

# 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, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2003, 6:30 PM

*William Bedrick (Andrew & Ann Cigas)*

Altar Servers     Hoopes & Trumpelman  
Euch. Minister     Swinty  
Lector             Kathy

### Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2003, 10:30 AM

*Joseph & Rose Hallman (Frank & Mary Jane Lasak)*

Altar Servers     Babcock, Lasak & A. Reczek  
Euch. Ministers     Lasak & Seymen  
Lector             Phillip

Masses for the week of September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2003 will be offered in St. Joseph Church as follows:

Monday	9 am	Kenneth Ullman (Linda Ullman)
Tuesday	9 am	Parishioners
Wednesday	9 am	Frank Popovich, Sr. (Helen Popovich)
Thursday	9 am	Thomas Kubala (The Popovich Family)
Friday	9:30 am	David Hillman (Byerley & Callahan Families)
Saturday	8 am	Augusta Saska (Bob & Ann Hamilton)

### Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2003, 6:30 PM

*Johnny Franciscus (The Havard Franciscus Family)*

Altar Servers     Rhoades & Malavolta  
Euch. Minister     Claypoole  
Lector             Elaine

### Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2003, 10:30 AM

*Stephen & Helen Mitros (Joan & Stephen Mitros)*

Altar Servers     Neff, Hackmiester & S. Reczek  
Euch. Ministers     Nesbitt & Bugar  
Lector             Laura

## Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Julia Esposito, 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, Jan Schultz, Andrew Hamara, Charlie Persch, Joanne Krupansky, Mary Kish, Stella Grubb, Robert Hracho, Bertha Amole, David Riley, Francis Seymen, Betty Kinnier, David Zelina, Dylan Manning, Joseph Wasko, John Cisarik, Robert Shesko, Ann Reshey, Joan Mitros, and Andrea Levenite.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m. prior to the Morning Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

## Weekly Offering Envelopes

There are still some parishioners who have not picked up their **WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES** which are located in the rear of the church in front of the Baptismal Room and Crying Room. We would appreciate your picking them up this week-end.

We are asking that each parishioner raise their weekly offering to \$7.00 to help us with our many increased expenses.

*Thank you. Finance Committee*

## Fall Cleaning of Our Church

We're bringing the mops, buckets, dust rags, brooms, polish, etc., out once again. We last cleaned our beautiful church in June - so it's time to do it again - next Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9:00 AM. We will have all the supplies - just bring yourselves!! Please call Fran or Bob Shesko (610/384-

6221) if you can join us. Come for as long as you can, if only for a few hours. All help is really appreciated. It should not take us as long this time!! Lunch will be served!! God Bless You.

### **A Big Thank You**

- to all my friends and fellow parishioners of St. Joseph Church for all your congratulatory messages, phone calls, cards, Mass intentions, flowers, gifts, hugs and kisses", and also thank you to my friends who attended this beautiful event with me.

My night of honor at the Cathedral in Philadelphia was a very heartwarming, ceremony last Monday. I made it through the long procession from the Rectory to the Cathedral, and up the steps to receive my Papal Cross Award from Cardinal Bevilacqua without any problems.

The ceremony of Evening Prayer was beautiful. With all the priests, choir and family and friends of the "honorees", participating in the prayers and singing of the litany, hymns, and canticles, I think Pope John heard us all the way at the Vatican.

I am very proud to be the recipient of the Papal Cross Award personally, but I am more proud of the fact, that this award was presented to someone from St. Joseph Church. I feel that it was a great honor for our little Parish, way out at the very end of the Archdiocese!

I would also like to thank Father John for being present at this ceremony. I appreciate his taking time out of his busy schedule to attend.

Let us all continue to make St. Joseph Parish, the best parish in the diocese!!

Ann Cigas and Family

### **Special Appeal This Weekend**

The Second Collection this weekend is the Annual Appeal for the Care of Aging and Ill Diocesan Priests. Thanks to the financial support of the faithful, the Archdiocese is able to maintain two excellent facilities to shelter our elderly and sickly clergy, one in Darby and the other in Warminster. Your generous response to this appeal is greatly appreciated and offers you, in turn, a remembrance in the prayers of the priestly recipients of your charity.

### **Yard Sale – Bake Sale**

A double day of double delight awaits you at a combined Yard Sale – Bake Sale on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to ?, at the Cackleberry Farm, Business Route 30 West, Parkesburg. Proceeds will benefit the Dylan James Manning Foundation to promote research into a cure for Tay-Sachs disease. Donations for the sale can be dropped off on either day of the event or can be picked-up by calling Ronnie Godwin at 610/384-8865. See you at the Sale! Thanks for helping a good cause!

### **Rosary Rally**

You are cordially invited to the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Rosary Rally on Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00 p.m., in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, South 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue. In addition to one's own personal intentions, communal prayer will especially remember respect for life, world peace, family renewal, our holy Church and its priests and our thanksgiving for blessings received. Refreshments will immediately follow the Rosary Rally in the Parish Hall.

### **A Special Pro-Life Speaker**

Come and learn from the best! The National Parents Commission is offering an afternoon Seminar by Father Frank Pavone, the National Director of Priests for Life, on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, in the Camelot Convention Hall, 425 Mill Street, Bridgeport, PA, from 12:45 to 4:00 p.m. For cost, information and registration, kindly call the Catholic Speakers Association during regular business hours at 800-693-3884.

### **An Autumn Event at Malvern**

The Malvern Retreat House, 315 South Warren Avenue, Malvern will host Johnnette S. Benkovic, wife, mother, author and media personality, who speaks on the topic, "7 Keys to Spiritual S.U.C.C.E.S.S.", at 7:00 p.m., on Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. All are welcome; a free-will offering will be accepted. For more information, please call 610/644-0400.

### **Devon Preparatory School**

The Devon Preparatory School will be hosting an Open House on October 12<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. the entrance and scholarship testing will be conducted on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:30 a.m. For more information, please call Pete Crippen, Admissions Director, at 610/688-7337, extension 129.

### **CACES Upcoming Twin Events**

Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School proudly announces Basket Bingo to be held on Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, in St. Joseph Parish Hall, with doors opening at 12:00 noon and games beginning at 1:00 p.m. Lots of filled baskets, pottery, great food, door prizes and raffles will be featured. Tickets are \$20.00 and are available by calling 610/857-0116. They may also be picked up at the Primary Building Office.

The Coatesville Catholic School Community welcomes you to their 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Silent Auction to be held in Bishop Shanahan High School on Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. The silent portion will begin at 6:00 p.m., followed by the public auction at 9:00 p.m. Special guest will be local artist Richard Bollinger who will be personalizing prints purchased that evening. As in the past, there will be many items from which to choose: vacation rentals, art work, greens fees, gift certificates for home heating oil and much more. Significant raffles, too, will take place. Auction tickets are \$25/person or \$40/couple, and include gourmet hor d'oeuvres and desserts, open bar, live jazz music and bidding. To purchase your tickets, please contact Jeannie Shingle at 610/466-0830.

### **Compassionate Volunteers Needed**

Hospice volunteers are needed in our community to help in supporting patients and families of patients with limited life

expectancy. Volunteers are valued members of the Hospice Team who provide emotional support and compassionate companionship to patients and their families during a difficult time. Day and evening classes are conducted beginning next month. For more information, contact Janice Gathercole at 610/696-6511, extension 169.

### **National Life Chain**

Please mark your calendar to join with fellow parishioners and dedicated neighbors in the Coatesville link of the National Life Chain on Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., on Business Route 30, in front of the St. Cecilia School Building. The "life chain" consists of forming a human chain of silent prayer for one hour to increase awareness and show commitment for the dignity of all human life. Help make the life-supporting testimony of the chain a success and encourage the participation of your family and friends.

### **Romantic Dinners Being Served**

Attention, all married couples! You are warmly invited to a free Romantic Dinner being served on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. in St. Isaac Jogues Parish Center, Wayne. Come and enjoy a quiet, reflective dinner for two while finding out what a marriage Encounter Weekend is all about. To make your dinner reservation, call John & Marleen Babiec at 610/918-1550. Act today! This invitation is limited to the first 20 married couples who accept.

### **News From Malvern Preparatory School**

The Malvern Preparatory School announces its Academic Scholarship/Entrance Exam for 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Grades at 8:45 a.m. on October 25<sup>th</sup> or October 26<sup>th</sup>. An Open House for parents will be conducted at 9:00 a.m. on both days. A pre-registration is required by calling 484/595-1173. For more information, visit the website at [www.malvernprep.org](http://www.malvernprep.org).

### **Passionist Parish Mission Set For October**

The week of October 18<sup>th</sup> through October 23<sup>rd</sup> brings to St. Joseph Church a Passionist Parish Mission with its theme, "*I Will Be With You Always*". During the course of this week of renewal, we will be under the direction of Father Edward Wolanski, a member of the congregation of the Passion popularly known as the Passionists. A Passionist for 35 years, Father Wolanski has been ordained a priest for 31 years, preaching missions, retreats, novenas and days of recollection throughout the United States and Canada. For several years, Father Wolanski worked in Radio and Television Ministry, and has held several administrative positions for his Congregation. Full details of our Parish Mission will be forthcoming. For now, please set aside this significant week as a time given over to Christ for spiritual conversation, consolation and companionship.

### **Are You Interested in The Catholic Faith?**

Our RCIA Group is forming for adults inquiring into the beliefs and the practices of the Roman Catholic Faith. The sessions are conducted weekly, beginning in October, on a day and at a time mutually convenient for all. We cordially welcome any who may never have had a church affiliation, those of another religious denomination who wish to explore the possibilities of Catholicism for themselves and fellow Catholics who feel the need for further religious instruction,

especially if lacking earlier Sacraments. Our program is a very user-friendly experience. For more information or to register, kindly call Father John at 610/384-1172.

### **Overbrook Weekend Retreat**

An Overbrook Weekend Retreat is most helpful for those young men, ages 16 to 40, who are discerning a vocation to the diocesan priesthood and would like more information about seminary life, prayer and the discernment process. The retreats will be held at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, beginning with dinner at 5:15 p.m. on Friday and ending at 12:00 noon on Sunday. There will be conferences, panel discussions, quiet time, free time for gym or pool, and participation in the community prayer of the seminary. Upcoming Weekend Retreats are scheduled for October 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> and December 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>. For further information, please contact the Vocation Office at 610/667-5778.

### **Choir Practice**

The next choir practice for both choirs will be held this Tuesday, 9/30. The children begin promptly at 6:45 p.m. and the adults follow at 7:30 p.m. The regular scheduled night has yet to be determined. As soon as I receive all the feedback for what practice night suits a majority of the choir, I will put out a practice schedule.

The first Sunday that the children sing for Mass is currently scheduled for October 5<sup>th</sup>, which only leaves one practice night (9/30) before they sing. In the past 2 weeks of practice, out of the 30 children that signed up for choir, only half have participated. With the busy Advent and Christmas season quickly approaching, I ask that all parents of the children make an effort to have them attend every week. If the Tuesday night schedule has been the problem, please notify me as to the night of the week that you prefer as we are trying to accommodate the majority.

If you have any questions, please contact me in the evening at 610-383-5768.

*Susan Sandoski  
Choir Director*

### **CCD News**

Registration for the 2003/2004 CCD Year will be held this Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, after the 10:30 Mass. Registration will be held in the School Hall. CCD is available to children of the parish from age 4 through the 6th grade. Classes will begin on Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:15am.

### **A Family Perspective**

*26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Families are called to bring about God's truth and justice within the home and the larger community. How often do we pray that we will use the gifts of the Spirit to make God's goodness more visible in our world?

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

*2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Longaberger Bingo*

The bingo scheduled for October 5<sup>th</sup> sponsored by the Women's Club is being rescheduled for sometime in early

2004. Anyone who has purchased tickets may contact Tricia Swinty 610/383-1615, Pat Babcock 610/857-30096 or Leslie Hoopes 610/857-4224 for a refund. All sponsors will be contacted by the bingo committee regarding their donation.

*Pierogie Making Session*

The first Pierogie making session will be held next weekend. If you receive a call from Julie Sanchez of the Women's Club please let her know if you can spend 1 hour or more to help us. If you don't receive a call from Julie, feel free to come join us anyway, we have a great time and lots of laughs while we're working

*Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, peel potatoes, 4:30 PM*

*Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, make Pierogies, 8:00 AM*

*Other Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendar*

*Christmas Bazaar – Sunday, November 23*

*Christmas at St. Joe's – Sunday, December 7*