

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.

Saturday, September 10th, 2005, 6:30 PM

Agnes & Havard Franciscus (H. Franciscus Family)

Euch. Minister Nesbitt
Lector Elaine

Sunday, September 11th, 2005, 10:30 AM

Luigi Baldini (Wife Grace & Family)

Euch. Ministers Lasak, Jr. & Hillman
Lector Phillip

Masses for the week of September 11th, 2005 will be offered in St. Joseph Church as noted:

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	Agnes Novotny (Julia Vanderslice)
Wednesday	9 am	Special Intention (Bob & Ann Hamilton)
Thursday	9 am	Joseph Florian (Saint Joseph Women's Club)
Friday	9 am	Vera Lahm (Helen & Phyllis Yankech)
Saturday	9 am	Max Sushinski (Richard & Mary Ann Michinok)

Saturday, September 17th, 2005, 6:30 PM

William Bedrick (Ann & Andy Cigas)

Lector Sara

Sunday, September 18th, 2005, 10:30 AM

William & Edward Lasak (Mary Czirjak)

Lector Kathleen

Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Julia Esposito, Marie Reali, Kate Ohar, Janet Yost, Dorothy Bodnar, Kathryn Magala, Jan Schultz, Andrew Hamara, Joanne Krupansky, Mary Kish, Bertha Amole, Dylan Manning, Helen Collins, Jim McConnell, Joseph Yankech, III, Joseph Salada, Nancy Stern, Michael Kozacheson, Bill Franklin, Brian Babcock, Joseph Dougherty, Albert Fuller, Josephine Regener, Henrietta Torma, Chelsea Osborne, Lisa Lucci, Steffie Levenite, Robert Hrachko, Deborah DeLellis, Sue Dunlap, Nicholas Kousisis, and Mike Sullivan. Also, we pray for the well being of all our U.S. military currently serving in Iraq and Afghanistan, especially Mark Pike, son of our parishioners Mr. & Mrs. David Pike.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, September 11th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, September 17th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Hurricane Relief For The Gulf States

To date, our parishioners have donated more than \$1,450.00 to assist the innumerable people who are suffering the cruel effects of recent Hurricane Katrina. We expect that additional gifts for this most deserving cause will be found in the collection basket this weekend. Thank you for your compassion and generosity at this time of undeniable need, and please keep our victimized sisters and brothers in the goodness of your prayers.

Black and Indian Missions Appeal

The Second Collection this weekend is scheduled as the Annual Appeal in behalf of the Black and Indian Missions in our own country. The church engages in missionary work not only abroad, but also in this land of ours, especially among the Native American and African American peoples. Your generosity to this noble cause would be greatly appreciated by all engaged in spreading the Lord's Kingdom on our own home front.

Comboni Missionary Sisters Lay Ministers

Summer is practically over. With Fall, the Comboni Missionary Sisters resume their monthly meetings of the lay associates to explore what good deeds might be accomplished to fulfill the "missionary mandate of our Church" in the world and in the parish. You are cordially invited to the Sisters' Lay

Ministry Meeting in their Convent, 58 South 6th Avenue, on Monday, September 12th, at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please call 610/380-9229.

Prayer on The Parkway

Come, celebrate Christ's Presence in the Holy Eucharist! Join with Cardinal Justin Rigali at the Eucharistic Holy Hour and Benediction on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia. This major Archdiocesan Event will be held on Sunday, September 18th, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. A comfortable chartered bus will be available for the convenience of all participants from our West End Parishes, with departure at 4:00 p.m. from St. Stanislaus Kostka Church and at 4:15 p.m. from St. Joseph Church. You may wish to bring a small collapsible chair with you to breakup the period of standing. On the return trip, light refreshments will be served to all. Call 610/384-1172 now, please, to make reservations. This grand occasion closes our local Worldwide Year of the Eucharist announced by the late Pope John Paul II.

Attention: High School Students

If, as a high school student, you are looking for a life-changing experience away from the peer pressure of your everyday life, you are welcome to participate in a powerful retreat program entitled the "Going Deeper" Retreat. Hosted by the Franciscan University of Steubenville and the Malvern Retreat House, the Retreat will be held on the weekend of October 14th – 16th at the Malvern Retreat House. The entire Steubenville team will be directing the Retreat including prayer, music, inspiring talks, praise and worship, Eucharistic adoration and Mass. Call today for additional information at 610/644-0400.

Malvern Day of Recollection

Are the anxieties of your life leading you to search for greater peace? If so, this Day of Recollection at the Malvern Retreat House is for you. "*The Healing Power of Grace*" with Father Stephen Delacy, Maria Maggio and Dan Mazurek will be conducted on Thursday, September 15th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The requested offering is \$30.00 for the day. To register or for more information, kindly call 610/644-0400.

Chester County Buddy Walk

On Sunday, October 16, 2005, the Lasak family will participate in the Fifth Annual Chester County Buddy Walk. It will take place in West Goshen Community Park, West Chester. The walk is sponsored by the Chester County Down Syndrome Interest Group. The purpose of the one-mile walk and afternoon of activities is to promote support and understanding for individuals with Down syndrome and for their families. (We also have a lot of fun!) Jan is serving on the Buddy Walk planning committee. Sarah and Jennie will work as volunteers for the event, and the whole family will be walking.

Again this year, the Lasak's would like to collect enough money before September 7th in order to get Catherine's team name printed on the back of the Buddy Walk shirts. If anyone of the St. Joseph's family would like to sponsor Catherine, volunteer for the event, or to walk, please contact Jan or Frank at (610) 869-4841. Thank you.

Vicariate Prayer Group Invitation

On Saturday, September 24th, Life in the Spirit Seminars will be conducted at Our Lady of Consolation Church, Parkesburg, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. This opportunity will culminate with the Baptism in the Spirit and leave you with a blueprint on how to change your life. Come and bring a friend. A continental breakfast will be provided, as well as a light lunch. To register, please call Joe at 610/269-0878 or Sue at 610/593-2904.

Choir Sign-Up

Sign-up for both the adult and children's choir will take place after Mass *this* week-end (9/10-9/11). The first practice will be held *Monday*, 9/12 in the church choir loft at 6:45 p.m. for the children and 7:30 p.m. for the adults. We will then go on a weekly Monday night schedule if possible.

New members are welcome and encouraged to join. The children's choir ranges in ages from 5 to 13 years old, and there is no age limit for the adult choir. Experience or the ability to read music is not required, just the desire to sing.

If you have any questions, I will be available after Mass or I can be reached at 610/212-2927.

Susan Sandoski
Choir Director

CCD News

Registration for the 2005/2006 CCD year will be held on the next 2 Sundays, September 18 and September 25 – 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 7th grade. Classes will begin on Sunday October 3rd at 9:15 a.m.. Please contact Frank Lasak at 610-869-4841 if you have any questions.

Dear Parishioners of St. Joseph's Church,

My name is Maria Scarfo and I have been elected as the new President of the Women's Club here in our parish. Along with me, I have Kathleen Ponto as the Vice-President, Susan Sandoski as the Treasurer and Andrea Levenite as the Secretary. We had our first officers meeting and we have developed many wonderful and exciting activities that we hope to implement throughout this coming year for the women in our parish. I have been a parishioner of St. Joseph's for about 3 years and during these past few years, I have tried to become involved in our parish as much as possible by joining our Adult Choir and cantoring for our parish. It is my hope that any new women, as well as the faithful members of our club, will feel welcomed and encouraged to enjoy the friendship and social events that our Women's Club will be sponsoring this year.

The first event that we are hosting is a Women's Club "Wine and Cheese Social" that will be held on Friday, September 16, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in our parish hall. We are hoping for a large turnout of women and we will be having light entertainment for all to enjoy, followed by an informal meeting. Please bring a friend or neighbor who would enjoy an evening of laughter and spirits. We are hoping that this event will be the beginning of a wonderful year of new members, fun, and a way to build our community of faith. It is my hope that we will be able to experience a new sense of friendship and appreciation for each other as we embark on this new year! Please mark your calendars with the above date and we look forward to seeing you at our first social of the year!

