

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 August 6th, 2000 will be offered at St. Joseph Church.

Monday	9 am	Mildred Manning (SISK Family)
Tuesday	9 am	Joseph & Elizabeth Taran (Ann J. Hummel)
Wednesday	9 am	Frank Popovich, Sr. (Ange Verlin)
Thursday	9 am	Ronald Ellis (Frank & Mary Jane Lasak)
Friday	9 am	Betty Kilgore (Mary Shesko Family)
Saturday	9 am	Pauline Sajda (Andrea Levenite)

Saturday, August 12, 2000, 6:30 PM

Joseph Yankech (Andrew & Ann Cigas)

Eucharistic Minister	Dubinski
Lector	Bill

Sunday, August 13, 2000, 10:30 AM

Casper Hracho (Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Kunstek)

Eucharistic Minister	Lasak/Catanese
Lector	Kathleen

Your Prayers are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Father Joseph Hasieber, Jessica Ryan, Julia Esposito, John Yankech, Carolyn Pechin, Ann Hook, Corrine Yost, Jan

Cisarik, Verna Seymen, Cy Reali, William Gabriel, Ann Ponisciak, Olivia Monko, and Jacob Monko and Cora Hoopes.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions this weekend will be heard on Sunday, August 6th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Confessions next weekend will be heard on Saturday, August 12th, 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.

Holy Day of Obligation

In the fullness of the summer season, a beautiful and comforting Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary is observed: her Assumption. Sometimes called Mary's Easter, this special day affirms the belief that no tomb claims her body, but rather she lives in heavenly glory, body and soul united, with her risen Son. To fulfill one's obligation, Mass will be offered in St. Joseph Church on Monday, August 14th, at 7:00 p.m. On the holy day itself, Tuesday, August 15th, Masses will be offered at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. Note that the priest-celebrant of the Tuesday Evening Mass will be Father Cletus M. Watson, T.O.R., and annual visitor to the West End who announces God's message in a delightful and dynamic way. You may not want to miss hearing Father Cletus.

A Special Thank You

Our recent Vacation Bible School, "2000 Ark Avenue," has set sail for another year, leaving behind fond memories of Noah the Navigator and Jesus the Shepherd in the minds of nearly fifty youngsters. We are most grateful to Beth Ann Hackmeister and her spirited "crew" of volunteers for their time and talent, their energy and enthusiasm in so successfully executing this delightful program. Last Sunday's medley of Vacation Bible School songs by the children, at the post-Communion of Mass, offered a hint of the Scripture-oriented activities associated with "2000 Ark Avenue." Heartiest congratulations to youngsters and oldsters alike who created the fabulous week that was!

2nd Annual C.A.C.E.S. Fun Run

The 2nd Annual C.A.C.E.S. Fun Run will be held in Hibernia Park on Sunday, September 10th. This event includes a 1 Mile Fun run, 5K Walk and 5K Run. Proceeds will benefit the Development Fund of Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School. For more information, contact Patrick or Joan Sullivan at 610/383-6403. All are welcome. Challenge your family and friends!

Jubilee Year 2000 Pilgrimage

Our Cluster of Parishes is sponsoring a Jubilee Year 2000 Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Blessed Katharine Drexel, Bensalem, on Thursday, August 24th. A fully equipped coach will leave from St. Stanislaus Kostka Church at 8:15 a.m. promptly, and return to Coatesville at 3:30 p.m. approximately. Our visit will include an informative tour, prayer at the Saint-Designates' crypt and Mass in the Chapel. Arrangements have been made for lunch at the Old Country Buffet, Bensalem. All are welcome; kindly call Father John at 610/384-1172 to reserve your place.

Other Special Jubilee Year 2000 Events

The Archdiocese has requested that all Parishes conduct their Annual Eucharistic Forty Hours Devotion on the very same days, rather than at different dates scattered throughout the year. Therefore, our common observance of the Forty Hours will be held on October 8th, 9th and 10th, a Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday triduum in the Jubilee Year 2000. Locally, a joint celebration by our West End Parishes is planned, featuring a Solemn Outdoor Procession from one church to the other on the Opening Day. We look forward to everyone's participation.

On Sunday, October 22nd, the Archdiocese is sponsoring a Grand Eucharistic Candlelight Procession on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, with representation from all parishes. A comfortable bus will be provided for the West End delegation, giving our Parish Family a part in this magnificent witness of faith. Look for fuller details in our coming announcements.

For now, please reserve these dates on your calendar of activities. Thank you!

A Family Perspective

The Account of the Transfiguration of the Lord gives us the opportunity to contemplate the Glory of God and His Beloved Son, Jesus. With Peter we are "overcome with awe". Through prayerful reflection on this event we keep in mind that each of us shares in the glory of the Beloved Son. Do we treat family members with the respect and dignity which this awareness calls for?

Family Life Activities

Natural Family Planning class will begin on October 2 at Holy Redeemer Hospital. For registration information, call the Family Life Office at 610/660-9002.

Encourage will not meet in July, August or September. Information about fall meetings of a support program for families and friends of homosexual persons will be available from the Family Life Office 610/660-9002 after September 12. Confidentiality is assured.

Retrouvaille is a program that helps couples in hurting marriages put the pieces back together and rebuild loving relationships. If your marriage is tearing the two of you apart, if there is little or no meaningful communication, Retrouvaille may be able to help you. For information, call 1-800-470-2230.

Separated and Divorced Catholics support programs are held throughout the archdiocese. To receive a listing of locations, call the Family Life Office at 610/660-9002.

Christ-Light



Jesus turned up the light of his divinity in order to reassure witnesses that he was the awaited key to the whole law and to the prophets. Peter, James and John began to glimpse what rising from the dead could mean. "O gladsome light, O Son divine, light of the glory of the holy blessed Father: Jesus Christ. It is good at all times to worship you, O Son of God and giver of life." come, let us worship him!