

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, July 12th, 2003, 6:30 PM

John Magala (Havard Franciscus Family)

Altar Servers England & Lasak
Euch. Minister Claypoole
Lectors Sara

Sunday, July 13th, 2003, 10:30 AM

Cecelia Shesko (Christopher Castle Family)

Altar Servers Malavolta, Bednar & Trumpelman
Euch. Ministers Hillman & Nesbitt
Lector Peter

Masses for the week of July 13th, 2003 will be offered at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church except as follows:

Saturday, July 19th, 2003, 6:30 PM

Agnes Cigas (Craig Cigas)

Altar Servers Hoopes & Hackmeister
Euch. Minister Johnson
Lector Bill

Sunday, July 14th, 2003, 10:30 AM

Verna Seymen (Susan Sandoski)

Altar Servers H. Reczek, S. Reczek, & A. Reczek
Euch. Ministers Catanese & Krupanski
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 Guiseppa, Luigi Baldini, Mary Sabo, Kathryn Magala, Mary Suam, Steve Gregor, Helen Denny, Jan Schultz, Andrew Hamara, Charlie Persch, Joanne Krupansky, Mary Kish, Rose Olise, Stella Grubb, Robert Hracho, Bertha Amole, Joseph Nesbitt, David Riley, Francis Seymen, Betty Kinnier, David Zelina, Dylan Manning, Joseph Wasko, Joseph Toth and John Cisarik and the Deceased: Monsignor Frederick Helduser, John Hamara and Lillian Marzulli.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, July 13th, from 10:00 to 10:25 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, July 19th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m. prior to the Evening Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

2003 Catholic Charities

Our 2003 Catholic Charities final report has been forwarded to the Archdiocese Office, and we are very happy, and grateful, to report that the final amount collected and pledged was \$12,249.00 - \$1,749.00 over our goal! Our heart felt thanks to all who participated.

Catholic Campaign For Human Development

This weekend, the Second Collection is earmarked as the Annual Appeal for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. From its start more than thirty years ago, this Campaign has worked steadily to break the cycle of poverty in thousands of communities across the United States. It supports local groups as they create jobs, improve neighborhoods, train adults for employment at a living wage, keep schools safe and enriching for children, and raise leaders for the future. Your generous response to this weekend's Second Collections would be deeply appreciated.

Vacation Bible School

Come down to SonHarvest County Fair for some down-home fun! We're excited about this year's St. Joseph Vacation Bible School to be held July 21st to July 25th, from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m., in the St. Joseph School Hall. In SonHarvest County, children will have a great time singing, watching skits, creating crafts, playing games and, most important, they'll discover Bible truths about growing the fruit of God's Spirit. Registrations for this event can be made by calling Beth Ann Hackmeister at 610/380-3505. As always, adult volunteers are needed. Plan to join us for a great time at SonHarvest County Fair.

Clothing Drive at St. Joseph Church

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be at our own St. Joseph Church on Thursday, July 17th, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., to collect donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing. They will also be accepting small household goods, bed and bath linens, pots, pans, dishes, cooking utensils, toys, books, and small appliances in good working order. You are invited to take all donations to the Society's trailer in our parking lot. Tax receipts are available upon request. The Society also offers pick-up service for furniture, large appliances and vehicle donations. For more information, please call 215/288-8160. Thank you for Helping Us Help Others.

Local Church Offers Health Screenings

On Tuesday, July 29th beginning at 9 am the public is invited to Olivet United Methodist Church located at 310 E. Chestnut Street in Coatesville for important health saving tests. On that day, Doppler Diagnostics will offer a stroke screening by scanning, using Doppler Ultrasound, the carotid artery in the neck for plaque build up, which can lead to a stroke. They will also offer an ultrasound test that looks for abdominal aneurysms on the aorta, which are 80-94% fatal and a test for blockages in the lower legs that causes poor circulation. An osteoporosis bone density test will be offered for men and women. These tests are available for only \$35 each. This is a health prevention program, and with early detection, these problems can be treated. The results are sent directly to you and you are *referred back to your own doctor*. Call 1-800-446-0925 for more information or an appointment.

Attention Pro-Life People of All Ages

Generation Life invites anyone who is concerned about the unborn and their mothers to a *Life Chain on Sunday, July 13th from 2 to 3 pm along Rt. 202 in King of Prussia. (just across from the malls)*. This event is in celebration of the recent closing of the abortion facility in King of Prussia, and is designed to send a strong message that God's people will not tolerate the killing of

innocent children. For more information please call Generation Life at 215/885-4237.

A Summertime Retreat For Men

Men and young men from Chester County are cordially invited to participate in the Weekend Retreat, August 8th-10th, at the beautiful facilities of Saint Joseph's-in-the-Hills Retreat House, Malvern. To find peace, to be renewed, to reflect, take time out and come to Malvern for a program designed to address men's spiritual needs. For full information, contact anyone of these faithful retreatants: Fred Brown 610/384-6578, Rich Coster 610/383-9130 or Edward Lawrence 610/384-7885.

Local Summer Festival

Saint Mary of providence Center, 227 Isabella Road, Elverson will host a Summer Festival, rain or shine, on August 3rd, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. Enjoy a day of fun and festivities featuring mansion tours, raffles, white elephant table, games, gift shop and food. All are welcome. For further details and directions, call 610/942-4166.

Our Academic Achievers

Our Parish recently received notification of the performance of our Bishop Shanahan High School students on their end of year reports. We are particularly proud of those who demonstrated academic excellence. Among those earning Second Honors were our following young parishioners: Michael Persch '05, Jennifer Urbine '05, Samantha Davis '06, and Alan HOLETON '06. Congratulations to our distinguished scholars! May the forthcoming academic year bring similar rewards for perseverance and hard work.

Calling Alumni of St. James High School

The Alumni Association of the former St. James High School, Chester, will host "Dogs on the Dunes" on August 9th, from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m., at the Moores Inlet, North Wildwood. All alumni, family and friends of the high school are welcome. Your donation of \$20.00 before August 6th (\$25.00 at the door) includes entertainment and food. All proceeds will benefit the Scholarship Fund for students furthering their Catholic High School education. For all information, call the Bulldog Hotline at 610/494-0446 or check the website at WWW.STJBULLDOGS.ORG.

Position Available

Part time Secretary for Medical Records in small Catholic facility in Downingtown. Typing, computer skills in MS Word necessary. Knowledge of MS Access and Excel a plus, college preferred. Contact Pat B. 610/518-2080, email br@sjvcenter.org or fax 610/873-8028 resume'.

Parochial School Tuition Reminder

Parents of students in Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School are reminded that tuition for the 2003-04 school year for one child is \$1,900.00, for two children \$3,300.00, for three children \$4,500.00, for four or more children \$4,900.00 when registered parishioners of participating parishes. A Tuition Collection and Stationery Sales will be held on July 22nd and 23rd, at the Primary School Building (on St. Cecilia campus) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Our Response to the Annual Seminary Appeal

We are most pleased to announce that The Development Office of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Overbrook credits St. Joseph Church with contributions in the amount of \$8,270.00, given from July 1, 2002 until June 12, 2003. Such an outpouring of generosity is deeply appreciated, and helps to assure the continuation of our Archdiocesan Seminary as a place of education and formation for tomorrow's priests. Thank you for your interest in our seminarians, and know that all donors hold a special place in their prayers.

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary offers spiritual enrollments, over designated time periods, for the living and the dead. The one enrolled shares in the Masses, prayers and good works of the Seminary community. A handsomely designed card is issued announcing the enrollment. Arrangements can be made through our Rectory office or by contacting Father John at 610/384-0306. Both styles of enrollment cards are readily available. Your donation, of course, is forwarded to the Seminary and credited among our extended parish gifts.

Missionary Cooperation Appeal

By assignment of the Archdiocesan propagation of the Faith Office, a member of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur will be making an appeal for our prayers and monetary offerings to support the missionary work of her religious community. Our visiting missionary will be with us on the weekend of July 26th-27th for the Missionary Cooperation appeal, our Second Collection then. Your donation may be placed in the offering envelope marked "Missionary Co-Op", which is undated and is found as the very last envelope in the boxed set. Thank you for your anticipated kindness!

Giving Involves Trust in God

People who give away a truly sacrificial percent of their income do so because God has blessed them and because they trust God to continue to care for them. All of these people are not so affluent that they never miss what they give away. They give to God right off the top, not from

what's left over after they've taken care of everything else.

A Family Perspective

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Paul reminds us that we find our happiness by actively seeking to live God's plan of love and unity. Are our efforts to increase God's love and unity within the family greater than our efforts to accumulate the luxuries than our secular culture suggests are keys to happiness?

