

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.

Sunday, February 26th, 2006, 10:30 AM

Sandy Monko (Dubinski Family)

Alter Servers	Stephanie Trumpleman, Bill Hackmeister & Jennie Lasak
Euch. Ministers	Lasak, Jr. & Krupansky
Lector	Kathy

Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Julia Esposito, Marie Reali, Kate Ohar, Janet Yost, Dorothy Bodnar, Jan Schultz, Andrew Hamara, Joanne Krupansky, Mary Kish, Bertha Amole, Dylan Manning, Helen Collins, Joseph Yankech, III, Joseph Salada, Michael Kozacheson, Joseph Dougherty, Josephine Regener, Chelsea Osborne, Lisa Lucci, Steffie Levenite, Robert Hracho, Mike Sullivan, Elmer Dunn, Alexander Price, Stephen Jordan and Bunny Jordan. Among the recently Deceased: we remember Gerri Ann Toth. 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, February 19th, following shortly after the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, February 25th, shortly after the Evening Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

First Communion Meeting For Parents

An important meeting for parents of the children of the Parish, who are eligible to receive their First Holy Communion this spring, will be conducted at 7:00 p.m., on Sunday, February 19th, in the School Hall. Both Father John Oulds and Mrs. Beth Ann Hackmeister, Coordinator of the First Sacraments Program, will be making presentations in preparation for the twin events of First Penance and First Communion.

A Prayer Group For CACES Families

Saint Cecilia Church is hosting a Prayer Group on Tuesdays, from 7:50 to 8:15 a.m. The group is open for all CACES families desiring to come together and pray for the safety and spiritual needs of the students, faculty, staff and volunteers of Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School. Your prayer requests may be dropped off at the School Office or at Saint Cecilia Rectory.

Bishop's Pastoral Visit

On Sunday, March 5th, we will welcome the Most Reverend Robert P. Maginnis, Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia, to our Parish Family. As a representative of Cardinal Justin F. Rigali, Bishop Maginnis comes to celebrate Mass with us and to meet personally with us. Immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass, a modest reception will be held in the school hall,

Saturday, February 18th, 2006, 6:30 PM

Luigi Baldini (Wife Grace & Family)

Alter Servers	Amy & Alyssa Hoopes
Euch. Minister	Johnson
Lector	Sara

Sunday, February 19th, 2006, 10:30 AM

Casper Hracho (Wife Betty & Family)

Alter Servers	Nina Alfaro, Taryn Fisher & Hannah Reczek
Euch. Ministers	Hillman & M. Nesbitt
Lector	Frank

Masses for the week of February 19th, 2006 will be offered in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church except as noted:

Tuesday, February 21st, 2006, 4:00 PM

*Eucharistic Holy Hour of Reparation and Renewal
(In St. Stanislaus Kostka Church)*

Saturday, February 25th, 6:30 PM

Joseph Arvay, Sr. (Arvay Family)

Alter Servers	Tyler Jamison, Nicholas Malavolta
Euch. Minister	J. Nesbitt
Lector	Elaine

allowing all to greet warmly His Excellency, officially appointed overseer for the Chester County Vicariate.

Ash Wednesday Schedule

March 1st marks Ash Wednesday, the opening day of the Lenten Season. Ashes, the ancient sign of repentance, will be blessed and distributed in St. Joseph Church at a 9:30 a.m. Mass and a 7:00 p.m. Mass, and in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church at 9:00 a.m. Mass, a 12:05 Noontime Prayer Service and a 5:30 p.m. Mass. We thought you may wish this advance information in order to plan your day.

An Irish Gala For a Good Cause

The Dylan James Manning Foundation for Tay-Sachs Disease is hosting their 2nd Annual Irish Gala to be celebrated at the Coatesville Moose 1910 Ballroom on Saturday, March 18, 2006 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. For ticket information contact Maureen at 610/524-0537 or email nanamo22@comcast.net. One in every 50 Irish are carriers of Tay-Sachs Disease. Visit Dylan's website at www.djsfoundation.org to learn more about his courageous battle.

Knight At The Races

The Knights of Columbus, associated with Our Lady of Consolation Church in Parkesburg, will hold their Seventh Annual Knight at the Races on Saturday, March 4th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Schneider Parish Center on Cemetery Road. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Purchase a horse for \$10.00 and you will win \$30.00, if your horse wins its race. You will be excused from the \$5.00 admission charge upon your purchase of a horse. Horses and information are available by calling Albert Bryson at 610/857-4459, Tom Henderson at 610/593-2186 or Paul Harkins at 610/466-7494.

Looking For Something To Do This Summer?

The Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus invite you to volunteer for an eight-day period in El Salvador. Help nurture malnourished babies, work with children in before and after school programs, build houses and roads, teach computer skills or the English language, or accompany a local nurse on her rounds. These Mission experiences will be conducted on various dates throughout the upcoming summer. For more information, contact Lynette Kyle at 215/297-9839 or email LKLYE62@comcast.net.

Books For The Bayou

The members of Bishop Shanahan High School's Critics Club are asking for our support for their Book Drive. Club members will be collecting used or new books to be sent to a library in New Orleans that has lost everything. Books will be accepted up to Wednesday, April 5th. Donations can be brought to Shanahan's library during regular school hours. On Saturdays, March 11th and April 1st, you can drop off donations between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Questions? Kindly call the school library at 610/343-6208.

CACES Cabaret

The CACES Cabaret sign-up deadline is approaching! February 19th is the last day for performers to sign-up for this year's CACES Cabaret talent show. The show will be staged on Friday, March 10th, at the Coatesville Area Senior High School auditorium and benefits our new regional Catholic

school building fund. A limited number of slots are available for singers, dancers, musicians, skits, novelty acts and others to participate. Preference will be given to group acts. Want to help behind the scenes and meet new friends? Still needed are volunteers for fundraising, publicity, refreshments, tickets, decorations and clean up. Forms and a box can be found in the church vestibule or contact Paul Laich at 610/316-0884 or by email cacescabaret@comcast.net. The website is <http://cacescabaret.home.comcast.net>.

Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)

Sign-ups/tryouts for the Spring Sport Program will be conducted on Wednesday, March 1st, according to the following schedule:

Boys Baseball at North Brandywine School
6:00 to 7:30 pm Grades 5th and 6th: Junior Varsity
7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Grades 7th and 8th Varsity

Girls Softball at South Brandywine School
6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Grades 5th and 6th: Junior Varsity
8:00 to 9:30 p.m. Grades 7th and 8th: Varsity

Boys & Girls Track at South Brandywine School
7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Grades 4th through 8th

Note: There will only be sign-ups for Track on March 1st, no tryouts. Mrs. Diffendall will provide a practice schedule at a later date. If you have any questions, please call John Lafferty at 610/212-7318.

MOM: Heart Of The Home Ministry

Moms, there's still time to make a New Year's resolution. Why not make 2006 the year you resolve to strengthen your relationship with God? On Saturday, March 18th, the Chester County Chapter of MOM: Heart of the Home will offer a Day of Renewal at Bishop Shanahan High School in Downingtown. From 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., moms of all ages are invited to enjoy inspirational speakers, individual reflection and the company of other moms. This day will give you time to reflect on your vocation of motherhood while replenishing your spirit. Our principal presider this year will be Cardinal Justin Rigali. Registration is \$20.00 (\$25.00 after March 4th) and includes a boxed lunch. Pick-up a registration form by downloading it from www.mom.heartofthehome.org or contact Lisa Bice, our MOM Parish Representative, at 610/399-4499.

Vicariate Holy Hour For Vocations

In October 2004, Pope John Paul II blessed a special monstrance for Eucharistic Adoration, encouraging private and public prayer for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Since then, it has traveled throughout the United States and will arrive in our Archdiocese next month. It will be used to hold the Blessed Sacrament for a Vicariate Holy Hour for Vocations on Sunday, March 26th, at 7:30 p.m., in the new St. Elizabeth Church, Fellowship Road and Route 100 (Pottstown Pike), Uwchlan. Our need for future priests, as well as religious Sisters and Brothers, is great. How important it is that we gather before Jesus in the Eucharist to pray that "the Lord of the harvest will send more laborers into His harvest." Please plan on joining us for the Holy Hour that evening.

New Altar Servers

The invitation is extended to the boys and girls of the Parish, from 4th grade age and older, to assist the priest at Mass and other ceremonies as an altar server. In another few weeks, Mr. Vincent Krupansky will be conducting training sessions for our young volunteers in the Parish Church on Sundays, immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The altar server-to-be should be dependable, responsible, reverent and careful in his/her service at the altar. A sign up list is located on the bulletin board in the vestibule. For more information, call Father John at 610/384-0306.

R.C.I.A. Program

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) is a step-by-step program for inquirers to gain knowledge of the beliefs and practices of the Roman Catholic Church and then, if they choose, to embrace the Faith through the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. In short, the R.C.I.A. Program is the Church's way of making new Catholics or further explaining the Faith to those baptized Catholics in need of a fuller explanation. Depending on the response, a group is usually formed and meets regularly. For added details, kindly call Father John at 610/384-1172.

Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary Annual Appeal

There is still time to make your contribution!

Sincere gratitude is extended to all who have given to the Annual Seminary Appeal this year. Although the designated month for the collection has ended, there is still time to make a gift if you have not had the opportunity.

Contributions to the Seminary Appeal for the 2006 fiscal year will be accepted through June 30, 2006.

The Seminary community is grateful to you for your faithful support of this important endeavor. Your tax-deductible gift helps to enhance the many resources needed for priestly training and enables the Seminary to form holy, educated, and dedicated priests.

Gifts to the Annual Seminary Appeal may be made payable in the form of check or credit card. Please call the Seminary's Office for Development at 610/785-6231 to process your credit card donation.

PLEASE SEND YOUR DONATION TO:

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
Office for Development
100 East Wynnewood Road
Wynnewood, PA 19090

Parochial School Registration

Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School Registration for the academic year 2006-2007 will be conducted in the Primary Building (St. Cecilia Parish Campus) on Monday and Tuesday, February 27th – 28th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. To enter Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old by September 1st, 2006. Documents required at registration are the following: original birth certificate, original baptismal

certificate, immunization records and a pastor's letter verifying membership in the Parish. Also, a \$75.00 non-refundable registration fee is due at this time. All parents with pre-school children are invited to our open House on February 27th, between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 noon. Visit our little ones in the classrooms and have your questions about the school answered. Coatesville Catholic will accept registrations from parishioners who have students, currently in Grades 1 to 6, from a Public School District, depending on the availability of space. This registration, too, will be done on the registration days in February. In the event of a strike by one of the Public School Districts, our registration will be closed until the strike is settled.

Stewardship

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For however many are the promises of God, their Yes is in him; therefore, the Amen from us also goes through him to God for glory". 2 Corinthians 1:20

We must learn to be stewards of our gifts, talents and resources, which is – anything and everything that we possess, we hold in trust. We are each accountable to God, and with such accountability, there comes obligations.

A Family Perspective

The greatest challenge to remain steadfast in living the gospel might come from those closest to us – members of our family. The deep hurts that can occur between brothers and sisters or parents and children require us to be most God-like: to forgive and to continue to love.

Women's Club News

The members of the Women's Club are planning a Spaghetti Dinner, which will be held on Saturday, March 18th from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. in St. Joseph's School Hall.

Dinner will consist of Spaghetti w/meatballs, tossed salad, Italian bread and ice cream for dessert. The price is \$8.00/adults, \$4.00/children 5 to 12, under 5, children are free.

In conjunction with the Spaghetti Dinner, there will be a Bake Table, our Theme Baskets Table and also we will be chancing off \$500. Chances for the \$500 Drawing were mailed to all Parishioners this past week. Thank you in advance for your support. We hope you will mark your calendars and join us on the 18th of March.

Thank you in advance for your support and participation.