

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, February 3rd, 2007, 6:30 PM

Parishioners

Lector Patrick
Euch. Minister Krupansky

Sunday, February 4th, 2007, 10:30 AM

Edith Wasko (The Yankech Family)

Lector Kathy
Euch. Ministers M. Nesbitt & J. Nesbitt

Masses for the week of February 4th, 2007 will be offered in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church except as noted:

Tuesday, February 6th, 2007, 3:30 PM

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

Saturday, February 10th, 2007, 6:30 PM

Jesse Diefenderfer (Helen Popovich)

Lector Sara
Euch. Minister Hillman

Sunday, February 11th, 2007, 10:30 AM

Augusta Saska (Bob & Ann Hamilton Family)

Lector Frank
Euch. Minister Catanese & Johnson

Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick:
Julia Esposito, Marie Real, Janet Yost, Dorothy Bodnar,

Jan Schultz, Andrew Hamara, Joanne Krupansky, Bertha Amole, Helen Collins, Joseph Yankech, III, Joseph Salada, Michael Kozacheson, Joseph Dougherty, Josephine Regener, Chelsea Osborne, Steffie Levenite, Robert Hracho, Mike Sullivan, Elmer Dunn, Stephen Jordan, Mary Benkovich, Mimi Sushinski, Robert Shesko, Peter Michalski, Margaret Florian, Michelle Maher, John Rider, Sue Dunlap, John Cisarik, Millie Harvey, Father Francis Mulranen, Pastor of St. Cecilia Church, Sheila Van Zanten, Jessie Ryan, Rose Michnuk, James Allen, Nick Kousisis, Sister Roberta, C.M.S.. Among the recently Deceased: we remember Michael Hracho. Also, we pray for the well being of our U.S. military personnel serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. May God hold them safely in the palm of His hand.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, February 4th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, February 10th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Did you remember your "little green envelope?"

Blessing of Throats

As announced last weekend, the opportunity of having one's throat blessed through the intercession of Saint Blaise, 4th century Bishop and Martyr, is offered this weekend, February 3rd & 4th, immediately following each Mass. This brief ritual has long been associated with the Saint's feast day, which falls on February 3rd.

Change of Time

Our weekly Eucharistic Holy Hour of Reparation and Renewal will be conducted this Tuesday, February 6th, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., so that Father John might attend a priests' gathering at Bishop Shanahan High School. The Holy Hour is being held in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. Thank you for this accommodation of a change in time. Next Tuesday, February 13th, the Holy Hour will be conducted at its usual time: 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Special Collection

This weekend's Second Collection will be the annual appeal in support of aged, infirm and convalescent priests of the Archdiocese residing at two facilities of care: one in Darby, the other in Warminster. May God bless you for your generous response to this worthy cause!

An Invitation For Married Couples

Attention all married couples! You are cordially invited to a free Romantic Dinner on February 24th, at 7:00 p.m., in the St. Isaac Jogues Parish Center, Wayne, sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Come and enjoy a quiet, romantic dinner for two and find out what a Marriage Encounter Weekend is all about. To make your dinner reservation, call John & Barbara Lerro at 610/647-1493. This invitation is extended to the first twenty married couples who respond.

Athletic Program Tryouts

Youngsters from the Parish, enrolled in our parochial school or CCD Program, are invited to tryout for the following CYO sports teams:

Baseball Tryouts on March 5th & March 7th at North Brandywine School for 5th & 6th graders from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., for 7th & 8th graders from 7:30 to 9:00 pm.

Softball Tryouts on March 5th, 6th & 7th at South Brandywine School for 5th & 6th graders from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., for 7th & 8th graders from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Track Tryouts on March 1st and March 5th at South Brandywine School for 4th through 8th graders (all are welcome). For times, contact the Athletic Director.

Any questions? Please call John Lafferty, Athletic Director at 610/212-7318.

Holy Rosary Early Learning Center

Holy Rosary Early Learning Center, 80 South 17th Avenue, is holding a consignment sale on Friday, March 23rd, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., and on Saturday, March 24th, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. If you are interested in selling your gently used children's clothing, toys and other child/baby related items, please contact Carol Moyer at 610/380-0277.

Longaberger Basket Bingo

On March 30th the new Pope John Paul II regional Catholic Elementary School will host a Longaberger Basket Bingo. This fundraiser will benefit the Home & School Association which covers expenses for several activities throughout the school year such as: Catholic Schools Week, Fun Day, 8th Grade and Kindergarten graduations, just to name a few. The doors will open at 6:00 p.m., and games start at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00 per person, which includes cards, door prizes and 20 games of regular bingo. There will be special games, raffles, 50/50 and extra bingo cards for sale. Come hungry! There will be plenty of food and drinks for sale. All baskets will be generously filled. Contact Candy Whitehead at 610/384-0685 or Patrice Arvay at 610/942-4114 with any questions or to purchase tickets.

Spring Luncheon & Fashion Show

The Bishop Shanahan Parents Association invites the ladies and young ladies to attend their Spring Luncheon & Fashion Show on Sunday, February 11th, at 12:00 noon, in

the Downingtown Country Club. The event will feature fashions for women and teens, including prom dresses. Tickets are \$25.00 per person and are available from the BSHS Activities Office. Call 610/518-1300 (extension 6259) to reserve your tickets today.

MOM – Heart of the Home: Day of Renewal

Moms of all ages, are you looking for a way to strengthen your relationship with God? On Saturday, March 17th the Chester County Chapter of MOM – Heart of the Home will offer a Day of Renewal at Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Moms of all ages are invited to enjoy inspirational speakers, individual reflections and the company of other moms. This day will give you time to reflect on your vocation of motherhood while replenishing your spirit. Registration is \$20.00 and includes a boxed lunch. There are three ways to register: Pick-up a registration form at the back of Church, download a form at www.mom-heartofthehome.org, contact Colleen Gallagher at 610/269-0304 or colpgal@comcast.net. The theme of this year's Day of Renewal is "Be Still and Know That I Am God". Do plan to join us.

Lent is Just Around The Corner

Lent, the forty day season of prayer, penance and pardon, opens on Ash Wednesday, February 21st. On that day, ashes will be blessed and distributed in St. Joseph Church at a 6:30 a.m. Prayer Service (outside of Mass) and at a 7:00 p.m. Mass. Similarly, ashes will be blessed and distributed in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church at a 9:00 a.m. Mass, at a 12:05 p.m. Prayer Service (outside of Mass) and at a 5:30 p.m. Mass. We hope this early notice of our Ash Wednesday schedule of Liturgies will be helpful in assisting you to plan your participation on this penitential day. "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel!"

Call For Nominations:

Shrine Establishes Saint Rita National Peace Award

The National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia, located at 1166 South Broad Street in Philadelphia, announces the inauguration this year of "The Saint Rita National Peace Award". The award is being established as a means to recognize and celebrate men and women in society who proclaim the message of generous forgiveness and reconciliation, in imitation of Saint Rita's own example of pardoning the assassins of her husband and reconciling opposing families. The award will be presented at the annual Peace Banquet to be held during the Solemn Novena in preparation for Saint Rita's Feast in May. The public is invited to recommend nominees for the award, giving a brief but complete explanation for the nomination, with contact information where possible. Nominations for this year's award are due by March 15, 2007. For more information contact Fr. Michael DiGregoria, O.S.A. at 215/546-8333 or by email at ritashrine@aol.com or visit www.saintritashrine.org.