

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, August 31st, 2002, 6:30 PM

Mary Mancuso (Bob & Ann Hamilton)

Altar Servers	Lasak & Trumpelman
Euch. Minister	Nesbitt
Lector	Bill

Sunday, September 1st, 2002, 10:30 AM

William & Edward Lasak (Mary Czirjak)

Altar Servers	S. Reczek, Malavolta & Hoopes
Euch. Ministers	Johnson & Krupansky
Lector	Al

Masses for the week of September 1st, 2002 will be offered at St. Joseph Church.

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	Helen Moratelli (Louis Tomasovich)
Wednesday	9 am	Aniela Rembecka & Family (Father Hasieber)
Thursday	9 am	Helen Kissell (Frank & Mary Jane Lasak)
Friday	9:30 am	Joseph Trumpelman (Frank & Jan Lasak)
Saturday	9 am	Joseph Sander (the McDevitt Family)

Saturday, September 7th, 2002, 6:30 PM

Joseph & Rose Hollman (Frank & Mary Jane Lasak)

Altar Servers	Ponto & Bednar
Euch. Minister	Swinty
Lector	Sara

Sunday, September 8th, 2002, 10:30 AM

Joseph F. Trumpelman (Michael & Kathy Catanese)

Altar Servers	Zelina, E. Gushanas, Babcock
Euch. Ministers	Lasak, Jr. & Bugar
Lector	Laura

Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Julia Esposito, Jan Cisarik, Verna Seymen, Marie Real, 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, Mary Kish, Denny Howell, Sr., Rose Olise, Jordan Conahan, and Elizabeth Stewart.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, August 31st, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, September 8th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Evening Mass. And, on the weekend following, confessions will be heard on Sunday, September 15th, 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.

A First Anniversary Commemorative of 9-11

Our West End Catholic Parishes will hold fast, in faith and hope, to the memory of September 11th, 2001 when our Nation suffered a tragic loss of life from the multiple terrorists' attacks. Both churches will be open throughout 9/11/02 for your private, prayerful visits. In addition to the usual 9:00 a.m. daily Mass, St. Stanislaus Kostka Church will hold

an appropriate mass of Remembrance at 7:00 p.m. to mark solemnly the First Anniversary. All participants that evening will be especially placed under the protection of St. Michael the Archangel, God's heavenly Champion against the forces of evil. If you are personally aware of the death of a relative, friend or acquaintance related to 9/11/01, contact Father John 610/384-1172 and their names will be read in the General Intercessions of the Mass. We trust that many will wish to commemorate this infamous day in a reflective, spiritual way.

Father Peter DiMaria's Residence Changed

For the past year, Father Peter J. DiMaria's home has been with us in St. Joseph Rectory, as he fulfilled his primary responsibilities on the faculty of Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown. Effective immediately, His Eminence, Anthony Cardinal Bevilacqua has appointed Father DiMaria to a new residence: St. Mary of Providence Center, Elverson. There Father DiMaria will provide sacramental ministry to the religious Sisters (the Daughters of St. Mary of Providence) and the retirement community. Father DiMaria continues his teaching assignment at Bishop Shanahan High School, as well as his weekend priestly assistance at St. Peter Church, Honey Brook. It is fairly obvious that Father DiMaria is called upon to be "a man of many hats" in loyal service to the needs of our Archdiocese, and such a trust is well founded.

It has been a most pleasant experience for Father Joseph Hasieber and Father John Oulds in having the cheerful, lively presence of Father DiMaria in the Rectory. To witness the enthusiasm and zeal of a younger priest is to find a source of inspiration and encouragement for one's own commitment to Christ. All of us wish Father DiMaria well in his trinity of duties, praying that God may bless his endeavors with fruitfulness and give cause for happiness always to be a part of his life. And for those times of his participation in our St. Joseph Parish Family, at the altar and on social occasions, we are truly grateful. Go with God, Father DiMaria!

Bishop Shanahan High School

Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, announces their re-opening schedule for the new school year. Freshmen report on Wednesday, September 4th, at 8:00 a.m., for a full day of school. Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors report on

Thursday, September 5th, at 8:00 a.m., for a full day of school. All grades will report on Friday, September 6th, at 8:00 a.m., for a full day of school.

Parochial School September Re-Opening

Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School will reopen on Wednesday, September 4, 2002. Uniform dress code is effective as of Wednesday, September 4. Buses will be available, Coatesville School District will mail a post card at the end of August with your bus #, place of pick-up and time. Other School Districts please contact your district office. September 4 dismissal will be 11:00 A.M., September 5 and 6 will be full day sessions with dismissal at 2:15 P.M. for grades 1 through 8.

Kindergarten Open House for parents and students will be held on Thursday, September 5, between 9 and 12 noon at the Primary Building in the Kindergarten classrooms. All Kindergarten students will report on September 9 for day session from 7:50 A.M. to 2:15 P.M.

Parish R.C.I.A. Program

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) is a current program in place to bring converts into the Church through weekly group sessions of prayer, instruction and discussion. These friendly, informative gatherings will be underway by early October. Do you have a spark of interest in knowing more about Catholicism? Kindly give Father John a call at 610/384-1172.

Basket Bingo in September

Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School proudly announces its rendition of Basket Bingo, to be held on Sunday, September 22nd, in Our Lady of the Rosary Hall, South 17th Avenue. Doors open at 1:00 p.m.; games begin at 2:00 p.m. There will be lots of baskets, pottery, tasty food, door prizes and raffles. Tickets are available by calling 610/857-0116 or by pick-up at the primary building office. Don't delay; tickets are moving fast!

Spiritual Opportunities Available

The Dominican Retreat House, 750 Ashbourne Road, Elkins Park offers weekend spiritual programs and days of reflection for men and women. Current offerings are: Married Couples Weekend Retreat (September 13th-15th), Evening of Reflection (September 17th), Women's Al-anon Weekend Retreat (September 20th-22nd), Day of Reflection (September 18th), Overnight Women's

Discernment Retreat (September 27th-28th),
Women's Day of Self Care/Health Day (September
29th). For further information, kindly call 215/782-
8520.

Local Lukens Band Concert

The popular Lukens Band will be performing a free
Benefit Concert at 7:00 p.m., on Sunday, September
8th, in the Olivet Methodist Church, 3rd & Chestnut
Streets. There will be featured solo pieces for piano,
saxophone and vocalist as part of the performance.
All are invited to attend. While there is no
admission charge, a free-will offering will be taken
to benefit the Coatesville Emergency Food
Cupboard, in support of Operation Thanksgiving
and Operation Christmas.

"America's New Tenor" in Concert

On Sunday, September 22nd, at 3:00 p.m., St.
Anthony In The Hills Youth Family Center, Kaolin
(near the state line between Pennsylvania and
Delaware) will host the concert appearance of
Michael Amante, an Italian tenor who creates a
dazzling stage show, featuring favorite Italian
songs, Broadway classics and American pop
standards. His PBS Special has been seen
throughout the United States, and Tony Bennett has
hailed him as "the new Mario Lanza." The Center's
gates will open at 11:00 a.m. for our enjoyment of
the facilities and its "Old World" atmosphere.
Tickets are variously priced: \$45.00 for orchestra
seats, \$40.00 for reserved seats and \$35.00 for
general admission. For additional information and
tickets, call Pat Sianni at 302/652-8591, weekdays,
between 12:00 noon and 8:00 p.m.

Volunteers Needed for Tutoring English

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.
The workshop will be conducted in the Keshet
Israel Congregation, West Chester, on September
30, October 2 and October 7, 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.

Late Summer Country Fair

On Sunday, September 8th, 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.,
the Daylesford Abbey, 220 South Valley Road,
Paoli, will hold a Country Fair filled with food, fun
and games for the whole family. Don't miss the

Spaghetti Dinner, the 54 Booths and the De LaSalle
String Band. For more information, call the Abbey
at 610/647-2530.

A Priestly Note of Thanks

"I thank all you good people for your expressions of
concern and especially for your prayers and kind
thoughts, on the occasion of my recent medical
emergency. I was deeply touched, and I am very
appreciative." ~ Father John Hagen, O.S.A.

Salvation



God labors for us so that we might work for him.
Gently, the Lord seduces us to take up the cross of
our baptismal initiation and follow Jesus. This
seduction takes many forms tailored to each of our
weaknesses and strengths. By pushing us,
encouraging us and helping us, the Lord points us
toward the goal of salvation. Jesus seeks us out; he
pulls us toward him by many paths. Be quiet and
feel his tug!