

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.

Masses for the week of October 1, 2007, will be held in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, except as noted,

Saturday, 6:30 PM, September 29, 2007

John Profeto (Richard & Barbara Reczek)

Sunday, 10:30 AM, September 30, 2007

William & Edward Lasak (Mary Czirjak)

Tuesday, October 2nd, 4:00 PM

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

Saturday, 6:30 PM, October 6, 2007

Stephen & Helen Mitros (Joan & Stephen Mitros)

Sunday, 10:30 AM, October 7, 2007

Mary and Joseph Nedzia (Maryanne & Bob Lasak)

Your Prayers are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Marie Reali, Dorothy Bodnar, Jan Schultz, Joanne Krupansky, Bertha Amole, Helen Collins, Joseph Yankech, III, Joseph Salada, Joseph Dougherty, Chelsea Osborne, Steffie Levenite, Robert Hracho, Mike Sullivan, Mary Benkovich, Mimi Sushinski, Robert Shesko, Peter Michalski, Margaret Florian, Millie Harvey, Sheila Van Zanten, James Allen, Pauline Howell, Father Arthur Szela, Ron Bannister, Brenda McDonald, Lillian Turansky, Beth Starkman, and Dorothy

Puza. We also 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's confessions will be heard on Sunday, September 30th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, October 6th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Women's Club News

Please see the attachment at the end of this Bulletin.

Thank you To Our Donors

Our out of wallet, out of purse Emergency Collection, taken up two weekends ago to benefit those victimized by the August 15th Peruvian earthquake, amounted to \$330.00, for which we are very grateful. On the weekend prior, the Annual Appeal for the Black and Indian Missions of our own country was made and \$371.00 was collected. We thank very much all who donated to this worthy cause. May God richly bless all our kind contributors!

Reminder

Participating Adult Choir Members

Those members of the St. Joseph Adult Choir who are participating in the taping of the TV Studio Mass are reminded to meet at 2:00 p.m. this Sunday, September 30th, in front of St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. You are requested to wear something in red and white, if possible. Using car pooling, we intend to arrive together at Channel 6 ABC. Thank you for your kindness!

Caregivers One Day Retreat

Attention all caregivers! Regardless of the age of the individual you are caring for today, you are invited to a special Caregivers Retreat Day at the Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, on Thursday, October 18th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Keynote speaker, Sister Margaret Lewis, OSF will be sharing how to "Care for the Caregiver." Special morning and afternoon workshops are available on topics such as Dealing with Caregiver's Guilt, Caring for Those with Alzheimer's Disease, Loss and Bereavement, and Caring for Children with Special Needs. A closing Mass with Father Gregory Hickey, Rector of the Retreat House, is also planned. Call 610/644-0400 to register. Cost is \$35.00 which includes a continental breakfast and delicious lunch. Visit www.malvernretreat.com.

Catholic Charismatic Unity Mass

Come, celebrate with us at our Catholic Charismatic Unity Mass on Sunday, October 7th, at 2:00 p.m., in St. Martin of Tours Church, 5450 Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia. The celebrant will be Bishop Robert F. McGinnis, with Father Augustus C. Puleo, Archdiocesan Director, as the homilist. All are most welcome. Join us for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our Archdiocese. Refreshments will be served immediately following the Mass in the nearby school gymnasium. For more information, please call 215/535-2962.

Coupon Books with The Children in Mind

Kidstuff Coupon Books will be available to purchase after the 10:30 a.m. Masses on the following Sundays: October 7th and October 14th. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Atkinson at 610/380-6423. Proceeds will benefit our new regional parochial school.

Card Augustinian 2007 Christmas Series

The Augustinian Press is pleased to announce the release of its 2007 line of Christmas cards. All proceeds support the care of elderly and infirm friars of the Province of St. Thomas of Villanova. The cards come in a variety of styles including oil, watercolor and photography. There are also a variety of subjects: hand-crafted Nativity scenes, Madonna and Child, St. Nicholas icons and general holiday scenes. The Augustinian Press publishes books, artwork, cards and music rich in Augustinian tradition. To order, visit www.augustinianpress.org or call 888-275-0571.

Life Chain Sunday

Each year hundreds of Chester County pro-lifers of many faiths come to a city or town near their home, to stand along the sidewalk, in silent prayer for one hour, while holding an appropriate sign that is provided, promoting an end to abortion in our land. Life Chains influence the public, save lives and foster solidarity among the pro-life population. There are over 1,000 Life Chains scheduled across the U.S. this year. Coatesville will be the location of our local Life Chain on Sunday, October 7th, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., at 605 East Lincoln Highway (in the immediate vicinity of the old St. Cecilia School building). Come, take a stand for life! For added details, kindly call Margaret Mary Filoromo at 610/383-7921.

Winter Coaching Positions 2007-2007

Coaches are needed for the winter sports season for boys' basketball and girls' basketball at Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School. Anyone interested in coaching a team, please apply by sending a letter to the Athletic Board, listing your qualifications and coaching experience. Past coaches for these sports need to reapply for their positions. No position is guaranteed. In order to coach, you need to have a State Police clearance, Child Abuse clearance and have attended, or will attend, the class on "Protecting God's Children – Safe Environment." Please send your letter to

school to the attention of Dave Michell, Athletic Director, no later than Monday, October 8th.

PJPII Winter Sports Sign-Up and Mandatory Parents' Meeting

On Monday, October 22nd, at 7:00 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School, sign-ups will be conducted for boys' basketball and girls' basketball, grades 5-8, who attend PJPII or CCD/RREP. No money is needed at this time. One parent must be present to attend an accompanying parents' meeting, if you want your child to play basketball.

Devon Preparatory School

The Devon Preparatory School will conduct their Annual Open House on Sunday, October 14th, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. For those families with students preparing to enter High School, this is an opportunity to get to know Devon Prep and prepare to make decisions for future schooling. The entrance test will be held on the week-end of October 27th-28th at 8:00 a.m. Parents are free to choose whichever date suits them. For full information, call the Admissions Office at 610/688-7337, Ext, 129.

Bishop Shanahan High School

Celebrating 50 Years

Homecoming 2007 Festivities will begin Friday, October 12th, with an Alumni Dinner Dance: "A Night of Memories," from 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight, in the BSHS gymnasium. The evening features open bar, hors d'oeuvres, dinner by Aquilante's Catering and dancing to the oldies. Tickets are pre-sale only (DEADLINE 10/09/07) at a cost of \$125.00/Couple and \$65.00/Person. Seating will be by year of graduation, unless otherwise requested. See the Reservation Form at www.shanahan.org to register tables of families and classmates. Other details of the weekend are also listed on the website.

Pope John Paul II Silent Auction

A Dream Come True Our 9th Annual Silent Auction to benefit Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School will be held on Saturday evening, November 10th in the Gymnasium of our new school. Everyone is welcome. Tickets are \$30/Person or \$50/Couple. This includes bid number, butlered hors d'oeuvres and of course a good time. Call Jeannie @ 610/466-0830 to purchase tickets. Mr. Richard Bollinger is returning to personalize his prints purchased the evening of the Auction. As in the past, he graciously donates his time and half of his profits to Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School.

We are still in need of auction items. No donation is too big or too small. Such as: a themed basket, art supplies, gift certificates, tools, children/school age toys, anything you chose. Items also needed for the public auction; vacation rentals, tickets to sporting events, signed sports memorabilia. DEADLINE FOR INCLUSION OF GIFTS AND ADS IN THE AUCTION BOOKLET; FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2007.

An Archdiocesan Bicentennial Concert

In celebration of its 200th Anniversary, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia proudly presents “A Bicentennial Concert featuring the Bicentennial Orchestra and Chorus of the Students of the Catholic Schools of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.” The Concert will be held on Wednesday, October 10th, at 7:30 p.m. in Verizon Hall, Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts, Philadelphia. Tickets can be purchased now at the Kimmel Center Box Office, by phoning Ticket Philadelphia at 215/893-1999 or on the internet at www.kimmelcenter.org.

Please contact Kristen Donaldson @ 610/466-0550 with any questions or to donate.

“Step Up For Life and Love” with Generation Life

Help raise funds for pro-life and chastity youth outreach by joining Generation Life for their 1st Annual “Step Up for Life & Love” Walk-A-Thon on Sunday, October 7th, at the Malvern Retreat House. Every registrant has the chance to win prizes! The Grand Prize is a one week stay on the beach block in Sea Isle City, New Jersey, and this will be awarded to the walker with the most funds raised. Registration/sign-in begins at 12:30 p.m., followed by Mass at 1:00 p.m. The walk kicks off at 2:00 p.m.; Concert and BBQ begin at 3:00 p.m. Registration is \$50/Family, \$30/Adult, \$15/Student and includes event t-shirt, all food and beverages, as well as concert admission (family registration includes 2 t-shirts; additional shirts are \$5 each). For more information and sponsor forms, visit www.generationlife.org/news or call Helen Mazur at 215/885-4313.

Rachel’s Vineyard Ministries

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreats are for anyone hurting from the spiritual and emotional pain of abortion. The weekend will help you experience the compassion of God, grieve your loss, and forgive yourself and others. It will be held in Immaculata, PA on October 12th, 13th, 14th. For more details, call 215/906-6337 or 610/399-0890. All contacts are strictly confidential. This upcoming Retreat is being sponsored by Rachel’s Vineyard of Greater Philadelphia.

Instructions on the Catholic Faith (RICA Program)

The RCIA Program is a series of weekly sessions offering instruction in the beliefs and practices of the Catholic faith for adults. The sessions themselves are friendly, informative and community-forming. It is the Church’s way of making new Catholics which reaches its high point with the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation. For full information, please call Father John at 610/384-0360. Our RCIA Program should be underway this autumn.

Our Lady’s Missionaries of the Eucharist

A Retreat Day for Young Catholic Adults (ages 21-35) will be conducted on Saturday, October 27th, featuring Father Pio Mandato, Father Christopher, CFR and Christian musician Mike Sy. The day includes conferences, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration and sharing with peers. For more information and registration, call 610/582-3333.

A Retreat Day for Catholic Adults will be conducted on Sunday, (October 28th, featuring Father Pio Mandato who will address the theme: “Living a Vibrant Spiritual Life.” The day includes conferences, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration and sharing with peers. For more information and registration call 610/582-3333.