

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 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

Masses for the week of Sept. 16th, 2001 will be offered at St. Joseph Church.

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	William Lasak (Rose Hudock)
Wednesday	9 am	Frank Popovich (Helen Popovich)
Thursday	9 am	Louise Olseski (Raymond & Mary Sieracki)
Friday	9 am	Jessie Gallagher (Ann Reshey)
Saturday	9 am	Mary Shesko (Andrea Levenite)

Saturday, September 22nd, 2001, 6:30 PM

Michael Hudock (Scott & Lisa Hillman)

Altar Servers Ponto/Rhoades
Euch. Minister Seymen
Lector Elaine

Sunday, September 23rd, 2001, 10:30 AM

Steven Repak (Max & Agnes Sushinski)

Altar Servers A. & S. Reczek/England
Euch. Ministers Hudock/Lasak, Jr.
Lector Al

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.

Our prayers also embrace the dead and the injured of the September 11th terrorists' attack on America. We remember all those whose lives are profoundly affected by this tragic event, as well as those caring individuals who demonstrate remarkable compassion and courage. God be with them!

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, September 16th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, September 22nd, 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.

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.

Special Collection

Every year, the Annual Collection for the Care of the Aging and Ill Priests serves as one way for the people of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to show their love and support in caring for our elderly and infirm priests. Some of these priests, who mediated God's love for decades, have been compelled by sickness or age to retire from the active ministry. They now reside in Archdiocesan facilities such as Villa Saint Joseph, Darby and Regina Coeli Residence, Warminster. Those priests still serve us, perhaps not as visibly, but just as powerfully, through lives of prayer offered on our behalf. We are called to recognize their impact on us even today and to be moved to provide for their physical needs. The Second Collection on the weekend of September 29th-30th will benefit this worthy cause. All

are asked to respond to this annual appeal with your characteristic generosity and prayerful support. In advance of your kindness, thank you very much!

Shanahan Social Event

Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, is hosting a Beef 'N Beer Night in the school gymnasium on Saturday, October 6th. Admission is \$35.00 per couple. The deadline for ticket sales is September 28th. No tickets will be sold at the door. For more information, call the Shanahan Development Office at 610/343-6255. Come, join in the fun!

Dominican Retreat House Programs

The Dominican Retreat House, 750 Ashbourne Road, Elkins Park, PA is conducting programs designed to enable participants to come together for spiritual growth, refreshment, companionship and encouragement. Here are several current offerings:

Evening of Reflection for Cancer Survivors with Father Michael Bolesta, Chaplain, Holy Redeemer health System or Evening of Reflection for the Separated and Divorced with Father Joseph Breighner, counselor, author and radio minister on Tuesday, October 2, 2001, from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Days of Reflection, featuring spiritual presentations, private prayer, confession and Mass, as well as a delicious hot lunch on September 19th and 25th, October 3rd, 10th and 16th. October 17th (Marian Day), November 7th and 14th.

Harvest Evening for Married Couples, including dinner, conference and appropriate closing Liturgy on October 17th (registration at 6:30 p.m.) as coordinated by Sister Meg.

For complete information, kindly call the Retreat House at 215/782-8520. Flyers are available upon request.

IRS Mandated Statement

Our parish school admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at our school. Similar policies apply to the school staff. Our school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, its admission policies or in any school-administered program.

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).

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 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.

A Family Perspective *24th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Today we focus on God our Father whose love is constant and forgiving. Children begin to be well formed in the life of faith when they experience this God-like fatherly love within the family.

Women's Club News *Second Pierogie Session*

Our second pierogie session for the Annual Christmas Bazaar is scheduled for next weekend Sept. 21 & Sept. 22 as follows:

Peel Potatoes - Friday afternoon at 5:00 PM
Make Pierogies - Saturday morning at 8:00 AM

We desperately need help - men and women - since we are planning to do 100# of potatoes. Looking forward to seeing many of our parishioners. Experience is not necessary - we'll teach you what to do. If you have any questions, please call Lori Rhoades, Chairperson of this session, at 610/380-0177.

Covered Dish Social and First Meeting of this Year

Sunday, September 23rd beginning at 5:00 PM. Sign up on the notice in the Church Vestibule or call Gerry Branson at 610/383-1703.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our Annual Christmas Bazaar on Sunday, November 18th. Please note the change from our usual First Sunday in December.

2002 Calendar Patrons

Would you like to be a Patron for the 2002 Lottery Calendar – or place the name of a deceased loved one in our “In Memory Of” listing? If so, please call Ann Cigas this week!! The cost is \$10.00 and is used to help defray the cost of printing our calendars. Thank you.

2002 Calendar Sellers: May we hear from you this week? 610-384-2955

Come Home



“The Golden Calf” is a strong image, from the Bible to the Faustian legends, for rejecting God. But God is faithful and patient in allowing the prodigal to come back home. When we do, Jesus says all creation rejoices because the lost is found. We have sacramental healing of the sinner and the sick, through penance and anointing of the sick, to lead us back to the “Great feast of Heaven.” you are invited to share in the wedding banquet of God. Are you coming back to where you should be?