

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

Saturday, April 24th, 2004, 6:30 PM

Augusta Saska (Ted Saska)

Euch. Minister Christine Claypoole
Lector Elaine Sabo

Sunday, April 25th, 2004, 10:30 AM

Rose Olise (Susan & Spencer Dunlap)

Euch. Ministers Frank Lasak, Jr. & Lisa Hillman
Lector Peter Sanchez

Masses for the week of April 25th, 2004, will be offered in St. Joseph Church as noted:

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	Helen Macey (Helen Popovich)
Wednesday	9 am	Mary Hudock (Andrea Levenite & Babes Horenci)
Thursday	9 am	Augusta Saska (Catherine & Christopher Castle)
Friday	9 am	Rose Reed (Her Sister, Josephine Rogowski)
Saturday	9 am	Helen Koontz (St. Joseph Women's Club)

Saturday, May 1st, 2004, 6:30 PM

Augusta Saska (Peg & Abby Tejjaro)

Euch. Minister Pam Krupansky
Lector Kathy Catanese

Sunday, May 2nd, 2004, 10:30 AM

Rose Olise (Barbara, Jim, Brett & Brad Ahern)

Euch. Ministers C. Claypoole & M. F. Johnson
Lector 1st Communicants

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, Mary Sabo, Kathryn Magala, Mary Suam, Steve Gregor, Jan Schultz, Andrew Hamara, Charlie Persch, Joanne Krupansky, Mary Kish, Stella Grubb, Robert Hracho, Bertha Amole, Betty Kinnier, Dylan Manning, John Cisarik, Ann Reshey, Brenda Golden, Marie McBride, Adam Gregor, Helen Collins, Dorothy Barnes, Gail Luminella, Lisa De Pedro. Also, we pray for the well being of Sgt. Steven McComsey and all our military currently serving in Iraq.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, April 25th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, May 1st, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m. prior to the Evening Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Special Appeal

This weekend's Second Collection will benefit the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**. Your monetary gift supports our Home Missions, areas in the United States where the Catholic Church struggles just to keep parishes open and to educate people in the faith. Your generosity to assist fellow Catholics in our country would be deeply appreciated.

The History of The Catholic Charities Appeal

In 1912 the first Archdiocesan Office of Catholic Charities, later named the Catholic Children's Bureau, was established in Philadelphia by Archbishop Edmond F. Prendergast. While the Bureau met the needs of children's services throughout the Diocese of Philadelphia at that time, services for adults, families of needy children and the elderly were lacking.

It was in 1958 that John Cardinal O'Hara realized the time had come to provide a solid financial support base for these expanding services and needs. It was this year

the Catholic Charities Appeal was founded. Over \$2.1 million was raised in that first appeal.

Today, the Catholic Charities Appeal funds over 80 agencies and programs throughout the five counties of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and raised an average of \$10.3 million annually since 1995.

Next Sunday, May 2, 2004 is *Catholic Charities Appeal* Sunday. The significant impact the Appeal is able to make in our communities is largely made possible by the collective support of everyday parishioners. Every gift, no matter how large or small, is of great importance. Moreover, 95% of every donation will support real people with real needs, regardless of religious beliefs. Please take the time to prayerfully consider supporting the *Catholic Charities Appeal* this year.

As we joyously celebrate the glory of Easter, we are reminded of the remarkable gift of salvation given to us through Our Lord Jesus' love. On May 2nd, please, open your heart in a similar manner in responding to our sisters and brothers in need throughout the five counties of the Archdiocese. Support the *2004 Catholic Charities Appeal*. Thousands in our communities are annually served by virtue of the generosity of those that support the Appeal. The services made possible may be more far-reaching than you realize, as real people with real needs are assisted. Every gift, no matter how large or small, is of significant importance in funding programs and services, which make available vital resources to both young and old. The Appeal Campaign runs through the greater part of May. Please take the time to consider prayerfully your response to the *Catholic Charities Appeal* this year.

Congratulations to Our Bride & Groom!

In solemn ceremonies on Saturday afternoon April 24th, Aliah M. Kinney and Michael F. Ammon, our parishioners, were joined in the holy bond of Matrimony. We extend to them our heartiest congratulations and best wishes. Together, may they continue to advance in the ways of holiness and love as they reflect to us all that cherished union between Christ the Bridegroom and the Church, His Bride.

Shoe Drive

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is holding a Shoe Drive at our Parish this weekend. You should find a Bin located in the church vestibule where your donation of shoes may be placed. Please pair, box or tie shoes together if possible. Other acceptable items are slippers, boots, sandals, overshoes and galoshes. Thank you for your donations.

First Communion Day

Next Sunday, May 2nd, our Parish Family has the special joy of celebrating the occasion of First Holy Communion for 18 of our younger members at the 10:30 Morning Mass. Like the children, we all are eager for this festive, blessed event among us.

Give A Gift Of Love For A Better World

Youth Exchange Service (YES), a non-profit U.S. designated exchange program founded in 1974, needs Catholic Host Families to host international high school students during the 2004-2005 school year. Teenagers are well educated 15 to 17 year old students who are selected on their language skill, maturity, personal accomplishments and moral standards. Students come from Asia, Europe and Latin America. Host Families are asked to provide accommodations, meals and to embrace the student as their own son or daughter. The Host Family can claim a \$50.00 tax deduction for each month of the student's stay. The students speak fairly good English, have medical insurance and bring their own spending money. YES provides high school arrangements and counseling. This program will be an enriching and unforgettable experience for everyone in the family. For more details, please contact YES at 800/848-2121.

Archdiocesan Marina Tribute

The Cathedral-Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, in Philadelphia, will host their Annual May Procession on Mother's Day, May 9th, from 2:00 until 3:30 p.m. All the faithful of the Archdiocese are invited to attend and pay homage to Mary, the Holy Mother of God. Appropriate banners are welcome. The first communicants are requested to wear their First Holy Communion dresses and suits. For additional details, please call 215/561-1313.

Summer Studies At The Seminary

The Religious Studies Division of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary offers a Certificate in Catholic Religious Studies, designed to foster greater knowledge and deeper appreciation of the Catholic Faith. The program consists of six undergraduate courses in Sacred Scripture, Theology, Moral Theology and other topics in Religious Studies. Students may advance to pursuing the Roman Catechetical Diploma, which requires only two additional courses. Similar certificates are offered in Youth Ministry, Liturgical Studies and Pastoral Ministry. Classes begin on June 14th; Registration concludes on May 29th. For more information and registration forms, call 610/785-6287.

Five Wishes Program

St. Joseph Parish Health Ministry (Downingtown) invites people 18 and older to prepare for holy moments. An informative program on Advance Directive and the

Five Wishes Living Will, inspired by Mother Teresa's care of the dying, will be presented on Monday, May 3rd, at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Center. Babysitting provided. For full details, please call Sharon Fitzpatrick at 610/873-3564.

St. Agnes High School Celebration

St. Agnes High School graduates are invited to a May Celebration at Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, on Thursday, May 6th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Featured will be Mass and a crowning of an image of the Virgin Mary, a chance to reconnect with friends and light refreshments to guarantee a wonderful evening. Please call Maureen Morin at 610/343-6255, if you did not receive an invitation.

Bishop Shanahan Ice Hockey

For any new player interested in playing ice hockey for the 2004-2005 season for Bishop Shanahan's Middle School or High School Teams, there will be a player preview on May 17th, 18th, and 19th at Ice Lane. Current 4th thru 7th grade players will be on the ice 5:30 to 6:45 p.m., current 8th thru 11th grade players 7:00 to 8:15 p.m. The cost is \$25.00 for all three sessions. Registration begins one hour prior to starting time. You must attend a Catholic elementary feeder school to Bishop Shanahan High School or attend Bishop Shanahan High School to play with the Club. For more information, please call Barb Doyle at 610/436-6676.

Basket Bingo

Yes, those famous baskets from Ohio are back! To benefit the American Cancer Society, a Basket Bingo will be held at Ludwig's Corner Fire Company, Routes 100 & 401, on May 16th, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Doors will open at 12.15 p.m. For information, call Lisa Young at 610/458-8018 or Annette McNally at 610/458-8494.

Clothing Drive

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be at Our Lady of the Rosary parish, 80 South 17th Avenue, on Saturday and Sunday, May 22nd & 23rd, 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 and books) and small appliances in good working order. You are invited to take all donations to the Society's trailer in the parking lot. Tax receipts are available upon request. The Society also offers pickup service for furniture, large appliances and vehicle donations. For more information, please call 215/288-8160. Thank you!

Shanahan Summer Fundraiser

Bishop Shanahan High School will host their 1st annual all-class reunion, "Soar at the Shore", on Saturday, August 7th, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., at LaCosta in Sea Isle, NJ.

Tickets are \$15.00 per person which includes admission, food and DJ. Cash bar will be available with drink specials all afternoon. Come out for an afternoon with fellow alumni and friends! For more details, call 610/343-6355 or email rodgerc@wyeth.com.

CACES 11th Annual Golf Outing

All are welcome! Get your foursome together for the Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School's 11th Annual Golf Outing to be held on Friday, May 14th, at the Honey Brook Golf Club. The cost of \$115.00 includes lunch, dinner, golf, cart, prizes and beverages. All proceeds benefit the building of our new regional parochial school. For full information, please contact Patrick Sullivan at 610/383-6403.

Women's Club News

All You Can Eat Breakfast – Sunday May 23rd.

\$500.00 chances have been mailed to all Parishioners. We sincerely request your support for this endeavor.

Also taking place at the Breakfast will be a "Theme Basket Table" and also a Bake Table. Members of the Women's Club will be calling parishioners asking for baked goods for this table. We know what good bakers attend St. Joseph's and look forward to sampling your creations.

