

Saint Joseph Church of Coatesville

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Father John V. Oulds, Pastor



Masses for the Week

Masses for the week of January 16th, 2000, will be held at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church.

Saturday, January 22nd, 6:30pm

Andrew Cigas, Jr. (Bob & Stella Grubb)

Altar Servers T.Anderson/V.Florian/P.Florian

Eucharistic Minister Hudock

Lector Sara

Sunday, January 23rd, 10:30am

Mary Repak (Max & Agnes Sushinski)

Altar Servers B.Barnes/A.Reczek/S.Englund

Eucharistic Ministers Lasak,Jr/Dubinski

Lector Al

Welcome

We welcome Ms. Kathleen Ross to our Parish Community. We are pleased that she will be making her spiritual home with us.

Your Prayers are Requested

In the kindness of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Mary Shesko, Julia Esposito, John Yankech, Maxanne Sushinski and son Kenneth, Mary Riley, Jean Moister, Lyndsey Conner, Carolyn Pechin, Ann Hook, Joan Emery, Charles Adams, Olivia Monko, Ann Hoskins, Liz Bradford, Dorothy Barnes, Cecilia Shesko and the Dead: Father Thomas Calpin, Father James Gough, Emelia Augustine, Leonard Patton.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, Confessions will be heard on Saturday, January 15th, from 5:45 to 6:15pm, prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, Confessions will be heard on Sunday, January 23rd, from 9:45 to 10:15am, prior to the Morning Mass. Also, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available upon request at anytime.

Tuesday Eucharistic Exposition

Please be reminded that, on the Tuesdays throughout the Great Jubilee Year 2000, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed upon the altar immediately following the 9:00am Mass. This Exposition will continue all day long, until a concluding Service with Benediction at 5:00pm. Like daily Mass, the site for Exposition will alternate back and forth between our two West End Parishes. This Tuesday's Day of Eucharistic Exposition will be conducted in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. Kindly keep Tuesdays in mind as a day for special devotion honoring the Christ of the Holy Eucharist.

Adult Choir

The Adult Choir will resume rehearsals next Monday, January 24th.

A Family Perspective

Our Children listen and learn from us as the disciples did from Jesus. Do our words and actions consistently reflect our commitment to follow the Way of Jesus?

Millennium Message Broadcast

A weekly spiritual minute, with our Cardinal Archbishop offering an appropriate Millennium message, will air every Sunday between 3:00 and 8:00pm, and every Monday between 5:00 and 10:00am on KYW News Radio 1060AM. You are encouraged to listen for it.

Pastoral Council Meeting

Change in Meeting Date!!!!

It has been necessary to change the meeting date due to conflicts in scheduling with the RCIA classes. Therefore, the next Pastoral Council meeting will be held on: Monday, January 17th, 2000 at 7:30pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. Thank you for your participation.

Women's Club News

January Meeting & Covered Dish

The monthly January Women's Club Meeting to be held on Sunday, January 23rd at 6:00pm will feature a covered dish social for club members as a kick off for the New Year. The entree of Roast Beef and mashed potatoes will be supplied by the club. If you are interested in attending, please use the sign up sheet provided on the bulletin board in the back of the Church or contact Andy Levenite at 610-384-4665. We will be discussing at the meeting upcoming events and dates to make Kifli, Nut Roll, and Paska for the Spring Bazaar. Hope to see you there!

Communion Women's Breakfast

The Women's Club will be sponsoring a Communion Breakfast on Sunday, February 13, 2000 after the 10:30am Mass to be held at the Downingtown Country Club. Our guest speaker will be Sister M. Ruth Catherine Spain, S.B.S., Guild Director at the Blessed Katherine Drexel Shrine in Bensalem, Pennsylvania. Sister Ruth Catherine will be speaking to us on the life and journey to sainthood of Blessed Katherine Drexel. The cost of the breakfast buffet will be \$10.00. If you are interested in attending, please use the sign-up sheet provided in the back of the church or call Andy Levenite at 610-384-4665.

Catholic Social Services

Licensed counselors available in CSS Downingtown office for Marriage, Family, Individual counseling Monday thru Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm and Tuesday & Wednesday till 8:00pm. To set up an appointment for information, please call Sr. Lisa at CSS 610-269-4060, Mon - Fri, 8:30am - 4:30pm. We work to utilize insurance to your advantage.

Pro-Life Activities in January

Prompted by the 27th Anniversary of the infamous Roe versus Wade decision of the United States Supreme Court, which legalized abortion, the following opportunities to witness for a Pro-Life position are provided:

On Sunday, January 23rd, a Mass for Life will be celebrated at 2:00pm in the Cathedral-Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul with Cardinal Anthony Bevilacqua presiding and preaching. You are invited to join in prayer to God, the Author of Life, for a renewed respect for life in our country.

Also, on Sunday, January 23rd, a Chester County March for Life will be held in West Chester at 2:30pm. Participants should gather at the parking lot adjacent to the Office of the Chester County Pro-Life Coalition, 232 West Market Street, from there proceeding to the Chester County Courthouse. Pro-Life Youth will be especially featured in the program. In case of inclement weather, the program will be conducted in St. Agnes Church on Gay Street.

On Monday, January 24th, the Annual March for Life will be held in Washington, DC; it is a national effort on behalf of life, joining citizens from across the country. Buses will be heading to the Nation's Capital from around Chester County. For bus transportation, kindly call Tom Bones, the Coordinator, at 610-993-0331.

Walk together, pray together for the cause of human life.

The Cardinal's Pastoral Visit

Since his becoming Archbishop of Philadelphia in early 1988, His Eminence, Anthony Cardinal Bevilacqua embarked on an Archdiocesan Program of Renewal which includes his own personal availability to people, young and old. His Eminence is well known for this and has captured an affectionate title, "The People's Cardinal." One avenue of availability employed by the Cardinal over the past dozen years has been his pastoral visits to the many Parishes of the Archdiocese for the purpose of making personal contact with the faithful. We are most pleased to announce that Cardinal Bevilacqua has scheduled a pastoral visit with our Parish Family on Saturday, February 26th, 2000. In mid-afternoon, His Eminence will stop by the homes of several shut-in parishioners and then celebrate the 6:30pm Evening Mass. A Parish Reception will follow in the School Hall, at which time you may meet with the Cardinal as well as have your picture taken with him (bring your camera). Details are still being arranged, but expect letters of invitation to be mailed in the near future to all households of the Parish. For now, please circle the date of February 26th on your calendar and plan to join us as we extend a grand, memorable welcome to the Shepherd of our Archdiocese. It is a very special privilege for us!