

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 October 1st, 2000 will be offered at St. Joseph Church as follows:

Monday	9 AM	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 AM	Mary Dooley Reardon (Frank & MaryJane Lasak)
Wednesday	9 AM	Rose Gulden (Anne Reshey)
Thursday	9 AM	Pauline Sajda (Mary & Raymond Sieracki)
Friday	9:30 AM	John Sandoski (Joseph Sandoski Family)
Saturday	9 AM	Anthony F. DiScuillo (Ann & Patti Michinok)

Saturday, October 7th, 6:30 PM

Adele Kowalski (Vera Lahm)

Altar Servers Gushanas/Zelina
Euch. Minister Catanese

Sunday, October 8th, 10:30 AM

Edward Lasak (Frank & MaryJane Lasak)

Altar Servers Rhoades/O'Malley's
Euch. Ministers Lasak/Bugar

Memorial Donations

The following donations in memory of William Lasak have been received and are gratefully acknowledged:

MaryJane & Frank Lasak Angelyn Cisarik
James McInerney Elizabeth & Thomas Dudas
Edwin & Anna Gregor Messner

New Parishioners Welcome

A warm welcome to Peter and Rona Mento and their son, Kyle James, who have joined our parish. We are pleased that they will be making their spiritual home with us.

Your Prayers are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Father William Cox, Jessica Ryan, Julia Esposito, Carolyn Pechin, Ann Hook, Jan Cisarik, Verna Seymen, Cy Reali, William Gabriel, Ann Ponisciak, Olivia Monko, Jacob Monko, Dick Brown, Cecilia Shesko, Andrew Hamara, Albert Augustine, Jessie Brooks, Robert Hracho, Kate Ohar and the Dead: John Yankech, Eugenia Soroka and Mary Pendyck.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions this weekend will be heard on Sunday, October 1st, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Confessions next weekend will be heard on Saturday, October 7th, 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, reflective opportunity.

A Day of Great Pride and Joy

Together with all the faithful of the Archdiocese, we praise God for His gift of Mother Katharine Drexel, Foundress of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, who, in solemn ceremonies at Rome this Sunday, is being declared a Saint of the Catholic Church. Born into the coveted social standing of a prominent Philadelphia family, St. Katharine Drexel surrendered her life and her worldly wealth in meeting the needs of the Native American and African American peoples in our country's South and Southwest. With her canonization, the United States claims four recognized Saints, two of which were members of our Archdiocesan Family: Mother Katherine and John Neumann. To commemorate this special event, we are pleased to distribute an attractive holy card bearing the likeness of our new Saint on the face side and a prayer for vocations on the reverse side. The image of St. Katharine Drexel is the talented work of our own parishioner, Mrs. Barbara Glass, to whom we are most grateful for artistically capturing the compassionate features of America's holy citizen. It is truly a moment to let all our pride and joy shine forth as a Daughter of Philadelphia becomes a Saint to the world.

Eucharistic Forty Hours Devotion

As previously announced in our Parish Bulletin and in a special mailing, the Archdiocesan-wide Eucharistic Forty Hours Devotion is being observed Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of next week, October 8th-9th-10th. Our own West End Parishes, twinned as they are, plan to participate in a shared solemn observance, featuring an outdoor Eucharistic Procession from one Church to the other on Sunday afternoon. In next weekend's Parish bulletin, we will reprint our complete Forty Hours Devotion schedule. For now, we request the kindness of your informing us of your joining us for the fellowship of a light Sunday Supper on October 8th in St. Joseph School Hall, immediately following the afternoon Service and Procession. We are expecting completed reservation forms in this weekend's collection basket. If you failed to turn in your reservation form and wish to have us hold places for you at our Supper Table, we would be most glad to do so. Just give us a call at 610/384-1172 to let us know of your intentions **no later than noontime on Monday, October 2nd**. Our happiness will be even the greater by having you "break bread" with us that day!

Community Rosary Rally

Appropriately, Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 80 South 17th Avenue, will host their Annual Community Rosary Rally on Sunday, October 15th, at 3:00 p.m., especially remembering in prayer the Pro-Life Movement, world peace, family renewal, and increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, as well as the personal intentions of the participants. All, including children and young adults, are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served in Rosary Hall immediately following the Church Service.

Calling All High School Students

The Life Teen Group of Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Parkesburg, invites all the teenage parishioners of St. Joseph Church to a Special Program this Sunday, October 1st, from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. Mass, pizza, games, conversation and an overall good time are promised by your Life Teen hosts. Come and bring along your friends!

October Rosary Month

In saying the Rosary we may receive three crowns from Jesus and Mary. The first is the crown of merit during our lifetime, the second a crown of peace at our death, the third a crown of glory in heaven.

Intentions for October

1. Worldwide devotion to the Rosary.
2. For healing the evils of our day which afflict our times.

*Jesus Group – Joyful Mysteries
Mary Group – Glorious Mysteries
Joseph Group – Sorrowful Mysteries*

The Rosary is recited every weekday morning before Mass at both St. Joseph Church and St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. All are welcome.

Hallahan's 100th Anniversary Event

The John W. Hallahan Catholic Girls' High School will hold a Centennial Homecoming on November 5, 2000, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.; with doors opening at 12:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Children under 12 are free. For further information, please call Marge Kiefski at 215/563-8930, extension 250.

Women's Club News

Christmas Bazaar - Sunday, December 3rd. Work Schedule as follows:

Pieorgie Making Sessions. Saturday, September 30, at 8:30 AM and Saturday, October 14th at 8:30 AM.

Kiefli - Monday, October 23 at 6:00 PM

Nut Rolls - Saturday, November 4th at 8:00 AM and Saturday, November 18th at 8:00 AM

Kiefli - Monday, November 27th at 6:00 PM

Steam Cabbage on Friday, December 1st at 6:00 PM

Make Stuffed Cabbage on Saturday, December 2nd at 8:00 AM

Any member of the parish is welcome to come to any of these sessions to lend a hand. Don't wait to be asked - C O M E!!!

Devon Prep's Open House

"DEVON PREP'S OPEN HOUSE is Sunday, November 5, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM. Devon's **SCHOLARSHIP & ENTRANCE TEST** is offered Saturday, November 11, or Sunday, November 12, promptly at 8:30 AM either day. Please call the Director of Admissions at 610/688-7337 for more information."

Marriage Encounter

The best thing that a father can do for his children is to love their mother. MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER. Next weekend October 27, 28, 29. Call 1-900-456-8330 for more information or other dates

Witness



"Anyone who is not against us is for us!" Jesus is inclusive: He wants all his followers to be saved! He encourages each of us, "Take up your baptismal cross to do marvelous things in my name." "Jesus tells those who place obstacles in the way of faith that they exclude themselves and are open to punishment. Faith bears witness to the resurrection of Christ. Obstacles that come from hypocritical actions or lame excuses bear false witness. Christians grasp Christ Jesus Risen in their lives of faith.