

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Rev. Matthew R. Larlick, Pastor

The Rectory

721 Monroe Street

Berwick, Pennsylvania 18603

March 22, 2020 Fourth Sunday of Lent

The Rossello Parish Office

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Closed Every Friday



Bishop Gainer Joins Fellow Pennsylvania Bishops in Temporarily Suspending Masses

HARRISBURG, Pa. – Today and effective immediately until further notice, Bishop Ronald W. Gainer, out of great concern for the health of the faithful and in union with the Bishops of Pennsylvania, has temporarily suspended all daily and weekend Masses in the Diocese of Harrisburg. Additionally, Bishop Gainer has suspended all public liturgies and devotions, and has asked that all churches and chapels be closed, including all perpetual adoration chapels.

Bishop Gainer made this decision after careful consideration of the recommendations from public health officials, and out of great concern for the health and well-being of the faithful, our clergy and parish staffs, given the current coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

“For Catholics, the Eucharist is the source and summit of our life in Christ, strengthening us to remain firm in our faith as we journey through this life. Making this difficult decision to temporarily suspend Masses and close our churches was not made lightly,” said Bishop Gainer. “Rather, this decision has been made after careful discussions and considerable reflection on the advice being provided from healthcare professionals. I deeply care for all those members of my flock. As chief shepherd, it is my duty to see to their spiritual health, and now in these challenging times, also to their physical welfare. I continue to pray for all those impacted by this virus, for our medical professionals caring for the ill and for all people facing these uncertain times. I also pray for the intercession of our Blessed Mother, Mary, health of the sick.”

A listing of live broadcasting and/or recordings of Masses from parishes throughout the Diocese is available on the Health Alerts page of the Diocesan website, www.hbgdiocese.org. Daily and Sunday Masses are also available from EWTN on Comcast channel 291 in the Harrisburg area, or online at <https://video.ewtn.com/daily-mass>.

Additional resources for parishes and the faithful will be available, also on the Diocesan website, in the coming days. These resources will include ways the faithful can continue to keep holy the Lord’s Day.

Please visit the Health Alerts page of the Diocesan website, www.hbgdiocese.org, for the most up-to-date information regarding the Diocese’s response to COVID-19, including a listing of Diocesan event cancelations and postponements, as well as additional COVID-19 prevention measures and recommendations.

www.stjosephberwick.com

4th Sunday of Lent

Can we see the goodness around us?

Today we have the story of a man born blind. In Jesus' time, blindness was viewed as a punishment for sin. Lent is all about looking inward and rooting out sinful desires and actions. So this story of a blind man and Jesus restoring his sight is a story about the forgiveness of sin.

How often do we hold on to sinful ways or thoughts? Do we need Jesus to give us something in our lives to see again? Or do we need to concentrate on something we do well so that our "sight" may be improved?

This week, let us look through eyes of faith and attempt to see goodness around us. Also, let us help each other to remove sin so that we might see God more clearly.

Cancellations !

All daily and Sunday Masses

(Saint Joseph Church is closed due to the Corona Virus)

Saint Mary's Fish Fry

Lenten Penance Service, March 23

Parish Council Meeting, March 23

Mens Conference, March 28

Spring Fair, March 28th

**Maria Assunta Father and Son
Communion Mass**

Cursillo meetings

The Council of Catholic Women's Scholarship in memory of Lucille Whitmire is awarded annually to a graduating senior who is an active member of our parish. Applications are now available and may be picked up in the Rossello Parish Office. A completed application must be dropped off at the office no later than Wednesday, April 29th. For more information please contact Diane Kowalski at 570-752-7000, ext. 102.

Parish Staff and Extensions

Rev. Matthew R. Larlick, Pastor	104
Debbie Mowery, Adm. Assistant	101
Diane Kowalski, CRE	102

Parish Weekend Collection
March 14/15

Offertory	\$ 3759.00
2nd collection	49.00

Thank you for your continuous generosity !

Please pray for the safety of our men and women in the armed forces whether at home or abroad. Now serving: **Ben Brown** and the men of the 509th Infantry Regiment, U.S. Army : **Dylan Everett**, U.S. Army, **Jamie Ferraro**, U.S. Navy and the Marines and Sailors aboard the USS Bataan, **Steven Huntz**, U.S. Air Force, **Ryan Kowalski**, U.S. Navy, **Victor (JR) Rosati**, U.S. Army National Guard



UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

Have you moved, changed your address, phone number or email address or made any other changes in your household? Are you new to our area and need to register? Are you recently married or would like to have your child baptized? Have you stopped receiving envelopes? Please call the parish office at 570 752 7000 to have your records updated. Thank you !

**Council of Catholic Women :
Council of Catholic Women ... If
interested in purchasing a rosary,
they will be available at the
Church Office 570-752-7000.**

Mass Schedule

Mon.
8:30 AM

Tues. Mar.
8:30 AM

Wed. Mar.
8:30 AM

Thurs.
8:30 AM

Fri. Mar.
10:00 AM
7:00 PM

Sat. Mar.
3:30 PM Confessions
4:30 PM

Sun. Mar.
8:00 AM
10:30 AM

Please join us in praying the Rosary half hour before each mass

Parish Prayer List

Stewart Anderson
Wendy Bokrosh
Phquita Balderson
Helen Biacchi
June "Villa" Cook
Elaine DeFinis
Helen Dalberto
Dorothy Dalessandro
Jane DeFebo
Cheryl DeMarco
Nancy DeMarco
Gloria Dendler
Eli Eisenhower
Sophia Esposito
Marnie DeVires
Barbara DuBois
Steve Felix
Peter Ferro
Connie Fetterman
Cindy Gensel
Barbann Gibbons
Verna Grifasi
MaryLouise Gombos
Matthew Harter
Lena Hnylanski
Diane Howell
Beverly Hufford
Mary Jane Hunter
Dorothy Koscielsk
Tyler Labus
Michael Labus
Beth Larlick

Stephen M. lazar
Kelby Linsey
Tim Legg
Kathy Lowe
Mary Fedullo Knorr
Ryan Kowalski
Edith Marsicano
Fr.Dominick Mammarella
Nicole Mccloskey
Rose Miller
Debbie Modlesky
Marie Montecalvo
Lori Moran
Ryan Musser (child)
Betty Penles
Carol Phillips
John Petruzella
Nancy Procida
Jerry Prushinski
Jacob Rosati
Gary Shields
Jeannete Tomassacci
Alice Thomas
Julie Troiani
Christopher Turner
Christopher Urban
Nester Urban
Lucy Volpicelli
Mariann Waselus
Elijah Wolf (Child)
Sharon Yesneski
Matteo Young (child)
Frances Zinich

Dear Parishioners, My Provincial, Sister Ambrogina, has asked me to sell tickets for the benefit of the our older sisters and community endeavors. The tickets list weekly drawings beginning June 7th through Oct 11th. Prizes range from \$50.00 to \$100.00. On Oct.18th Grand prize will be picked with the top prize being \$2,00.00. Tickets are \$20.00 and are available at the Parish Office. Your generosity is so appreciated by our Community and myself.

Thank you, Sr. Michael Jean

SAVE THE DATE !

Good Friday Cross - Walk - starts at 9AM from St. Mary's Church and ends at St. Joseph Church at 11:00am-

Festival of Praise—St .Joseph Church , Danville. Saturday April 18th, 2020 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM in the church

Queen Esther May 6, 2020, Millennium Theatre (Lancaster) Call Janet Trapano @ 570-759-8389

CURSILLO

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