

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, May 20th, 2006, 6:30 PM

Joseph & Rose Hallman (Frank & Mary Jane Lasak)

Euch. Minister Nesbett
Lector Patrick

Sunday, May 21st, 2006, 10:30 AM

Luigi Baldini (Wife Grace & Children)

Euch. Ministers Lasak & Bugar
Lector Phillip

Masses for the week of May 21st, 2006 will be offered in St. Joseph Church.

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	August & Russell Horency (Bob & Stella Grubb)
Wednesday	9 am	Private Intentions of the Donor
	7 pm	Father Cy Ponisciak
Thursday	9 am	Holy Day Mass in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church
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Friday	9 am	Vera Lahm (Branson Family)
Saturday	9 am	Kitty Magala (Ronnie Guiseppi)

Saturday, May 27th, 2006, 6:30 PM

Stephen & Sophie Zelina
(Reynolds, Romanoski & Zelina Families)

Euch. Minister Swinty
Lector Sara

Sunday, May 28th, 2006, 10:30 AM

Andrew & Jennie Lasak (Mary Czirjak)

Euch. Ministers Johnson & Claypoole
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, Steffie Levenite, Robert Hracho, Mike Sullivan, Elmer Dunn, Alexander Price, Stephen Jordan, Bunny Jordan, Mary Benkovich, Mimi Sushinski, Robert Shesko and Peter Michalski.. Among the recently Deceased: Louis Sajda, Sr. 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, May 20th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, May 28th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m. prior to the Morning Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Solemnity of the Lord's Ascension: Holy Day of Obligation

Forty days after His Resurrection from the dead, Jesus returns to His glory at the right hand of the Father. This significant event is observed on the Solemnity of the Lord's Ascension, a holy day of obligation, which this year falls on Thursday, May 25th. In St. Joseph Church, the holy day mass will be offered at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 24th. Masses on Ascension Thursday itself will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. The Easter Season closes ten days later on the Festival of Pentecost.

Memorial Day Observance

Weather allowing, an outdoor Mass in St. Stanislaus Kostka Cemetery, Waterworks Road, West Caln Township, will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m., on Monday, May 29th. The Mass site will be at the shrine of the Pieta in the upper left hand of the cemetery. Earlier, usually at 9:00 a.m., near the central Crucifix, Military Rites are conducted by the area veterans. All are cordially welcome to participate. Should the weather be against us the 9:30 a.m. Memorial Day Mass will be offered in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church for the happy repose of the souls of the war dead and all those at rest in our shared parish cemetery.

2006 Catholic Charities Appeal

The annual campaign in behalf of the Catholic Charities Appeal is currently underway and continues throughout the month of May. What tremendous good your financial support of the Appeal provides for the people, young and old, who benefit from the human service programs of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia!

These various programs reflect our belief in the sanctity of human life, the dignity of the individual, and the central role of the family in life and society. Thank you for your enduring generosity, year after year, to a cause most worthy of your financial support. God love you!

Catholic Charities Report

May 13, 14 \$4,181.00 Collected
22 Participants out of over 300 families!
Total Gifts \$9,050.00 – 54 Contributing
Please open your heart to this worthy charity. Thank you.

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 5/21/06 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. They will be at their station this Sunday May 21st, from 11:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., serving up funnel cake with a smile. All are invited to drop by their booth as you enjoy the activities of the May Festival.

Pray For Our Soldiers

The Archdiocese for the Military Services USA, which coordinates Catholic chaplaincy to GIs worldwide asks Americans to remember to pray for soldiers and consider sending a CARE package". The archdiocese offers the following prayer: *"Lord hold our troops in your living hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior."*

New School Fundraiser

The Coatesville Area Catholic Elementary School is holding a fundraiser in Max & Erma's Restaurant Downingtown, on Monday, May 22nd, from 11:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. Come for lunch, dinner or take out. Coupons will be available in the back of church for presentation on the day of the fundraiser. Max & Erma's will donate 15% of your check to our parochial school. Hope to see you there. For complete details, contact Suzanne Schaefer at 610/384-5845.

All Are Invited To a Wine and Cheese Reception Mark your calendar

Date: Tuesday, May 23rd
Time: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Who: All Adults, parishioners, families and friends
Why: ALPHA sample evening
Topic: Christianity: Boring, Untrue and Irrelevant?

Where: St. Cecilia's lower church
Cost: Free will offering

No R.S.V.P. necessary – just come! ALPHA is Coming!

Who is ALPHA For?

It is especially geared to:

People wanting to deepen their faith, New Christians, Newcomers to the parish, people who want to brush up on the basics. Those finding it difficult to answer their children's questions about God. Couples preparing for marriage. Everyone!

Bishop Shanahan High School Summer Programs

Bishop Shanahan High School and Dr. Richard Fuller offer a summer learning experience in three areas: Algebra I Enrichment Program for grades 5 thru 9, "Critical Thinking and Study Skills" Program for grades 8 thru 12, and a PSAT/SAT Program for grades 8 thru 12 (with a student teacher ration of 8:1). For more information, call Dr. Fuller at 610/275-9660 or Shanahan High at 610/518-1300. All classes begin June 19th. Fall classes start on September 20th.

Summer Courses at The Seminary

The Religious Studies Division of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, is pleased to announce that registrations are currently being accepted for the Summer Session 2006. Simply visit www.scs.edu, go to Religious Studies Division and then Current Course Offerings. Classes will be underway on Monday, June 19th.

The Truth About The Da Vinci Code

The Da Vinci Code movie is being released to theatres this weekend. This film is filled with troubling misinformation about the Roman Catholic Church. Learn the truth by visiting the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website at www.jesusdecoded.com. This is a direct link to factual information about the New Testament, the celibacy of Jesus and the story of Mary Magdalene. You can also order printed materials and a DVD on the website.

Respect For Life 6th Sunday of Easter

How often we see people wandering like sheep without a shepherd! May we take pity on the wandering sheep in our families and social circles, and be the Shepherd to them.