

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 March 30th, 2002, 7:30 PM

*Solemn Easter Vigil: The Church's Night of Nights
(This mass is being especially offered for all parishioners)*

Altar Servers *Babcock, Hoopes, Rhoades*
Euch. Ministers *Seymen, Claypoole, Nesbitt,
Krupansky*
Lectors *Elaine, Kathleen*

Sunday, March 31st, 2002, 10:30 AM

Joseph F. Trumpelman (Joseph & Eleanor Wasko)

Altar Servers *Ponto, Malavolta, Neff*
Euch. Ministers *Johnson, Swinty*
Lector *Sara*

Masses for the week of March 31st, 2002 will be offered at St. Joseph's Church.

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	Charles Bannon (The McNeilly Family)
Wednesday	9 am	Bill Frankow (Helen Frankow)
Thursday	9 am	Edward Reardon (Frank & MaryJane Lasak)
Friday	9 am	Grace Conahan (Michael & Cathy Catanese)
Saturday	9 am	Mary Shesko (Joe Chavar Family)

Saturday, April 6th, 2002, 6:30 PM

George Lahm (Branson Family)

Altar Servers *O'Malley/Trumpelman*

Sunday, April 7th, 2002, 10:30 AM

Sophie Zelina (Sue Kopp & Judy Orr)

Altar Servers *Neff, S & J Lasak*

A donation in memory of Helen Moratelli has been received from Catherine Terpack and is gratefully acknowledged.

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, Charlie Persch, Betty Kinnier, Joanne Krupansky and Larry O'Malley.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, April 6th, 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.

Easter Greetings

May you and your loved ones be caught up in the wondrous joy that marks this Day of Jesus' Resurrection. Much peace and hope, every grace and blessing from the risen Savior be given to all. Hold fast to that unending love by which all our woeful crosses become as unfading crowns. Sincere greetings for a "Happy Easter" come to you from Father John Oulds, Father John Hagen, O.S.A., Father Peter DiMaria, Father Joseph Hasieber, the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Comboni Missionary Sisters.

A Table Blessing Before the Easter Meal

Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, on this high feast we gather together to celebrate Your victory over sin and death. It was in the breaking of bread that Your disciples recognized You. As we break bread together, help our hearts to see You among us. We ask that You bless these Easter Foods and bless all who partake of them. May we, who come together to celebrate this holy feast, continue

to celebrate the joy of Your Resurrection until You raise us as well and lead us to Your heavenly banquet, for You are Lord, for ever and ever. Amen.

Introducing Our Newest Members

We welcome into our company Megan Agnes Elizabeth Cooper, infant daughter of Jason A. and Melanie L. Cooper, who was baptized two Sundays past, March 17th. What joy it gives us to embrace little Megan as our sister in Christ! Congratulations to the newly baptized, her parents and godparents!

The Great Easter Vigil of Holy Saturday, March 30th, finds us happily welcoming five new members to the Roman Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Our heartiest congratulations are extended to Amy Agnes Armentrout, Aliah Faith Kinney, Francis Christopher Hess, Jason Anthony Litman and Walter Anthony Venator. By the grace of God, may they always find a spiritual home among us. These five newly received into our Household of Faith are indeed the cause for added gladness and brightness on this Solemnity of Our Lord's Resurrection.

Sacrament of Christian Marriage

On Saturday of this Easter Week, April 6th, two become one in Christ through the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony: Melanie Ann McInerney, our parishioner and David James Nenstiel of North Huntington, Pennsylvania. Heartfelt congratulations to our bride and groom about to embark on their lifetime union! Every grace and blessing be showered by God above on Melanie and David, as they beautifully reflect the oneness of Christ and His Church in Christian marriage. Much happiness, peace and love be theirs, too!

A Presentation on Chastity

On Tuesday, April 9th, at 7:00 p.m., Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, will host Pam Stenzel, the international Chastity speaker. As seen on EWTN, Pam's message of abstinence and character is direct and informative. It is a lively presentation centered around today's moral issues. All teen, college students and middle school pupils are cordially invited to attend. Admission is free. For more information, contact Maureen at 610/280-9156.

Working for Life

An opportunity is available for pro-life activists to participate in a pro-life workshop, "Victory 2002: Working for Life." The workshop will be conducted on Saturday, April 6th, at St. Katherine of Siena Parish Center in Wayne. The purpose of "Victory 2002: Working for Life" is to train pro-life supporters for political activism. Several experts will be on hand to answer questions and share insights. If you are interested

in attending the workshop, please call 215/587-3509 to register. This event is being sponsored by the Archdiocesan Offices for Public Affairs and Respect Life.

Archdiocesan Young Adult Conference

*Archdiocesan Young Adult Conference – Springfest
Saturday, April 20, 2002*

Join hundreds of single and married young adults from across the Archdiocese for an outstanding all-day conference on the issues they face as they find L.I.F.E. (Living In Faith Everyday). Highlights include Mass with Bishop Robert Maginnis, Keynote by Amy Caples of KYW-TV3, workshops and social.

*Place: Archbishop Prendergast H.S. in Drexel Hill
Cost: \$35 pre-registration is required by April 17*

For more information, contact the Young Adult Ministry of the Office for Youth and Young Adults ~ Web: www.oyma.org Email: phillyam@hotmail.com ~ Phone: 610/649-9476

Area Volunteer English Program

The Volunteer English Program in Chester County will sponsor a three session, nine hour, training workshop for those who wish to tutor English as a second language to an adult immigrant or refugee. This workshop will be held at the Keshet Israel Congregation in West Chester on Tuesday, April 9th, Thursday, April 11th, Monday, April 15th, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. For more information about this rewarding volunteer opportunity or to register for the workshop, contact 610/918-8222.

Auction From The Heart

The Mental Retardation Services Division of Catholic Social Services is hosting a fund-raising auction on Sunday, April 7th, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., at the Springfield Country Club. All proceeds will directly benefit special needs individuals served by CSS. Pre-registration is \$25.00 per person. For more information, call Gloria at 610/543-3380, extension 525.

Coatesville Catholic School Campaign

More than 2.1 million dollars in contributions and pledges have been received to benefit our campaign for a new parochial elementary school in Coatesville. We are deeply grateful to all who hold this common vision for Catholic education, provided by the four Parishes. To date, we are a little more than half way toward our goal of 4 million dollars, allowing us to break ground for construction. Have we gained you as a partner in this noble enterprise? Have you completed a faith promise card and returned it to the campaign? Thank you for your support of an idea whose time of fulfillment has arrived! Please keep the success of the Coatesville Catholic School Campaign in the kindness of your prayers.

Malvern Retreat House Programs

St. Joseph's-in-the-Hills Retreat House, Malvern, will be hosting the following future programs:

On Sunday, April 14th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., a Conference for Siblings (ages 8 to 16 years old) of Special Children, under the direction of Sister Suzanne Mayer, I.H.M. Refreshments will be served. The cost is \$4.00 per person. Come, share your story and make new friendships.

On Tuesday, May 14th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., a Retreat for mothers of Special Children, under the direction of Sister Agnes Hughes, I.H.M. This experience provides an opportunity to reflect on Mary, Mother of the Church and Jesus' First Disciple, as a role model for contemporary women. Cost is \$25.00 per person and includes lunch.

For further information/reservations, call the Retreat House at 610/64-0400.

Memorial Mass and Reunion

St. James High School Alumni Association Annual Memorial Mass and Reunion, Sunday, April 21, 2002, 2:00 P.M. Mass

*St. Rose of Lima Church
1901 Chester Pike, Eddystone, PA.*

*Reunion Knights of Columbus Peace Council
1195 Haverford Road, Crum Lynne, PA.
Tickets \$20.00*

*For ticket information please call Bulldog Hotline
610/494-0446 or Website STJBulldogs.org.*

First Holy Communion

Special Practices

All children of the Parish receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on May 5th are required to attend the following special practices:

Monday, April 1st
Monday, April 8th
Monday, April 15th
Monday, April 22nd
Monday, April 29th

All practices will take place in St. Joseph's Church and begin promptly at 5:45 p.m.

Paschal Lamb



This is the new day the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it. All those who have been baptized into Christ have put on the Christ. Alleluia! praise God! All those who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name. The Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed, let us celebrate this feast in the Lord. When the Christ is revealed at the end of time, we will also be revealed in all our glory with him. Alleluia! Praise God! Here is the gate to salvations!

