

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, June 15th, 2002, 6:30 PM

Joseph Yankech (Wife Helen & Children)

Euch. Minister Mary Frances Johnson
Lector Elaine Sabo

Sunday, June 16th, 2002, 10:30 AM

Joanne & Lynne Marie Proudfoot (Bob & Mary Anne Lasak)

Euch. Ministers Seymen & Bugar
Lector Laura Henderson

Masses for the week of June 16th, 2002 will be offered at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church.

Saturday, June 22nd, 2002, 6:30 PM

Helen Moratelli (Andrew & Ann Cigas)

Euch. Minister Catanese
Lector Cy Reali

Sunday, June 23rd, 2002, 10:30 AM

Jennie Lasak (Frank & MaryJane Lasak)

Euch. Ministers Nesbitt & Lasak, Jr.
Lector Al Ponto

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 Guisepe, 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, Helen Vicari, Suzanne Odell, Jim Purcell, and the Dead: Father John Glynn.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Welcome to our Baptismal Family

This Sunday, June 16th, has us embrace a new member to our Baptismal Family. Through water and the Holy Spirit, Eve Amica Denny, the infant daughter of Richard and Josey Denny, becomes one with us in Christ. Father Paul Dahms of South Dakota, Eve Amica's paternal great uncle, officiates at the Solemn Rite. How happy we are to welcome her and lovingly recognize her as our sister through Holy Baptism! Our heartiest congratulations to Baby Eve Amica, her proud parents and delighted godparents!

Our Parochial School Graduates

In combined liturgical and academic ceremonies, beautifully carried out this past Tuesday evening (June 11th) in the Schneider Parish Center, Parkesburg, four of our younger parishioners were graduated from the Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School. Our distinguished graduates from the Class of 2002 were: Samantha Davis, Alan Holeyton, Christopher Ponto and Woodrow Snell. Sincerest congratulations go out to our "St. Joseph Four," as well as best wishes for continued success in the high school years ahead!

Vacation Bible School

The Vacation Bible School at St. Joseph's Church is responding to the challenge to march by faith. We're

climbin' to greater heights on "Faith Mountain", for "An Extreme Adventure With Jesus". Another fun-packed Vacation Bible School takes place daily from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., July 21-25 with a closing program on Friday July 26th. We've packed the week full of challenges and excitement, including Extreme Fun and Games, Campsite Crafts, Mountaintop Praises, and Trail Mix Snacks. Kids (and adults) will enjoy hands-on activities that will challenge them to take a risk and reach up higher to stand on the rock of God's Word! You won't want to miss a minute of the action! So put on your boots! Fill your water bottles! Sign up after the 10:30 mass on June 23rd or June 30th. For phone registration or questions, please contact Beth Ann Hackmeister at 610/380-3505. Secure your position on the team today!!

Summer Clothing Drive

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be at Our Lady of Consolation Parish (the Schneider Center on Cemetery Road) on June 21st through June 25th, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. daily, to collect donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing. They will also be accepting small household goods: bed and bath linens, pots and pans, dishes, cooking utensils, toys and books, as well as small appliances in good working order. You are invited to take all donations to the Society's trailer in the parish parking lot. Tax receipts are available upon request. The Society offers pick-up service for furniture, large appliances and vehicle donations. For more information, please call 215/288-8160. Thank you!

Preparations for the Tenth Archdiocesan Synod: Plans and Current Activities

The Tenth Synod of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia continues to move through the preparatory work that will open out to the Synod sessions to be held this fall.

The Opening Mass for the Synod will be celebrated at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul on Sunday, September 15th, at 2:30 p.m. Catholics from across the whole Archdiocese are invited to this historic prayerful opening for the Tenth Archdiocesan Synod.

The first Synod sessions are planned for the end of that week, Friday evening, September 20th and Saturday, all day, September 21st. Subsequent sessions will be held on October 18th and 19th; and again, on November 15th and 16th.

An important part of the preparations that took place this spring were twenty meetings held in various locations throughout the Archdiocese for people to attend and explore the topics that were chosen for the Synod as a result of the suggestions sent to the General Preparatory

Commission and approved by Cardinal Bevilacqua. The topics selected for the Synod are:
Spirituality, Call to Holiness and Sacraments.
Catholic Education of Youth.
Adult Faith Formation.
Evangelization.
Liturgy.
Marriage and the Family.
Moral and Social Issues: A Pastoral Response.
Roles of Service in the Church and in The World:
a. The Role of the Laity;
b. The Role of Religious;
c. The Role of the Clergy (Priests and Deacons).
Youth and Young Adults

The late winter/early spring regional meetings that were held on the topics chosen for the synod were attended by people from seventy percent of the parishes. They represented the rich and diverse composition of the archdiocese. An additional meeting was held for young people at the Drexel Newman Center. In addition there were four two-day sessions for priests, two sessions for deacons, and two sessions for members of religious institutes and societies of apostolic life. The information gleaned from these meetings was sent to the appropriate Topical Commission for its consideration.

The Topical Commissions have the responsibility of organizing the ideas gathered to form a framework and basis for the proposals to be placed before the members of the Synod in the fall Synod sessions. Each Commission sends a draft of its proposals to all the members of the Synod who, in turn review the documents and respond to the Commission with their ideas and comments. This process is repeated. After the critique of the second draft, the Topical Commissions prepare the final draft, which then becomes the working document for the Synod sessions.

To further prepare the Synod Members and the Topical Commission Members for this on-going work, a full day of Theological preparation was held for them on April 13th at St. Charles Seminary. Talks on four documents were prepared:

Lay Members of Christ's Faithful People:

Consecrated Life:

I will give you Shepherds:

The Church in America.

All 250 members of the Synod, and the more than 100 members of the Topical Commissions continue the work of preparing the Synod papers and responding to the draft documents. Let us all support them by our prayers for the success of the work of our Synod.

5th Annual “Dogs On The Dunes” Summer Social

All Alumni, family and friends of St. James Catholic High School are invited to join us at Moores Inlet in North Wildwood, NJ, on August 10, 2002 from 2 PM until 7 PM.

There will be a donation of \$20.00, in advance (before August 7th) or \$25.00 at the door. It will include entertainment and food. There will be a cash bar.

All proceeds will go to the scholarship fund, for students furthering their Catholic High School education.

For all information call the Bulldog Hotline 610/494-0446 or check the website at WWW.STJBULLDOGS.ORG

For tickets, send a check and a self addressed stamped envelope to St. James Alumni Association, P.O. Box 383, Ridley park, PA 19078, or pick them up at the “DOGHOUSE” at 408-A, Conchester Road, Aston, PA 19014 (Boothwyn), between the hours of 10 AM and 3 PM on Monday to Friday.

Second Collection Next Weekend

Each summer we are requested by our Archdiocesan Office for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith to participate in the Missionary Cooperation Plan, best known as the Missionary Co-Op Collection. Usually a missionary Priest, Brother or Sister will speak at the Masses in behalf of their work of evangelization and charity in missions established abroad or at home. Our good prayers and financial assistance are solicited on this occasion of the missionary’s visit. Next weekend, June 22nd-23rd, we will be welcoming Father Michael Donofrio, a priest of our own Philadelphia Archdiocese, who for years has given dedicated service to the poor of Apurimac, Peru. Our contributions to his worthy cause give needed help to the local bishop, clergy, religious and lay workers in their responding spiritually and physically to the hungers of the native people of that region.

Father Michael, regretfully, can be with us to make his personal appeal on Sunday only. A Second Collection, however, will be taken up on both Saturday and Sunday of next weekend for his adopted Diocese. Kindly use the undated, green contribution envelope found in the very back of your box of collection envelopes. It is the last one titled “Missionary Co-Op Collection”. Thank you for your anticipated generosity!

Follow



What proves that God loves us is that Jesus, the Messiah, died for us while we were still sinners. Jesus chooses the twelve to carry on his work as Messiah. He sends them- and us- out to the rich harvest. Pray to the Lord to send more laborers for the harvest. We have heard and seen what the Lord does for the people he has chosen. God has given each one of us a job to do for the growth of his kingdom of priests, the consecrated gathering of his people. Will you respond to his call; will you follow him?

Women’s Club News

Last chance to make your reservation for the *Women’s Club of St. Joseph’s Installation Dinner* next Sunday, June 23, 2002, 5:00 p.m., Dugal’s Station, Gap PA. Cost \$20.00 per person (Price includes: Hot and cold Hors d’oeuvres, House Salad, Starch, Vegetable du jour and Dessert.

Entrée selections (choose one) are: Prime Rib (Queen Cut), Maryland Crab cakes or Chicken Amanda (Breast of chicken stuffed with mushroom filling and lemon pepper sauce).

If you would like to attend, a sign-up sheet is provided in the vestibule of the Church or you may contact Andy Levenite at 610/384-4665.

Hope to see you there to welcome our new officers!!