

# 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, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005, 6:30 PM

Mary Sabo (Rose & Bill Michnuk)

Lector Elaine

### Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2005, 10:30 AM

Robert Watterson (Bob & Georgianne Watterson)

Lector Bill

Masses for the week of January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2005, will be offered in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church except as noted:

### Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2005, 6:30 PM

Elizabeth Evan (Andrew & Mary Benkovich)

Lector Sara Hoopes

### Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2005, 10:30 AM

John Shesko (Laura Shesko)

Lector Frank Lasak, Jr.

## Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Julia Esposito, Marie Reali, Kate Ohar, Spencer Gautney, Janet Yost, Dorothy Bodnar, Kathryn Magala, Mary Suam, Steve Gregor, Jan Schultz, Andrew Hamara, Joanne Krupansky,

Mary Kish, Stella Grubb, Bertha Amole, Betty Kinnier, Dylan Manning, John Cisarik, Marie McBride, Adam Gregor, Helen Collins, Oli Alfaro, Jim McConnell, Joseph Yankech, III, Ana Maria Yankech, Joseph Salada, Nancy Stern, Michael Kozacheson, Bill Franklin, Brian Babcock and Laura Szweida, and the Deceased: Elizabeth Evan and Beverly Soroka Ganong. 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, January 9<sup>th</sup>, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m. prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

## An Emergency Appeal

The devastating effects of the earthquake and tsunami, which struck numerous countries in Asia as well as eastern Africa, are beyond comprehension – we have only to view the disturbing images presented to us by the media. Beyond the immediacy of death, injury and homelessness, it is difficult to comprehend and assess the long-term effects of disease and trauma. Given the enormity of this tragedy, Cardinal Justin Rigali is urging all parishes to pray for our suffering brothers and sisters, and to provide parishioners with the opportunity to give financial aid to this critical need. All funds collected within the Archdiocese will be forwarded to the Catholic Relief Services to assist in their relief measures. Thank you so very much to those who already generously gave contributions to last weekend's sudden, urgent Second Collection. This weekend's Second Collection is earmarked for the same worthy cause, since there may have been a number of parishioners unprepared last weekend for the Emergency Appeal. Our Second Collection now offers them a more appropriate opportunity of giving. His Eminence is grateful for our willingness to join in both material support and prayerful solidarity with our brothers and sisters who are desperately in need of our compassion and assistance. God love you!

## Memorial Fund

A memorial contribution, received in loving memory of Mary K. Sabo from Mr. & Mrs. Terry Thompson and Family, is most gratefully acknowledged.

## Comboni Missionary Lay Ministry

The first meeting of the Comboni Missionary lay Ministry Group for this year 2005 will be held on Tuesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m., in the Convent, 58 South 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The Lay Ministry Group continues its purpose to enrich spiritually each member, and to seek ways to help the Sisters in their

ministering to the poor here and abroad. For this meeting, letters from Ethiopia and Mozambique will be read, and consideration will be made on how to respond to their plea. Members and supporters, come to the Lay Ministry Meeting! For more information, please call 610/380-9229.

### Help For Military Families

Do you know any local families with a member in the U.S. Armed Forces currently serving in Iraq or Afghanistan? The Chester County Knight of Columbus 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly needs your help in identifying local families with military personnel for the Knights' 2005 Patriotic Program. Please contact Dan Bowser at 610/383-1867.

### Vicariate Prayer Group Events

Monthly Prayer Meetings are being held in Our Lady of Consolation Church, Parkesburg, on the first Wednesdays. The meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. and end y 8:30 p.m. under the direction of Father Chris Rogers, with music provided by the Bonito Sisters. One of the group's intentions is to intercede for vocations to the priesthood. Everyone invited to attend on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Young Adult Prayer Meetings will begin on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. with Father Chris Rogers directing. The meetings will be conducted in St. Mary's Chapel, located across from the Ship Inn on Route 30, Exton. All young adults are encouraged to come and participate on January 12<sup>th</sup>.

Vicariate Healing Masses will continue to be offered in St. Joseph Church, Downingtown, on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month, beginning with praise and worship at 8:00 p.m. Father Greg Hamill presides at the Mass. Music is provided by various local groups. Come and experience God's healing power on January 27<sup>th</sup>.

For more information on any of these events, kindly contact Sue Havey at 610/593-2904 or Joe McCahon at 610/269-0878.

### Tutor Training Workshop

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 in Boscov's Community Auditorium at Exton Square Mall, on Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, and Monday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. For more information about this exciting and rewarding volunteer opportunity or to register for the workshop, please contact 610/918-8222.

### Discernment Day

Discernment Day is an afternoon for women and men interested in learning more about religious life. It is a time for prayer, reflection and sharing. Hear from men and women who have taken the step and begun the process of preparing for religious vows. The Day will be conducted on Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, from 1:30 to 4:45 p.m., at our Mother of Good

Council Parish, 31 Pennswood Road, Bryn Mawr. A Vigil Mass follows at 5:00 p.m.

### Pro-Life Event

The Annual Chester County March for Life will take place on Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 2:30 p.m. in West Chester. This year's theme will be "The Beauty and Joys of Motherhood", featuring speakers Matt Pinto and Felice McElwaine. Meet outside St. Agnes Church, West Gay & New Streets, for a short program. Refreshments will follow in the Knights of Columbus Hall on Market Street. In case of inclement weather, the program will be conducted inside St. Agnes Church. For more details, call the Chester County Pro-Life Coalition at 610/692-4463.

### Spring Talent Show

We are looking to present a night of entertainment provided by the parishioners of our Church and of the four other Churches in Cluster 42. It would be a Spring Talent Show, the proceeds of which would benefit our new Regional Catholic Elementary School. Would you be willing to share your talents for this venture? All parishioners, high schoolers and over, are invited to participate. With five Parishes to draw from, there should be an abundance of talent. See the Talent Show form and box in the rear of church.

### Have You Helped Save a Life Today?

The American Red Cross is looking for volunteers to greet and register blood donors, and to serve refreshments at local bloodmobiles. Volunteer drivers are also needed to transport lifesaving blood from bloodmobiles to the Red Cross lab in Philadelphia. No lifting is required, and vehicles (or mileage reimbursement) are provided. Volunteer schedulers are also in urgent need to help make calls from the comfort of their own home. Come, enjoy the benefits of flexible schedules, greet people and helping to save lives! For more information, please call Lorie Kuhn at 215/405-8840.

### Registration at Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School

Registration for the school year 2005-06 will be held in the Primary building in St. Cecilia Parish, Coatesville, on Monday, February 28, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, and on Tuesday, March 1 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon.

#### **Requirements:**

*To enter Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old by September 1, 2005.*

*To enter First Grade, a child must be 6 years old by September 1, 2005.*

*An original birth certificate*

*Original Baptismal certificate*

*Immunization records are **NECESSARY** at the time of registration.*

*Catholic families **MUST** present a letter from their Pastor verifying membership in the Parish before a child will be registered.*

*There is a \$75.00 non-refundable registration fee.*

***Open House:***

*All parents with pre-school children are invited too our open house on February 28 between 9 and 12 noon. We will be happy to have you visit our little ones in the classrooms and answer any questions you may have about our school.*

*I Thank you,  
Sister Helen Loretta, JHM  
Principal*

\*CACES will accept registrations from parishioners who have students in the public school district currently in Grades 1 to 6 depending on the availability of space. This registration will be done on the registration days in February. In the event of a strike by one of the public school districts, CACES registration will be closed until the strike is settled.