

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 13th, 2000 will be offered at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church

Monday, August 14, 2000, 7:00 PM

Andrew Cigas, Jr. (Mrs. Sylvia Halenar)

Lector Kathy

Saturday, August 19, 2000, 6:30 PM

Joan Coleman (Kathryn & Frank Popovich)

Eucharistic Minister Bugar
Lector Elaine

Sunday, August 20, 2000, 10:30 AM

Joanne & Lynn Marie Proudfoot (Bob & Maryanne Lasak)

Eucharistic Minister Krupansky/Seymen
Lector Albert

Your Prayers are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: 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, Cora Hoopes, Dick Brown, Cecilia Shesko,

Andrew Hamara and the Dead: Bishop John Graham, Father Ignatius Reynolds, John Weller, and Ruth Kennedy.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions this weekend will be heard on Saturday, August 12th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Confessions next weekend will be heard on Sunday, August 20th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning 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. Stanislaus Kostka 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 on the Tuesday Evening Mass will be Father Cletus M. Watson, T.O.R., an 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.

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-Designate's 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.

School Bells Soon to Ring

Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School reopens on Monday, August 28th. On that opening day, the uniform dress code will be in effect, and buses will be available. The Coatesville Area School District will mail a postcard listing bus number, place and time of pick-up. Other School District's families should contact their respective District Offices.

August 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st will be full day sessions with dismissal at 2:15 p.m. for Grades 1 thru 8. There will be no school Friday, September 1st and Monday, September 4th. Classes will resume on Tuesday, September 5th, for all grades.

Kindergarten meeting for parents and students will be conducted on Wednesday, August 30th, at 10:00 a.m., in the Coatesville Catholic Kindergarten, Schneider Parish Center, Cemetery Road, Parkesburg. All Kindergarten students are to report on September 5th for full day session, 8:10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

We pray that our teachers and students will be engaged in a successful school year, rich in the treasures of knowledge and discovery, growth and grace.

Bridgeport Summer Festival

Our Mother of Sorrows Church will host their Summer Festival on Hurst Street, in Bridgeport, over the weekend of August 26th-27th. Featured will be amusements, games of chance, musical entertainment by the Melody Kings, baked goods, as well as Slovak and American food. Hours on Saturday are 4:00 to 10:00 p.m., on Sunday 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. For further details and directions, call 610/275-3170.

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 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!

Bishop Shanahan Golf Tournament

The Bishop Shanahan Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, September 25th, at the Whitford Country Club, in Exton. A sit-down lunch will be served beginning at 11:00 a.m., with a 1:00 p.m. shot gun start. Refreshments will be served on the course, followed by open bar, hot hors d'oeuvres, buffet dinner, door prizes and golf awards. Your cost is \$150.00 per player, and entries will be limited. For more information, contact the BSHS Development Office at 610/343-6255.

Our Care Notes Display

Published by Abbey Press, **Care Notes** is a series of eight page pamphlets, addressing a variety of topics touching on matters of the mind, heart and soul. They are very straightforward, insightful and practical. Our **Care Notes** displays are located just outside the baptistery, in the back of the Church. Eighteen brand new titles are currently available for the taking, including: "Losing Someone Close", "When Someone You Love Is Suffering", "when Your Prayers Go Unanswered", "Living With A Problem You Can't Solve" and "Dealing With Anger". Take a moment to check out our **Care Notes**; you may find a title beneficial for yourself or a family member.

For Our Vocation Pray-ERS

We are grateful to all those households which, since February, have participated in the ongoing Program of Prayer for

Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life and have enshrined the Sacred Heart Icon in their homes. It is hoped that more parishioners will join in our prayerful efforts to promote Church related vocations and add their names to the list provided on the table in front of the crying room picture window. We have a token gift for all participants, both earlier on and currently involved. Yours for the taking is a handsome key chain, bearing the likeness of Blessed Padre Pio, the modern day Franciscan Stigmatist. Please keep this important intention among those remembered in your good prayers. Thank you!

Comboni Mission Baby Shower

The Comboni Sisters are in need of baby supplies for the community they service. If you care to contribute to their cause, there is a box in the vestibule of the church for your convenience during August. Diapers, baby wipes, creams, etc. are needed on a regular basis. Please place your gift into the box and it will be taken to the convent weekly. Thank you for your generosity toward the poor children in our community.

A Family Perspective

Parents who act as "imitators of God" make efforts to combat the bitterness, malice and violence against human life and dignity which children learn so quickly. By providing a place of kindness, compassion and mutual forgiveness within the home, parents help children to experience the ways of God.

Women's Club News!

Planning Meeting for the 2000-2001 year, Sunday, August 27, 2000, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Ann B. Cigas. We're looking for new ideas!! Please put this date on your calendar.

Lottery Calendar 2001

Notices have been sent to all our Lottery sellers. Yes, it is time to start again to fill up the 2001 Lottery Reservation Book. Call the Lottery Hot Line to reserve your numbers 610/384-2955. Please remember, numbers are reserved on a "first come, first serve" basis. Thank you for your continued support.

Journey Bread

"I am the living bread that comes down from heaven." Food is the strongest indication of God's care for the chosen ones. Elijah wished for death until the angel of the Lord came a second time to urge him to eat so that he could walk to God's mountain. Jesus comes in the eucharist to nourish his Body on the way to the new Jerusalem. Each one of us, as God's child, is urged to forgive as God forgives, to imitate Jesus and pass through his cross to the Father. Eat and live!