

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. Joseph Church.

Saturday, August 9th, 2008 6:30 PM

Marie Reali (The Tracy Family)

Sunday, August 10th, 2008 10:30 AM

Rose Michnuk (Husband Bill)

- 8/11 Elizabeth Dudas (St. Joseph Women's Club)
- 8/12 Andrew Cigas (MaryAnne & Frank Rever)
- 8/13 Andrew Benkovich (Dawn & Shawn Baughman)
- 8/14 9 am Holy Souls in Purgatory
7 pm Steffie Levenite (Kelly & Jeff Steidler)
- 8/15 Please refer to the Holy Day announcement.
- 8/16 9 am Parishioners
6:30 pm Henrietta Torma (Joan & Dave Dubindki)
- 8/17 10:30 am "Sue" Dunlap (Scott & Lisa Hillman)

Outgrown Sale

If you are looking to sell or purchase children's clothes, toys, books and related items, take part in the Outgrown Sale at Holy Rosary Early Learning Center, South 17th Avenue, on Saturday, October 4th. For more information, kindly call Carol Moyer at 610/380-0277

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, Dolores Pike, and Baby Ava Webb.

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 hands.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

This weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, August 9th, from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m., prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, August 17th, from 9:45 to 10:15 am, prior to the Morning Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available anytime upon request.

Holy Rosary Early Learning Center

Openings are going quickly but are still available for Fall 2008 at Holy Rosary Learning Center. Pre-School hours are from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m., offering great social and academic learning experience for the children. Also available are half-day daycare (Less than 5 hours) and full-day daycare (over 5 hours). The Daycare Program is conducted from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Children from age 2 to 5 (potty trained) are welcome. For more information contact Carol Moyer at 610/380-0277.

The Early Learning Center is looking for a warm, nurturing person who would be interested in joining their growing Daycare Program. If you are interested in working a part-time position, call Carol (phone given above).

Words of Life

"Children deserve to grow up with a healthy understanding of sexuality and its proper place in human relationships. They should be spared the degrading manifestations and the crude manipulation of sexuality so prevalent today. They have a right to be educated in authentic moral values rooted in the dignity of the human person. This brings us back to our consideration of the centrality of the family and the need to promote the Gospel of life. What does it mean to speak of child protection when pornography and violence can be viewed in so many homes through media widely available today? We need to reassess urgently the values underpinning

society, so that a sound moral formation can be offered to young people and adults alike.”

Pope Benedict XVI April 16, 2008

Solemnity of Mary's Assumption, August 15th

From the earliest days of the Church, it has been the constant belief of its members that the Blessed Virgin Mary is the first of humankind to experience the fullness of Easter glory, as body and soul united she takes her place beside her risen, ascended Son. We annually commemorate this beautiful Marian mystery with the Solemnity of Our Lady's Assumption on August 15th, a holy day of obligation. Masses for this Feast will be offered on Thursday, August 14th, at 7:00 p.m., in Saint Joseph Church, and on Friday August 15th, at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., in Saint Stanislaus Kostka Church. Come, joyfully celebrate “Mary's Easter,” trusting that what she is now we, too, shall be one day!

Congratulations to our Catholic Eastern Rite Neighbors!

This Sunday, August 10th, the congregation of Blessed Virgin Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, Strode Ave. and Gap Road, will be celebrating their 90th Anniv. of Founding. The joyous festivities will include a Hierarchical Divine Liturgy offered by The Most Reverend William C. Skurla, D.D., Bishop of the Eparchy (Diocese) of Passaic, followed by a Dinner Reception at The Peddler Inn, Honey Brook. We, Catholic Latin Rite West Enders, extend our heartiest congratulations to our Catholic Eastern Rite neighbors on this blessed significant occasion, and we hail their faithful proclamation of the Gospel and witness to Jesus Christ over these nine decades. May all their efforts in behalf of God's Kingdom continue to bear much fruit into 100 years and beyond!

Assumption Celebration in West Chester

All are cordially invited to the 89th Annual Mary's Assumption Festival on Sunday, August 17th, in West Chester. Following the 9:00 a.m. Mass in St. Agnes Church, a Communion Breakfast will be hosted at The Elk's Lodge. A Solemn Street Procession will form at 2:30 p.m. in front of St. Agnes Church, with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament concluding the day's celebration. For complete information and breakfast tickets, contact Barbara Mange at 610-431-3217 or Anthony Polito at 610-692-8322.

Slovak Festival in Bridgeport

The Augustine Slovak Festival will be conducted at Holstein & Hurst Streets, Bridgeport, on Saturday August 23rd, 3:00 to 10:00 p.m. and on Sunday, August 24th, 2:00 to 9:00 p.m. Come experience delicious foods, beverages, games, amusements and entertainment for young and old. On Saturday and Sunday, dance to the music of “The Melody Kings” and on Sunday only, enjoy the sounds of the popular Irish singer “Oliver”. For full information, call 610-272-4088.

Catholic Cruise to the Western Caribbean

Come and sail away on a 8-Night Catholic Western Caribbean Cruise with Father Robert Murphy March 5-13 2009 on the Carnival Miracle out of Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Ports of Call: Colon, Panama, Limon, Costa Rica & Belize. Prices begin at \$1660.86 for two passengers which includes all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass and Rosary offered. Deposits of only

\$50.00 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. For further info or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 860-399-1785 or email dpayttc@aol.com

Accountant Position Available

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Educational Financial Services, is seeking an accountant with a Bachelor's degree in Accounting plus 4 years experience to develop the budget, monthly financial statements, review receivables, process accounts payable, administer payroll and related issues. The position is full-time at a high school located in Chester County. Experience in accounting systems, WORD, WORD PERFECT and EXCEL are required. Must have a valid driver's license. Forward resume with salary requirements to: Educational Financial Services, 222 North 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103, Fax: 215-587-3525

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 October 3rd-5th. For full information, please call 1-800-456-8330.

Church Ministry Institute

Are you interested in a little more background in your faith? Do you want to fill in some learning gaps for personal reasons or to enable you to volunteer your services with confidence? Then consider attending the Church Ministry Institute, a three-year certificate program offered by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. There are no papers to write or tests to take. Meet committed faculty and enjoy excellent texts. For a brochure, call 215/587-0551 or e-mail srmedieh@adphila.org. The most convenient Course Site for Chester County is Bishop Shanahan High School in Downingtown. Act today!

Regional Parochial School News

Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School will re-open on September 3rd. Uniform dress code is effective as of September 3rd. Buses will be available. Coatesville School District will mail a post card at the end of August with your bus #, place of pick-up and time. Other School Districts, please contact your district office.

September 3rd dismissal will be 11:00 am

September 4th and 5th will be full day sessions beginning at 8:15 am with dismissal at 2:45 pm for Grades 1 through 8.

September 4th – Kindergarten Open House for parents and students will be at 9:00 am in the Multi-Purpose Room.

September 5th – First Friday Mass at St. Peter 9:30 am.

September 8th – All Kindergarten students will report for a full day session from 8:15 am to 2:45 pm.

Back to School Nights in the Multi-Purpose Room:

September 8th Grades 1 – 2 6:30 pm

Grades 3 – 4 7:15 pm

September 9th Grades 5 – 6 6:30 pm

Grades 7 – 8 7:15 pm

September 12th – Home and School Ice Cream Social at 6:30 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room.