

# Welcome

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

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

*July 7, 2024*

*Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



**Church of St. John XXIII**

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**Office Hours**

Monday-Thursdays ~ 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  
Krissey 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 more 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  
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**Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator**

Ms. Wendy S. Krisak ~ 800-791-9209  
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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](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 800-276-1562.

<p><b>Saturday, July 6</b>                  2:45PM – 3:15PM Confessions: SJ                  3:30PM Mass: SJ                   5:00PM – 5:15PM Confessions: SR                  5:30PM Mass: SR</p>	<p><b>Vigil to the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>                   Mass Intention: Patricia Pogwist                   Mass Intention: In Memory of my husband Robert Rehatchek</p>
<p><b>Sunday, July 7</b>                  8:30AM Mass: SJ                   10:30AM Mass: SR</p>	<p><b>Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>                  Mass Intention: James Boyle                   Mass Intention: William &amp; Marianne Burke</p>
<p><b>Monday, July 8</b>                  8:00AM Mass: SJ</p>	<p><b>Weekday</b>                  Mass Intention: Gloria A. Berdanier</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, July 9</b>                  8:00AM Mass: SJ                  8:30AM Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction: SJ                  8:30AM – 9:00AM Confessions: SJ</p>	<p><b>Weekday</b>                  Mass Intention: Marie Ann Kupetz</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, July 10</b>                  8:00AM Mass: SR                  8:30AM Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction: SR                  8:30AM – 9:00AM Confessions: SR</p>	<p><b>Weekday</b>                  Mass Intention: Living and Deceased Parishioners of St. Richard and St. John XXIII Parishes</p>
<p><b>Thursday, July 11</b>                  8:00AM Mass: SR</p>	<p><b>St. Benedict, Abbot</b>                  Mass Intention: Lenny Brylewski</p>
<p><b>Friday, July 12</b>  <i>(No Mass at either church on this day)</i></p>	<p><b>Weekday</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday, July 13</b>                  2:45PM – 3:15PM Confessions: SJ                  3:30PM Mass: SJ                   5:00PM – 5:15PM Confessions: SR                  5:30PM Mass: SR</p>	<p><b>Vigil to the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>                   Mass Intention: Edward Porambo                   Mass Intention: Mildred Ceci</p>
<p><b>Sunday, July 14</b>  <i>(no 8:30AM Mass): SJ</i>                  10:30AM Mass: SJ                   10:30AM Mass: SR</p>	<p><b>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>                   Mass Intention: 10th Anniversary Mass for St. John XXIII Parish                  Mass Intention: John McTiernan</p>

**TODAY’S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** In today’s first reading, Ezekiel prophesied when the Babylonian Empire began conquering Israel in the sixth century BC. The Babylonians destroyed Jerusalem and its temple and forced the Jewish leadership to live in Babylon. Ezekiel was living in Babylon when God called him to prophesy, which meant that the Lord had not left his people. In the Gospel, Jesus’ extended family as well as others who’ve known him for years deny that he’s anything other than a normal Galilean villager. They see him as a laborer, a worker with parents and siblings like everyone else. Jesus compares himself to prophets who weren’t warmly received by their fellow Jews. After Jesus is crucified, one of the ways his followers explain the terrible circumstances of his death is by calling him a prophet. Like other prophets before him, Jesus is rejected by the very people to whom God has sent him.

**TODAY’S RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 14:** AM 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14; Eph 1:3-14 or 3-10; Mk 6:7-13

<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 Mass of Spirit and Grace</b> can be found on the following pages:                  Holy, Holy, Holy – 199 / Memorial Acclamation – 201 / Amen – 203 / Lamb of God – 204</p> <p>The prelude is <b>Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us/He Leadeth Me</b> arranged by Cindy Berry (b.1949)                  The postlude is <b>Rigaudon</b> by André Campra (1660-1744)</p> <p>The altar flowers are given in memory of the deceased members of the Castagna and Gentile Families.</p>
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## PRAYER LIST FOR BOTH PARISHES

### Please remember in your prayers...

Helen Grier, Craig Gioda, David Rickert, Magnolia Pavlovich, Shelley Lazarchick,  
TJ Dombrowski, Esther Paisley, Dean Campbell, George Koval, Joan Manos, April Brown /  
Jennifer DiSante, Mary Sloboda, Christine Knox, Margaret Kufrovich, Therese Ristilla / Lou Ann Knittle,  
Elizabeth Tarutis, Diane Cavanaugh, Roy Paisley, Valerie Higgins, Andrew Eremus, Cindy Klein, Mary Helen Rehatchek

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

Albert Motz

## DEVOTIONAL CANDLES

<p><b>St. John XXIII</b> <b>Sanctuary Lamp</b> In Memory of Michael &amp; Lillian Sedar and Carol Troxell <b>Crucifix Candle</b> In Memory of Renee Fabrizio</p>	<p><b>St. Richard</b> <b>Blessed Virgin Mary</b> Special Intention <b>St. Joseph</b> In Memory of my husband Robert Rehatchek</p>
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## YOUTH FORMATION

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

<p><b>St. John XXIII</b> <b>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION HAS ENDED FOR THE 2023-2024 ACADEMIC YEAR</b></p> <hr/> <p>We are in the process of planning an Altar Servers night out at Heislars, more details in next week's bulletin.</p>	<p><b>St. Richard</b> <b>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2023-2024</b> <b>Religious Education</b> <b>has ended for this academic year.</b> Everyone have a Safe and Enjoyable Summer!</p> <p><b>SCOUT MEETINGS / EVENTS</b> <b>Cub/Boy Scouts</b> – Scout meetings have concluded for the summer.</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. New inquiries are welcome. Please let us know if you or someone you know would like to become Catholic.

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

Today's second collection is for Parish Facility Fund

### Upcoming collections are...

7/14 ~ Parish Festival:SR

7/21 ~ Churches in Central/Eastern Europe

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

This Week	
Sunday	Communion to the Homebound immediately after the 8:30AM Mass 7:00PM Men's Group in St. Richard Meeting Room
Tuesday	7:00PM Fundraising Meeting in St. Richard Parish Hall – volunteers for the festival are encouraged to attend
Thursday	6:00PM St. John XXIII Parish Choir rehearsal to prepare for Mass this Sunday with Bishop Schlert 7:30PM Holy Name Meeting in the St. John XXIII Parish Hall – new members are always welcome
Upcoming Events	
July 14	10:30AM Mass with Bishop Schlert at St. John XXIII followed by parish dinner at LaDolce Casa-DiMaggios
July 16	6:00PM 75th Anniversary Meeting in St. Richard Parish Hall
July 22	6:30PM Fundraising Committee Meeting in the St. John XXIII Parish Hall – new members are always welcome

### 10th ANNIVERSARY MASS WITH BISHOP & DINNER

The 10th Anniversary of the founding of St. John XXIII Parish is only one week away! To celebrate this occasion, on **Sunday, July 14, 2024, Bishop Schlert will celebrate Mass at St. John XXIII at 10:30AM** (there will be no 8:30AM Mass that day). Immediately following Mass there will be a parish dinner at LaDolce Casa-DiMaggios. Through the generosity of several sponsors, we are able to keep the cost of this three-course dinner at only \$25/person. Children ten years of age and under are \$15/child. Tickets are on sale now before and after Masses in the St. John XXIII Family Room and at the Parish Office.

### PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous support last week's Peter's Pence Collection! Our contributions will join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Francis in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection; it is not too late to give. Visit [www.obolodisanpietro.va.en.html](http://www.obolodisanpietro.va.en.html).

### THANK YOU TO DANNY REIGEL AND HIS TEAM...

...for installing a new water spigot in front of the entrance to the Parish Office to make watering our flowers so much easier. Speaking of which, we can always use more people to water our plantings in front of the church and the flower urns in the heat of the summer. Just let the Parish Office know if you can help, and we will be happy to show you where everything is.

### AUTOMATED ELECTRONIC DEFIBRILLATOR (AED)

Thanks to the generosity of an anonymous parishioner, St. John XXIII was able to purchase the same model AED that St. Richard recently purchased. This way, if you are trained on one, you know how to operate the AED at either church. Our AED is mounted on the wall in the Parish Hall right by the door to the church, so it is easily accessible from both the Church and Hall. Training sessions are scheduled for **Saturday, July 20th after the 3:30PM Mass and Sunday, August 4th after the 8:30AM Mass** - you only need to attend one. The training is approximately an hour and a half. Sign-up sheets for these two trainings are located in the Family Room. Thank you again to the donor who made the purchase of this AED possible!

### BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2024 "BWAC" Appeal is well underway! Our parish support is a vital part of this Diocesan-wide effort to serve children and families in our own community and throughout the Diocese of Allentown. Thank you to all those who have already made a donation. It's not too late to make your gift today. Just go to [www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org](http://www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org) or call the Appeal Office at 800-831-4443. Thank you!

### ST. JOHN XXIII CAFE IS OPEN TODAY

Please join us in the St. John XXIII Parish Hall immediately after Mass for coffee, cookies, and fellowship.

### THANK YOU AND WELCOME BACK

Thank you to Fr. Richard from the Apostles of Jesus who was our guest celebrant this past weekend and welcome back to our pastor, Fr. Finlan!

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Due to Fr. Finlan being away, there was no administering of the sacrament for the month of June. The next Anointing after Mass will be on the weekend of July 27th and July 28th.

### REMINDER

Bulletin announcements may be emailed or called in **no later than** Wednesday at noon.

### ST. RICHARD LOTTERY CALENDARS

**Please note that if a ticket has not been returned and recorded and the number comes up, the winnings will not be awarded.** Any questions, contact Joann 570-640-1034. GOOD LUCK!

#### FINAL JUNE 2024 LOTTERY WINNERS

06/23#683, No Winner, \$25  
 06/24 #068, Theresa McManus, \$25  
 06/25 #701, No Winner, \$25  
 06/26#103, Mary Ann Gormas, \$50  
 06/27#559, No Winner, \$25  
 06/28 #818, Susy Connely, \$25  
 06/29 #934, No Winner, \$50  
 06/30 #451, No Winner, \$50

### SAVE THE DATE

St. Richard Parish will be celebrating their 20th Annual Food Festival on Saturday, August 3rd from 10:00AM-3:00PM or sellout. The mailing is currently in the vestibule and includes a letter from Fr. Finlan, raffle tickets and important information concerning the festival. Please pickup your envelope.

### 75th ANNIVERSARY AT ST. RICHARD

Next year, we will be celebrating our 75th Anniversary. In preparation for this milestone event, we are asking if anyone would like to share any pictures, books, articles, please do so! The pictures/articles will be scanned, and the original returned to you. Please consider sharing your memories with us! Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

### "FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS" AT ST. RICHARD

Bosco's annual shopping passes are currently in St. Richard vestibule and on the table entering from the ramp. Please take a pass and leave your \$5 donation per pass in the envelope provided.

### COMMUNION

Communion will be brought to all those seated in the handicap pews in the back of St. John XXIII Church as well as the front pews of St. Richard Church.

