

# 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 15<sup>th</sup>, 2000 will be offered at St Joseph Church.

Monday	9 AM	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 AM	Deceased in Grubb/Horency Family (Bob & Stella Grubb)
Wednesday	9 AM	Frank Popovich, Sr. (Helen Popovich)
Thursday	9 AM	Elizabeth Taran (Mary Shesko Family)
Friday	9 AM	Helen Bullock "Anniv.Mass" (Agnes Novotny)
Saturday	9 AM	Pauline Ross (David Hanks)

## Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM

Andrew Cigas, Jr. (Viola & Leonard Patton)

Altar Servers Swinty, Florian, Bednar  
Euch. Minister Catanese  
Lector Sara

## Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 AM

Shirley Hanks (David Hanks)

Altar Servers Neff, Gushanas, Zelina  
Euch. Ministers Seymen, Bugar  
Lector Kathleen

## Your Prayers are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Father William Cox, Jessica Ryan, Julia Esposito, Carolyn Pechin, 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, Sue Coyle, Spencer Gautney, and Janet Yost.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions this weekend will be heard on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 5:45 to 6:15 PM., prior to the Evening Mass. Confessions next weekend will be heard on Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 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

## Archdiocesan Jubilee Year Event

On Sunday evening, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, from the Cathedral-Basilica to the Art Museum, in Philadelphia will come alive with a choir of 1000 voices, over 200 instrumentalists, a sea of candlelight and innumerable representatives from the Parishes of the Archdiocese. The Parkway is the scene for the Archdiocesan Eucharistic Candlelight Procession to be led by His Eminence, Anthony Cardinal Bevilacqua. A fully equipped, comfortable Krapf Coach has been engaged to carry our St. Joseph – St. Stanislaus Kostka delegation to the Jubilee Year 2000 event. Automobile transportation is discouraged. Our bus is scheduled to pick up passengers at both West End Churches in the vicinity of 3:30 PM. To reserve places, kindly contact Father John at 610/384-1172.

## Mission Sunday Appeal

Annually, on World Mission Sunday, the Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith begs for our prayers and contributions in support of the Church's missionary endeavors all over the globe. Next weekend, October 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, is observed as World Mission Sunday, providing us with the opportunity of reaching out to share our own faith with the world's citizens so in need of Christ's message. In the early part of the last century, our Nation too was considered "mission territory". And yet, while we were still depending on the generosity of European Catholics, the young Church in the United States was contributing to the worldwide missionary work. The very first offering to the Mission Appeal, \$6.00, was made in 1833. Today, Catholics in this country provide some one-third of the assistance that supports the proclamation of the Gospel in more than 1,000 mission dioceses, which is itself the work of the Church among two-thirds of our human family. Please be as generous as your means allow to the World Mission Sunday Appeal.

## Our Sincerest Gratitude

Words cannot convey our gratitude to all, young and old, who participated in the various Services, which comprised our Solemn Observance of the Eucharistic Forty Hours Devotion last Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. So many gave wholeheartedly of their time and talent, their enthusiasm and energy to our special Jubilee Year 2000 Edition of the Forty Hours. Certainly one of the highlights was our Sunday afternoon Service of Prayer and Worship in two parts, one

each in both respective West End Churches, bridged by a significant outdoor religious procession. Thank you to each and every participant who came into the presence of the Christ of the Holy Eucharist during the course of these three blessed days!

### **Vocation Discernment Opportunities**

A combined St. John Neumann Discernment Group for Young Adults and St. Katharine Drexel Discernment Group for High School Students is being sponsored by the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood. This combined group will meet on Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, at St. Charles Seminary, Wynnewood, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., for those men who are seriously discerning the call to the priesthood. Communal prayer, topics of interest, group discussion and refreshments will comprise the meeting's format. Call Father Joseph Devlin at 610/667-5778 for details and to register.

Likewise, the Seminary Vocation Office is hosting an Overbrook Weekend Retreat on October 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>. This weekend will be most helpful for those who are beginning the process of discernment and would like more information about seminary life, prayer and continued discernment. The Retreat opens with dinner at 5:15 p.m. on Friday and closes at 12:00 noon on Sunday. The Retreat schedule offers conferences, panel discussion, quiet time, recreation and participation in the community prayer of the Seminary. Interested? Contact Father Joseph Devlin for additional information.

Single Catholic women in their 20's and 30's will be able to explore the single, married and religious lifestyle options at a Discernment Retreat to be conducted by the Mission helpers of the Sacred Heart, November 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup>, in Baltimore, MD. Registration is due by October 30<sup>th</sup>. Kindly call Sister Loretta Cornell at 410/823-8585, ext 246 or e-mail [MHVOCATION@aol.com](mailto:MHVOCATION@aol.com) for full details.

### **Seminary Open House**

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook, will host the Annual Open House on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, from 12 noon until 5:00 PM. All are invited to tour the beautiful grounds and buildings, view the sacred and historical works of art and join the seminarians in prayer. The Seminary is located at 100 East Wynnewood Road in Wynnewood. For more information, call 610/785-6231.

### **Attention High School Teenagers**

Youthfest 2000 is being held on October 21<sup>st</sup> at Cardinal Dougherty High School in Philadelphia. This annual event, sponsored by the Office for Youth and Young Adults, invites teens from across the Archdiocese to spend the day (12 noon to 9:00 PM) enjoying friends, sharing faith and celebrating Mass with Anthony Cardinal Bevilacqua. Dinner, a dance and an attractive Youthfest shirt are all included for \$15.00. Call Tara for more information at 610/649-9410.

### **Knights of Columbus #3286**

Bus trip to the Immaculate Conception Shrine in Washington, D.C. on October 29, 2000. Cost per person \$18.00. Bus leaves Ames parking lot at 8:00 AM, returns home by 8:00 PM. For information or reservations please call Sam Somerday (610/384-4330) or Frances Seymen (610/383-4537).

### **Pastoral Council Update**

At the pastoral council meeting last month, we acknowledged the election of **Ann Cigas** and **Andrea Levenite**. Both Ann and Andrea have served as appointed members on the council since its inception and were recently elected to a 3-year term. We also welcomed 2 new members to the council - **Al Ponto** and **Ann Hamilton** - who were appointed by Father Oulds to a 3-year term. Ann, Andrea, Al and Ann are all active in various ministries in the parish. Together they bring a variety of talents to the council. We also thank our outgoing members - **Susan Sandoski** and **Lisa Hillman**. In addition to their many other parish activities, Susan and Lisa were each members of the council for several years.

We thank all the current and past members of the pastoral council for their continued dedication to improving the spiritual life of our parish.

### **Pastoral Council Meeting**

This month's pastoral council meeting will be held on Monday October 16th at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the rectory meeting room.

### **Risking All**



“God’s word is alive and active, cutting like a double-edged sword but more finely.” Wisdom is the “mistress” of our desire, offering all gifts and riches to us. What is most important is to see all these gifts we have in the light of God’s presence. Then there will be no fallen faces; all falls into its proper place. In following Jesus, we “lose all” to gain it – and more – following him from the present time to the world to come – to eternal life. Losing all is a risk, but worth it!

### **WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS**

#### **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

*Sunday December 3rd.*

Our next work day for the bazaar is scheduled for Monday evening, October 23rd beginning at 6:00 PM. Look forward to seeing you there. You might even get a sample if you work hard enough! Come join us!!

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING - IS SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00 PM. WE HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND. WE INVITE ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH TO JOIN US.** Current members - bring a new possible member along with you to the meeting. You are most welcome.