

# St. Joseph Parish

## Galloway

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**Parish Office & Rectory:** 715-454-6431

Office Hours: Monday-Wednesday 8:00 am - noon

**\*\*Office will be closed Dec 24 & Dec 31\*\***

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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. Bentil

### Staff:

Sister Mary Ellen Diermeier

Deacon Timothy Betker

Crystal Bushman, DRE

Valerie Wierzba, Parish Administrator

### Mass Times

#### St. Joseph, Galloway

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am

#### St. Ladislaus, Bevent

Sunday 10:10 am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30-3:50 pm

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.

## DECEMBER 21, 2025



The angel said to them,  
"Do not be afraid; for  
behold, I proclaim to you  
good news of great joy that  
will be for all the people."

—Luke 2:10

### Mark your Calendars!



#### December:

Wed. 24 - **Christmas Eve Mass** 6:00 pm  
Carols Begin at 5:30 pm

Thur. 25 - **Christmas Day Mass** 8:30 am

Sat. 27 - **Mass** 4:00 pm

Sun. 28 - **Mass** 8:30 am

#### January:

Thur. 1 - **Combined Mass @St Ladislaus** 10:10 am  
Holy Day: Mary, Holy Mother of God

## Liturgies of the Week

### **Wed. 24 - Nativity of the Lord Vigil**

**6:00 pm-** Ray & Eleanor Kosobucki *by Linda & Geri Kosobucki*

### **Thur. 25 - Nativity of the Lord**

**8:30 am-** Viola Konkel *by Scott & Tracy Kulas*

### **Sat. Dec 27 - Feast of the Holy Family Vigil**

**4:00 pm-** Jerome Kosobucki *by Rosary Society*

### **Sun. Dec 28 - Feast of the Holy Family**

**8:30 am-** Gerald Wanta Sr *by Claude Simonis*

Rosary prayed 1/2 hour before Mass

## **Attention! Advance Notice! Saturday Mass Time Change**

Beginning Saturday, January 3

4:00 pm Mass at St Ladislaus, Bevent



### **Gifts to Our Lord: Dec 1 - Dec 7, 2025**

Adult Envelopes.....	\$2179.00
Youth Envelopes .....	\$11.00
Christmas Flowers .....	\$135.00
Religious Retirement .....	\$25.00
Christmas Envelopes.....	\$50.00
Immaculate Conception .....	\$75.00
Offertory .....	\$328.37
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$2803.37</b>

### **2025 Donations Deadline:**

All financial contributions to the church received in the office by 12/31/2025 will be credited to 2025 while those that are received on or after 1/1/2026 will be credited in 2026. This includes mailed gifts so if you're mailing a donation that you would like credited in 2025, please plan ahead. Thank you!



Announcements for the Jan 4 bulletin need to be submitted by 10 am on Dec 22.



Thank you to Joe & Phyll Sprangers in memory of Sam/ Frances Clemens & Betty Lutes for the generous donation of \$2500. We truly appreciate it and are grateful for this unexpected gift.

### **Wednesday, Mass 6:00 pm - Christmas Eve**

Lector: **Lia Kezeske**

Eucharist: **Jeff Uttecht**

Blood of Christ: **Mary Uttecht  
Donna Kezeske**

Altar Servers: **Michael Wierzba  
Jaxton Bushman**

Ushers: **Scott Kezeske  
Drayden Kersten  
Andrew Wierzba**

TV Monitors: **Kiya Kersten**



### **Thursday, Mass 8:30 am - Christmas Day**

Lector: **Michele O'Donnell**

Eucharist: **Mike O'Donnell**

Blood of Christ: **Pat Kulas  
Renee Groshek**

Altar Server: **Colton Kaminski**

Ushers: **Volunteers**

TV Monitors: **Natalie Bessette**

### **Saturday, Mass 4:00 pm - Dec 27**

Lector: **Kelsie Davis**

Eucharist: **Dick Golomski**

Blood of Christ: **Donna Golomski  
Renee Groshek**

Ushers: **Lee Lehrer  
Volunteer**

TV Monitors: **Volunteer**

Rosary (Joyful): **Renee Groshek**

### **Sunday, Mass 8:30 am - Dec 28**

Lector: **Lisa Walder**

Eucharist: **Joe Bushman**

Blood of Christ: **Jeff Uttecht  
Mary Uttecht**

Altar Servers: **Dustin Wierzba  
Michael Wierzba**

Ushers: **Andrew Wierzba  
Colton Kaminski  
Carsen Meronk**

TV Monitors: **Portia Rogowski**

Rosary (Joyful): **Crystal Bushman**

Thank you to all the volunteers who organized, served, and cleaned for the St. Nick Breakfast. "Volunteering is a grace from God... Do not be afraid...You are the strength of the Church" ~ Pope Francis. And thank you to St. Nick, himself, for joining us!



Thank you to the anonymous donor who gave funds for our parish to purchase a new sanctuary light near the tabernacle. We will be installing it in the near future. God bless you!





## PASTOR'S CORNER

### Christmas Message 2025

\* "Nothing is more beautiful than love. Indeed, faith and hope will end when we die, whereas, love, that is, charity, will last for eternity; if anything, I think it will be even more alive in the next life." St. Pier Giorgio Frassati- canonized by Pope Leo on Sunday, September 7, 2025.

\* Sisters and brothers in Christ, Joy fill our hearts at the Birth of Christ, God with us- who is Love. Our hearts yearn for the fulfillment of the angels' proclamation at the birth of our Savior, the Light of the world, Jesus Christ. "Peace on earth, good will to those upon whom His favor rests." (Luke 2:14)

\* During these darker and colder days, in the midst of a world still dealing with much violence and strife, our hearts are stirred by the meaning of the Christmas season- to be alive and to deepening faith, because Love is born for us.

\* We also stand in the firm belief that the Savior comes to us at Christmas to take on anything that stands between us and the love of God.

\* Jesus is the great light and love that has come into the world. This is the reality that we celebrate joyfully at Christmas. It is the great good news that GOD IS WITH US. Emmanuel has indeed come! Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is loving us, suffering with us, caring for us, holding us.

\* What we gaze on in the manger is Love- our source of hope. May we not be distracted by temporary or false hopes. He brings us a new way of peace and healing that fills us with great rejoicing, that bursts forth in our songs and carols, that is reflected in our lights, decorations and gifts to others: Joy to the World.

\* I take this opportunity to thank you all for your love and faithfulness as we serve God together in our two parishes here in Bevent and Galloway. I also thank you for all you do for me as your humble pastor by way of your kindness and prayers and whatever you do to respond to the needs of the Church and those you care for with compassion and love.

\* I wish you, your families and our two communities, a blessed and joy-filled Christmas season!

Merry Christmas.



## Area Events



- ♦ **New Year's Eve Retreat**, St Anthony Spirituality Center, Marathon, **Dec 31-Jan 1**, Prayer, Fellowship, Adoration, Celebration, \$130/ Person
- ♦ **Craft Day**, St Joseph Parish, Stevens Point, **Jan 24, 8 am-9pm**, Lunch & Dinner Provided, Cost \$40/Person
- ♦ **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

*(see flyers on bulletin board for all events)*



Our condolences to the family and friends of **Susan Link Helgesen** and **Bob Knitter**. May their souls rest in the peace of the Lord and we pray He be with their loved ones, especially at this time of bereavement.

*Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.*

## Prayer Requests



**We pray for the health and healing of...**

Leonard Schulist

Fred Groshek

Cliff Groshek

Cheryl Doede

To have your request added, please contact the office.



### **Advent Confessions**

St. Ladislaus, Bevent

Dec 22: 6:00-7:00 pm

### **Christmas Eve Masses - December 24**

St. Ladislaus, Bevent 4:00 pm

St. Joseph, Galloway 6:00 pm

Christmas Carols will begin at 5:30 pm

### **Christmas Day Masses - December 25**

St. Joseph, Galloway 8:30 am

St. Ladislaus, Bevent 10:10 am

### **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - January 1**

**\*This is a Holy Day of Obligation\***

St. Ladislaus, Bevent 10:10 am

Combined Mass for St Joseph & St Ladislaus

No 8:30 am Mass in Galloway