

St. Joseph Parish Galloway

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Mission Statement

Baptized in Christ Jesus and nourished by his Word and Sacrament we strive to live our daily lives in love and service to God and neighbor.

Pastor:

Augustine K. Benti

Staff:

Sister Mary Ellen Diermeier

Deacon Timothy Betker

Crystal Bushman, DRE

Valerie Wierzba, Parish Administrator

Mass Times

St. Joseph, Galloway

Sunday 8:30 am

St. Ladislaus, Bevent

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 10:10 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday 8:00-8:20 am

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the Rectory to schedule a date and time. 9 months preparation is required. One or both persons should be registered with the parish for at least 1 full year.

JANUARY 11, 2026



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

"This is my beloved Son, with whom
I am well pleased." - Mt 3:17

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Mark your Calendars!



January:

Tues. 12 - PCCW Mtg 6:00 pm

Wed. 14 - CCD 6:15 pm w/ Divine Mercy Chaplet

Sun. 18 - Mass 8:30 am

Wed. 21 - CCD 6:15 pm w/ Divine Mercy Chaplet

Sun. 25 - Mass 8:30 am

Wed. 28 - CCD 6:15 pm w/ Divine Mercy Chaplet

Liturgies of the Week

Sun. Jan 18 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am- Mary Kulas & Diane Rogalla *by Jim Kulas*

Rosary prayed 1/2 hour before Mass

Sunday, Mass 8:30 am - Jan 18

Lector: **Jim Martin**
Eucharist: **Joe Bushman Sr**
Blood of Christ: **Dick Golomski**
Donna Golomski
Altar Servers: **Jaxton Bushman**

Ushers: **Drayden Kersten**
Carson Meronk
Jovani Torres
TV Monitors: **Kiya Kersten**
Rosary (Luminous): **Barb Martin**

Gifts to Our Lord: Dec 22 - Dec 28, 2025

Adult Envelopes.....	\$10,147.00
Youth Envelopes	\$7.00
Youth Christmas Envelopes	\$22.85
Religious Retirement	\$50.00
Christmas Envelopes.....	\$2,335.00
Vigil Candles.....	\$133.51
Catholic Life Envelopes	\$5.00
Diocesan Annual Appeal	\$500.00
Christmas Offertory	\$897.00
Offertory	\$287.25
Total.....	\$14,384.61

Gifts to Our Lord: Dec 29, 2025 - Jan 4, 2026

Adult Envelopes	\$1,740.00
Youth Envelopes	\$2.00
Catholic Life Envelopes.....	\$50.00
Energy Needs Envelopes.....	\$105.00
Building & Grounds	\$45.00
Offertory	\$238.00
Total	\$2,180.00

Please note: If you have a non urgent church matter that you would like addressed (scheduling Mass Intentions, bulletin announcements, etc) **please only call the parish at 715-454-6431 on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 8am - noon.** Thank you.

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Thank you so much for generously filling in this weekend, Father Roy Witucki. Your presence and service were greatly appreciated. May God bless you for your kindness and wisdom.

Soup & Dessert Cookoff

Join the PCCW for our Soup and Dessert Cook-Off on Saturday, **February 21 from 5-6:30 pm.** Enter your best crock pot of soup and/ or tastiest dessert to win cash prizes. (No entry fee.) Come and enjoy the variety for only \$8.00/ person, 5 & under are free. *The PCCW is seeking basket donations for the raffle.* If you are able to contribute or have questions, please call/ text Donna at 715-570-0076. See you there!



Winter Break Hours

Parish Office hours are usually Monday- Wednesday from 8 am- noon. If you call outside of these hours or if no one is available to answer, please leave a message if you have a non-urgent request. If your need is urgent while Father Gus is away, please contact Sister Mary Ellen at St Ladislaus in Bevent at 715-446-3060. Contact Sister with any requests to visit the sick at home or in the hospital. If it is an emergency requiring an anointing, please contact Father Dias at St. Adalbert's 715-677-4517.



The PCCW will hold a meeting on Tuesday, Jan 12 at 6 pm. All ladies of the parish are encouraged to attend.

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for their generous donation of \$100 to our parish. We are overwhelmed with appreciation.

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Any announcements for the Jan 25 bulletin need to be submitted to the office by 10 am on Jan 13 to meet the early bulletin deadline.



An extra envelope with a green border marked "Society Dues" is included with your recent giving envelopes. Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW) dues and the St.

Joseph Men's Society dues are \$10 annually. All men and women parishioners are members of these societies. Your generous giving, using the envelope, is much appreciated! Your dues help the societies with their special events and activities that keep parish life alive!

The Epiphany Proclamation

The Resurrection of the Lord - Easter Sunday is celebrated on April 5, 2026

Determined by the first Full Moon after the Vernal Equinox.

Moveable Feasts

Determined by Easter's date

Ash Wednesday - February 18

The Easter Triduum - Thursday evening, **April 2**
through Sunday evening, **April 5**

Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Easter

Ascension celebrated on - **Sunday, May 17**

Pentecost celebrated on - **Sunday, May 24**

First Sunday of Advent - **November 29**

Holy Days of Obligation

(In the United States)

Assumption of Mary - Saturday, August 15

(Mass obligation suspended when it falls on a Saturday or Monday)

All Saints Day - Sunday, November 1

Immaculate Conception - Tuesday, December 8

Christmas - Friday, December 25

**Octave of Christmas - Mary, Mother of God -
Friday, January 1, 2027**

Prayer REQUESTS

We pray for the health and healing of...

Leonard Schulist

Cliff Groshek

Klint Kranski

Fred Groshek

Cheryl Doede

Ken Kranski, Jr

To have your request added, please contact the office.

Area Events

- ♦ **January Serenity Retreat**, St Anthony Spirituality Center, Marathon, **Jan 16-18**, Fourth & Fifth Steps, Cost \$240
- ♦ **Craft Day**, St Joseph Parish, Stevens Point, **Jan 24, 8 am-9pm**, Lunch & Dinner Provided, Cost \$40/Person
- ♦ **Ponczka Sale**, St Mary Parish, Torun, **Jan 24 3-6pm**, Preorder, \$14/ dozen
- ♦ **Ponczka Dance**, St Michael's Church, Junction City, **Feb 7, 6-10 pm**, \$5/ person, 12 & under: free Ultimate Polka Band & DJ
- ♦ **Pilgrimage to Mexico, Feb 8-13**, With Fr. Tim, Walk the steps of St Juan Diego
- ♦ **Deepening Our Relationship With Jesus**, St Agnes Parish, **Mar 14, 10am-2:30pm**, Speakers from the La Crosse Diocese, Lunch Provided
- ♦ **Embracing Your Call to Holiness**, St James the Greater Parish, **Mar 14, 8am-4pm**, Women's Retreat, Speakers, Confession, Mass, Lunch, Vendors

(see flyers on bulletin board for all events)

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Apple ran a commercial not long ago called "Behind the Mac – Greatness." It shows artists and creators, such as Kendrick Lamar, Billie Eilish, and Lady Gaga, working behind their MacBooks. The narration says, "There's a certain kind of person who doesn't wait for greatness. They make it." It's a compelling message. There's beauty in using our gifts with passion and purpose. But there lies a hidden weight in that idea: If you are what you make, what happens when you can't anymore? When the project fails, the passion fades, or the spotlight moves on, where is greatness then?

Today's Gospel offers a differing vision of greatness. Jesus steps into the Jordan River. He hasn't preached, healed, or performed a single miracle. Then the heavens open, and the Father speaks: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." It's not a reward for success. It's not earned. Before he does anything "great," Jesus receives the greatness of his identity from the Father.

And so do you. At your baptism, God said the same thing over you: "You are my beloved." That is your true identity, not constructed or earned but received. When we see ourselves and others this way, everything changes for the better. We discover a greatness that can never be taken away.

This week, reflect on your baptism: look up the date, thank God for it, pray for those baptized with you, or visit the church where it happened. Let your identity be rooted there.

— Father John Muir ©LPi