

St. Joseph's Church of Coatesville

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How to register at St. Joe's

If you would like to register as a parishioner of St. Joseph's or have questions about the registration process, please contact our Parish secretary Stella Grubb. Stella is available at the rectory after the 10:30 Mass on Sundays, or you can call the rectory to schedule a convenient time to register. We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you into our Parish family.

Baptism & Marriage

Arrangements for Baptism and Marriage may be made by contacting the rectory. The preparation for these special sacramental events takes time, so wherever possible please call at least one month prior to the christening date and at least six months prior to the wedding date.

Sacraments for the Sick

The Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion are administered at home to our ill and house bound parishioners upon notification. Please inform Father Oulds when anyone is hospitalized. The sick always have a place in our community prayer.

Music Ministry

Anyone interested in participating in the music ministry at St. Joseph's should contact Stella, our parish secretary or Craig Cigas. We have choirs for both young and not so young and we are always on the lookout for new cantors, organists and helpers.

Masses for the Week

Masses for the week of July 23rd, 2000 will be offered at St. Joseph Church.

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	Pauline Ross (David Hanks)
Wednesday	9 am	Helen Bullock (Bernice Garawski)
Thursday	9 am	Michael Hudock (Gary & Andrea McLucas)
Friday	9 am	Mary Michinok (Mary Shesko Family)
Saturday	9 am	August & Helen Horenci (Mildred (Babes) Horenci)

Saturday, July 29, 2000, 6:30 PM

Deceased in Yankech & Maco Family (Helen Yankech & Family)

Altar Servers	Ponto/Bednar/Neff
Eucharistic Minister	Hudock
Lector	Cy Reali

Sunday, July 30, 2000, 10:30 AM

Shirley Hanks (David Hanks)

Altar Servers	Florian/Zelina/Lasak
Eucharistic Minister	Dubinski/Krupansky
Lector	Albert Ponto

Your Prayers are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Father George Schneider, Father Joseph Hasieber, Jessica Ryan, Julia Esposito, John Yankech, Carolyn Pechin, Ann Hook, Corrine Yost, Jan Cisarik, Verna Seymen, Cy Reali, William Gabriel, Paula Walsh, Ann Ponisciak, Olivia Monko, and Jacob Monko.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions this weekend will be heard on Sunday, July 23rd, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Confessions next weekend will be heard on Saturday, July 29th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at anytime upon request.

Eucharistic Exposition

This Tuesday's Day of Eucharistic Exposition will be conducted in St. Joseph Church, immediately following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The Exposition continues throughout the day and concludes at 5:00 p.m. with Evening Prayer and Benediction. Do stop by the Church for a visit sometime during the day. Every Tuesday in the Jubilee Year 2000 offers this grace-filled opportunity.

Congratulations to a Special Couple

A wonderful blessing befalls our Parish Family this weekend, as we celebrate with long time parishioners Max and Agnes Sushinski, the joyous occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. What a grand testimony to fidelity, love and grace their lives provide for us all in their sacramental union of six decades! We extend loving congratulations to our Nuptial Jubilarians, and wish them many more years of health, happiness and harmony. May God's kindly hand be raised in benediction over Max and Agnes always! Our Sunday morning Mass is being especially offered for their intentions at the request of their children and grandchildren.

In Search of Old Friends

On August 26, 1950, the marriage of Donald Motto and Mary Riddle was solemnized in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. At the time, Mary was a resident of the West End. This summer marks the couple's Golden Wedding Anniversary, for which their children are planning a Surprise Party on Sunday, August 6th, from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m., in the Washington Inn, Route 100, Bechtelsville, PA. An open invitation is extended to all Mary's former neighbors and old friends to join in the August 6th festivities. If you are attending, please RSVP as soon as possible to Barbara Motto Burhans at 610/323-6448. Your presence will bring added joy to this very special occasion.

An Invitation for Our Men

The Chester County Group of the Men of Malvern is holding its Annual Weekend Retreat beginning Friday evening, August 11th, at 6 o'clock and concluding Sunday, August 13th, at 12 noon. Our men and young men are invited to participate.

Anyone who has attended a Retreat at St. Joseph's-in-the-Hills Retreat House, Malvern can attest to the intimate, personal and private experience of a weekend alone with his own thoughts, in his own room, on the grounds of a facility conducive to prayer and reflection. All of this is supplemented by the serenity of the atmosphere and the spiritual services provided by two excellent Retreat Masters. A Retreat, such as this, can be a tremendous help to one's inner renewal and faith vitality.

Interested? Have a few questions? Contact Frank Manetta at 610/269-6287 or Ted Corbo at 610/384-8830. They stand ready to assist you

WANTED: Prayers For Vocations

This past February, a program was originated to increase awareness for our need to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The Director for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood serves as the program's overall coordinator. Introduced then in every parish, this program consists of a Christ Icon with a small stand and a prayer card collected in a green traveling pouch. When not in use, the pouch is located on the table in front of the crying room picture window. Once again, we are inviting families or individuals to take the Icon home with them for a week, after the Saturday/Sunday Mass. Set up the Icon on its stand in an appropriate place and recite the prayer for vocations daily in front of it. If others are part of your household, have them join with you in prayer. After the week of prayer concludes, please return the pouch and its contents to the same pick-up table, so that the next participants may claim it for the following week. We are initiating a new list of pray-ers in behalf of this important cause: vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Can we count on you to be partners in prayer? If so, please add your name, address and phone number to the sign-in list, also on the pick-up table. Jerry Bugar, our Parish Coordinator, will notify you of your week and any other details. Thank you for your participation!

Parochial School Tuition Collection

Parents of children enrolled for the coming school year in Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School are reminded that the tuition will be collected in the Primary Building on Tuesday, July 25th, and Wednesday, July 26th. The hours are 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon, and 5:00 to 8:00 PM on both dates. In conjunction with the tuition collection, a Stationery Sale will be conducted to supply the students' upcoming needs.

Summer Festival Coming Soon

Rain or shine, a Summer Festival and Mansion Tour will take place on Sunday, August 6th, from 1:00 to 6:00 PM, on the grounds of the St. Mary of Providence Center, 227 Isabella Road, Elverson, Hayrides, entertainment, Bingo, gifts, a la carte buffet, crafts, baked items and more will be featured. For information and directions, please call 610/942-4166.

Noah's Ark is Loading Now

St. Joseph Church will be welcoming Noah and his friends at this year's Vacation Bible School, for five consecutive evenings: July 24th through July 28th, 6:15 until 8:30 PM nightly. Children from pre-school to 8th grade are invited to come on board. The Ark can be found docked in St. Joseph School Hall. To register youngsters or to volunteer your services, kindly contact Beth Ann Hackmeister at 610/380-3505. It's not too late to sign up!

We will be decorating the school hall on Sunday, July 23rd at 6:00 PM. Any help will be appreciated. Also, if anyone has any Noah's Ark related items we could use (they will be returned), please drop them off at the school on Sunday evening.

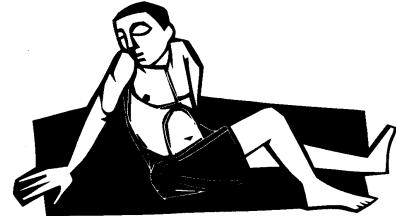
A Family Perspective

Today's readings challenge us to model our family relationships on Jesus, the Good Shepherd. By caring for others' needs, providing guidance and hope, and offering forgiveness for hurts we show that we embrace the way of Jesus.

Pastoral Council Election Results

Congratulations to Ann Cigas and Andrea Levenite on their election to the pastoral council. Both Ann and Andrea currently are members of the council and we welcome their continued service to the parish. Their new 3-year term of office will begin in September. Thank you to all the other candidates and those who took the time to cast their ballots. A total of 114 ballots were received for the election.

R & R



We all need rest and relaxation after a whole year of school or any other work. Sometimes we need R & R more often. Jesus gave the apostles time off: When they were being pursued, Jesus did the work for them, teaching the people at great length. God's work goes on despite human weakness. What a comfort to know that only one thing is necessary: to live in God's presence! Then the rest falls into place. Vacations are to discover that marvel in our lives, too!