

# 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, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006, 6:30 PM**

*Kitty Magala (Kathleen & Roger Richards)*

Euch. Minister M. Nesbitt  
Lector Elaine

**Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2006, 10:30 AM**

*Michael & Margaret Sushinski (Agnes Sushinski)*

Euch. Ministers Bugar & Hillman  
Lector Phillip

Masses for the week of April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2006 will be offered in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church except as noted:

**Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006, 7 PM**

*"Kitty" Magala (Nick & Judy Raytik)*

**Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006, 9:30 AM**

*Pope John Paul II*

**Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2006, 6:30 PM**

*Parishioners*

Euch. Minister Swinty  
Lector Sara & Patrick

**Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006, 10:45 AM**

*Marie Pietschmann  
(Reczek, Johnson, Neff, Sullivan Families  
& Sandra Greenly)*

Euch. Minister J. Nesbitt & Catanese  
Lector Kathleen & Frank

## 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, Bunny Jordan and Mary Benkovich. Among the recently Deceased: Father John Murray and Albert Hudock. 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 Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, shortly after the Evening Mass. Likewise, next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, shortly after the Evening Mass. Other pre-Easter opportunities include: Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. (in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church), and Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. (in St. Joseph Church), as well as the Communal Penance Service announced below.

## St. Joseph's Finance Committee Meeting

*Reminder:* Meeting of the Finance Committee on Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Rectory!

## Lenten Communal Penance Service

Our five Parishes of Cluster 42 will jointly hold a Lenten Penance Service at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday of Holy Week, April 11<sup>th</sup>, in St. Cecilia Church, East Chestnut Street & North Sixth Avenue. Several priests will be available for the individual hearing of confessions. Please circle the date on your calendar and plan to participate in this Sacrament of Jesus' Forgiveness prior to the celebration of Easter.

## Change of Mass Time on Palm Sunday and An Invitation

On Palm Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, our Solemn Procession and Mass will be offered at 10:45 a.m., fifteen minutes later than usual, to allow Father John to complete the same sacred ceremonies at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church and then make his way over to conduct the ritual of the day at St. Joseph Church. Thank you for accommodating your schedule to this slight change.

The school age children of our Parish are invited to participate in Palm Sunday's Solemn Procession, which occurs near the beginning of the Liturgy. Each will be provided with appropriate items to carry in the procession. We ask that the youngsters report to Mr. Frank Lasak, Jr. no later than 10:25 in the rear of church for necessary instruction.

### **Lenten Evening Mass**

On the Tuesdays of Lent (March 7<sup>th</sup> through April 4<sup>th</sup>), an Evening Mass at 7:00 will be offered in St. Joseph Church. On the Wednesdays of Lent (March 1<sup>st</sup> through April 12<sup>th</sup>) an Evening Mass at 5:30 will be offered in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church.

### **Stations of The Cross Devotion**

The Stations of the Cross Devotion, most meaningful in Lent, will be conducted on Saturday mornings, March 4<sup>th</sup> through April 8<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the 9:00 Mass, alternating weekly between St. Joseph Church and St. Stanislaus Kostka Church.

### **Operation Rice Bowl**

Your contribution for Operation Rice Bowl, a Lenten sacrificial practice in behalf of the hungry here and abroad, may be placed in the specially marked container found in the rear of church. Thank you for your anticipated gift.

### **Weekly Eucharistic Holy Hour**

Our Eucharistic Holy Hour of Reparation and Renewal conducted on Tuesdays, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m., changes location this week, moving from St. Stanislaus Kostka Church to St. Joseph Church. We welcome your participation in prayer and reflection before the Blessed Sacrament. The rite of Benediction concludes each week's Holy Hour.

### **Annual CACES PACES Event**

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual CACES Paces Walk-a-Thon will be held on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m., at Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown. Last year was a great success with over \$40,000.00 raised for the construction of our new regional Catholic elementary school. Please show your support again this year by sponsoring a child, volunteering your time at the walk, donating prizes or baked goods. There are also opportunities for advertising your business. Contact Candy Whitehead at 610/384-0685 for more information on how you can get involved in this fun event.

### **Catholic Blender**

Ever feel like you are the only person in their 20's or 30's that is Catholic? Look no further than the Catholic Blender! All young adults (20's and 30's, single or married) are invited to step into the Catholic Blender and

make some Catholic connections. Jump on in and mix on April 20<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Finnigan's Wake, 3<sup>rd</sup> & Spring Garden Streets, Philadelphia. Admission is \$20.00 and includes dinner, beer and soda. To RSVP, contact Rosey Lester at 215/965-4635 or [phillyyam@yahoo.com](mailto:phillyyam@yahoo.com). For more information, please visit [www.oyya.org/yam](http://www.oyya.org/yam). Proceeds benefit Young Adult Ministry of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

### **Coaches Needed**

Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School is in need of soccer and volleyball coaches. A letter of intent from new coaches and returning coaches is requested which should be sent to the School Office, Attention: Mr. John Lafferty, Athletic Director. This letter may also be dropped off at the School Office where it will be picked up by Mr. Lafferty. The school address is 605 East Lincoln Highway, Coatesville, PA 19320.

### **Religious Composer Returns To Philadelphia Area**

John Michael Talbot, considered by many to be the most well known Catholic musician of our time, is returning to the Philadelphia area for a concert of his music and song. He will be in concert at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, in St. Ephrem Church, 5400 Hulmeville Road, Bensalem, PA 19020. Tickets are \$25.00 in advance and \$30.00 at the door. Please send a self addressed, stamped envelope, with a check or money order made out to "St. Ephrem Church", reflecting the number of tickets you wish to purchase. Treat yourself to a type of "mini-retreat" with John Michael Talbot. For more information regarding this outstanding composer and his music, visit his website: [www.johnmichaeltalbot.com](http://www.johnmichaeltalbot.com).

### **High School Wrestling Program**

Bishop Shanahan Wrestling Team will conduct a summer camp at Lehigh University for boys, grades 9-12. All skill levels are wanted for the 2006-2007 season. The candidate must attend Bishop Shanahan High School or be an enrolled incoming freshman. If interested, contact Mark Michaels at 610/383-5876.

### **Lenten Day of Recollection**

You are cordially invited to come and spend a day with the Lord at St. Mary of Providence Center, 227 Isabella Road, Elverson, on Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Bring a friend. The cost for the day is \$25.00 per person, including lunch. To register, you may call the Center at 610/942-4166.

### **Benefit Car Wash**

A Car Wash will be held at the Parkesburg Wal-Mart on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the building of the Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School. Please contact Scott or Kristen Donaldson at 610/466-0550 with any

questions or to volunteer your time and effort. "Volunteers" are very much needed. Thank you!

### **CACES Cheerleading Try-Outs**

Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School will be conducting Cheerleading Try-outs for Varsity and Junior Varsity on April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m., in North Brandywine School. If you have questions, kindly contact Kathy Lafferty at 610/857-2006.

### **Sincerest Appreciation To All**

We are very much grateful to all whose energy, time, kindness and talents went into making last weekend's special occasion of the Celebration of Confirmation so meaningful and beautiful. Undoubtedly it will be a long-lasting memory of significance for your 45 newly confirmed young parishioners. Thank you to all for creating a sacramental event befitting the outpouring of the Holy Spirit into the lives of our new fully initiated members of the Church.

### **Dominican Retreat House**

The Dominican Retreat House, 750 Ashbourne Road, Elkins Park, offers a quiet space, a place of prayer and an environment of hope on their Spiritual Weekends for Women: April 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>, April 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, and April 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>. For further information, contact Sister Margaret Scullin, O.P. at 215/782-8520, extension 180.

Also, an Afternoon of Contemplation is planned for Thursday; May 18<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$10.00 per retreatant. The afternoon offers a time to experience God's presence in a contemplative way. For reservations, call the Retreat House at the above phone number.

### **Never To Be Forgotten**

As difficult as it is to believe, one year has already passed since the death of our beloved Holy Father, Pope John Paul II. He closed his eyes to this world on Easter Saturday, April 2, 2005 and we continue to remember him with deep affection and much appreciation. From heaven's window, the "People's Pope" looks down on us with love as he raises his hand in blessing upon one and all. May his great soul rest in peace! And, through his intercession, we pray that God will crown with success our efforts to build a regional Catholic elementary school bearing the name of His holy servant, Pope John Paul II.

### **Stewardship**

*5th Sunday in Lent*

"Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me." John 12:26

Since God never stops giving, our opportunities to serve and respond from the heart are truly endless.

Stewardship is a way of life – and a lifelong source of grace and deepening spirituality.

### **Respect For Life**

*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent*

"We need to bring the *Gospel of Life* to the heart of every man and woman and to make it penetrate every part of society." (John Paul II, *The Gospel of Life*, No. 80-81)

### **Family Perspective**

Through the Prophet Jeremiah, God promises to "forgive our evildoing and remember our sin no more." As Parents, siblings and children encounter real evildoing, failures, weaknesses or lack of success among family members, the offering of forgiveness enables all involved to become more like God and closer to His Son Jesus.

