

Readings for the Week

Mon: Samuel 1:24-28 ; Gospel: Luke 1:46-56

Tues: Malachi 3:1-4,23-24; Gospel: Luke 1:57-66

Wed: Isaiah 9:1-6; Titus 2:11-14; Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

Thurs: Isaiah 52:7-10 ; Hebrews 1:1-6 Gospel: John 1:1-18

Fri: Acts of the Apostles 6:8-10;7:54-59;

Gospel: Matthew 10:17-22

Sat: John 1:1-4 ; Gospel: John 20:1a & 2-8

Sun: Isaiah ; Romans ; Gospel: Matthew

Masses and Events:

Sun. 12/21 Fourth Sunday of Advent
8:00am Mass @ St. Luke
10:45am Mass @ St. Joseph
Pageant Practice After Mass
Christmas Decorating After Mass

Mon. 12/22
9:00am Daily Mass

Tues. 12/23
9:00am Daily Mass
4pm-5pm Saint Joseph Soup Kitchen take out meals

Wed. 12/24 Parish Office Closed
3:45pm Children's Music Prelude
4:00pm Christmas Eve Children's Mass
7:00pm Christmas Eve Mass @ St. Luke
9:30pm Choir Prelude
10:00pm Christmas Eve Mass

Thurs. 12/25 Parish Office Closed
10:00am Christmas Day Mass

Fri. 12/26 Parish Office Closed
9:00am Daily Mass

Sat. 12/27
4:30pm Confession @ Saint Joseph
5:30pm Mass @ St. Joseph

Sun. 12/28 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
8:00am Mass @ St. Luke
10:45am Mass @ St. Joseph

Oh Holy Night



Mass Intentions

*Weekend mass intentions, family/friends can bring gifts up to the altar during mass: please let an usher know prior to mass

Sun. 12/21 Fourth Sunday of Advent
(St. Luke) Dick & Carolyn Hutley by Rick & Annette Hutley
(St. Joseph) The People of St. Luke & St. Joseph

Mon. 12/22 Late Advent Weekday
Lucy Notoro by Family

Tues. 12/23 Late Advent Weekday
Mary & Guiseppe Scalise by Family

Wed. 12/24 Late Advent Weekday
4pm: Theresa Ressler by Terry & Janice
7pm: Denise Dorrien by Jim & Mary Beth Riggle
10pm: The People of St. Luke & St. Joseph

Thurs.12/25 The Nativity of the Lord
Troy Patrick & Gerald E. Albaugh by Georgianne & Family

Fri. 12/26 Saint Stephen, the First Martyr
Ken & Joan Warnshuis by Jessica Williams & Family

Sat. 12/27 Saint John, Apostle & Evangelist
The People of St. Luke & St. Joseph

Sun. 12/28 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
(St. Luke) Carol Flynn by Phil & Maureen Skerda
(St. Joseph) John Sirianni by Mike & Lisa Lewis



Merry Christmas from Bishop Persico



As Christmas draws near, Bishop Lawrence T. Persico invites the faithful of the Diocese of Erie to pause and reflect on a year marked by grace, perseverance and hope.

In his Christmas message, Bishop Persico looks back on a remarkable Jubilee Year of Hope, declared by the late Pope Francis, and the many ways God's presence was made visible across Northwestern Pennsylvania. From the gift of newly ordained priests and new pastoral leadership to pilgrims who carried the prayers of our diocese through the Holy Doors in Italy, this year revealed countless signs of the Lord at work among his people. The canonization of new saints and milestone anniversaries celebrated in parishes, schools and ministries further remind us that Christ continues to guide and sustain his church.

As the Holy Year comes to a close, Christmas renews the promise that Christ is with us always.

Watch Bishop Persico's full Christmas message and continue your Advent journey at
<https://www.eriecd.org/advent.html>.



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For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
John 3:16



Christmas Eve 4pm Mass Youth Singers Needed:

We invite youth and young adults in grades 3 – 12 to sing with the Choir for the Saint Joseph

Christmas Eve mass at 4:00 on December 24th.

Please arrive at 3:35-ish. The prelude will begin at 3:45.

We will sing the classic Christmas carols in our hymnal (Joy to the World, Away in the Manger, Silent Night,

O Come All Ye Faithful, etc.). If your student is interested in joining, please contact Christine Kuntz at cjkuntz@atlanticbb.net or 814-706-1288 so she can determine how many will participate.



This Week the Sanctuary Candles Are In Memory of: Jeff & Charlotte Zaffino by Cindy & Holly



Saint Joseph Catholic Church - 600 Pennsylvania Avenue West - Warren, PA 16365

Saint Luke Catholic Church - 420 North Main Street - Youngsville, PA 16371

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday Dec. 27th 5:30PM

Lector-Lilly Suppa

EMHC- Roy Williams, Judy Anderson, Stephanie Wilson

Altar Servers- Michael McElhaney, Trent Alexander

Greeters- Mike & Barb McAvoy

Music- Fran/Georgi

Sunday Dec. 28th 8:00AM (St. Luke)

Lector- David Markley

EMHC- Annette Hutley, Maureen Skerda

Ushers- Mary Beth & Jim Riggle

Sunday Dec. 28th 10:45AM

Lector- Volunteer Needed

EMHC- Barb Walczak, Patty Osche, Valerie Cook

Altar Servers- Pete & Josie Bailey

Greeters- Sabina Snyder, Ann Kirkpatrick

Music- Choir

D.O.G. (Disciples of God)- Off for Holiday

Greeters, Altar Servers, Ministers Holy Communion, Ushers & Lector Still Needed:

There are still openings for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Solemnity of Mary Vigil Mass & New Years Day Mass, Please See sign-up Sheets at the back of the church for openings.

Thank you!

Christmas Eve 9:30pm Choir Prelude

The Saint Joseph Adult Choir will begin their prelude at 9:30pm with Mass to begin at 10pm.

Music will include guitar & flute instrumentals as well as choral pieces.

A perfect way to prepare for the Nativity of the Lord!

Christmas Decorating:

Please join us if you are able, to help us decorate the church after the 10:45 Mass this weekend Sunday December 21st.

Many hands are needed to help beautify our church. We could use some young legs and strong arms getting the decorations up from the basement!

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord

Christmas food baskets:

A sincere thank you to everyone who helped make our Christmas Food Basket Ministry a success. Thank you to everyone who prayed for us, gave money, food, paper products, for those who gave your time packing and delivering. A special thank you to the committee of Debbie Bialas, Joe & Donna Fire, Marybeth Anderson, Troy McFate, Jim & Vilma Siliano, Patti Colosimo, Ken Reiff, & Cathy Zawacki. Thank you to Holy Redeemer for being the host site for our ministry and the coordinating efforts of Gregg Danielson.

We are truly a Catholic community serving our Lord and neighbors. May God bless you!

Christmas Mass Times:

Christmas Eve

St. Joseph Church 4:00 pm

St. Anthony Church 5:00 pm

St. Luke Church 7:00 pm

Holy Redeemer Church 9:00 pm

St. Joseph Church 10:00 pm

Christmas Day

Holy Redeemer Church 9:00 am

St. Joseph Church 10:00 am

Last chance for confession before Christmas:

Fr. Mark will hear confessions at Holy Redeemer from 5:30pm-6:30pm Monday December 22 Tuesday December 23

St. Joseph Parish Weekly Offering Dec 14th

Saint Joseph Church Weekly Offering-\$6079

Saint Luke Church Weekly Offering-\$556.50

Thank You for Your Generous Gifts

Pizza Night

Mark your calendar for Saturday January 10! Our pizza crew will once again be making homemade pizza and serving it after the 5:30 Mass. All are welcome to come. Cost is a donation.

Signup sheets will be out in a few weeks.