

St. Joseph's Church of Coatesville

404 Charles Street – Coatesville, PA 19320 Rectory 384-0360, 384-1172
www.stjosephcoatesville.org, Email: staff@stjosephcoatesville.org, Father John V. Oulds, Pastor

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, March 17th, 2007, 6:30 PM

Michael Hracho (Craig Cigas)

Lector Sara
Euch. Minister Bugar

Sunday, March 18th, 2007, 10:30 AM

Mary Shesko (Reczek, Johnson, Neff, & Sullivan Families)

Lector Frank
Euch. Ministers Swinty & M. Nesbitt

Masses for the week of March 18th, 2007 will be offered in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church except as noted:

Tuesday, March 20th, 2007, 7:00 PM

For the spiritual strength of Father Arthur Szela (Father Joe)

Saturday, March 24th, 2007, 6:30 PM

Jesse Diefenderfer (Carol Johnson)

Lector Elaine
Euch. Minister J. Nesbitt

Sunday, March 25th, 2007, 10:30 AM

Helen Marie Kurenda (Richard & Barbara Reczek)

Lector Kathy
Euch. Ministers Krupansky & Johnson

Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Julia Esposito, Marie Reali, 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, John Rider, Sue Dunlap, John Cisarik, Millie Harvey, Father Francis Mulranen, Pastor of St. Cecilia Church, Sheila Van Zanten, Jessie Ryan, James Allen, Sister Roberta, C.M.S, Pauline Howell, Father Arthur Szela and Ron Bannister. Among the recently Deceased: we remember Father Kevin Trautner. 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, March 18th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, March 24th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Patronal Feast Day

This Monday, March 19th, is observed as the Feast of Saint Joseph, our Parish Patron, Foster Father of Jesus Christ, Spouse of the Virgin Mary and Protector of the Universal Church. Saint Joseph is held in high esteem by his clients and is believed to be a powerful intercessor before God. As advised by many of the saints of old: "Go to Joseph with your prayerful requests"!

Change of Mass Time

Please note that on Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, April 1st, the Parish Mass will be celebrated at 10:45 a.m., fifteen minutes later than the usual time. As you may recall, the Liturgy of that Sunday runs a little longer than most Sundays of the year, and the change in our time will allow Father John to complete the Mass in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church and then move on for the Mass in St. Joseph Church. Thank you for your accommodation to this arrangement.

Something Extra From The Women's Club

At Christmas, the Women's Club of St. Joseph Church announced they were making a donation of \$5,000.00 to our Parish from the proceeds of their various activities, especially the Holiday Bazaar. Last Sunday, prior to the

Forty Hours Lenten Supper, the actual presentation of the ladies' gift took place, to which another \$2,000.00 was added. We are most grateful to the Women's Club for their total donation of \$7,000.00, the magnificent result of their hard work and dedication. God bless their members and all those who patronize their events!

Community Summer Camp Program

Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School will be hosting a Community Summer Camp Program throughout the summer. It will be open to all students in the community in kindergarten through grade 8. The camp will be held, rain or shine, at our air-conditioned indoor/outdoor facility. Camp will include a variety of activities including, but not limited to: soccer, volleyball, basketball, ultimate frisbee, cooking, science, computer skills and much more. Brochures and registration forms are available on the web page, www.popejohnpaul2sch.org. For more information or to reserve your spot, contact Terry Altschuler at 610/384-5961, extension 5410.

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.

Vicariate Holy Hour for Vocations

St. Joseph Church, 338 Manor Avenue, Downingtown will host the Chester County Vicariate Holy Hour for Vocations to the Priesthood on Friday, March 30th, at 7:00 p.m. The hour will consist of prayer, homily and some reflections from students of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary on their own vocation. Everyone is invited to attend the Holy Hour to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. This is also an opportunity for a young man who is discerning a vocation to the diocesan priesthood to meet the Vocation Director; Father Christopher Rogers will be available to answer any questions a possible Seminary candidate might have.

A Special Lenten Program of Conferences

Please circle the dates of Monday, March 26th; Tuesday, March 27th and Wednesday March 28th, on your "to do" calendar. On these evenings, at 7 o'clock, Guest Speaker Father Dan Sullivan will be on hand in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church to present a trio of conferences entitled "The Faces of Christ". These will be presentations of spiritual substance in keeping with the Lenten Season and the approach of Holy Week. Additional details will be forthcoming.

Shanahan Restaurant Fair and Auction

Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, is sponsoring "A Knight to Remember", a Restaurant Fair and Auction, on March 24th, starting at 6:00 p.m. The festivities will include feasting on fine dishes offered by generous businesses and silent competitions for the country's finest merchandise. There will also be social merriment and good conversation. Admission is \$30.00 per person. Proceeds will support technological advances throughout the school. For reservations and information, kindly call 610/343-6238.

Archdiocesan Boychoir Concert

The Archdiocesan Boychoir of Philadelphia presents

"A Palm Sunday Concert"

Featuring Sacred Holy Week Music

Sunday, April 1st, 3:00 PM

St. John the Baptist Church
146 Rector Street
Philadelphia, PA 19127

Adults - \$10.00, Seniors & Students - \$8.00
Recommended for children over six years of age.

Call 215/796-2715 or 610/326-7041 for tickets. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Pasta and Paczki Dinner

Saint Stanislaus Kostka 100th Anniversary Committee will be hosting a Pasta and Paczki Dinner on Saturday, March 24th, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m., in their old school hall. Mark your calendar! Let us prepare dinner for you that evening to either eat in or take out. Salad, spaghetti with meatballs and rolls are yours for only \$6.50 per person, only \$3.50 for children under six and no charge for children under three. Paczki (filled Polish donuts) will be sold separately. All proceeds will benefit the Parish Centennial Fund.