

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, July 27th, 2002, 6:30 PM

Mary Mancuso (Scott & Lisa Hillman)

Euch. Minister J. Nesbitt
Lector Elaine

Sunday, July 28th, 2002, 10:30 AM

Ray T. Randler (Leonard & Barbara Sabocsik)

Euch. Ministers Lasak, Jr. & Krupansky
Lector Kathy

Masses for the week of July 28th, 2002, will be offered at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church.

Saturday, August 3rd, 2002, 6:30 PM

Joseph F. Trumpleman (Bob & Ann Hamilton)

Euch. Minister L. Hillman
Lector Bill

Sunday, August 4th, 2002, 10:30 AM

Andrew M Sabocsik (Leonard & Barbara Sabocsik)

Euch. Ministers Johnson & Seymen
Lector Al

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 Guisepppe, 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, Mary Kish and the Dead: Father Anthony Flynn, Helen Maurer and Kyle Richard O'Neill.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, July 28th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, August 3rd, 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.

Pilgrimage to Padre Pio Shrine

All those holding reservations for our West End Parishes' Pilgrimage to the Padre Pio Shrine in Barto, PA are reminded that our comfortable, air-conditioned Krapf Coach will be leaving on Wednesday, July 31st, at 9:00 a.m. promptly from St. Stanislaus Kostka Church and at 9:05 a.m. promptly from St. Joseph Church. We should arrive at the Shrine by 10:00 a.m. for a visit that features a video presentation of Padre Pio's life, a guided tour, Holy Mass and a stop in the Gift Shop. A 12:30 p.m. hearty lunch awaits our hungry pilgrims at the Bonanza Steak House on Route 100, just five minutes from the Shrine. We expect to return to Coatesville by 2:30-3:00 that afternoon. In addition to your personal intentions, please remember to pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life while seeking the intercession of one of the Church's newest canonized Saints.

Mass Intentions For Next Calendar Year

Our Parish Mass Intention Book for 2003 is now open and accepting your Mass reservations for a particular date. It has been a long-established custom of the Church to have Mass offered for the special intentions of the faithful. Perhaps you wish to observe the anniversary of the death of a loved one or the birthday of a relative or friend, living or deceased. Maybe it is the significant wedding anniversary of a wonderful couple or a prayer

of thanksgiving for God's favor you wish to mark. You may consider having a Mass celebrated for that intention at the altar of our Parish Church. To make this arrangement, contact either Mrs. Stella Grubb or Father John Oulds at the Rectory Office: 610/384-0360.

Courses At St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook, announces their 2002 Fall Semester for the Religious Studies Division, beginning September 9th. Graduate Courses include Systematic Theology, Theology of the Sacraments, Catholic Social Thought, Sacred Scripture, History of Spirituality and Moral Theology. The tuition fee is \$570.00 per 3-credit course. Undergraduate Courses include The Psalms: Prayer of Christians, Theology of the Church, Introduction to the New Testament, Contemporary Moral Issues, Faith Development and Sacramental Life of Adolescents, The Catechism of the Catholic Church. The tuition fee is \$285.00 per 3-credit course. All courses are available for credit or audit. Registration Deadline is August 31st. for full course listings and further information, please call 610/785-6287 or fax 610/667-4122.

Searching For Helpful Families

Warm friendly families are needed now to host 15-19 year old Catholic foreign exchange students for the next school year. Students have their own spending money, insurance and airfare. Families provide room, board, understanding and love. For complete details, call P.E.A.C.E. (ProAmerican Educational And cultural Exchange, Inc.) at 1-877-577-3590. You may call anytime, even on weekends. Visit the website at www.peace-inc.org or E-Mail them at paz@peace-inc.org. Thank you!

An Invitation For Our Men and Young Men

Annually, more than 300 men and young men from Chester County gather at St. Joseph's-in-the-Hills Retreat House, Malvern, for a Men of Malvern Weekend Retreat. It is a deeply enriching spiritual experience to which many return year after year. This year the Chester County Retreat Gathering will be conducted on August 9th-10th-11th. It is a singular opportunity over three days to find peace and refreshment, to renew and reflect, and to take time out of the usual routine, so as "to rest in the arms of the Lord" in the company of many other brothers of a similar mind and spirit. We are truly blessed to have such a beautifully maintained and excellently staffed facility in our general area. Somewhat curious, have a few questions to ask? Contact a Coatesville "veteran" of many Malvern Retreats, Ed Lawrence, at 610/384-7885. For an informational brochure or your reservations, kindly call the Retreat House at 610/644-0400. Be good to yourself: come to Malvern on August 9th-10th-11th!

An Invitation for Our Young Adults

Our young adults are invited to join the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's Young Adult Ministry at Finnigan's Wake, 3rd & Spring Garden, Philadelphia this Thursday, July 18th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., for an evening of fun, friends and faith. Theology on Tap features fantastic presentations with open-ended discussions led by dynamic speakers. Admission is free! For more information, call Tricia Manion at 610/649-9476 or visit www.oyya.org.

A Series on the Synod Topics

There are twelve topics proposed for consideration at our forthcoming Archdiocesan Synod. Throughout the summer, on a weekly basis, we offer consideration of one of the topics. The Synod Office has prepared this series for publication, thus promoting our awareness.

Youth and Young Adults

"While many young people in America are searching for the true meaning in life and are thirsting for God, quite often they lack the condition needed to take advantage of their abilities and realize their aspirations. Faced with this situation, the Church is committed to maintaining her pastoral and missionary commitment to young people, so that they will encounter today the living Jesus Christ."

The Church in America

Exhortation of Pope John Paul II 1n 1999

Summer Festival in Elverson

St. Mary of Providence Center, 227 Isabella Road, Elverson will be hosting their Annual Summer Festival on Saturday, August 10th, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m., rain or shine. All are invited to enjoy the afternoon's event including mansion tours, delicious food, entertaining games, white elephant table and gift shop. Raffles, too, will be conducted. For more information, call 610/942-4166.

Parochial School Tuition Reminder

Parents with children enrolled in Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School are reminded that tuition for the 2002-2003 school year for one child is \$1,700.00; for two children \$3,000.00; for three children \$4,100.00; for four or more children \$4,500.00 when the family is duly registered with one of the four participating Parishes. Also, tuition collection and stationery sale will be held on August 6th-7th at the Primary Building (St. Cecilia Campus), 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Did You Ever Hear of St. Denis Cemetery?

St. Denis Cemetery, located in Havertown, Delaware County, PA, is seeking families who may have a cemetery lot in our cemetery, but who have "lost contact" with us. If you, or some of your relatives, or

friends, ever had family in the Havertown, Oakmont, South Ardmore or even the West Philadelphia area, there may be a family cemetery lot at St. Denis. We have many lots for which we have no current address or contact person, and yet in these lots there is room for a number of burials. Please think back on your family history, and if you think you might have relatives who once lived near St. Denis, or who are buried at St. Denis, please call or write to us. Also, please pass this message along to family and friends who you think might have links to this area of Delaware County. Thank you.

To contact us: St. Denis Cemetery, 2401 Denis Lane, Havertown, PA 19083. Telephone: 610/446-1217.

A First Anniversary Commemoration Approaches

September 11th, 2002 marks the 1st Anniversary of the fiercely tragic loss of life sustained by the Terrorists' Attacks on the United States. Please be aware that an appropriate Mass of Remembrance is being planned for that evening. Complete details will later be announced.

Thank You For Your Thoughtfulness

We are sincerely grateful to those kind parishioners who do not forget their financial support of St. Joseph Church when away on extended vacation or summer holiday. Thank you for keeping up with your weekly contributions. Our expenses are constantly with us; the summertime brings us no relief from these responsibilities.

Holy Hour in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima

On Monday, August 12th, at 7:00 p.m., St. Stanislaus Kostka Church will be hosting the Chester County Chapter of Our Lady's Blue Army. Representatives will conduct a Holy Hour in honor of Our Lady of Fatima which will include the recitation of the rosary, appropriate message, Marian procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are invited to participate. In these uneasy, tension-filled days, to whom can we turn for authentic peace than to the gentle Christ and His loving Mother? The apparitions of nearly 100 years ago continue to hold the timeless answer.

A "BIG" VBS Thank You!

Another Vacation Bible School has come to a triumphant end thanks to the many individuals who gave of their time, efforts, and talents. Without these individuals, we would not have been able to climb to the top of "Faith Mountain" and have our "Extreme Adventure with Jesus"! I would like to personally thank these individuals for helping make this program such a success! I could not have done this without you! An additional thanks to all for your wonderful donations and support. They are truly appreciated. Again a BIG thanks

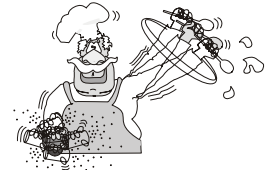
and I look forward to working with all of you again next year!

Beth Ann Hackmeister



Volunteers Needed!!!!

We have been asked by Father John Oulds to paint the Sacristy on October 5th and 6th, 2002. If you would like to be a part of the preparation crew, the painting crew, the clean-up crew, or if you would like to cook lunch for the workers, please contact Mary Frances Johnson at 610/384-6427. All help is welcomed and very much appreciated.



Treasures



Today's parables highlight the kingdom of heaven as the only thing worth possessing, yet open to our choice to take or not. It is open to everyone, yet we must follow Jesus or we will not make it. Like Solomon, we need discerning judgment of what is good and evil. God will grant this gift if we ask for it so that we may follow the way of the Lord. God's entire storeroom holds treasures to help us. Do you seek and use them?