

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 housebound 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 Susan Sandoski (610/383-5768) or Andy Levenite (610/384-4665). 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 July 22nd, 2001, will be offered at St. Joseph Church.

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	Michael Hudock (Joseph Tomasovich, Jr.)
Wednesday	9 am	Mary Shesko (Agnes Novotny)
Thursday	9 am	William Lasak (Stephen & Sarah Lasak Family)
Friday	9 am	Louis Kornet (Rose Olise)
Saturday	9 am	Helen Bridge (Helen Yankech)

Saturday, July 28th, 2001, 6:30 PM

Sophie Zelina (Frank & Mary Jane Lasak)

Altar Servers Kauffman/Neff
Euch. Minister Catanese

Sunday, July 29th, 2001, 10:30 AM

Carolyn Pechin (Rose Hudock)

Altar Servers O'Malley/Ponto/Rhoades
Euch. Ministers Swinty/Krupansky

Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Father William Cox, Father Francis Schlett, Jessica Ryan, Julia Esposito, Jan Cisarik, Verna Seymen, Marie Reali, Ann Ponisciak, Olivia Monko, Jacob Monko, Cecilia Shesko, Robert Hracho, Kate Ohar, Spencer Gautney, Janet Yost, Betty Bogus, Dorothy Bodnar, Sean Colvin, Anna Bortnyck, Lanita Giuseppe, Vera Miller, Joseph Reis, Helen Moratelli, Joseph Deets and William Illes.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, July 22nd, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, July 28th, 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.

A Special Thank You

Thank you, Mr. Robert A. Watterson, for your donation to St. Joseph's Memorial Fund in memory of Blanche Mruskovic.

Parish Census Forms

We still need to hear from quite a few of our parishioners who have not returned their completed census forms. We need this information to complete our reports to the Archdiocese. If you need additional forms, they are located on the table in the church vestibule.

Summer Brides and Grooms

This summer, St. Joseph Church will be the setting for the Nuptial Event of two young couples. On July 28th, Danielle M. Gauthier, our parishioner, will be joined in Holy Matrimony to Kevin L. Salada of Parkesburg. On August 18th, the Marriage of Pamela S. Watterson, our parishioner, to C. Richard Landis of Coatesville will be solemnized. We hold our brides and grooms-to-be in our prayers, asking God to bless them with an enduring love, an unbroken fidelity and a boundless joy all the days of their married lives.

Change in Hospital Policy

Over past years, Brandywine Hospital would make available to clergy a listing of patients broken down according to religious denominations. Thus, upon request, the names of Catholic patients were readily attainable for a Catholic priest. With this information, the priest could approach recognized parishioners and other hospitalized Catholics. In recent weeks, this practice of our local hospital has been discontinued, seemingly in favor of guaranteeing the patient's right to privacy. No patients' list of any sort is currently shared with the clergy, unless the patient has specifically requested a visit by the priest or minister. Your parish priest, therefore, must be made aware of your hospitalization, if you would like the comfort of his presence and prayers, as well as the Sacraments he may administer to you. The best method of arranging for a priest's bedside visit would be to notify the parish priest directly, please, allowing no room for false assumption or some misunderstanding. The Pastoral Care Department at Brandywine Hospital is hoping to negotiate a more suitable arrangement for clergy visitation, but; until then, call the Rectory with your hospital visit request. Thank you!

Retreat for the Disadvantaged

Are you, or do you know someone who is, disadvantaged in any way? The disadvantage may be mental, physical, emotional, social, economic or by reason of advanced age, loneliness and other factors. Would you like to make your relationship with the Lord Jesus more personal, meaningful and rewarding? Remember God is the only true source of inner peace and eternal happiness. You are invited to participate in the 38th annual, mid-week "Our Lady of Confidence Retreat for the Disadvantaged" on October 9th-10th-11th, 2001, at St. Joseph's-in-the-Hills Retreat House, Malvern. There is no obligatory cost. To register or to gain additional information, contact Pete Schumacher at 215/412-4382.

Pen Pals for Prison Inmates

The late Mother Teresa of Calcutta once remarked, "Without mistakes, there is no forgiving. Without forgiving, there is no love." With that same spirit, Mary, Mother of Captives Support Group, comprised of those with a loved one in prison or on trial, has initiated a Pen Pal Program whereby you can correspond with the imprisoned by mail. Total anonymity is guaranteed, as you gain satisfaction from fulfilling the corporal work of mercy: "When I was in prison, you visited me." For additional information, kindly call Jack or Sophie Weber at 215/698-7656. Please pray for all those in prison.

Men's Summer Weekend Retreat

St. Joseph's-in-the-Hills Retreat House will host a Weekend Retreat for the men and young men of the Chester County Group from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon, August 10th-11th-12th, 2001. The Retreat House is located in Malvern on its own private grounds, which are beautifully maintained and prayerfully appointed with various shrines. The retreatants' accommodations are exceptional, with individual rooms, excellent meals and spacious gathering areas. The Retreat House has as its mission: to answer the call of Our Lord by responding to the needs of the Church in the present time. Bring spiritual refreshment to your lives, men; come on Retreat with 300 participants from the Chester County area. For more information, contact Ed Lawrence, a Man of Malvern, at 610/384-7885. Your soul will thank you!

School Tuition Reminder

Parents with children attending Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary Schools are reminded that the tuition for the 2001-2002 school year for one child is \$1,500.00, for two children \$2,350.00, for three children \$3,400.00 when the family is registered with a supporting Parish. A Tuition Collection and Stationery Sale will be held on July 31st and August 1st in the Primary Building (St. Cecilia Campus) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and in the evening, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Post-Abortion Retreats Promoting Healing

If you are suffering from a lack of inner peace following an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus on a "Rachel's Vineyard Retreat" on October 12th, 13th, and 14th, 2001. This Retreat will be conducted in Darby, Delaware County. For information, call Mary Alice toll free at 1-877-HOPE4ME or reach her office on line at www.rachelsvineyard.org. All inquiries are held in strict confidence.

New Parochial School

With our student enrollment climbing toward the 600 mark and our present limited facilities scattered over four different sites, a new consolidated parochial school for kindergarten through grade 8 is indeed "an idea whose time has come". We hope to advance toward that goal under a logo depicting the new school's exterior design and the theme, "One Lord, One Faith, One School". Representatives from our four Coatesville parishes form the Steering Committee, which meets weekly to plot the development of the forthcoming Capital Campaign. A gala Kick-Off Event is in the works for early October. Please hold the success of this major undertaking in the kindness of your daily prayers.

The Comboni Missionaries

A Reminder/Update

"Bring & Buy" Yard Sale
Saturday, September 8th, 2001
9 A.M. – 3 P.M.
St. Cecilia's School
"Rain or Shine"

The Comboni Sisters and the Family Life Group of St. Cecilia's are sharing this sale. Chances for the Doll/Basket table will go directly to the Comboni Sisters.

Donations will be accepted at St. Cecilia's School Hall on Friday, September 7th from 3 P.M. – 8 P.M. or Saturday morning before 8 A.M.

A "Bring & Buy" yard sale is a promise to bring whatever you no longer need, but also retrieve it if it doesn't sell. There is no storage space available.

Please remember the Sisters and their good works during the summer months. Articles that sell: infant and small children's clothing, toys, bikes, dolls, knick knacks, kitchen items, sm. working appliances, radios, TV's, VCR's, crafts, books, old jewelry, garden tools, pots, vases, and baskets. Exceptions: No stuffed toys (PA state Health Board).

Hospitality



Hospitality means receiving guests generously – my house is your house! Abraham and Sarah, the parents of us all, receive the Lord and get a wonderful response – "you will have now a son." Sarah laughed but then produced Isaac. Mary and Martha receive Jesus. Like Mary and Martha, we bask quietly in God's presence and despite concern should avoid "over-fussiness" in our worship. When we open ourselves to God we share hospitality and the gift of God's Son. How do you receive the Lord?