

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, September 4th, 2004, 6:30 PM

Joseph Wasko (Susan Sandoski)

Euch. Minister Lasak, Jr.
Lector Cy

Sunday, September 5th, 2004, 10:30 AM

Augusta Saska (Angela & William Oleszek)

Euch. Ministers Hillman & Catanese
Lector Phillip

Masses for the week of September 5th, 2004 will be offered in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church except as follow:

Saturday, September 11th, 2004, 6:30 PM

John Yankech (Anniv.) Mother & Phyllis)

Euch. Minister Krupansky
Lector Elaine

Sunday, September 12th, 2004, 10:30 PM

Luigi Baldini (Bob & Georgiann Watterson)

Euch. Ministers Johnson & Nesbitt
Lector Frank

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, 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, Oli Alfaro, Jim McConnell, Joseph Yankech, III, Ana Maria Yankech, and Max Sushinski. 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 Saturday September 4th from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, September 12th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Special Emergency Appeal This Weekend

In a recent letter, Cardinal Justin Rigali wishes to inform the faithful of the Archdiocese about the horrible situation in Sudan. For decades, this African country has experienced tremendous suffering as a result of hatred and war. Currently, tens of thousand of people are huddled under plastic sheets to protect themselves from the excessive rains and winds. They represent a small percentage of the millions of Sudanese who have been driven from their homes and brutalized by conflicts in this country. World leaders have called this the worst humanitarian crises on the globe. Agencies report that there is an immanent danger of cholera and malaria outbreaks in some of the camps. Without additional assistance, hundred of thousands more might die.

His Eminence requests that we pray for the suffering people of Sudan and help them with much needed financial assistance. This weekend, September 5th, we shall remember them in the General Intercessions and take up a Second Collection to extend monetary

support. Your kindness to this worthy cause would be greatly appreciated.

Black and Indian Missions Appeal

The Annual Collection for the Black and Indian Missions has been taken up nationally for 119 years to enable priests and catechists to provide religious education and pastoral services among the Black and Native American peoples in our country. Locally, a number of evangelization initiatives are realized through parish and archdiocesan programs of catechesis and social outreach. These efforts, however, often need to be sustained by the additional funds made available through grants awarded from this Collection. The Second Collection next weekend, September 11th-12th, will benefit this worthwhile Appeal. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity!

Archdiocesan Boys Choir

The Archdiocesan Boys Choir of Philadelphia is holding auditions on September 18th and 25th. The Choir offers a rich musical and spiritual experience for boys in 2nd thru 8th grades, enriching every school's own music program. The Choir performs extensively throughout the Delaware Valley and has toured the United States and Europe. For more information or to schedule an audition, please call Tom Windfelder, Director, at 215/425-6995 or Teresa Zubert at 610/326-7041.

Special Lecture at Malvern Retreat House

Internationally known author, lecturer and advocate for family, marriage and pro-life causes, Dr. Helen Alvare, will be the guest speaker at the Malvern Retreat House on Monday, September 13th, at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Alvare's lecture entitled "The Christian Family Model: Transcending the Media and Culture for Christ" is part of the Dedication Week Ceremonies for the McShain-Horstmann Family Life Center at Malvern. Please call 610/644-0400 to reserve a seat, as seating is limited.

Comboni Sisters Lay Ministry

The Comboni Sisters, along with their Lay Ministry Group, wish to thank the individuals from the parish cluster who attended their August 17th meeting at Our lady of the Rosary Church. The meeting was requested by the Lay Ministry Group to introduce the Holy Childhood Association in hopes of "planting a seed" of missionary spirit in the children of our parishes through the CCD Program. The Holy Childhood Association's goal is to encourage children to pray for and offer their own personal sacrifices for children who are in desperate need of basic resources and the love of God. Vanessa Madrak from HCA

provided literature and discussed the various programs available to the CCD representatives. It is hoped that the Cluster Parishes will call on the Comboni sisters and their lay associates to help in any way with their missionary endeavors. If you would like to know more about the Comboni Sisters Lay Ministry, please join them at their monthly meeting conducted on the 2nd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Sisters' Convent, 58 South Sixth Avenue. Their next meeting will be held this Tuesday, September 7th.

An Invitation From Downtown St. John's

St. John the Evangelist Church in Center City, Philadelphia, opens its 175th Jubilee Year with a 12:30 p.m. Solemn Mass on Sunday, October 3rd. Monsignor Charles Devlin, former Pastor, will preach. On that same day, at 5:00 p.m., Evening Prayer honoring St. Francis of Assisi will be offered. All parishioners, past and present, as well as those who regard St. John's as their "home away from home" church are invited to attend. The Anniversary Year events can be found on the appropriate website: www.stjohnsphilly.com.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Married couples are cordially invited to a Free Romantic Dinner on Saturday, October 2nd, at 7:00 p.m., in St. Isaac Jogues parish Center, Wayne, sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Come and enjoy a quiet, romantic dinner for two and find out what a Marriage Encounter Weekend is all about. To make your dinner reservation, call John & Marleen Babiec at 610/918-1550 (open to the first 20 married couples).

Local Volunteer English Program

The Volunteer English Program in Chester County will sponsor a three session, nine-hour, training workshop for those who wish to tutor English as a second language to an adult immigrant or refugee. The workshop will be held at West Chester University, Sykes Student Union, on Thursday, September 9th; Tuesday, September 14th; Tuesday, September 21st, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. For more information about this rewarding volunteer opportunity or to register for the workshop, contact 610/918-8222.

WPVI-TV Sunday Mass Time

The Archdiocese has been informed that, beginning September 5th, the Sunday televised Mass on WPVI-TV, Channel 6 will be broadcast at a new time: 5:30 in the morning, no longer at 6:30 a.m. For those with the appropriate reception, the Mass will be rebroadcast each Sunday on DT-2, Channel 6 digital, at both 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. the Archdiocese

thanks Channel 6 for their 30 years of generosity in broadcasting the Television Mass.

Fall/Winter Clothing Sale

The Chester County Mothers of Multiples Club is sponsoring a Fall/Winter Clothing Sale on Saturday, September 11th, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, at the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection, north of Exton, off of Route 100. The Sale includes children's clothing, toys, baby equipment and more. Questions? Call Barbara Ann Lawrie at 610/458-9150.

Conference on The Eucharist

On Saturday, September 25th, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., a conference on The Eucharist will be conducted at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood. Among the featured speakers are Archbishop John Donoghue of Atlanta, Father Shaun Mahoney, S.T.D. and professor Janet Haggerty, Ph.D. Cardinal Justin Rigali will offer a concluding Mass at 4:30 p.m. in St. Martin Chapel, with the Archdiocesan Boys Choir providing the musical program. Tickets are \$35/person, which includes lunch. Reservations are required. For full information, kindly call 215/247-2585.

Opportunities at The Dominican Retreat House

The Dominican Retreat House, 750 Ashbourne Road, Elkins Park, invites you to participate in one or more of the programs they will be offering:

“The Path to Spiritual Maturity: Spirituality of Therese of Lisieux: on Saturday, October 2nd, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.;

“A New Role for Grandparents” (men and women) on Saturday, October 9th, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.;

Multiple Sclerosis Day of Prayer (men and women) on Saturday, October 30th, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.;

Days of Reflection on September 15th, October 5th, October 6th, October 12th, October 13th, and November 10th;

Weekend Retreats for Women on September 10-12th, September 17-19th, September 24-26th, October 15-17th and other dates.

For information on any program, contact 215/782-8520.

Women's Club News

Attention, all women of the Parish! You are cordially invited to attend a *Carry in Supper* on Sunday,

September 19th at 5:00 p.m., in the School Hall. The Women's Club will provide the main course and beverage. We are only asking that you bring either an appetizer, dessert or side dish. Please sign up in the back of the Church following Mass or by calling Julie Sanchez at 610/384-5448.

2005 Lottery

If you are interested in being a Patron for our 2005 Lottery Calendar, kindly call Ann Cigas this week. The cost is \$10.00. Or, if you prefer to have an “In Memory of a Loved One”, the cost is the same, 610/384-2955. Thank you!

