

# 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 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

Masses for the week of April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006 will be offered in St. Joseph Church as noted:

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9am	William Turnback (Lewis & Gerry Branson)
	4 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour of Reparation and Renewal
Wednesday	9 am	Kitty Magala (Richard & Barbara Reczek)
Thursday	7 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper (In St. Stanislaus Kostka Church)

## Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2006, 7:00 PM

### Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death

Euch. Ministers Claypoole & Johnson  
Lectors Elaine & Sara

## Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006, 7:30 PM

### Solemn Easter Vigil (Parishioners)

Euch. Minister Bugar & M. Nesbitt  
Lectors Elaine & Kathleen

## Sunday, April 16, 2006, 10:30 AM

### Luigi Baldini (Wife & Children)

Euch. Minister Swinty & Krupansky  
Lector Phillip

## 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 Michael McClean. 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 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.

## 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.

### **Blessed Palm**

Palm, the ancient sign of triumph and exaltation, is being blessed and distributed at the Masses this weekend in observance of Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. This traditional sacramental is placed about one's home as an attachment to a crucifix or framed religious picture, as well as placed on the graves of one's beloved departed.

### **Blessing of Easter Foods and Children's Baskets**

Keeping alive a venerable Eastern European custom, the First Foods of Easter will be blessed for home use on Holy Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, at 2:30 p.m. in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. On the same occasion, Children's Easter Baskets will be blessed, as well as on Easter Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, in St. Joseph 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.

### **Outdoor Way of The Cross Procession**

On Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 noon, all are invited to gather in the St. Cecilia Church parking lot for an Outdoor Way of the Cross Procession on the streets of Coatesville. It is a demonstration of faith by the various Christian congregations of the community on that day of days when we lift high the Cross. If the weather does not cooperate, the Service will be moved indoors.

### **Life in The Spirit Seminars**

The Chester County Vicariate invites you to the Life in the Spirit Seminars, to be presented on Wednesdays: April 26<sup>th</sup>, May 3<sup>rd</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the basement of Assumption BVM Church, West Grove. For more information, call Jean Gattel at 610/255-4655 or Bobbi O'Sullivan at 610/388-6423. Come and receive the blessings and favors of the Lord, as participants attempt to discover what "living the life in the Spirit" actually means.

### **Spring Card Party**

The Coatesville Area Senior Center, 22 North 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, will host a Spring Card Party on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>; from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$7.00 each, including lunch and dessert. Door

prizes, too, will be awarded. For full information, contact 610/383-6900.

### **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.

### **You'll Go Bananas For Son Treasure Island!!**

We're excited about St. Joseph's Vacation Bible School to be held June 26-30 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. This year's program is Son Treasure Island, a week of treasure hunting adventure in the Caribbean Islands! Through their adventures children will discover that God's Love is Giving, God's Love is Kind, God's Love is Caring, God's Love is Forgiving and God's Love is Forever! We will have a great time with lively songs, hilarious skits, creative crafts, exciting games, Bible stories and tasty snacks –all of the things that make Vacation Bible school so much fun for children. On top of that, we will be helping children learn about God's amazing love. So mark your calendars today! Registration will take place on 5/14/06 and 5/21/06 or by calling Beth Ann Hackmeister at 610/380-3505. Adult volunteers are needed!!!!

### **Chester County Hospital May Festival**

*Funnel Cake Booth*

For the third year in a row, the Funnel Cake Booth at the Chester County Hospital May Festival is being manned by parishioners of St. Joseph Church on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> from 11:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. We are looking for volunteers during the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Andy Levenite at 610/431-5269 or 610/384-4665. Hope to hear from you!

### **Stewardship**

*Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion*

"Rather, he empties himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human

in appearance he humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross."  
Philippians 2:7-8

Jesus, humbling himself out of love for us, did not shield his face from buffets and spitting, but offered his life on the cross. He relied on His Father's love. How often as stewards do we look to our Father's love in our everyday choices and circumstances?

### **Respect For Life**

*Palm Sunday*

"If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake, will save it."

### **Family Perspective**

*Passion (Palm) Sunday*

Our life of prayer and worship intensifies as we gather our families to celebrate the great mystery of Christ's suffering and death and resurrection. As we journey with Him and join our own sufferings and disappointments to those of Christ, we experience the power of His redeeming love.

