

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, February 15th, 2003, 6:30 PM

Christine Rovka Brown (Phyllis Yankech)

Altar Servers *Neff & Babcock*
Euch. Minister *Krupanski*
Lector *Sara*

Sunday, February 16th, 2003, 10:30 AM

Casper Hracho (Anniv.) (Wife Betty Hracho)

Altar Servers *H. Reczek, S. Reczek & Hackmiester*
Euch. Ministers *Bugar & Catanese*
Lector *Frank*

Masses for the week of February 16th, 2003 will be offered at St. Joseph Church.

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	William Lasak (Frank & Mary Jane Lasak)
Wednesday	9 am	Helen Bullock
Thursday	9 am	Andrew Bullock
Friday	9 am	Special Intention
Saturday	9 am	Special Intention

Saturday, February 22nd, 2003, 6:30 PM

Sister Edmund (Andrew & Ann Cigas)

Altar Servers *Hackmiester & Rhoades*
Euch. Minister *Lasak, Jr.*
Lector *Bill*

Sunday, February 23rd, 2003, 10:30 AM

Lasak & Karc Family Deceased (Mary Czirjak)

Altar Servers *Malavolta, Hoopes & A. Reczek*
Euch. Ministers *Hillman & Johnson*
Lector *Al*

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 Guiseppa, 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, Francis Seymen, Betty Kinnier, James Dailey and Robert Hamilton, and the Deceased: Henry Pacana.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, February 15th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m. just prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, February 23rd, 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.

Special Collections

The Annual Archdiocesan Seminary Appeal is conducted throughout February. Your financial support of an institution so vital to the life of the Church is deeply appreciated. If you have not yet made a contribution to the Appeal, please consider doing so before the month's end. Assuredly, all donors hold a place in the prayers, Masses and good works of the St. Charles Borromeo Seminary community.

Next weekend, February 22nd & 23rd, the Second Collection will benefit the yearly appeal to aid the Catholic Church in Central and Eastern Europe. In the wake of the political and economic dilemmas resulting from the 1991 collapse of the Soviet Union, the Church has faced the continuous challenge of reintegrating religion into society. In countless ways, American benefactors help to sustain the Faith in 27 former "Iron Curtain" countries. Thank you for your anticipated kindness to this annual appeal.

Parents' Confirmation Meeting

Parents of this year's Confirmation Class (5th-6th & 7th graders) are requested to attend a special meeting with Father John on Monday, February 24th, at 7:00 p.m., in the parish School Hall. Important materials will be distributed, as well as necessary information shared regarding the sacramental event of the youngsters' confirmation, to be administered by Bishop Martin Lohmuller on May 11th (Mother's Day). Our entire

parish Family rejoices with the confirmands as they advance toward this blessed occasion.

The Discarding of Old Glory

If you possess a worn, torn American flag, please do not throw it away. Boy Scout Troop 16, sponsored by our consolidated parochial school, has placed a container in the back of the Church for the deposit of these flags. The Scouts will make sure your discarded flags are retired in the prescribed proper manner.

Parish Pastoral Council

Following the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 2nd, the Parish Pastoral Council will meet in the Rectory Meeting Room. It is an important session chiefly dealing with focus questions mandated by our Regional Vicar. Council members will soon be receiving related materials in the mail. Kindly circle the date on your calendar.

Volunteers' Appreciation Dinner

As of this writing, the threat of snow hangs over this weekend of our parish Volunteers' Appreciation Dinner. The dinner itself is planned for Sunday, February 16th, beginning at 3:00 p.m. in the historic Revere Tavern, Route 30, Paradise. The proprietors have been alerted to our weather concerns and have offered us alternate Sunday dates should it be necessary to postpone the event. A pulpit announcement will speak of our ultimate decision. Meanwhile, hold on to March 9th as a possible new date.

Calling All Mothers

On Saturday, March 22nd, the Chester County Chapter of MOM – Heart of the Home will offer a Day of Renewal at Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Moms of all ages are invited to enjoy inspirational speakers, individual reflection and the company of other mothers. This day provided time to reflect on the vocation of motherhood while replenishing one's spirit. Registration is \$20.00 and includes a boxed lunch. Pick up a registration form located in the back of Church or call Beth Ann Hackmeister at 610/380-3505 for more details. Hope to see you there!

Coatesville Catholic's 6th Annual Cadillac Dinner

The 6th Annual Cadillac Dinner, hosted by Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School's Home & School Association, will be held on Saturday, March 1st, at the J & J Catering facility in Exton. Enjoy an evening of dinner and dancing, and own a chance to win \$5,000 cash. Tickets are \$100 per person for dinner and chance, \$50 per person for dinner only. For information, call Vicki Eberwein at 610/383-9868. All proceeds will go to our School Development Fund. Hope you can make it!

Benefit Concert for the Elderly

The Little Sisters of the Poor will host an enjoyable evening of Irish music, featuring the Wolfe Tones' Derek Warfield and the Sons of Erin Band, on Saturday, March 8th, at 7:30 p.m., in Cardinal O'Hara High School, Springfield. Free parking and free refreshments will be available. Also appearing will be the Camden County Emerald Society Pipes and Drums. Tickets are \$25.00, obtained from Holy Family Home at 215/729-

5153, ext. 415. Proceeds will benefit the Sisters' ministry of care for the elderly.

Antique Show and Sale in Lansdale

The Ladies of Corpus Christi Church (Upper Gwynedd), Lansdale, will present their 28th Annual Antique Show and Sale on Friday, February 28th, 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday, March 1st, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall on Sumneytown Pike. Admission is \$3.50 with refreshments available during show hours. For information and/or dinner reservations, call Laurie Ponticello at 610/584-5694.

Local Adult Faith Formation

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish extends the invitation to our parishioners to participate in their Adult Faith Formation Program, already in progress, every Monday from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in the Church Hall. This Monday's topic is "The Life of Prayer". The weekly sessions are a way to revitalize the faith of those adults who may feel that their post-Vatican Council II knowledge of the Church's teaching needs a "refresher". For more information, call June Cella at 610/384-5939.

Special Pre-Lenten Events

St. Stanislaus Kostka Church will hold their Annual Donut Dance on Saturday, March 1st, 6:30 to 10:30 p.m., in the Polish American Citizens' Club, 15 Strode Avenue. Although the youngsters seem to be in the majority that night, young and old alike can count on a genuinely good time with an accommodating DJ and the hospitable Club hostesses. Tickets are \$5.00/adult, \$3.00/school age child, free to pre-schoolers and available from the Rectory at 610/384-1172.

St. Stanislaus Kostka School Hall will be the setting for a Mardi Gras pasta and Panczki Night (spaghetti, meatballs and Polish donuts) on Tuesday, March 4th, either eat-in or take-out. Full details will be announced shortly for this timely feast before the fast.

Opportunities for Lent

The Dominican Retreat House, 750 Ashbourne Road, Elkins Park will be offering Lenten Days of Reflection, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., on the following dates: March 5th (Ash Wednesday), March 19th, April 1st, April 2nd, April 8th, and April 9th. Lunch is included. For further information, call Bernadette Haley at 215/782-8520.

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, 2003 and Tuesday, February 25, 2003.

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.

Disease And Sin



The begging leper and the paralytic dropped in, and both wanted to be cured of their ailments—including their sin. Overcoming religious fears and social customs, they made their requests. Jesus replied, “Yes, of course,” and then made the point that healing from sin and healing from disease are two sides of the same coin. Do we have courage enough to overcome worries and beg healing from the Lord in the church? If we seek sacramental reconciliation, Jesus will surely reply, “Yes, of course.”

Women’s Club News

Longaberger Basket Bingo

Next Sunday, February 23rd

Doors open at 12:00 noon

Early Bird Specials begin at 1:30 PM

Regular Bingo begins at 2:00 PM

28 Filled Longaberger Baskets

Door Prizes

Raffles and Special Games

Refreshments available for purchase

We only have a few tickets left. If interested – contact anyone of the following:

Leslie Hoopes ~ 610/857-4224

Pat Babcock ~ 610/857-3096

Carrie Babcock ~ 610/857-0711

Tricia Swinty ~ 610/383-1615.

Please mark your calendars for the following important events:

Next Regular Meeting – Sunday, March 9th @ 7:00 PM

Annual Easter Bazaar & Craft Show Sunday, April 6th

Ann B. Cigas, Chairperson 610/384-2955

Crafters are welcome! If anyone is interested in reserving a table, please call Ann Cigas

Work Sessions

Friday, Feb. 28th Peel potatoes for Pierogies 4:00 PM

Saturday, March 1st Make Pierogies 8:00 AM

Thursday, March 6th Make Kiefli 6:00 PM

Friday, March 14th Peel potatoes for Pierogies 4:00 PM

Saturday, March 15th Make Pierogies 8:00 AM

Thursday, March 20th Make Kiefli 6:00 PM

Kiefli Chairpersons

Lisa Hillman ~ 610/857-1549

Ann Hamilton ~ 610/857-1549

Pierogie Chairpersons

Lori Rhoades ~ 610/380-0177

Fran Shesko ~ 610/384-6221

Anyone wishing to donate anything to chance off at the Bazaar, kindly call Ann Cigas.