

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.

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.

The daily 9:00 a.m. Masses of this coming week will be held in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church.

Saturday, June 21st, 2008 – 6:30 PM

Agusta Saska (Bob & Ann Hamilton)

Sunday, June 22nd, 2008 – 10:30 AM

Joseph Yankech (Anniversary) (Wife Helen & Family)

Saturday, June 28th, 2008 – 6:30 PM

Rose Michnuk (Steven Michnuk)

Sunday, June 29th, 2008 – 10:30 AM

Deceased Members of
Lonchar, Tolarovich & Shesko Families
(Neff, Johnson, Sullivan & Reczek Families)

Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Dorothy Bodnar, Jan Schultz, Joanne Krupansky, Joseph Yankech, III, Joseph Salada, Joseph Dougherty, Robert Hracho, Mike Sullivan, Mimi Sushinski, 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, Patricia McAdams, Ollie Alfaro, John Hyland, Julia Lucci, Stella Grubb, Richard Michinok, Brian Babcock and Agnes Frymoyer.

Among the recently Deceased, we remember Lester Roethe.

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, June 22nd, from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m., prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, June 28th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass.

As always the sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Congratulations to our Graduates

It is the Season of Graduation, marking the achievements of our youthful parishioners as they graduate from eighth grade, high school, colleges and universities, and other programs of advanced learning. Heartiest congratulations to them all, our pride and joy! May they always have a thirst for learning not only the things of this world, but also the things of the next world as well. Likewise, may our graduates understand themselves to be lifetime students of Christ the Teacher, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Best wishes from your Parish Family!

We are most pleased to note that Peter Hughes, on June 13th, was a featured student speaker at the Graduation Exercises of Coatesville Area Senior High School. With distinction, Peter served as the President of his Senior Class over the past scholastic year, and is college-bound in the fall. Special congratulations to you, Peter!

Hand-Crafted Holy Land Carvings for Purchase

This weekend, Mr. Butros Qumseya of the Holy Land Christian Society, Bethlehem Carving Group is with us to provide the opportunity of purchasing beautiful, handcarved pieces from the Holy Land. The proceeds from their sale will assist Christian families in the Holy Land, a steadily diminishing minority, and help curtail further emigration from the area. Do take a minute or two to examine his wares, and perhaps find a perfect gift for a relative or friend – or even for yourself. Most will be a welcome addition to one's devotional life. Thank you!

Foster Care Volunteers

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. Won't you come forward and make a positive difference in the life of a child? To learn more about becoming a foster parent, please contact Melissa or Pat at 215/587-3960. Remember, **you** can make a difference, a difference that will last a lifetime!

Peter's Pence Collection

(Pope's Collection)

The Second Collection next weekend, June 28th-29th, is earmarked as the Annual Worldwide Peter's Pence Collection to support the good works of our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI. More specifically, the proceeds from this Collection fund emergency relief assistance to those who suffer from war, oppression, disease, and natural disaster. Through such works of charity, Catholics stand in solidarity with the weak, the defenseless and the voiceless, and they sustain those who suffer. By responding generously to this appeal, we share in the concern of the Successor of Peter for the many different needs of the universal Church and for the relief of those most in need around the globe.

Thank you for your anticipated kindness!

Marriage Encounter Weekend

Forty years ago, with Church approval, the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Movement was born to promote successful marriages, blessed with the presence of God. The weekend retreat experience seeks to make a good marriage even better and, in part, features communication skills between the partners. The next couples' Encounter Weekend will be conducted August 1st-3rd. For full information, please call 1-800-456-8330.

OLME Employment Opportunities

Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist in Birdsboro, PA has two new part-time position openings:

Bookkeeper proficient with Quick Books or equivalent program, Microsoft office; e-mail resume to sjn@olme.org.

Office Assistant proficient with Microsoft office, detail and organizational skills; e-mail resume to sjn@olme.org.

Questions? Contact Cathy Samoylo at 610/582-333.

Summer Retreat Opportunity at

Czestochowa Shrine

Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist invite you to a Retreat, July 11th-13th, in the beautiful Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA, to be conducted by Sister Joan Noreen, weekly presenter on EWTN (Cable Channel 53). The Retreat is open to Catholic men and women interested in growing in their faith and in their love for the Lord. For information or to register, please contact Sister Joan Noreen at 610/582-333 or sjn@olme.org.

Words of Life

Divorce and abortion are, of course, different choices, at times made in difficult and dramatic circumstances. They often give rise to traumas and are a source of profound suffering for the people who make them...They leave wounds that mark life indelibly. The Church has the primary duty to approach (such) people with love and delicacy, with kindness and maternal concern, in order to announce the merciful closeness of God and Jesus Christ. ...Yes, the gospel of love and of life is also always the gospel of mercy.

Pope Benedict XVI, Address to the International Congress "Oil on the Wounds." April 5, 2008

Summer Festival Concert

The music ensemble Sanctuary will present a Summer Solstice Concert in the Villanova Conference Center on Sunday, June 22nd, at 2:00 p.m. Admission is free. Sanctuary features songwriters Father Shawn Tracy, O.S.A. and Dan Mason, Ensemble Director. Their latest recording, "Sacred Earth," celebrates the beauty of creation through psalms, canticles and sacred story. For further information, please call 800-834-6250 or visit www.sanctuary.villanova.edu

Rainforest Adventure

Swing into a RAINFOREST ADVENTURE!
Explore God's Wondrous Love in the Tree Top Canopy
Please join us for St. Joseph's Vacation School

Monday, June 23rd through Friday, June 27th

6:15 pm to 8:30 pm

St. Joseph School Hall

We are in need of both adult and teenage volunteers! We will also need donations of drinks and snacks. Contact Lisa Hillman @ 610/857-1549 for more information.

You may register by contacting Lisa at the number listed above. Children ages 4 and up are invited to participate.

Life, Justice and Family

"Life, Justice and Family: Partners in the New Evangelization" is an historic convocation of family life, social justice and respect life leaders exploring ways to partnership in promoting human life and dignity. Sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Knights of Columbus, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and the Diocese of Camden, this event will be conducted July 25th-27th at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cherry Hill, New Jersey. Featured will be presentations on the environment, bioethics, science,

religion, human rights and family life. For more information, call the Respect Life Office at 215/587-5661 or visit www.usccb.org,

Fall Sports Sign Ups

Any child who attends PPII or RREP-CCD, in grades 5 through 8, and would like to play soccer, field hockey or volleyball needs to go to the PJPII website and print off the pre-registration form. Fill out the form and return it to PJPII Athletic Association, 2875 Manor Road, West Brandywine, PA 19320 by Monday, June 30th. No money is required at this time.

Vacation Bible Camp: "God's Big Backyard"

A Vacation Bible Camp will be in operation July 14th-18th, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon, at the Pope John Paul Regional Catholic Elementary School. The Camp is open to all children 4 years old through 8th grade. Registration forms are available at the REPP Office or by calling 610/384-3145.

Adults and older teens are needed to staff the Camp. Please attend the Volunteers Meeting on Monday, June 16th, at 7:00 p.m., in the library of PJPII Regional School.

Clothing Drive

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul will be at our Parish Church on Tuesday, July 15th, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., to collect donations of usable men's women's and children's clothing. They will also be accepting small household goods (bed and bath linens, pots/pans, dishes, cooking utensils, toys, books) and small appliances in good working order. You are invited to take all donations to the Society's trailer in the parking lot on Charles Street. Tax receipts are available upon request. The Society also offers pick-up service for furniture, large appliances and vehicle donations. For more information, please call 215/288-860. Thank you for helping us help others.

2nd Annual Vocation Congress

Attention: 6th, 7th & 8th Grade Boys and Parents

Thursday, June 26, 2008 – 9AM to 7:30 PM

St. Charles Seminary

The Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood is sponsoring this one day event led by our Philadelphia Seminarians which will provide young men an opportunity to hear and consider the call of Christ. The day will include:

Great Music
Sports/Activities
Powerful Prayer & Liturgy
Morning/Evening Prayer
Eucharistic Adoration

For more information or to register, please call 610/667-5778 or go to: www.HeedTheCall.org.