

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 22nd, 2006, 6:30 PM

Richard Lanagan (Patrick & Robin Lavin)

Euch. Minister Johnson
Lector Elaine

Sunday, April 23rd, 2006, 10:30 AM

John & Anna Saska (Bob & Ann Hamilton Family)

Euch. Ministers Lasak, Jr. & Claypoole
Lector Kathy

Masses for the week of April 23rd, 2006, will be offered in St. Joseph Church.

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	Kitty Magala (Frank & Mary Jane Lasak)
Wednesday	9 am	Kitty Magala (Bob & Stella Grubb)
Thursday	9 am	William Turnbach (Conal, Ann Marie & Katy McBride)
Friday	9 am	Parishioners
Saturday	9 am	Monica Wawiernia (1 st Anniversary) (Edmund Wawiernia)

Saturday, April 29th, 2006, 6:30 PM

Kitty Magala (Ann & Alex Bratic)

Euch. Minister Johnson
Lector Patrick

Sunday, April 30th, 2006, 10:30 AM

Susan Ornedo (the Alfaro Family)

Euch. Ministers Lasak & Claypoole
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, 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, Mary Benkovich and Mimi Sushinski. 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 22nd, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, April 30th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m. prior to the Morning Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Our Cardinal's Invitation

In observance of Divine Mercy Sunday, Cardinal Justin Rigali invites you to an afternoon of spiritual events today (April 23rd) in the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia. From 12:00 noon until 3:00 p.m., there will be the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Confessions will be heard from 12:30 until 2:30 p.m. The recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet will take place at 2:30 p.m. His Eminence will celebrate Mass at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend any part of this special Archdiocesan Observance.

A Really Big Thank You!

We lean on two short words, sincerely expressed, to convey our collective appreciation: thank you. Thank you to all those who fashioned a beautiful, meaningful and spiritually enriching experience of Holy Week and Easter for us this year. Servers and ministers at the altar, voices and musicians from the choir, preparers and decorators of the church, and many volunteers behind the scenes generously offered their time, effort and talent

to have our Parish Family celebrate Christ's dying and rising in such a distinguished fashion. God bless each and everyone!

St. Agnes High School Celebration

St. Agnes High School graduates are invited to a May Celebration at 6:00 p.m. in Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, on Thursday, May 11th. Featured will be a Mass and a crowning to honor the Virgin Mary, light refreshments and entertainment provided by the BSHS Jazz Band. It will be a chance to reconnect with friends and guaranteed to be a wonderful evening. Please call Sister Helen Miriam, I.H.M. at 610/343-6223, if you did not receive an invitation.

Bishop Shanahan High School Baseball Camp

Bishop Shanahan High School will be running a Baseball Camp for all players, ages 8 through 15. The Baseball Camp will begin on Monday, June 19th, and run through Friday, June 23rd. The week-long Camp will be conducted from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Bishop Shanahan High School in Downingtown. For more information, contact George Hadfield at 610/593-2674 or email gjad@epix.net.

Ignatian Volunteer Corps

The Ignatian Volunteer Corps provides opportunities for men and women who are 50 years old or older to work two days a week with organizations that serve the poor throughout the Philadelphia region. In addition, opportunities are provided for volunteers to grow deeper in their Christian faith through a guided reflection process based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. You are invited to attend an upcoming Information Meeting regarding the Ignatian Volunteer Corps on Tuesday, May 9th, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at St. Joseph University. For more information, please contact Joyce Lively at 215/923-1733 or by email Philadelphia@ilvc.org

Couples For Christ

Learn more about a life renewal program that has touched the lives of thousands of families worldwide. You are invited to a Christian Life Program Orientation for couples, single men and women, widows and widowers, divorced men and women, and single mothers and fathers. It will be held in St. Joseph School Hall on Sunday, May 21st, 12:00 to 2:30 p.m. (Lunch and Kids' Watch will be provided.) Please sign up on the posted form in the church vestibule. Any questions? Kindly call Alex and Enely at 610/466-0717.

Shanahan Open House

Bishop Shanahan High School, 220 Woodbine Road, Downingtown will host a Special Open House for all 6th and 7th graders on Monday, May 1st, at 7:00 p.m. Students and parents are welcome. Come and see all the

wonderful opportunities Shanahan High School offers you. Please call 610/343-6238 and leave a message to RSVP or email mmorin@shanahan.org. Hope to see you there.

Something For The Ladies

Would you like a "Girls' Night Out"? Come to "A Shopper's Dream", a fundraiser for the Chester County Pro-Life Coalition. It will be held on Friday, April 28th, from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., in the St. Joseph Parish Center, Downingtown. Vendors, who will be donating a percentage of their sales to the pro-life organization, include: Arbonne, Southern Living, Premier Jewelry, Mary Kay, Tupperware, Silpada Jewelry, Longaberger Baskets and more. Raffle prizes can be won and light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Laura at 610/917-3274.

Jericho March

The May 5th Prayer Vigil for Helpers of God's Precious Infants will include a Jericho March around the block where the Planned Parenthood facilities are located in West Chester. The event will begin with Mass at 8:00 a.m. in St. Agnes Church, 331 West Market Street. The rosary will be prayed during the march for mothers at risk and babies threatened by abortion. It will be peaceful and prayerful. Plenty of parking will be available. For more information, contact the Chester County Pro-Life Coalition at 610/692-4463.

26th Annual Catholic Charismatic Conference

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia will be holding the 26th Annual Catholic Charismatic Conference on Saturday, April 29th, at the Valley Forge Convention Center, from 8:00 a.m. until 9:30 p.m. You are invited to participate in a day of uplifting music, powerful teachings, spiritual refreshment and renewal. Cardinal Justin F. Rigali will celebrate the Eucharistic Liturgy. This year's speakers will include noted national figures, Father Peter Sanders, Orat. and Dr. Carol Razza. Your ticket covers all sessions and the healing service, continental breakfast and lunch. The ticket price is \$60.00. For tickets or more information, please call 215/844-4126, ext. 114 or email phillyspirit@st-bridget.com.

Life in The Spirit Seminars

The Chester County Vicariate invites you to the Life in the Spirit Seminars, to be presented on Wednesdays: April 26th, May 3rd and May 10th, 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 5th Avenue, will host a Spring Card Party on Saturday, April 29th; 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 4th Annual CACES Paces Walk-a-Thon will be held on Sunday, April 30th, 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.

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!!!!

Altar Server Practice

Practice for new altar servers will take place in St. Joseph Church after the 10:30 Mass beginning Sunday, April 25th and will run for four Sundays. Practice usually runs about one hour.

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 21st 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!

Special Book Drive: May 1st – 14th

A Special Book Drive is being conducted as an Eagle Scout Project by a member of Troop 125 Thorndale. It will benefit the Chester County Head Start Intermediate Unit in Coatesville. Needed are new books or used books in good condition for young readers, ages 3 to 5 years. From May 1st thru 14th, the collection box will be located in the church vestibule. Contact person is Frank Leaf at 610/384-6584 or email fandeleaf@verizon.net.

MS Walk

Mary Francis Johnson and her family will be participating in the MS Walk on Sunday, April 30th.

If anyone is interested in making a gift for this worthy cause, please contact Mary Frances at 610/384-6427. Be assured that she will see that your gift will be delivered to the proper authorities.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Stewardship

Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday

“Let those who fear the Lord say, God's love endures forever”. Psalms 118:4

How often do we place our words, choices and actions to the reverence of God's love? Look in your everyday activities to find God's presence.

Respect For Life

2nd Sunday of Easter

“The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother.”

Family Perspective

2nd Sunday of Easter

Each baptized member of the Christian family continues Christ's healing presence in the home and community by a consistent willingness to forgive and to work toward reconciliation and peace.