

# 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 Father John at 610/384-0360 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 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, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2003, 6:30 P.M.

*Robert Krempa (Mary Arvay & Family)*

Altar Servers Malavolta & Hoopes  
Euch. Minister Hillman

### Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2003, 10:30 A.M.

*Good Health & God's Blessing for Yankech Children,  
Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren  
(Mom, Grandma & Great-Grandma)*

Altar Servers H. Reczek, Bednar & Lasak  
Euch. Ministers Johnson & Bugar

Masses for the week of January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2003 will be offered at St. Joseph Church.

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	Victor Kostolansky (Andrew & Ann Cigas)
Wednesday	9 am	Joseph Huber (Connie & Max Sushinski)
Thursday	9 am	Irene Herley (Bob & Stella Grubb)
Friday	9 am	Brother Alfred, O.S.B. (Bob & Stella Grubb)
Saturday	9 am	Kenneth Ullman (Jean Revucky)

## Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2003, 6:30 PM

*Susan Discavage (Joseph Sandoski)*

Altar Servers Gushanas & Neff  
Euch. Minister Swinty  
Lector Bill

## Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2003, 10:30 AM

*Andrew Shesko (Children, Grand & Great-Grandchildren)*

Altar Servers Ponto, Rhoades & Zelina  
Euch. Minister Claypoole, & Catanese  
Lector Laura

## Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Julia Esposito, Jan Cisarik, Marie Reali, Ann Ponisciak, Olivia Monko, Jacob Monko, 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, Joanne Krupansky, Mary Kish, Denny Howell, Sr., Rose Olise, Stella Grubb, Robert Hracho, Bertha Amole, Denise Dodds, Joseph Nesbitt, David Riley, and Francis Seymen, and the Deceased: Cecilia Shesko and Donald Amole.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m. just prior to the to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., just prior to the Morning Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at anytime upon request.

## A Tremendous Thank You

God bless those generous people, young and old, who create a beautiful and uplifting Christmas for our Parish Family! Our sincerest appreciation is extended to all who physically prepared the Church for the holidays with wondrous decorations all around. "God's House" was most certainly adorned elegantly for the Birth of the Savior. We are likewise grateful for the delightful sounds of the Season as presented by our talented musicians: The adult choir, the children's choir, soloists, cantor and organists. And, too, for those engaged in various ministries at the altar: extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, lectors, altar servers and ushers, we are deeply appreciative. The contribution of such time, energy, imagination and enthusiasm is beyond price and

rooted in the human heart. Thank you to all our kind, cheerful givers! Your selfless efforts enrich the joy of our Christmas.

### **An Epiphany House Blessing**

The following prayer is employed to bless the home on the Solemnity of the Lord's Epiphany, a feast commemorating the arrival of the Magi at the dwelling place of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph:

"Lord god of heaven and earth, You revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill them with the light of Christ, that their concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen."

"May Christ Jesus dwell with us, keep us from all harm, and make us one in mind and heart, now and forever. Amen."

### **A Date to Circle on the Calendar**

We alert all volunteers in service to our Parish that the Annual Volunteers' Appreciation Dinner will take place in the historic Revere Tavern, paradise, on Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 3:00 p.m. It is always a first-class affair, and we trust all loyal volunteers will be able to join us. A more detailed invitation will be arriving in the mail shortly.

### **Employment Opportunity**

Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, has a full time maintenance/custodial position available. Benefits will be issued after probation period. Apply at 220 Woodbine Road, Downingtown, PA 19335. No phone calls, please.

### **Registration For The School Year 2003-2004**

#### *Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School*

A regional school for students who are parishioners of St. Peter's Parish, Honey Brook, Our Lady of Rosary, St. Stanislaus Kostka, St. Cecilia and St. Joseph parishes in Coatesville.

#### *Building Sites:*

Kindergarten to Grade 4 – Primary Bldg. – St. Cecilia Parish  
Grades 5 and 6 – Middle Bldg. – St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish  
Grades 7 and 8 – Junior High Bldg. – St. Joseph Parish

Registration will be held at the Primary Building at St. Cecilia parish in Coatesville Monday, February 24, 2002 and Tuesday, February 25, 2002.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon both days

The Principal, Sister Helen Loretta, will be available on both days to answer your questions.

There will be *OPEN HOUSE* at all the buildings sites from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Monday, February 24 and Tuesday, February 25 for anyone who would like to visit.

#### *Requirements:*

To enter Kindergarten a child must be 5 years old by 9/02/03.

To enter First Grade a child must be 6 years old by 9/01/03.

Original birth certificate

Original Baptismal certificate

Up to date immunization records

A letter from the pastor of your parish verifying membership in the parish.

Non-refundable registration fee of \$75.00

Registration for Grades 1 to 6 depends on the availability of space.

### **Dominican Retreat House Happenings**

The Dominican Retreat House, 750 Ashbourne Road, Elkins park will be offering the following opportunities for inner renewal:

A Serenity Retreat for Men (January 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>) and A Serenity Retreat for Women (January 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>), designed to meet the spiritual needs of those in recovery from drug or alcohol addiction. Registration is held on that respective Friday at 6:00 p.m., in St. Dominic Hall.

Blessed Are the Peacemaker Day of Reflection on Tuesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with Father Patrick Connor, S.V.D. as Director. The cost of \$30.00 includes lunch.

For information on the Serenity Retreats, contact Sister Connie at 215/782-8520, ext. 181. For information on the Day of Reflection, contact Bernadette Haley at 215/782-8520, ext. 136.

### **Lost and Found**

On Saturday evening, December 21<sup>st</sup>, a key was found still in the trunk lock of a Lexus automobile parked in the vicinity of St. Joseph Church. A well-intentioned neighbor withdrew the key and turned it over to one of our ushers at the 6:30 p.m. Mass. thinking that the car's owner may very well be in the congregation. All attempts so far have failed to locate the Lexus owner. If anyone has any information whereby the trunk key and owner may be reunited, please contact Father John at 610/384-0306. Thank you!

## Venite Adoremus



Wise men came bearing gifts to confirm their star talk, for the infant Jesus is revealed as the mystery saving everyone—believers and pagans. All people are encompassed in the good news: the promise of the Gospel. All share the same inheritance. All share Christ's body, the New Jerusalem that is the Church mothering us to salvation. God's brightness draws us close as a family. Daughters and sons share in God's life. Come, let us adore him.

### **Women's Club News**

Please mark your calendars for upcoming events of the Women's Club:

*Next Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2003, the First Meeting of 2003 will be held in the school hall.*

*Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2003 ~ Longaberger Basket Bingo – Please refer to the flyer attached to this bulletin.*