

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

This weekend Masses are as follows:

Saturday, September 8, 2001, 6:30 PM

Mary Shesko (Ann & Andrew Cigas)

Altar Servers Swinty/Bednar
Euch. Ministers Nesbitt
Lector Sara

Sunday, September 9, 2001, 10:30 AM

Alfredo Baldini (Gaetano Baldine Family) (2nd Anniversary)

Altar Servers Zelina/England/E.Gushanas
Euch. Ministers Lasak/Bugar
Lector Kathy

Masses for the week of September 9th, 2001, will be offered at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, except as follows:

First Friday, September 14th, 2001, 9:30 AM

Frank McAdams (Andrea Levenite)

Saturday, September 15th, 2001, 6:30 PM

John Magala (Kathryn Magala)

Altar Servers Florian/Kauffman
Euch. Minister Krupansky
Lector Cy

Sunday, September 16th, 2001, 10:30 AM

John Yankech (His Mother, Sister & Brothers)

Altar Servers Neff/Gushanas/O'Malley
Euch. Ministers Hillman/Catanese
Lector Kathleen

Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: 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, William Illes, and Peggy Fitzpatrick.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, September 8th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, September 16th, 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.

Coatesville Catholic School Campaign

The Kick-Off Celebration for the Coatesville Catholic School Campaign is scheduled for Saturday, October 6th, from 6:30 to 10:00 p.m., at the Coatesville Country Club. All four Catholic Churches (St. Cecilia, St. Joseph, St. Stanislaus Kostka and Our lady of the Rosary) have scheduled the Vigil Mass for 5:00 PM on Saturday, October 6, 2001 to begin the celebration. Transportation immediately following the mass to and from the Coatesville Country Club will be available via shuttle bus. A buffet dinner, cash bar and entertainment will be provided. The cost is \$10.00 per adult and a maximum of \$25.00 per family (included all children under 18 years). The buffet will include ham and turkey carving stations, pasta stations, a children's chicken fingers stations and an ice cream, cookies and brownies station. Coffee, tea and soda are all included. Dress is casual (Church attire, no denim please). All parishioners are encouraged to attend. Please look for your invitations and response cards in next week's mail.

Sisters' Departure and Arrival

After seven years with the 3rd graders of our consolidated parochial school, Sister Jean Annette Eno, I.H.M. has been reassigned to St. Clement School in Southwest Philadelphia. We are most grateful to Sister Jean for her dedicated efforts with the children, always seeking to bring out the best in them. May Sister enjoy a similar satisfaction with the students of her new school, and be assured of our warm wishes for her happiness.

Our newly arrived 3rd grade teacher is sister Maria Therese Scarfo, I.H.M. Having made her Profession of First Vows last month, Sister Maria tackles our young scholars with a youthful energy and enthusiasm all her own. We trust that Sister will take easily to her assignment and experience a year filled with success and delight.

On Eagle's Wings

This Sunday afternoon, St. Joseph Church is honored to host a special Mass and Eagle Scout Court of Honor, at which Jonathan L. Beech,

son of Robert and Kathryn Beech, will be presented with the Eagle Scout Award. A graduate of our parochial school and presently a student at Bishop Shanahan High School, Jonathan is the recipient of one of the most coveted awards in scouting in recognition not only of his meeting the award's qualifications, but also of his many accomplishments throughout the years. We extend to our new Eagle Scout heartiest congratulations, Fly like an eagle, Jonathan!

Mid-Week Marian Devotions

The Blue Army has been welcomed to conduct their monthly Fatima Devotions in St. Joseph Church on Thursday of this week, September 13th, at 7:00 p.m. the Service will consist of public prayer, the recitation of the rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are cordially invited to participate.

Welcome To our Parish Family

How very pleased we are to announce that last Sunday afternoon, September 2nd, the Rites of Christian Initiation were completed for Alan and Patricia Holeton, whose sons, Alan and Kyle, had already been received onto the Catholic Church! Alan and Patricia faithfully participated in our R.C.I.A. Program over the past year, while their children are entering into their second year as pupils of Coatesville Catholic School. We heartily welcome the Holeton Family within the embrace of our Parish Family, and are overjoyed that they have found a spiritual home in our company. God's grace and blessing be with them always!

Golden Anniversary Reunion

The Class of 1951 from Notre Dame High School, Moylan, will celebrate their 50th Graduation Reunion on Saturday, October 6th. For further information, please contact either Betty Votta Dyer at 610/558-9167 or Sister Kathleen Leary, S.S. J. at 215/587-3795.

Calling All Young People, Ages 13 to 18

The challenging message of World Youth Day 1993 is being spread all throughout the United States by an initiative called YOUTH 2000. YOUTH 2000 is a Eucharist-centered Retreat Weekend that is a response to the call of Pope John Paul II to young people to live and to proclaim the Gospel. You are invited to a YOUTH 2000 Retreat on October 12th-13th-14th, 2001 at St. John Neumann High School, 2600 Moore Street, Philadelphia. You will have the opportunity to gather with other youth your age for prayer, adoration, singing and learning about the Catholic faith. For more information, kindly call Father Tran at 215/389-4900 (daytime), 215/334-7766 (evening) or Father Otto at 215/389-4900 (daytime), 215/727-8300 (evening).

Community Band Concert

The celebrated Lukens Band will be performing a free Benefit Concert in the Olivet United Methodist Church, 3rd Avenue & East Chestnut Street, on Sunday, September 16th, starting at 7:00 p.m. While there is no admission charge, a free-will offering will be taken to benefit the Coatesville emergency Food Cupboard in support of Operation Thanksgiving and Operation Christmas. All are welcome to enjoy an evening of musical entertainment with the Lukens Band.

A Family Perspective

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Time spent pondering and praying over the cost of discipleship enables family members to understand that living in imitation of Jesus takes precedence over the possessions and even the relationships they treasure.

CCD Registration

Our parish CCD program will begin on September 23rd. Classes are held on Sunday mornings from 9:15 until 10:15. Registration will be held this Sunday (Sept. 9th) in the school hall after the 10:30 Mass. Additional registration will also be held on September 16th. Our

program starts with preschool (age 4) and continues through the 6th grade. If you have any questions, please contact Frank Lasak at 610-869-4841.

Parish Census

We still need to hear from 35 Parishioners. We would appreciate your returning your census form immediately. Thank you for your cooperation.

Women's Club News

Women's Club Kick-Off Covered Dish Social - Sunday September 23rd, 5:00 PM in the School Hall. This event is not only for current members - all members of the Parish are invited to join us and share the friendship and laughter with old and new friends. The Main Course will be Chicken Cordon Bleu. For your convenience, a sign up sheet is located in the church vestibule or call Jerry Branson at 610/383-1703. Please bring a dish that will compliment the entree. We would appreciate your being specific as to what you are bringing - cole slaw not salad, shrimp cocktail - not appetizer, string beans not vegetable. This will help us greatly in planning this affair. Thank you for your cooperation.

Following our Covered Dish we will hold our first regular meeting of the year. Please feel free to offer suggestions for future events.

2002 Lottery Calendar Sellers

We would appreciate hearing from you this coming week. Beginning next week, we will be publishing the available numbers in the weekly church bulletin. Please call the Lottery Hotline - 610/384-2955.

Baptismal Cross



Onesimus means "useful," a slave's name—and yet we are each called by God to be useful to the divine plan. The baptized Onesimus is equal to any one of us. Because of Jesus, we are all brothers and sisters in God's family. We are not the same, each is different and with different gifts of the Spirit, but we all serve "in our place" the wisdom of God's intentions. Our baptismal cross is the key to a true disciple of the one Master, Jesus. He says: "Follow me!" Do you take up your cross?