

# 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 this weekend are as follows:

### Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2002, 6:30 PM

Joseph Arvay (Mary Arvay & Family)

Altar Servers      Zelina, Nick  
Euch. Minister     Francis Seymen  
Lector              Cy Reali

### Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2002, 10:30 AM

Sophie Zelina (Havard & Kathleen Franciscus)

Altar Servers      England, Babcock, Hackmeister  
Euch. Ministers    Pam Krupansky, G. Bugar  
Lector              Albert Ponto

Masses for the week of February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2002 will be offered at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church except as follows:

Tuesday	7 pm	Guisseppi Priscoglio (John & Santa Dudas)
Friday	9:30 am	Blanche Mruskovic (Harold & Jackie Smith)
Saturday	9 am	Stella Stoyak (Brothers Benjamin & Edward Stoyak)

### Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2002, 6:30 PM

Mary Sandoski (Joseph Sandoski)

Altar Servers      Lasak, Trumpelman

Euch. Minister     Mary Francis Johnson  
Lector              Elaine

## Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2002, 10:30 AM

Peggy DePedro (Bob & Ann Hamilton)

Altar Servers      S. Reczek, Malavolta, Hoopes  
Euch. Ministers    K. Catanese, F. Lasak, Jr.  
Lector              L. Henderson

## Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: 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, Anna Bortnyck, Lanita Guiseppa, Joseph Reis, Luigi Baldini, Mary Sabo, Kathryn Magala, Mary Suam, Steve Gregor, Helen Denny, Jan Schultz, Andrew Hamara, Victor Kostolansky, Augusta Saska, Charlie Persch, Betty Kinnier and the Dead: Helen Moratelli.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</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.

## Lenten Evening Masses

The opportunity will be available to attend a mid-week Evening Mass during Lent. In St. Joseph Church, a 7:00 p.m. Mass will be offered on Tuesdays. In St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, a 5:30 p.m. Mass will be offered on Wednesdays. We trust that a number of parishioners may wish to include Mass during the week as a part of their Lenten practices.

## Stations of The Cross Devotion

Throughout the Lenten Season, the traditional Stations of the Cross Devotion will be conducted at 1:15 p.m. on Thursdays in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church and on Fridays in St. Joseph Church with the school children participating on both days. Also, on Saturday mornings in Lent, following the 9 o'clock Mass, the Stations of the Cross Devotion will be conducted. The beauty and meaningfulness of this passion-related devotion has held up over the centuries; perhaps you would wish to make it a part of your special practices this Lent.

## Operation Rice Bowl

Since 1976, the year of its introduction, Operation Rice Bowl has been an additional source of financial support to the world's destitute people, often in their darkest hour, through the agency of the Catholic Bishops' Relief Services. Throughout Lent, Operation Rice Bowl provides a means to pray, fast, learn and share in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in need. We are grateful for your household's participation in Operation Rice Bowl. Your gift may be placed in the specially marked containers in the rear of Church.

### Traveling Icon for Increased Vocations

Looking for a special Lenten practice? We are pleased to suggest your participation in a Program of Prayer for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, sponsored by the Vocation Office for Diocesan Priesthood. Welcome the traveling icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus into your home for a week and pray daily the provided vocation prayer before it. This exercise can be undertaken by both families and individuals. From your lips there rises your prayer to God's ears for the realization of increased vocations. To volunteer, please call Coordinator Jerry Bugar at 610/383-0561.

### Annual Campaign For Our Seminary

Have you remembered your gift in financial support of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook? The Annual Seminary Campaign is being conducted throughout the month of February and begs your contribution, thus enabling today's seminarians to become tomorrow's priests. Your offering may be placed in the collection basket or mailed directly to the Seminary. Thank you for your generous contribution. God bless you!

### Registration For The School Year 2002-2003 Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School

#### Building Sites

Kindergarten to Grade 4 – St. Cecilia Parish

Grades 5 and 6 – St. Stanislaus Parish

Grades 7 and 8 – St. Joseph Parish

Registration will be held at the primary Building at St. Cecilia Parish in Coatesville, Monday, February 25, 2001 and Tuesday, February 26, 2001. Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon both days.

The Principal, Sister Helen Loretta, will be available on both days to answer your questions.

There will be an OPEN HOUSE at all the building sites from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Monday, February 25 and Tuesday, February 26 for anyone who would like to visit.

#### Requirements

To enter kindergarten a child must be 5 years old by 9/1/02

To enter First Grade a child must be 6 years old by 9/1/02  
Original birth certificate  
Original baptismal certificate  
Up to date immunization records  
A letter from the pastor of your parish verifying membership in the parish  
Non-refundable registration fee of \$75.00

Registrations for Grades 1 to 6 depend on the availability of space.

### Day of Renewal for Mothers

All mothers, stepmothers, grandmothers and guardians are invited to join approximately 500 other mothers of all ages at Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, PA, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., on Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, to celebrate the *MOM, HEART OF THE HOME* Day of Renewal. Mothers spend so much time doing for others, but it is important for them to take time for themselves as well. March 16<sup>th</sup> provides mothers with moments to slow down and replenish their spirits, growing in both their relationship with the Lord and with others. The cost is \$20.00 and includes lunch. The deadline for registration is March 4<sup>th</sup>. For additional information, contact Ellen Cerritelli at 610/384-7160.

### Lenten Day of Recollection

St. Mary of Providence Center, 227 Isabella Road, Elverson, will host a Lenten Day of Recollection on Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., with Father Dennis Weber acting as Spiritual Director. Treat your soul to refreshment made possible by spending some time apart from the usual routine, giving focus to the themes of lent. To register, please call 610/942-4166.

### Beef and Beer Social

All are invited to a Beef and Beer Social on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., in the Banquet Hall of the Polish American Citizens Club, 15 Strode Avenue. DJ Ken will provide the musical entertainment. The donation for admission is \$20.00 with proceeds to benefit the Coatesville Catholic School Development fund. Shake off the wintertime blues and enjoy a really good time. For tickets, call 610/383-6328.

### Life in The Spirit Seminar

Are you seeking a deeper faith life and have a desire to respond more fully to the promptings of God? Father John Kelly, Delegate for the Charismatic Renewal, suggests your looking into a Charismatic Prayer Group experience. A Life in the Spirit Seminar is being conducted locally at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish Center, 15 East Pleasant Grove Road, West Chester, 8:00 to 9:30 p.m., on Tuesday: February 26<sup>th</sup> through April 2<sup>nd</sup>. For more information, contact Emma Pavelchek at 610/696-8787.

## **Eucharistic Forty Hours Devotion**

*March 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2002*

The continuous Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for a three day period, in observance of the Annual Eucharistic Forty Hours Devotion, will take place in St. Joseph Church on the opening days of March, the Month dedicated to St. Joseph:

Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

9:30 a.m. Mass immediately followed by Eucharistic Exposition

1:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross Devotion with Eucharistic Benediction

5:00 p.m. Night Prayer and Eucharistic Benediction

Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>

9:00 a.m. Mass immediately followed by Eucharistic Exposition and the Stations of the Cross Devotion

6:15 p.m. Closing of Eucharistic Exposition in a simple manner

6:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>

10:30 a.m. Mass immediately followed by Eucharistic Exposition

4:00 p.m. Service of Prayer, Procession and Eucharistic Benediction concluding the Forty Hours Devotion

5:00 p.m. Hearty Lenten Supper in the Parish School Hall.

Our invitation is extended to young and old alike to come away for awhile this Lent into the presence of the Christ of the Holy Eucharist, and there find spiritual refreshment and tranquility. May this trinity of days hold a prominent place in your Lenten agenda.

At Sunday's Lenten Supper, a free-will offering may be made to assist the good works of the Comboni Missionary Sisters. May we expect you for our post Service modest meal on March 3<sup>rd</sup>? If so, please call our Parish Hostess, Andrea, at 610/384-4665 to reserve places. Thank you for this courtesy!

## **This Weekend's Special Appeal**

Today (February 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>), the Second Collection, sponsored by the Bishops of the United States, will aid the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, a Church rebuilding itself after 70 years of communist suppression. Catholics in Eastern Europe have repeatedly expressed gratitude for the financial support

from their American sisters and brothers. Proceeds go to support seminaries, social service programs, youth ministry, church restoration and the spread of the gospel message through the mass media. God bless you for your response!

## **Openings for Parish Elementary School Teachers**

If you are interested in applying for a position as a full-time substitute teacher in one of our parish elementary schools, please fax a resume and cover letter to the Office of Catholic Education at 215/587-5644 or mail the same to the Office of Catholic Education, 222 North 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1299. Please address your cover letter to the attention of the Director of Elementary School Personnel. Please note in your cover letter the name of the parish in which you are registered. Thank you!

## **Openings for Diocesan High School Teachers**

If you are interested in applying for a position as a full-time or substitute teacher in one of our diocesan high schools, please fax a resume and cover letter to the Office of Catholic Education at 215/587-5644 or mail the same to the Office of Catholic Education, 222, North 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1299. Please address your cover letter to the attention of the Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Schools. Please note in your cover letter the name of the parish in which you are registered. Thank you!

## **Looking For a Music Teacher**

Responsible parents are in search of a qualified music teacher for two small, Catholic, homeschool classes (Grades 5+) on three Fridays a month (excluding the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday). Classes would be conducted from 1:45 to 3:45 p.m. at a Downingtown location. This is a paid position. Applicants should call Carla at 610/380-8050.

## **Feeling Lucky?**

Help support the success of this year's Bishop Shanahan High School Spring Auction by purchasing a few raffle tickets featuring three cash prizes. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are available from Karen Leary at 610/430-1981. The lucky tickets will be drawn on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2002.

## **A Family Perspective**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent*

Hoping that the glory of Jesus' transfiguration would remain, Peter announces the practical plan to build three tents. Family members who understand that our love for one another mirrors God's love and glory will look for practical ways to build a spirit of trust in God's love within the home and the larger community.

## We Are Changed



God approaches each of us and we are changed. Abram responds with new purpose. He leaves his home, his family, and everything to follow where the Lord leads him. Peter, James and John glimpse the Lord Jesus as divine. This glimmer becomes a foretaste of the resurrection. Jesus calls us to stand up and be not afraid so we can take part in the good news. We can go forward with Jesus as he overcomes death and shares with his followers divine life and immortality. Easter is all of that—can we, can you, follow Him?

### WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

*EASTER BAZAAR*  
*Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2002*  
*Please mark your calendars and join us!*

Take out orders for pierogies and stuffed cabbage will be available at the Bazaar.

**\$500 Chances** - have been mailed or delivered to all parishioners this past week. If you do not receive them, please call Ann Cigas at 610/384-2955.

We are asking all of you to either buy or sell these tickets for us. Returns can be made by using the Women's Club Drop Box in the Church Vestibule, drop them in the Weekly Collection Basket, or give or mail them to Ann Cigas. Your early returns will be very much appreciated.

Thank you to all who helped make KIEFLI last Wednesday. We now have enough to sell at the Easter Bazaar.

**Our next work session** will be Friday and Saturday, March 8th and 9th to make PIEROGIES. Fran Shesko and Ann Cigas, Co-Chairpersons for this project. Details will be forthcoming next week. We hope you will be able to come out and help us. When Fran Shesko calls, we hope you will be able to say "**yes**" to as much time as you can spare.

We are looking for items for the Children's Table (Value \$1 or \$2). For further information, please call Kathy

Trumpleman at 610/383-7468. Thank you in advance for your donations.

