

# 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

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am

#### St. Ladislaus, Bevent

Sunday 10:10 am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

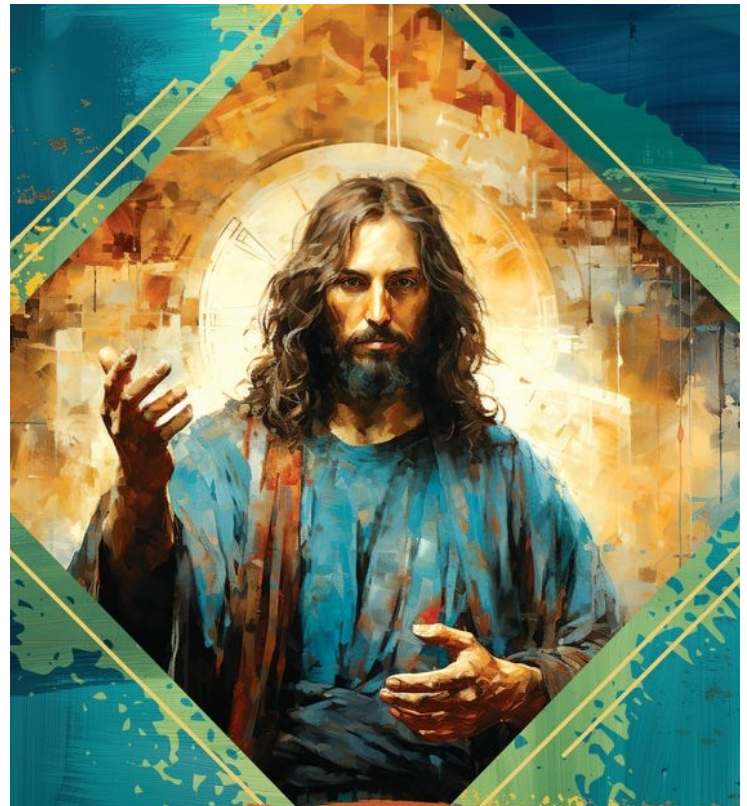
Saturday 3:35-3:55 pm

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 1, 2024



### 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.” - Lk 21:27

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### Mark your Calendars!



#### December:

Wed. 4- **Mass** 8:30 am

**CCD** 6:15 pm w/ **Chaplet** 7:20 pm

**1st Reconciliation** for 2nd Graders

Fri. 6- **Mass** 8:30 am

Sat. 7- **Mass** 4:00 pm

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

Mon. 9- **Mass at St Ladislaus** 10:00 am

Wed. 11- **Mass** 8:30 am

**CCD** 6:15 pm w/ **Chaplet** 7:20 pm

Sat. 14- **Mass** 4:00 pm



## Liturgies of the Week

### Wed. Dec 4 - Advent Weekday

8:30 am- Ernest Bushman *by Craig & Marsha Groshek*

### Fri. Dec 6 - Advent Weekday

8:30 am- Sick, Homebound, & Departed

### Sat. Dec 7 - Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Advent

4:00 pm- Omernik & Bembenek Family *by Eleanor Bembenek*

### Sun. Dec 8 - 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:30 am- Greg Bushman *by Joe & Wendy Bushman*  
Parishioners of St Joseph & St Ladislaus

Rosary prayed 1/2 hour before Mass

#### Saturday, Mass 4:00 pm - December 7

Lector: **Jeff Uttecht**  
Eucharist: **Renee Groshek**  
Blood of Christ: **Mary Uttecht**  
**Jeff Uttecht**

Ushers: **Fred Groshek**  
**Volunteer**

TV Monitors: **Alex Wierzba**  
Rosary (Joyful): **Mary Uttecht**

#### Sunday, Mass 8:30 am - December 8

Lector: **Jim Martin**  
Eucharist: **Mike O'Donnell**  
Blood of Christ: **Donna Kezeske**  
**Pat Kulas**

Altar Servers: **Henry Knitter**  
**Oliver Knitter**  
Ushers: **Colton Kaminski**  
**Drayden Kersten**  
**Nick Westover**

TV Monitors: **Julie Kohn**  
Rosary (Joyful): **Barb Martin**

don't miss the *deadline*

#### 2024 Donations Deadline:

All financial contributions received in the office by 12/31/2024 will be credited to 2024 while those that are received on or after 1/1/2025 will be credited in 2025. Mailed gifts are included in this deadline so if you're mailing a donation that you would like credited in 2024, please plan ahead. Thank you!



## PASTOR'S CORNER

### Advent

The Church's New Year on her calendar is here: Advent Season- 4 weeks of preparing for the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Christ. The call to action remains the same: Stop. Look. Listen. Feel. Awe at the world around you. For God created all of it, everything that lives and moves and has its being here. God loves all of it, and God promises to make every inch of this earth whole again one day. Throughout the Advent Season, we rejoice that our God chooses not to stay hidden in the heavens. Quite the opposite. God's only Son comes to dwell in this world. It is to this world that we are called to pay attention. Thus, the clarion call of Advent: Watch! Prepare! And get ready to be part of the new world Jesus will initiate at His 2<sup>nd</sup> and final coming.

Blessed and Fruitful Advent to All.

Fr. Gus



Our condolences to the family and friends of **Mavis Bushman**. May her soul rest in the peace of the Lord and we pray He be with her loved ones, especially at this time of bereavement.

*Eternal rest, grant unto her, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul, and the souls of the faithfully departed, rest in peace.*



The Knights of Columbus will be taking donations after the Masses this weekend in the foyer to support their Choose Life program. Thank you for your generosity!

#### Gifts to Our Lord: Nov 11- Nov 17, 2024

Adult Envelopes ..... \$1270.00  
Youth Envelopes ..... \$4.00  
Offertory ..... \$374.00  
Total ..... \$1648.00



# Confession & Mass Schedule

Please make note of the Christmas Season Schedule:

**Confession:** Friday, Dec. 20, 8:30-9:15 am  
and 6-6:45 pm

(Young people are encouraged to accompany parents/  
grandparents.)

**Mass:** Christmas Eve, Tue, Dec. 24: Carols at 5:30 pm  
Mass at 6 pm  
Christmas morning, Wed., Dec. 25: 8:30 am



## You can help.

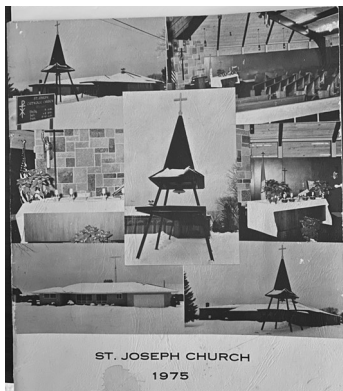
Please donate to the Retirement Fund for Religious next week. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 21,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously.

## St. Joseph Church

This year our Church building turned 50 years old. In recognition of this milestone, here are some pictures that have been uncovered to bring back memories for some parishioners- and for others they are a way of seeing where St Joseph's began.



The Old Church



Above: Bishop Freking and Father Mish dedicating the new building 3-16-1975.

Stay tuned to future bulletins where we will share more photos of days gone by. Keep an eye out to see if you can find yourself, a family member, or a neighbor.

## Area Events

- ◆ **Cookie Walk**, St Joseph Parish, Stevens Point, **Dec 7, 9-11am**, Gift Baskets, Crafts, and Chocolate also available for sale
- ◆ **St. Agnes Sweet Shoppe**, Weston, **Dec 14, 10am-2pm**, Fancy Cookies & Candy by the pound, Raffle, Lunch
- ◆ **Christmas Concert**, St Michael's Hall, Junction City, **Dec 15, 6pm**, 3 Combined Church Choirs, Refreshments
- ◆ **Day of Crafting**, St Joseph Parish, Stevens Point, **Jan 25, 8am-9pm**, Lunch, Dinner, Snacks included, \$40/person

(see flyers on bulletin board for all events)

**Monday, December 9, 2024, is Now a Holy Day of Obligation:**  
In past years, when the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (December 8) fell on the Second Sunday of Advent, the Immaculate Conception was transferred to Monday, December 9, but the obligation did not transfer. After a recent clarification from the Holy See, this will no longer be the case: rather, the obligation will also transfer. **HOWEVER**, given the short notice of this change, Bishop Battersby has dispensed the faithful from this obligation in 2024. Still, he asks each pastor "to have at least one Mass in which the people of God may celebrate the great gift of the Immaculate Conception...[and] each of the faithful to do some form of extra prayer if unable to attend the holy Mass, particularly praying the Rosary with at least one other person in community."  
*Both parishes, St Joseph and St Ladislaus will celebrate this holy day on Monday, Dec 9 at 10:00 am at St Ladislaus Parish in Bevent.*