

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 February 4th, 2001, will be offered at St. Joseph Church.

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	Rose Guldán (Sylvia Halenar Family)
Wednesday	9 am	Pauline Sajda (Winnie, Richard & Richie Brown)
Thursday	9 am	Elizabeth Taran (Nicole & Colleen LaClair)
Friday	9 am	Michael Hudock (Rose Olise)
Saturday	9 am	William Lasak (Ann Reshey)

Saturday, February 10th, 2001, 6:30 PM

John Yankech (Vera Lahm)

Euch. Minister Pam Krupansky
Lector Sara Hoopes

Sunday, February 11th, 2001, 10:30 AM

Rose Guldán (St. Joseph Women's Club)

Euch. Ministers Claypoole & Lasak
Lector Laura Henderson

Welcome to New Members

A warm welcome is extended to our new parishioners.
Matthew & Andrea Strange and their son Andrew Thomas.
Gaetano & Palmera Baldini and their children, Luigia,
Veronica and Andre.
We are happy they are 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, Jan Cisarik, Verna Seymen, Cy Reali, Ann Ponisciak, Olivia Monko, Jacob Monko, Cecilia Shesko, Jessie Brooks, Robert Hracho, Kate Ohar, Spencer Gautney, Janet Yost, Barbara Pawlowski, Betty Bogus, Dorothy Bodnar, Sean Colvin, Augusta Saska, Natalie Umile, and Anna Bortnyck, and the Dead: Harold Levenite, Mildred Phillips, and Helen Drudowski.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, Confessions will be heard on Saturday, February 3rd, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, Confessions will be heard on Sunday, February 11th, 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.

Financial Awareness

We have in a previous bulletin reported to you the amount of recent collections. For your information these are our RECURRING monthly expenses:

CACES School Subsidy	\$2,044.42
Archdiocesan Assessment	1,125.00
Salary & Benefits	1,133.34
Utilities (depending on weather, approx)	1,300.00
Property Ins./Real Estate Tax	415.29
Cleaning Church & Rectory	500.00
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	\$6,518.05

Thank you for helping us keep on top of our ongoing expenditures.

Blessing of Throats

This weekend brings the Feast of St. Blasé, the 4th Century Bishop and Martyr from Armenia, through whose intercession throats are blessed and good health is prayerfully requested. The St. Blasé blessing will be individually imposed at the close of both Masses. All are welcome to receive this traditional blessing.

Annual Campaign For Our Seminary

The month of February has been designated as "Seminary Appeal Month" for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. This special time is set aside for all of us to consider prayerfully our support for St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook, where dedicated men are working toward ordination for the Roman Catholic priesthood. All households of the Parish should be receiving a letter from Anthony Cardinal Bevilacqua, requesting our financial help. Included with the

letter is a brochure designed to show the human, spiritual, intellectual and pastoral aspects of the priestly formation program at the Seminary. Today's seminarians are tomorrow's priests. Every parishioner is encouraged to show their support for this vital work of the Church as we move into the Third Millennium. Your gift may be forwarded directly to the Seminary in the self-addressed, postage-paid envelope provided (together with the completed gift card) or your gift may be placed in the collection basket at Mass during the month, using the appropriate Seminary envelope in the issued box of offering envelopes. God love you for your generosity! Be assured of a frequent remembrance in the prayers, Masses and good works of the Seminary community. Thank you very much!

Spiritual Enrichment Programs

The I.H.M. Spirituality Center, across the road from the Immaculata College campus, offers two Lenten opportunities: A Centering Prayer Weekend, March 2nd-4th, focusing on the prayer style brought to prominence in the writings of Thomas Keating and Basil Pennington; Also, "Living the Paschal Mystery; Women and Loss" on Sunday, March 4th, 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., focusing on the various media of spirituality for women dealing with losses. Interested parties may call the Center at 610/647-4136, ext. 113 for more information and registration.

Ash Wednesday, A Few Weeks Away

The Season of Lent is ushered in with the arrival of Ash Wednesday, February 28th. You may appreciate knowing the schedule of Services for that day in advance. If so, please note that Masses on Ash Wednesday will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in St. Joseph Church, and at 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. Also, our West End "twin" will offer a short Ash Wednesday Service outside of Mass at 12:05 p.m. Ashes will be blessed and distributed on all these occasions, bringing a traditional opening to your forty days of Lent.

The Rosary Society Intentions For February

- That God comfort all who mourn and grieve for the loss of loved ones in the earthquake stricken region and our help and prayers bring peace and consolation to all.
- For our president and all elected leaders that they pursue peace and justice for all people.

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

Lenten Overnight Retreat

The Dominican Retreat House, Elkins Park, PA will host a Lenten Overnight Retreat: Tuesday, March 20th, 5:00 p.m. through Wednesday, March 21st, 4:00 p.m. It will be a program designed for spiritual growth, refreshment, companionship and encouragement. For more information, kindly call Helen at 215/782-8250, ext. 139.

Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School Registration

Registration will be held in the Schneider Center, Parkesburg, on Monday, February 26, from 9:00 to 12:00 and in the Primary School Office in St. Cecilia's parish on Tuesday, February 27, from 9:00 to 12:00.

To enter Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old by September 1, 2001.

To enter First Grade, a child must be 6 years old by September 1, 2001.

An original birth certificate +copy, original Baptismal certificate +copy and Immunization records are **NECESSARY** at the time of registration. Catholic families **MUST** present a letter from their Pastor verifying membership in the Parish before a child will be registered. There is a \$40.00 non-refundable registration fee.

All parents with pre-school children are invited to an orientation and social in the Schneider Center, Parkesburg, on Monday, February 26 at 9:30 A.M. We will be happy to have you visit our little ones at work in the classrooms and answer any questions you may have about our school. This will be the **ONLY** open House for the school year 2001-2002.

*CACES will accept registrations from parishioners who have students in the public school district currently in Grades 1 to 6 depending on the availability of space. This registration will be done on the registration days in February. In the event of a strike by one of the public school districts, CACES registration will be closed until the strike is settled

Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Traveling Icon: Volunteers needed to host an icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for a week to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. This program is being sponsored by the Vocation Office for Diocesan Priesthood as a way for families and/or individuals to pray for an increase in vocations. *Obligations:* to pray the provided prayers one a day for a week before the Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. To volunteer call, Gerald Bugar, 610/383-0561.

Women's Club News

Easter - Spring Bazaar – Sunday, April 1st 2001

Thank you to all who helped make pierogies last Saturday. We were able to make 78 dozen. We really could have used more help! Our next session is scheduled for Saturday, February 17th. Please try to come out and lend your assistance. Thanks in advance.

We will be having a Spring-Easter Craft Table at this Bazaar and would appreciate any donations in the way of wreaths, novelties, arrangements, etc. Please call Ann Cigas for further information 610/384-2955.

Table Rentals at \$20.00 per table are available. Any crafter or vendor interested call Susan Sandoski 610/383-5768.

Adult Choir

Adult Choir practice will be held Monday, February 5th, at 7:30 p.m. following Youth Choir.

Hearing The Call



Isaiah's prophetic call is mysterious, eerie – God's smoky and glorious presence in the sanctuary, with the seraphim crying out as we do in the eucharistic prayer, "Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory." Peter, James and John were called from much more mundane circumstances: hauling in fish. We all are called from where we are: "Follow the Lord, and proclaim his risen presence." Like Paul, we are called to receive this summons and live our lives in response to it.

