



**SANCTUARY CANDLES: Sanctuary Candles are lit in memory/honor of someone in all four Churches.** The cost is \$5 a week and will be published in the bulletin. Dates are available for 2025. Call the offices to schedule.

**ALL 4 PARISHES** need more Eucharistic Ministers; men to be on our Maintenance Committee; and it would be nice to have a few subs for our Lector lists. If anyone is interested in helping in any way, please call the parish offices.

**IC & SJ WEBSITE:** What is the sin that God can't forgive? Fr. Mike Schmitz reveals to us that this sin is ...any sin. Watch this week's featured video at [www.stjic.org](http://www.stjic.org) as he explains how that's possible and how we can lean on God's goodness and mercy for salvation.

**FLOCKNOTE** at ST.B-Register today to receive the bulletin, Mass schedules and more directly to you via email or text message. Text STBARTHOLOMEW to 84576 OR submit your name, cell phone number, and email address in the collection basket with attention to Flocknote & we will add your information to the system for you.

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY & NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK** "*They left everything and followed him.*" (Luke 5:11) As we celebrate World Marriage Day, we honor the beauty and commitment of married couples who follow Christ together. Just as the apostles left behind their former lives to follow Jesus, couples are called to embrace their vocation of marriage with faith and trust, journeying together toward holiness. Take this opportunity to renew your marriage vows in your heart. The Vocations Team invites all married couples to a Celebration & Blessing of Married Couples on **Feb. 8 at the IC 4 pm Mass.**

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY** meeting will be on Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 2 PM in the church social hall. Our **PRAYER CHAIN:** needs updated. If anyone wants their name added, deleted, or phone number changed, you can call Pam 814-495-5241 at the office or see the sign-up sheet in the back of SJ Church.

**SJ/IC CONFIRMATION RETREAT:** 10 Grade students will be on Sun, Feb. 16 at SJ Church social hall 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

**IC ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY** will have their regular meeting on Monday, February 17 with Rosary at 6:30 PM.

**SB PARISH/FINANCE COUNCIL** meeting is rescheduled for Wed. Feb. 19 at 6pm in hall

**ST. ANNE MEETING:** Tues, Feb. 11 at noon in the church hall.

**SJ & IC CCD CLASSES** are scheduled for February 9 & 23; March 2 & 23; April 6 & 13.

**COMMUNITY BOOK Club** on Monday, Feb. 24 at 3:30 PM in Marian Hall on the book "Heat & Light" by Jennifer Haigh.

**PIEROGIES:** Help is needed on Thursday, Feb. 20 at 8AM at St. B Hall to make Lenten pierogies. All are invited to help.

**ST. B LOTTERY TICKETS: All stubs and money are due by Feb. 16** for a daily drawing the month of March with daily drawings of \$125-\$500 for a total of \$10,000. Tickets are \$20 and **all parishioners** are asked to buy or sell tickets, which are available in the vestibule after Masses or call Ann or Margy or Pam at SJ/IC rectory. Benefits St. Bartholomew cemetery which is in need of some major repairs. Please help make our cemetery a place of honor and respect.

**TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE NOW for our Third Annual Comedy Night**, sponsored by SJ Church, will be Sat, March 1, 2025, at New Germany Grove Hall. \$20 a person in advance, \$25 at the door. Doors open at 6 PM and show starts at 7:30 PM. The original Host from the first comedy night with 2 new comedians, food & refreshments. Call Pam at the rectory for tickets. Donation of baskets are needed for this event. Call Lisa 814-243-3009.

**SQUARE DANCE** at New Germany Grove Hall on February 15. Dancing with the band Klassic Kountry from 7 to 10 PM. Proceeds benefit Pro-Life. Cost of \$10 includes food & drinks.

**PILGRIMAGE:** Join Father Jozef and Deacon Jack for our Journeys of St. Paul in Greece Pilgrimage May 12-19, 2025. sign up on Good Shepherd Website <https://www.goodshepherd-sc.org/> or Dcn. Jack at [jorlandi@dioceseaj.org](mailto:jorlandi@dioceseaj.org) for info.

**NOAH-30th Anniversary Limited Showing at the Sight & Sound Theatre** on April 9, with St. Mark/Holy Rosary Parishes. The bus trip includes the 11AM Show and 2:15 Lunch Smorgasbord at Hershey Farm Restaurant. \$195.00/Adult, \$140.00 /Child (3-12) Contact Robyn Murphy (814) 931-5683 or Diane O'Leary (814) 935-2114 reserve seats.

**YOUNG ADULT GROUP** (18-39): young adult retreat on March 8 from 9-6pm at St Francis University. Theology on Tap continues at the Boulevard Grill at 6pm on Feb 26 with Fr. Dave Peles on The Jubilee Year of Hope: Lent & the Sacred Triduum, March 26 with Bishop Waltersheid, April 30 with Mike Aquilina, May 28 with Br. Isaiah Klena OCD, June 25 TBD, and July 23 with Fr. Basil Cole O.P. All young adults aged 18-39 are invited to join us! For info contact Geoffrey Stumpo at (814) 659-7415 or [geoffstumpo@gmail.com](mailto:geoffstumpo@gmail.com)

**STRENGTH IN CHRIST Men's Conference**-Sun, March 30, from 11:30-5:30 PM at Mt Aloysius College, Cresson. Includes lunch, Mass, talks from local priests, personal testimonies, and a panel discussion. No cost to attend. Register online [www.dioceseaj.org](http://www.dioceseaj.org) or contact your parish office and return via mail. Registration closes March 21. Limited seating.

**ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL:** 2025/26 registration is now open for students in preschool-8th grade. We offer a faith-based, family environment, and we welcome students of all faiths. Our tuition is affordable and well worth the effort. For more information, call the school office at 814-886-7942 or visit our school website, [www.allsaintscresson.org](http://www.allsaintscresson.org).

**EMPOWERED BY THE SPIRIT SERIES:** Tuesdays March 18-April 8, St. Michael Activity Center, Hollidaysburg at 6:30PM includes speakers, testimony, praise & worship, discussions, refreshments & fellowship. No charge, but registration required. [Holyspiritministry20@gmail.com](mailto:Holyspiritministry20@gmail.com) or 814-207-9110. All are welcome.

**SPRING PRIEST PRESENTATIONS** featuring talks from three diocesan priests on the Eucharist – Saturday, March 29 from 9 AM to 11:30 AM JFK Student Center at St. Francis University, Loretto. Fr. Jozef Kovacik, Fr. George Jakopac, Fr. Brian Saylor. Register online at [dioceseaj.org/spring\\_priest\\_presentations](http://dioceseaj.org/spring_priest_presentations) or form found at each parish church.

**CHRISTIAN BIO-ETHICS:** taught by Father James Crookston at Holy Name Parish, Ebensburg. Seven Tuesdays from 6:30-9 PM beginning March 4. Register at [www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry](http://www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry), your Parish office or at (814) 361-2000 or [jgramling@dioceseaj.org](mailto:jgramling@dioceseaj.org) by Tues, Feb. 18 with \$35 fee. Purchase book (Amazon or The Catholic Univ. of America Press)

#### **Marriage Prayer**

*Lord Jesus, grant that I and my spouse may have a true and understanding love for each other. Grant that we may both be filled with faith and trust.*