

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 this coming week will be offered in St. Stanislaus Church, except as noted.

Saturday, January 19th, 2008 at 6:30 PM

Andrew Benkovich (Angelyn Cisarik)

Sunday, January 20th, 2008 at 10:30 AM

Josephine Regener (Ray & Sue Pawlowski Family)

1/22/08 4 PM Eucharistic Holy Hour of Reparation and in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church

Saturday, January 26th, 2008 at 6:30 PM

Andrew Benkovich (Michelle Benkovich)

Sunday, January 27th, 2008 at 10:30 AM

Joseph Wasko (Wife Eleanor and Children)

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, Dorothy Puza, William O'Hop, and Patricia McAdams.

Among the recently Deceased, we remember Josephine Yankech Marshall.

Also, we pray for those U.S. military personnel serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. May God keep them safe in the palm of His almighty hand.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend confessions will be heard on Sunday, January 20th, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, January 26th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. As always the sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Special Collections & Donations

Christmas Flowers Collection	\$1,381.00
Christmas Collection	\$26,809.00
Women's Club Donation	\$ 5,000.00

Thank you very much for your generosity. God Bless You!

Second Collection This Weekend: Catholic Relief Services

This weekend, in Parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the Annual Catholic Relief Services Collection is being taken up. This Collection makes possible the mission of the Catholic Church in America to combat poverty, provide relief and development, assist refugees and immigrants, and advocate for justice and peace in situations of conflict and neglect of basic human rights throughout the world. Please see the letter of our Cardinal-Archbishop regarding this appeal which appears elsewhere in this Parish Bulletin. Thank you for your anticipated kind response. If you may not have come prepared to make a contribution this weekend, you may place your gift, enclosed in the appropriate envelope, in the collection basket over the next weekend or two.

Looking Ahead to Ash Wednesday

Governed by the date of Easter, Ash Wednesday this year arrives fairly early: February 6th, less than three weeks away, initiating the Season of Lent. Ashes will be blessed and imposed that day in accord with the following schedule:

6:30 a.m.	Prayer Service (outside of Mass) in St. Joseph Church
8:00 a.m.	Mass of the Day (in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church)
12:05 noon	Prayer Service (outside of Mass) in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church
5:30 p.m.	Mass of the Day in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church
7:00 p.m.	Mass of the day in St. Joseph Church

We provide you with this information now with the hope that it will be helpful for your planning ahead. Make it a good Lent!

Job Fair and Training for Certified Nursing Assistants

St. Martha Manor, 470 Manor Avenue, Downingtown, is recruiting certified nursing assistants. A special Job Fair will be held on January 30th-31st from 10:00 a.m., to 6:00 p.m., at St. Martha Manor. For those who are interested in becoming a CNA, St. Martha offers training classes on a regular basis. Great benefits and career advancement opportunities are available. The Job Fair will feature fantastic door prizes. Transportation arrangements may be had by calling 610/873-8490. No appointment is needed, just stop by!

CCD Classes

CCD Parents and Students: In the event of bad weather and you are wondering if CCD classes will be conducted, please call the rectory at 610-384-1172. There will be an announcement regarding classes being cancelled.

Registration for our Regional Catholic Elementary School

Sister Helen Loretta, I.H.M., our Principal, announces the following information regarding student registration for enrollment at Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School, Academic Year 2008-2009:

January 23, 2008 – Sibling Registration by appointment;

February 5, 2008 – Open Registration for the 2008-2009 Academic Year, 9:00 a.m. “til 12:00 noon.

At the time of both registrations (sibling and open), please have the following information with you:

- + Birth Certificate
- + Social Security Number of Child
- + Baptismal Certificate, if not baptized at one of the five sponsoring parish
- + Letter of Parish Membership issued by your Pastor
- + Immunization Record
- + If applying for Grades 2 to 8, a copy of the latest report card
- + \$100 non-refundable registration fee

Parents may also call the School (610/384-5961) to register for a tour of Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School.

Volunteer English Program in Chester County

The Volunteer English Program in Chester County will sponsor a three session, nine hour, training workshop for those who wish to tutor English as a second language to an adult immigrant or refugee. The workshop will be held at Keshet Israel Congregation, 1000 Pottstown Pike, West Chester, on Thursday, January 24th; Monday, January 28th; Thursday, January 31st, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. (Also a snow date of Monday, February 4th is scheduled.) For more information about this rewarding volunteer opportunity or to register for the workshop, contact 610/918-8222)

Christ Our Hope:

An Apostolic Journey of Pope Benedict XVI To the United States

At a Papal Mass to be celebrated in Yankee Stadium on Sunday, April 20, 2008, our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI will commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the four Dioceses that were established from the Archdiocese of Baltimore in 1808, including the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The Archdiocese has reserved a limited number of tickets for this Festive Mass. Those parishioners of Saint Joseph Church, who are interested in participating in this historic event, are asked to contact Father John Oulds at 610/384-0360, or send you

full name, address, phone number, e-mail address and name of your Parish to:

Papal Mass
C/o Archdiocese of Philadelphia
222 North 17th Street – Room 530
Philadelphia, PA 19103-1299

The deadline for ticket requests is Thursday, January 24th, 2008. Information concerning bus transportation and other details about the Papal Mass will be provided later.

PJPII Spring Coaching Positions

Coaches are needed for the Spring Sports Season for boy's baseball (V & JV). Girl's softball (V & JV) and co-ed track. Anyone interested in coaching a team, please apply by sending a letter to the Athletic Board of Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School, 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 into school to the attention of Dave Michell, Athletic Director, by Monday, February 4, 2008.

Spring Sports Sign-Ups

On Monday, February 4th, and Tuesday, February 5th, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School, Spring Sports sign-ups will be conducted for

Baseball and Softball

Open to boys and girls in grades 5 through 8 who attend PJPII or RREP/CCD;

Co-ed Track

Open to boys and girls in grades 4 thru 8 who attend PJPII or RREP/CCD.

No money is required at this time.

BSSH Fashion Show & Luncheon

The Parents Association of Bishop Shanahan High School invite you to their 2nd Annual Fashion Show & Luncheon on Sunday, February 10th, at 12:00 noon, in the Downingtown Country Club. Local West Chester Boutiques will be featured. Tickets are \$25.00 per person (included lunch). A cash bar will be available. Tickets must be purchased by February 1st. Please send your name, number of tickets requested and check made payable to BSPA to:

Bishop Shanahan High School
220 Woodbine Avenue
Downingtown, PA 19335

Attention: Parents Association

Your payment must accompany your reservation. Reserved tickets will be available at the door on the day of the event. Due to space limitations, however, tickets will not be sold that day. Questions? Visit shanahanfashionshow@yahoo.com.

Chester County Pro-Life Coalition

There will be several opportunities for prayer and public witness to mark the 35th Anniversary of the Roe v Wade Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion on demand for all nine months of pregnancy in the United States.

On Sunday, January 20th, at 2:30 p.m., the Chester County March for Life will be held in West Chester, gathering at St. Agnes Church and walking to the Chester County Courthouse for a program of prayer, music and speakers. Marchers are invited to the Knights of Columbus Hall following the march for doughnuts and hot drinks. In case of inclement weather, the program will be conducted in St. Agnes Church.

On Tuesday, January 22nd, buses will leave from numerous locations around Chester county for those participating in the Annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. To locate a bus near you, call Coordinator Tom Bones at 610/993-0331. On the same day, a "Stand Up for Life Rally" will take place at 12:00 noon, at City Hall, Philadelphia, sponsored by the ProLife Union of Southeastern Pennsylvania.

On Thursday, January 24th, A Life Chain will be formed, from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m., at the Chester County Courthouse, West Chester. Signs will be provided. Participants will stand in silent prayer along the sidewalk on High Street.

For more information on any of the above events, call 610/692-4463.

January Lottery Winners

Congratulations to our Winners and thanks for their support

1.11	Cindy Grear (B.A. Hackmeister)
1.12	Rssell Korth (Ann Cigas)
1.13	Gloria DePedro (Mary Arvay)
1.14	Todd Smith (Anne Reshey)
1.15	Kevin Glover (Maryann Lasak)
1.16	Maryann Lasak (Maryann Lasak)
1.17	Mike Race (Maryann Lasak)