

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, October 5th, 2002, 6:30 PM

Stephen & Helen Mitros (Joan & Stephen Mitros)

Altar Servers Babcock/Rhoades
Euch. Minister Johnson
Lector Swinty

Sunday, October 6th, 2002, 10:30 AM

Mary & Joseph Nedzia (Bob & Maryann Lasak)

Altar Servers Ponto/Malavolta/Neff
Euch. Minister Nesbitt/Lasak, Jr.
Lector Lasak

Masses for the week of October 6th, 2002 will be offered at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church.

Saturday, October 12th, 2002, 6:30 PM

Marsha Romanoski Anderson (Phyllis Yankech)

Altar Servers Hackmiester & Trumpleman
Euch. Minister
Lector Bill

Sunday, October 13th, 2002, 10:30 AM

Helen Moratelli (Senior Choir)

Altar Servers Neff, S. Lasak & England
Euch. Minister
Lector Frank

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, Luigi Baldini, Mary Sabo, Kathryn Magala, Mary Suam, Steve Gregor, Helen Denny, Jan Schultz, Andrew Hamara, Charlie Persch, Betty Kinnier, Joanne Krupansky, Larry O'Malley, Mary Kish, Denny Howell, Sr., Rose Olise, Elizabeth Stewart and Stella Grubb, and Robert Hracho.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, October 6th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, October 12th, 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.

Is The Catholic Faith For You?

Has your spiritual journey in life brought you to a point of considering membership in the Roman Catholic Church? Perhaps you would like to inquire into our beliefs and practices. The Parish R.C.I.A. Program offers just such an opportunity through weekly group sessions of prayer, instruction and discussion. We plan for these friendly, informative gatherings to be underway in early October. For further information, kindly give Father John a call at 610/384-1172. The Lord Jesus stands at the door of your heart and knocks; will you open for Him?

The Visit of Our Regional Vicar

As part of his Pastoral Visitation, Monsignor James T. McDonough, the Regional Vicar for Chester County, will be celebrating our 10:30 a.m. mass on Sunday, October 20th. A Parish Reception over light refreshments will follow the Mass in the School Hall. We are hopeful that many of our parishioners will be in attendance that morning; please reserve the date on your calendar for a moment with our Vicar.

Kids Stuff Coupon Books

Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School is selling "Kids Stuff" Coupon Savings Books after the Masses on October 12th-13th. They are packed with savings on restaurants, clothing, sporting goods, toys, entertainment and a whole lot more. The price is \$25.00 per book, with

the proceeds to benefit the School Capital Campaign. If you miss the representative that weekend, call Diane Gabriel at 610/384-4721 for information. Thank you for your support!

A Weekend Presentation Not to be Missed

Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 80 South 17th Avenue, will be hosting the appearance of Tim Staples from St. Joseph communication in a twofold presentation:

Saturday, October 12th, at 1:00 p.m., with the topic "The Bible Made Me do It"

Sunday, October 13th, at 6:00 p.m., with the topic "Why Be Catholic?"

Come to hear this former Assembly of God Youth Minister and U.S. marine explain the toughest questions you and others ask about the Catholic Faith. Admission is free. Everyone is welcome and is requested to bring a bible. Seating is limited; please pre-register by calling 610/384-1415 or see the flyer in the rear of the church. For further information, contact Mr. Irwin at 610/380-1219.

An Autumn Dinner Dance

Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, cordially invites you to an evening of dinner and dancing on Saturday, October 19th, at 7:00 p.m., sponsored by the school's Parents' Association. Tickets are available through the Activities Office (610/518-1300) until October 14th at a cost of \$20.00 per person. Catering will be handled by Luigi and Giovanni. Come and have a great time!

Bishop Shanahan High School

In order to assist in decision-making for high school, Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, is sponsoring a "High School Night" on October 28th in Assumption B.V.M. School, West Grove, at 7:00 p.m. and on October 28th in SS. Philip & James School, Exton, at 7:00 p.m. anyone interested is welcome.

An Invitation for the Bereaved

The annual "We Are Remembered" Liturgy for families who grieve the loss of a loved one will be celebrated in St. Joseph Church, Downingtown, on Saturday, November 2nd, at 9:00 a.m. Registration forms are available from Father John Oulds or call Kate Rivas at 610/269-0335. A reception will follow in the St. Joseph Meeting Center, all are welcome!

Open House at Our Seminary

The Community of Faculty and Students at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, City Line Avenue & Wynnewood Road, Wynnewood, will host their Annual Open House on Sunday, October 27th, featuring tours from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. come and meet our future priests, enjoy the fine artwork, explore the grounds and see the

place where our seminarians are trained and educated. Visitors that day are invited to participate in Evening Prayer and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:00 p.m. For full information, call 610/785-6231. Please pray for vocations to the diocesan priesthood.

Chester County Red Mass

The Chester County Catholic Lawyers' Association will celebrate their 8th Annual Red Mass and Ecumenical Service at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 16th, in St. Agnes Church, West Chester. The Red Mass stems from a 13th Century tradition of prayer to the Holy Spirit for members of the legal and law enforcement communities, so that they may exercise prudence and equity in their respective duties. All are welcome to attend.

Chestnut Hill College Event

The School of Graduate Studies at Chestnut Hill College, Philadelphia, cordially invites you to attend a public lecture entitled "Spirit and Healing" to be delivered by Dr. Lewis W. Bleumle, Past President of Thomas Jefferson University. The talk embraces current thought on holistic spirituality and health care, and will take place in the East Parlor of St. Joseph Hall at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 17th. For more information, contact Father Paschal Monteleone at 215/248-7012.

Calling all High School Teenagers

Youthfest '02, the Archdiocese's Celebration of World Youth Day, will be held on Saturday, October 26th, at Cardinal Dougherty High School, Philadelphia. Youthfest '02 is a day for high school teens to gather in faith and friendship to share their gifts of energy, enthusiasm and love for God. The day begins at 12:00 noon and finishes at 9:00 p.m. Anthony Cardinal Bevilacqua celebrates a 5:00 p.m. Mass. The cost of the day is \$15.00. Please call Paul Manion at 610/649-9410 for more information and required registration.

New School Campaign Envelopes

Are you in need of an additional supply of contribution envelopes for our on-going Coatesville Catholic School Campaign? You may be if you are fulfilling your intended faith-promise by means of a weekly donation. For another box of Campaign envelopes, please don't hesitate to make your request known at the Rectory, 610/384-0360. Thank you!

Answering The Call to Faithful Citizenship

On November 5th, we will elect a new governor and members of Congress and the state legislature. Timely issues such as partial birth abortion, cloning, school choice and protecting the traditional family add to the importance of this election. In order to help shape the political decisions that affect our families and communities, we must register to vote and then exercise that right. If you are not registered to vote, please contact

the Archdiocesan Office for Public Affairs at 215/587-3509. To participate in the upcoming election, registration forms must be postmarked by October 7th.

Produce Good Fruit



Vineyards and vine dressing are familiar in many places. In scripture they are favored ways of speaking of the Trinity's care for the Lord's gathered and covenanted people. In today's readings from Matthew and Isaiah the yield of the vineyard is spoiled. In response, Jesus notes that he has become the cornerstone of a new structure, given to a people who will produce good fruit. May God's incomprehensible peace be in our hearts and thoughts.

Women's Club News

Pierogie Session

Please remember our Pierogie Making Session on Saturday, October 12th beginning at 8:00 AM. We need to peel 100 pounds of potatoes on Friday afternoon, October 11th, beginning at 2:30 PM. We appreciate any time you can give us – even a few hours. Clean-up workers are gratefully welcome at the end of the morning on Saturday, if you cannot make it earlier!

Needlework Guild

We will once again participate in the local collection of new clothing items for babies, children and adults to be donated to the Needlework Guild who in turn distributes these items to needy local organizations such as Brandywine Hospital, Salvation Army and other local charitable organizations. For babies, it is requested that you donate items in pairs, and single items for children and adults.

The Women's Club would be very appreciative for any such donations from our parishioners, which will be displayed at their October meeting to be held on Sunday, October 20th. Cash donations are also gratefully accepted – we will do your shopping for you. Any questions, kindly call Margaret Florian at 610/384-7875. Thank you for your generosity.

We look to our new “moms and dads” who might have received duplicates when the new baby arrived. Don't

worry about donating in “pairs”. We can use anything. Won't you please check the baby's dresser?!

Church Cleaning Committee

We are still looking for Volunteers to help keep our beautiful church building clean and presentable for all of us. It would involve light dusting of the pews, sanctuary, windowsills, choir loft, etc. The floors are cleaned by a group of professional cleaners. If you are able to spare some time to become a part of this committee, kindly contact Santa Dudas at 610/384-0212. Thank you for your anticipated participation.

Annual Christmas Bazaar

Sunday, November 24, 2002

This week we are requesting you to search for “gently used items”, “books”, etc. for our “*Attic Treasures*” Table.

This is a very popular table. Remember that old adage – “someone's junk is someone's treasure”!! Won't you start searching your homes for “someone's treasure”? Closer to the time of the Bazaar, we will publish when and where to drop your “treasures”. Thanks in advance and if you need further information, please call Pat Babcock at 610/857-3096.

The first “*KIEFLI*” bake session is scheduled for Wednesday, October 23rd, 2002. This is a very good seller at our *BAKE TABLE*, but we need a lot of help to make them. If you have never helped, don't let that stop you, we'll show you how! If you have any questions, please call Lisa Hillman at 610/857-1549.

2003 Lottery Calendars

Attached to this Bulletin this weekend is a list of “Available Numbers” for our 2003 Lottery Calendar. The calendar is based on the PA Evening Lottery Number and sells for \$35.00. You have 365 chances to win! The minimum daily payout is \$50.00 and as high as \$500.00. We urge all our parish families to purchase a calendar and, if possible, sell more to friends, co-workers, and relatives. Calendar proceeds are used to help maintain our parish buildings. A recent example was the contribution of \$33,326.00 from Lottery proceeds to help pay for our new church roof and related improvements. We urge your support of this major fundraiser of the Women's Club. It's easy. Just pick a number and call The Lottery Hotline (610/384-2955) and ask for Ann or Helen. The calendars will not be ready until November – so – it will not cost anything to reserve a number. Payment is due when the calendars are delivered to you. Good Luck to all who will participate. *CALL US!*

Ann.B. Cigas
Lottery Chairperson



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