

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, February 5th, 2005, 6:30 PM

Max Sushinski (Bob & Frances Shesko)

Euch. Minister Seymen
Lector Sara

Sunday, February 6th, 2005, 10:30 AM

Joseph Wasko (Anniversary)(Wife, Eleanor Wasko)

Euch. Ministers Lasak Jr. & Bugar
Lector Peter

Masses for the week of February 6th, 2005, will be offered in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church except as follows:

Wednesday, February 9th, 2005, 9:30 AM

Augusta Saska (Julia & Paul Potpinko)

Wednesday, February 9th, 2005, 7:00 PM

Mary Sabo (Dr. & Mrs. Gentile)

Saturday, February 12th, 2005, 6:30 PM

Max Sushinski (Ken & Lorraine Rhoades Family)

Euch. Minister Claypoole
Lector Patrick

Sunday, February 13th, 2005, 10:30 AM

Luigi Baldini (Wife Grace)

Euch. Ministers Hillman & Nesbitt
Lector Kathy

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, Dylan Manning, John Cisarik, Marie McBride, Helen Collins, Oli Alfaro, Jim McConnell, Joseph Yankech, III, Ana Maria Yankech, Joseph Salada, Nancy Stern, Michael Kozacheson, Bill Franklin, Brian Babcock, Laura Szweda, Betty Hracho, Joseph Dougherty and the Deceased: Monsignor Edward Musial, Adam Gregor and Paul Toth. 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, February 5th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, February 13th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Special Collection This Weekend

The Second Collection this weekend, February 5th & 6th, is designated as the Annual Appeal for the Care of Aging and Ill Priests of our Archdiocese. Your gift to this deserving cause will directly benefit our senior priests who must suspend their active ministry due to age or health. Thank you for your customary generosity.

R.C.I.A. Program

Are you a Christian from a non-Catholic denomination or someone lacking any Church affiliation who is interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith and its practices? Or perhaps you are a Catholic seeking an update on the beliefs of

Catholicism. The Parish R.C.I.A. Program warmly invites your participation in a weekly series of presentations meant to enlighten, encourage and energize. For those who choose so, the climax of the Program may be your formal reception into the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Initiation. For full information, please contact Father John Oulds at 610/384-1172.

Life in The Spirit Seminars

The Archdiocesan Catholic Charismatic Renewal will offer the Life in the Spirit Seminars during Lent for the Chester County Vicariate. The Seminars will be held every Thursday at St. Patrick Church, Kennett Square, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. The dates are February 17th, February 24th, March 3rd, March 10th and March 17th. The meetings will be conducted in the lower level of the Church. The purpose of these seminars is to help in living a life according to God's plan through the Spirit received at Baptism, and in empowering us to minister to others through the use of the same Spirit's gifts. For more information, contact Jean Gotell at 610/254-4655 or Bobbi O'Sullivan at 610/388-6423. Everyone from all walks of life is invited and encouraged to attend.

First Confession And First Communion

We are pleased to announce the dates of First Sacraments for those eligible children of our Parish Family. The Sacrament of Reconciliation or First confession will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 17th. The Sacrament of Holy Eucharist or First Communion will be celebrated at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 1st. Parents of our first communicants are requested to attend an important Sacramental Meeting at 7:00 p.m., on Thursday, February 10th, in the School Hall, in preparation for these very special occasions. These boys and girls hold a place in our prayers as they make ready for an even more intimate union with the Shepherd of our souls.

Spring Talent Show

It's the "CACES Cabaret" call for talent. Here is your chance to strut your stuff. We are looking for singers, dancers, musicians, a cappella groups, duos, trios, combos, bands, cheerleaders/dance teams, karaoke, lip-synch performers, comics, poets, MCs, magicians, jugglers, mimes or you tell us. No audition. Open to all ages. Reserve your slot by March 17th; call 610/316-0884. Volunteers also are needed for (refreshments, ushers, stage crew,

publicity, etc.). Show date will be Friday, April 15, 2005, at 7:30 p.m., in the Scott Middle School Auditorium. Proceeds will benefit the building fund for our new Regional Catholic Elementary School.

Parents Meeting For CACES Sports Program

There will be a meeting for parents only in North Brandywine School, at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, February 23rd. It is directed to anyone having a child(ren) interested in playing boys baseball (grades 5-8), girls softball (grades 5-8) and track (grades 4-8). Questions? Kindly call Kathy Lafferty c/o CACES Athletic Board at 610/857-2006.

Safe Environment Program

To further fulfill the National Conference of Catholic Bishops Charter for the Protection of children and Young People, a program entitled "Protecting God's Children for Parents" will be presented at 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, February 8th, in Our Lady of the Rosary Church Hall, 80 South 17th Avenue. Although taking place at the beginning of the CACES Home and School Association meeting already scheduled for that evening, the program is intended for all interested parents of our Parish, regardless of the school their children are attending. As a parent, you are welcome, in fact, urged, to be present, so we can work together to provide the safest environment for our children.

Vicariate Holy Hour For Vocations

During the Season of Lent, we will have the opportunity to come together and pray as a Vicariate for an increase of vocations to the priesthood in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The Holy Hour will begin at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, March 7th, in St. Agnes Church, 231 Gay Street, West Chester. The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge will preside at this Holy Hour consisting of prayer, homily and some reflections from our seminarians at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. It certainly is an opportunity for us, as a Vicariate, to be reminded of the importance of creating a culture that promotes vocations to the priesthood through the power of prayer and through invitations. Please set this date aside and grant Christ this hour with Him.

Lady's Night Out

Save the date of Friday, March 4th, for a special Wine Tasting Event to be sponsored by the Coatesville Area Elementary School Development Committee and Father Stephen Curry, O.S.A.

Ladies, come and join us at 7:00pm in the Rosary Hall at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, South 17th Avenue. Tickets are \$25.00 and will go on sale in February.

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 and 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 to 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.

Women's Club News

Kudos to all those ladies who braved the cold and ice to attend the Women's Club Meeting last Sunday. We would like to share with you some of the plans that were made at this meeting.

The Women voted to purchase a CLASSROOM in our new regional elementary school at a cost of \$30,000. We have already given \$5000,

and pledged \$10000 from this year's lottery proceeds. This means we are pledged to \$15,000 more, which will be realized from future fund raisers and lottery proceeds.

We are hoping our parishioners and friends will continue to support our activities so that we can fulfill this pledge.

If you have not made a Faith Promise to our school and would like to, just contact Father John.

A SPAGHETTI DINNER AND BAKE SALE are being planned for Saturday, March 19th (St. Joseph's Feast Day). Further information will be coming in the near future.

At this dinner, \$500 raffle will be chanced off.

Since this year is the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the Women's Club, the women are planning a Women's Breakfast with the men doing the honors on April 17th. Special activities are being planned.

We certainly do appreciate your marking these dates on your calendar and make plans to attend.

Go Eagles!!