## DEVOTIONAL CANDLES

<p><b>St. John XXIII Sanctuary Lamp</b> In Memory of All Deceased Parishioners of St. John XXIII</p> <p><b>Crucifix Candle</b> In Memory of Michael Derr</p>	<p><b>St. Richard Blessed Virgin Mary</b> In Loving Memory of Rose Horvat</p> <p><b>Sacred Heart</b> Rest in Peace Donald Fetter</p> <p><b>St. Joseph</b> Special Intention</p>
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## YOUTH FORMATION

**Childrens' bulletins are available in Narthex/Vestibule**

<p><b>St. John XXIII</b> <b>AFTER MASS, PARENTS AND STUDENTS WILL DISMISS TO THE UPSTAIRS CLASSROOMS FOLLOWING THE RECESSIONAL HYMN</b></p> <p><b>Sunday, February 4 – Youth Formation</b> Grades 1-7</p> <p><b>Sunday, February 11 – Family Day Mass</b> Grades 1-8 Pancake Breakfast after Mass in Hall – 9:30AM-10:30AM</p> <p><b>ALL ARE INVITED FOR PANCAKE BREAKFAST</b> <i>Just come to the Parish Hall immediately after Mass on Sunday, February 11th</i> <i>Cost: \$10 per person</i> <i>Kids are free!</i> <i>More details are on the flyer in this week's bulletin insert!</i></p>	<p><b>St. Richard</b> <b>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2023-2024</b></p> <p>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</p> <p>*All classes are held in Parish Hall <u>unless</u> noted.</p> <p><b>SCOUT MEETINGS</b></p> <p><b>Cub Scouts</b> – Thursday, February 8th at 6:00PM in the Parish Hall</p> <p><b>Boy Scouts</b> – First Thursday of the month at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall</p>
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## ADULT FORMATION

<p><b>Bible Study:</b> Wednesday evenings from 6:30PM until 8:00PM in St. Richard Parish Hall. All are invited to attend.</p> <p><b>RCIA:</b> 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.</p>
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## SECOND COLLECTIONS

Today's second collection is for Parish Facility Fund.

**Upcoming second collections are...**

2/11 ~ Parish Utilities

2/14 ~ Ash Wednesday

## ST. JOHN XXIII AND ST. RICHARD NEWS AND UPDATES

This Week	
Wednesday	4:45PM-5:30PM Cappriotti's Food Fundraiser pickup in the St. John XXIII Parish Hall
Thursday	6:00PM St. John XXIII Parish Choir rehearsal 7:30PM Holy Name Meeting in the St. John XXIII Parish Hall
Upcoming Events	
February 11	Communion to the Homebound immediately after the 8:30AM Mass 9:30AM-10:30AM Pancake Breakfast in the St. John XXIII Parish Hall
February 14	Ash Wednesday – 8:00AM Mass SR; 12:10PM and 7:00PM Liturgy of the Word with Ash Distribution SJ

### A WORD OF WELCOME

We welcome Fr. Karpyn as guest Celebrant at both Saturday Masses this weekend.

### CAPRIOTTI'S FOOD SALE PICK-UP – FEBRUARY 7

The food items are frozen and must be picked up on Wednesday, February 7 in the St. John XXIII Parish Hall between 4:45PM and 5:30PM. 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 Terese Ristila at 570-225-1512 or Jen Karnish at 610-577-5891. We thank everyone who participated, this fundraiser generated a **net profit of \$800.50** for our church. Thank you!

### FUNDRAISING MEETING – FEBRUARY 7

Immediately following the Capriotti's food pickup on Wednesday, the St. John XXIII Fundraising Committee will have a brief meeting. New members are always welcome.

### CULTURE OF LIFE/FOOD SALE THANK YOU

We thank everyone who came out to the Parish Hall last weekend for the Culture of Life Celebration and supported our event. \$510 was raised for our cemetery Prayer Garden – we are truly grateful for your support.

### CLEANING TEAM THANK YOU

Thank you to the ladies who came out on Thursday morning to clean the church. Your efforts are appreciated!

### ORGAN CONCERT PUBLICITY UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who came to the publicity meeting this past Monday. Even if you missed the meeting, it's not too late to help! We still could use more assistance with compiling a concert mailing database for this and future concerts.

### MASSES AND CANDLES ARE STILL AVAILABLE

We still have open slots for 2024 Masses, the Sanctuary Lamp, and the Crucifix Candle. Just stop into the Parish Office during regular office hours and Lisa will be happy to process your request.

### 2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS REMINDER

Anyone wanting to receive a copy of their 2023 Contribution Statement for tax preparation please call the respective Parish Office during business hours.

### 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.

### THE ST. JOHN XXIII CAFE IS OPEN TODAY

Please join us in the Parish Hall immediately after Mass.

### DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY

All parishes in the Diocese will be participating in a parish wide survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute! Please refer to next week's bulletin for more information and details regarding this important survey.

### SPECIAL MEETING AT ST. RICHARD

Fr. Finlan is convening a meeting on February 6th at 6:30PM in the Parish Hall to plan the celebration for the upcoming 75th Anniversary of St. Richard Parish in 2025. All those interested are welcome to attend.

### FINAL JANUARY LOTTERY WINNERS

**01/22** #539, Barb Kenesky, \$25  
**01/23** #232, No Winner, \$25  
**01/24** #763, No Winner, \$25  
**01/25** #449, Dorothy Lewis, \$25  
**01/26** #162, Steve Tichy, \$25  
**01/27** #971, No Winner, \$50  
**01/28** #784, Jack Cusatis, \$25  
**01/29** #277, Paul Yost, \$25  
**01/30** #264, Marilyn Evans, \$25  
**01/31** #098, Danette Jadosh, \$50

### LENTEN DINNER AT ST. RICHARD

Friday, February 16th is our Annual Lenten Seafood Dinner from 3:00PM-5:00PM. Please return your tickets and chances **as soon as possible** in any Mass collection or drop them in the box marked "Fundraising" on the rectory porch. **Sign-up sheets** are currently in the vestibule for volunteers with dinner prep and day of dinner. Any questions, contact Joann at 570-640-1034.

### COOKS WITH COLLARS DEADLINE FEB. 12

Donations can be made through the site or dropped in the parish collection at Mass. (Please mark the envelope "St. Richard" OR "St. John"). To donate online, go to [www.cookswithcollars.org](http://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 for OUR Diocesan top chef! All voting proceeds benefit the parishes.

### BLOCK POOL AT ST. RICHARD UPDATE

The Fundraising Committee is holding a Block Pool for the Super Bowl on February 11th. They are \$25 per Block. Random numbers will be picked for each quarter (1st, 2nd & 3rd) and for the final score. Once the pool is full, printouts of the block will be available in the vestibule so you can track during the game. To get your block or any questions, contact Erica at 570-778-4029. Blocks will also be available after Mass on Saturday and Sunday.

