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MASS SCHEDULE:
Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass (Mon.-Sat.)	8:00 a.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass	**4:00 p.m.**
Sunday Masses	7:30 a.m.
	9:30 a.m.
	& 11:30 a.m.

Holy Day Masses:
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

(Christmas and New Year's have special schedules)

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays: 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
& 3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

MASS FOR SHUT-INS:
TV - Sunday, 5:30 a.m. WPVI Channel 6,
Daily & Sunday, 8:00 a.m. EWTN

BAPTISMS: Parents should make arrangements with the Pastor at least one month before the requested date. Baptism is usually celebrated on Sundays at 12:30 pm (following 11:30 am Mass). Please contact Rev. Michael J. Pawelko for Pre-Jordan preparations. Godparents must be practicing the faith and present a Letter of Eligibility from their parish. No date can be set for baptism until parents have fulfilled these responsibilities.

MATRIMONY: To set a date for a wedding, couples must make an appointment at the Rectory at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. Weddings can be scheduled for most Saturdays, at 12:00 Noon or 2:00 p.m., or on Friday afternoons.

SICK CALLS: Phone the Rectory,
(215) 672-3020.

REGISTRATION: All Catholics who live within the parish boundaries should register. Boundaries: South of Street Road from Lower State Rd., to Norristown Rd., to County Line, to Blair Mill Rd., to Moreland Rd., to Maple Ave., to Horsham Rd., to Limekiln Pike, to Lower State Rd. & back to Street Road.
If you are not registered, we cannot serve you in ways that require us to know you. Please call the Rectory (215-672-3020.) We will welcome you as part of our community of faith.

PARISH ACTIVITIES: Catholic Youth Organization, PREP (Parish Religious Education Program), Choir (Adult and Children's), Home & School Association, Men's Group, Rosary, Respect Life Committee, OCIA, Catholic in Recovery, Women's Group, Charismatic Prayer Group, Hospitality, Hope Committee, Health & Help Ministry, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Legion of Mary.

From the Desk of Father Pawelko. . .

My Dear Parishioners,

As we gather at our Thanksgiving tables this Thursday, we will have a beautiful opportunity to count our blessings and to recall just how good God is to us. We will also have a beautiful opportunity to remember those who are no longer with us.

For my family, our once big gatherings seem to be getting smaller and smaller. Among the deceased of our family, we will be remembering our parents and grandparents, along with many aunts and uncles, cousins and friends. Thanksgiving provides a beautiful opportunity to give thanks for our time with them, to remember them in prayer, and to continue to entrust them, and all of our departed friends and family, to God's Mercy and to the care of our Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and God's Angels and Saints.

To help us celebrate Thanksgiving Day and to reflect on its importance, I have included a "Litany of Thanksgiving" courtesy of the Diocese of Lincoln. I have also included a Thanksgiving Day Prayer. Lastly, I included our nation's first ever Thanksgiving Day proclamation, dating from 1783.

Our Thanksgiving Day Mass is at 9:00 AM. If you would like any food or drink items for your Thanksgiving table blessed, please bring them with you to Mass, and we will bless them at the end of Mass.

On behalf of those priests who regularly assist us, including Msgr. Bolger, Msgr. Beach, Fr. Lyons, Deacon Frank Cavaliere, and our staff, I do wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving.

Fr. Michael J. Pawelko, Pastor

A Litany for Thanksgiving

Diocese of Lincoln

For all You have given me, My God, I thank You.

For all You have withheld, My God, I thank You.

For all You have withdrawn, My God, I thank You.

For all You have permitted, My God, I thank You.

For all You have prevented, My God, I thank You.

For all of my relatives, My God, I thank You.

For all the sincere friends You have given me, My God, I thank You.

For all You have forgiven me, My God, I thank You.

For all You have prepared for me, My God, I thank You.

For all of the Saints and Angels who watch over me, My God, I thank You.

For all of the opportunities to serve You, My God, I thank You.

For all of the mercy you provide for my departed family and friends, My God, I thank You.

For Jesus's Real Presence in the Holy Communion I receive, My God, I thank you

For the power to see You in the face of others, My God, I thank You.

For the death You have chosen for me, My God, I thank You.

For the place You are keeping for me in Heaven, My God, I thank You.

For having created me to love You for eternity, My God, I thank You.

Heavenly Father, you have given us all grace and life through the hands of Christ Our Blessed Saviour. With Jesus, we bless Your Holy Name. With Him we thank You for Your goodness and generosity. With Christ our Lord, we pray to You: *Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be…Amen.*

If prayed as a family before our Thanksgiving meal, we then conclude with Grace Before Meals*: Bless us O Lord, and these Thy Gifts, which we are about to receive, from Thy Bounty, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.*



1783 Congressional Proclamation of Thanksgiving

In April of 1783, the Preliminary Articles of Peace were signed by representatives of the Continental Congress and Great Britain, effectively ending the fighting of the Revolutionary War. In October of 1783, the Congress issued this Proclamation of Thanksgiving to God for a successful outcome and for the return of peace.

By the United States in Congress assembled.

A PROCLAMATION

Whereas it hath pleased the Supreme Ruler of all human events, to dispose the hearts of the late belligerent powers to put a period to the effusion of human blood, by proclaiming a cessation of all hostilities by sea and land, and these United States are not only happily rescued from the dangers and calamities to which they have been so long exposed, but their freedom, sovereignty and independence ultimately acknowledged. And whereas in the progress of a contest on which the most essential rights of human nature depended, the interposition of Divine Providence in our favor hath been most abundantly and most graciously manifested, and the citizens of these United States have every reason for praise and gratitude to the God of their salvation. Impressed, therefore, with an exalted sense of the blessings by which we are surrounded, and of our entire dependence on that Almighty Being, from whose goodness and bounty they are derived, the United States in Congress assembled do recommend it to the several States, to set apart the second Thursday in December next, as a day of public thanksgiving, that all the people may then assemble to celebrate with grateful hearts and united voices, the praises of their Supreme and all bountiful Benefactor, for his numberless favors and mercies. That he hath been pleased to conduct us in safety through all the perils and vicissitudes of the war; that he hath given us unanimity and resolution to adhere to our just rights; that he hath raised up a powerful ally to assist us in supporting them, and hath so far crowned our united efforts with success, that in the course of the present year, hostilities have ceased, and we are left in the undisputed possession of our liberties and independence, and of the fruits of our own land, and in the free participation of the treasures of the sea; that he hath prospered the labor of our husbandmen with plentiful harvests; and above all, that he hath been pleased to continue to give us the light of the blessed gospel, and secured to us in the fullest extent the rights of conscience in faith and worship. And while our hearts overflow with gratitude, and our lips set forth the praises of our great Creator, that we also offer up fervent supplications, that it may please him to pardon all our offences, to give wisdom and unanimity to our public councils, to cement all our citizens in the bonds of affection, and to inspire them with an earnest regard for the national honor and interest, to enable them to improve the days of prosperity by every good work, and to be lovers of peace and tranquility; that he may be pleased to bless us in our husbandry, our commerce and navigation; to smile upon our seminaries and means of education, to cause pure religion and virtue to flourish, to give peace to all nations, and to fill the world with his glory.

Done by the United States in Congress assembled, witness his Excellency Elias Boudinot, our President, this 18th day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three, and of the sovereignty and independence of the United States of America the eighth.


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Happy
Thanksgiving

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Sticky Buns Sale

They're back!! Fritz's Sticky Buns will be on Sale after All Sunday Masses on November 22. Stock up for Thanksgiving – they freeze beautifully.

A Thanksgiving Prayer

Heavenly Father, on Thanksgiving Day
We bow our heads to you, and Pray.
We give You Thanks for all You've done.
Especially for the gift of Jesus, Your Son.
For beauty in nature, Your glory we see
For joy and health, friends and family,
For daily provision, Your mercy and care
These are the blessings You graciously share.
So today we offer this response of praise
With a promise to follow You all of our days.
~ Amen





November is the Month of the Poor Souls in Purgatory

Mass Intentions

Saturday	**Nov 21**	
	4:00 pm	*Rose Fragale – 1st Anniv.*
Sunday	**Nov 22**	
	7:30 am	*Raymond Generale*
	9:30 am	*People of the Parish*
	11:30 am	*Patrick J. Callahan*
Monday	*8:00 am*	*Ita McErlean*
Tuesday	*8:00 am*	*Mary McElroy*
Wednesday	*8:00 am*	*TJ McCarthy*
Thursday	*9:00 am*	*People of the Parish*
Friday	*8:00 am*	*Dale Cain*
Saturday	*8:00 am*	*Sean & Michael Sharkey*
Saturday	**Nov 28**	
	4:00 pm	*James Martin.*
Sunday	**Nov 29**	
	7:30 am	*People of the Parish*
	9:30 am	*Father John Bowe*
	11:30 am	*Brinda Robin*



Let us Remember and Pray for Our Dead

Please pray for those who are ill, especially:

Paula Bielecki
Lillian Cannon
Deborah Ciavola
Josh Craft
Maria Figueroa
Robert Fisher
Anne Gabbamonte
Catherine Gaida
Paul Han
Ellen Hart
Dee Hottinger
Emery Kutney
Irene Lennon
Dominic Lightcap
Paul Malachowski
Dennis Matlack
Patricia McCloskey
Joseph McNamara
Suzi Molz
Laura Nardone
Charles Neary
Gertrude Nelson
Mariann Perez
Michael K. Pham
Sarah Rank
Joseph Ranweiler
Michael Tashjian
William Sparke
Stanley Travis, III
Patricia True
Jack Wilhelm
Joan Winterborne
Edward White

Prayer for our Troops

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. AMEN



Please Pray for Our Troops

Capt. Daniel Carroll – U.S. Army
Ch./Maj. Stephen McDermott – U.S. Army
1st Lt. Irene S. Poli – U.S. Army
Sgt. Maj. Tim Snyder – U.S. Army
Ensign. Conor J. Poli – U.S. Navy
Sr. Chief Gregory Thompson – U.S. Navy
LCpl Hunter Madison – U.S. Marines

If you would like to add the name of someone currently on active duty, please notify the parish office at **sjc18976@verizon.net**:

Name of Person, Branch of Service, and the name/contact information for requesting individual.

Names remain on the list while individuals are actively serving and are removed at the family's request. Submit names only with the service member's consent.

Thank you for helping us support our brothers and sisters in uniform with the power of prayer.

What's Happening

Monday, November 23:
- *Adoration ~ 8:30 AM*
- *Mass @ Luther Woods ~ 2:00 PM*
- *Communion Service @ Christ Home ~ 2:30 PM*
- *Men's Group ~ 7:30 PM (Room 18)*

Wednesday, November 25:
- *Children Choir Practice ~ 5:30 PM*
- *Catholic in Recovery ~ 7:00 PM*
- *Adult Choir Practice ~ 7:15 PM*

Thursday, November 26:
- *Thanksgiving Day Mass ~ 9:00 AM*

Saturday, November 28:
- *Baptism ~ 1:30 PM*

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PREP

Mrs. Danielle Staffieri, Coordinator
stjosephprep.warrington@gmail.com
Tuesdays ~ 6:00 – 7:15 PM

Reminder: If public schools are closed due to inclement weather, CCD will also be cancelled. If you have provided us with your Email address, we will notify you via Email.

TUESDAY, November 24 – Thanksgiving Break, NO Classes in session.

TUESDAY, December 1 – All grades in session.





We are collecting the following items:

Non-perishables only:
Foods currently requested at this time include: Cereal, Pancake Mix & Syrup, Condiments (Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Mustard), Egg Noodles, Saltines, Crackers, Family Size Juice, and Canned Fruit other than Apple Sauce.

Non Food items:
Store Gift Cards, Laundry Detergent (liquid or pods), Household Cleaning Supplies, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Oral Care, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, and **gently used grocery size paper bags**.

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NO EXPIRED FOOD PLEASE
DECEMBER 5 & 6

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Please visit our website www.saintjosephchurch.us and click on Parish Giving for more information.

St. Joseph / St. Robert School Update

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SUNDAY | DECEMBER 06, 2026

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9:00 AM ~ 1:00 PM



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Sunday Morning (December 6) from 7:30 – 9:00 AM

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St. Joseph Parish

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Food

DECEMBER 06, 2026

OPEN FROM 9 AM ~ 2 PM





St. Joseph Church

Christmas Giving Tree

November 21 - December 6, 2026

The Giving Tree will be up in the Church this weekend November 21 & 22. The Tags will be on the tree this weekend and November 28 & 29. We hope to have all the Tags off from the tree by November 29. **The Tags along with the Gift Cards are due back by Sunday, December 6.** **Please take a Tag that you know you can fulfill.**

The Charities that the Tags will be distributed to:



Please attach the Tag to the Gift Card for identification purposes.

The Gift Card should be placed under the tree or dropped off to the Parish Office NO LATER than Sunday, December 6 as it takes time to sort and distribute.

NO WRAPPED GIFTS!!

Thank you for your kindness.
Your generosity during this season of giving is appreciated!

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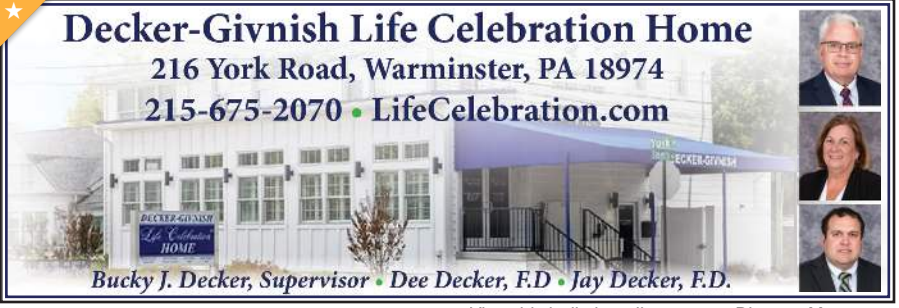

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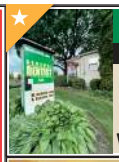
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