

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 5th, 2007, 6:30 PM

Michael Hracho (Andy and Ann Cigas)

Lector Phyllis
Euch. Minister Swinty

Sunday, May 6th, 2007, 10:30 AM

"Nick" Kousisis (Andrea Levenite & Mildred Horencj)

Lector Kathleen
Euch. Ministers Johnson & Lasak, Jr.

Masses for the week of May 6th, 2007 will be offered in St. Joseph Church.

Monday	9 am	Parishioners
Tuesday	9 am	Joseph & Anna Hasieber (Father Joe)
Wednesday	9 am	August & Russell Horency (Stella & Bob Grubb)
Thursday	9 am	Michael Hracho (Andrea Levenite)
Friday	9 am	Joseph Pyzanowski (Gerry & Lou Branson)
Saturday	9 am	Holy Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, May 12th, 2007, 6:30 PM

Anna Maria Yankech (Helen & Phyllis Yankech)

Lector Sara
Euch. Ministers M. Nesbitt

Sunday, May 13th, 2007, 10:30 AM

Edith Wasko (Eleanor Wasko & Family)

Lector First Communicants
Euch. Ministers Krupansky & Claypoole

Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Julia Esposito, Marie Reali, Dorothy Bodnar, Jan Schultz, Andrew Hamara, Joanne Krupansky, Bertha Amole, Helen Collins, Joseph Yankech, III, Joseph Salada, Joseph Dougherty, Josephine Regener, Chelsea Osborne, Steffie Levenite, Robert Hracho, Mike Sullivan, Elmer Dunn, 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, James Allen, Pauline Howell, Father Arthur Szela, Ron Bannister and Brenda McDonald. Among the recently Deceased: we especially remember Michael Kozacheson. 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, May 6th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, May 12th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Parish Marion Tribute Featuring The First Communicants

Next Sunday, May 13th, a brief ceremony honoring Mary, the Mother of God, will be conducted at the beginning of the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Our recent first communicants are invited to take part in a special way, forming a May court dressed in the white finery of their First Holy Communion Day. First communicants are requested to meet Mrs. Beth Ann Hackmeister for instructions at 10:10 a.m. next Sunday in the back of the Church. The youngsters will be given a long stemmed, white carnation for presentation at the Blessed Virgin's shrine. Our National Mother's Day finds us also paying homage to the holy Mother of God and our heavenly Mother.

2007 Catholic Charities Appeal

The Catholic Charities Appeal has a profound impact on our community as approximately 250,000 people annually in the five counties of the Archdiocese are served in some way by the Appeal. Through the generosity of the people of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the hungry are fed, the sick and infirm cared for, and children in need of homes are placed with adoptive families to name a few of the numerous services that depend on the Catholic Charities Appeal. Last year, only five cents of every dollar raised by the Catholic Charities Appeal was spent on expenses and administrative costs. This figure is well below the national average and all independent standards set for charitable entities. On the threshold of the 2007 Appeal, please prayerfully consider giving generously to our brothers and sisters in need. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact the Appeal Office at 215/587-3651 or visit www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org.

Complications at the Catholic Charities Headquarters, unfortunately, have proven once again the truth of "Murphy's Law". A significant number of households in the Archdiocese

have not as yet received the Appeal materials in the mail, making it not possible to initiate the Parish Campaign segment this weekend, May 5th & 6th, as previously announced. Please bear with us. Every effort will be made to have your Catholic Charities Appeal packet arrive in your mailbox this coming week, so that the Second Collection next weekend, May 12th & 13th will be earmarked for your gift to the Appeal. Thank you for your patience and understanding. Note: When making your gift, please include your appropriate pledge card in the envelope provided. Thanks again!

A West Catholic High Reunion

West Catholic High School, both Boys and Girls, Class of 1957 will hold their combined 50th Reunion on Friday, September 28th, 2007 at the Springfield Country Club in Springfield, PA. For more information, please call Joan McGinn Woods at 610/356-2831 or John Kraft at 215/860-2229.

National Foster Care Month

May is National Foster Care Month, a time when we look to individuals and communities to come forward and make a positive difference in the life of a child. At present, there are over 4,000 children in foster care in Philadelphia in need of safe, temporary homes. Catholic Social Services is looking for single or married adults to become foster parents to children of all ages and races. To learn more about becoming a foster parent, please contact Melissa or Pat at 215/578-3960. Remember, you can make a difference, a difference that will last a lifetime!

Arts Alive at Shanahan High!

Come out and enjoy the beautiful sights and sounds of Spring as the Fine Arts Department of Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, presents their Annual Spring Concert and Art Exhibit on Friday of this week, May 11th, at 8:00 p.m. The public is cordially invited, and a free-will offering will be accepted.

Bishop Shanahan High School Summer Programs

Bishop Shanahan High School and Dr. Richard Fuller offer a summer learning experience in three areas: Algebra 1 Enrichment Program (grades 5-9); Critical Thinking and Study Skills Program (grades 8-12) and a PSAT/SAT Program (grades 8-12 with a student ratio of 8:1). For more information, call Dr. Fuller at 610/275-9660 or the High School Office at 610/518-1300. All classes begin June 18th. Note that the Fall PSAT/SAT Classes will start September 17th.

Cemetery Mass on Memorial Day

In keeping with the spirit of Memorial Day, an outdoor festival Mass will be offered at 9:30 a.m., in St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish Cemetery, Waterworks Road, West Caln Township, on Monday, May 28th. The mass will take place in the upper left side of the cemetery, at the shrine of Pieta, and will especially remember all the departed at rest in this hallowed ground as well as the war dead. Everyone is invited to participate; please bring some type of folding chair for seating purposes. Prior to Mass, at 9:00 a.m., local veterans usually gather at the center of the cemetery to conduct solemn military honors, which you are welcome to witness.

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.

Expecting A Baby?

Are you a first-time parent? Come see us while you're awaiting your newborn so we can help you prepare. Get together with other expectant or new parents and learn together! Catholic Social Services (CSS) is committed to supporting you as you choose life! We provide supportive counseling and practical help throughout pregnancy and as you learn to parent. CSS also has a Baby Cupboard that families in need can access for diapers, wipes, formula and other baby necessities, along with parenting tips and information. In addition, families can come to us when they experience extraordinary need in many areas such as food and clothing. We are open from Monday to Friday from 8:30 am. until 4:30 p.m. Come visit us at one of our three locations or call for more information:

605 East Lincoln Highway
Coatesville, PA 19320
610-344-7028

125 North Darlington Street
West Chester, PA 19380
610-344-7028

105 Prospect Avenue
West Grove, PA 19390
610-869-6500

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive

Philadelphia, PA –(May 2007) – the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Philadelphia, serving the underprivileged of the Philadelphia five-county area since 1851, is collecting donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing. We will also be accepting small household goods (bed and bath linens, pots and pans, dishes, cooking utensils, shoes and books). We also accept small appliances in good working order. No baby equipment, only clothing.

Individuals are invited to take all donations on Saturday and Sunday, May 12th & 13th, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. to our Truck located at the following location.

Our Lady of the Rosary
80 South 17th Avenue
Coatesville, PA 19320