

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, April 6th, 2002, 6:30 PM

George Lahm (Branson Family)

Altar Servers O'Malley/Trumpelman
Lector Bill

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

Sophie Zelina (Sue Kopp & Judy Orr)

Altar Servers Neff, S & J Lasak
Lector Al

Masses for the week of April 7th, 2002 will be offered at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church.

Saturday, April 13th, 2002, 6:30 pm

Mary Shesko (Kathryn Magala)

Altar Servers Rhoades, Gushanas
Euch. Minister Mary Frances Johnson
Lector Elaine

Sunday, April 8th, 2002, 10:30 am

Michael & Margaret Sushinski (Max and Agnes Sushinski)

Altar Servers H. & A. Reczek, Zelina
Euch. Ministers Claypoole, Nesbitt
Lector Laura 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, Kate Ohar, Spencer Gautney, Janet Yost, Betty Bogus, Dorothy Bodnar, Anna Bortnyck, Lanita Guiseppe, 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, Larry O'Malley and the Dead: Clara Kissh.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, April 6th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, April 14th, 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.

Our Most Sincere Appreciation

The committed effort, loyal dedication and varied talents of so many have shown forth in the care, beauty, prayerfulness and perfection of our celebration of Holy Week and Easter Sunday, just recently passed. It was as though something dazzling and bejeweled from heaven fell on earth, at the corner of Charles Street and Hope Avenue, throughout those eight days of special liturgical observance. Our deepest appreciation is extended to all whose personal contribution of time, ability and energy made possible our encountering the Lord so meaningfully in His Passion, Death and Resurrection. God love you!

Archdiocesan Marian Tribute

The Cathedral-Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, Philadelphia will host their Annual May Procession on Mother's Day, May 12th, from 2:00 until 3:30 p.m. All the faithful of the Archdiocese are invited to attend and pay homage to Mary, the Mother of God. The prayers of this special Service will be devoted to the theme of vocations. Appropriate banners are welcome. First communicants are requested to wear their First Holy Communion dresses and suits. For additional details, please call 215/561-1313.

Finance Committee – Rescheduled

Our St. Joseph Finance Committee Meeting, scheduled for Monday, April 8th, has been rescheduled for Tuesday, April 9th at 7:00 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. If you are unable to attend, please notify Ann.

Volunteers' Appreciation Dinner

Parish volunteers, who have accepted the invitation to attend the Annual Appreciation Dinner, are reminded that the dinner will take place this Sunday, April 7th, in the Banquet Room of the Historic Revere Tavern, Route 30, Paradise. The Social Hour begins at 3:00 p.m., with a wonderful meal following at 4:00

p.m. We look forward to extending this gesture of gratitude to our many loyal and generous volunteers, who help to make Saint Joseph Parish happen.

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.

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.

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.oyya.org
Email: phillyyam@hotmail.com ~ Phone: 610/649-9476

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.*

Cause For Concern

The Brandywine Health and Wellness Foundation, which was formed after the sale of Brandywine Hospital last year, has hired Frances Sheehan, CEO of Planned Parenthood of Chester County, to become its president and CEO. She will be resigning from Planned Parenthood this month. In her new position she will control roughly 25 million dollars, according to news reports.

Before coming to Planned Parenthood of Chester County, Sheehan had held a position at NARAL (National Abortion Rights Action League). During her 11-1/2 year tenure at

Planned Parenthood, she oversaw the expansion of programs to include abortions at their West Chester facility.

The Foundation will be awarding grant money to "programs that improve the health and well being of the people located in the Brandywine Hospital primary service area," (Coatesville, Downingtown, & Honey Brook). The Board of Directors of the Foundation currently consists of nine members. At least two of them are known to have strong ties to Planned Parenthood, whose idea of services for the health and well being of people leaves a lot to be desired. We fear what their influence will be in determining the criteria for receiving grants from the Foundation.

PLEASE write to the following Board of Directors expressing your concern. The address is 255 Reeceville Road, Coatesville, PA 19320.

Victor E. Ziegler, Chairman	Thomas Greenleaf
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Congratulations to Our Bride and Groom!

Saturday of this weekend, April 6th, brought the Celebration of the Sacrament of Blessed Matrimony for two who give themselves to each other for ever, without any reservation: Melanie Ann McInerney, our parishioner, and David James Nenstiel of North Huntingdon, Pennsylvania. Every grace and much love be showered upon our bride and groom by God above! Our heartfelt congratulations are extended to Melanie and David as they enter into the ongoing happy task of two becoming one.

Witness



Today the newly baptized take off their white robes and join the rest of the community trying to be faithful to the teaching of the Apostles, to the common sharing, to the breaking of the bread (in the Eucharist) and the prayers. It is not always so simple—but it has been the ideal since the beginnings of our faith. With the Lord Jesus' help we must try to be among those who give witness to our beliefs in everyday life. Like Thomas we proclaim, "My Lord and My God!"