

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, September 6th, 2008 6:30 PM

Max Sushinski (Wife Agnes & Family)

Sunday, September 7th, 2008 10:30 AM

John & Anna Saska (Anne & Bob Hamilton & Family)

9/8 – 9 am Sue Dunlap (Rose Hudock)
9/9 – 9 am Theodore & Pauline Sestak (Helen Popovich)
9/10 – 9 am Marie Reali (Mildred Horenci)
9/11 – 9 am Elizabeth Dudas (Frank & Mary Jane Lasak)
9/12 – 9 am Julian Saska (Carol Slody)
9/13 – 9 am Parishioners

Saturday, September 13th, 2008 6:30 PM

Rose Michnuk (Husband Bill)

Sunday, September 14th, 2008 10:30 AM

Joanne & Lynne Marie Proudfoot (Bob & Maryanne Lasak)

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, Father Arthur Szela, Ron Bannister, Brenda McDonald, Lillian Turansky, Dorothy Puza, William O'Hop, Patricia McAdams, Ollie Alfaro, John Hyland, Julia Lucci, Stella Grubb, Brian Babcock, and Baby Ava Webb.

Among the recently Deceased, we remember Emily Rafter.

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, September 6th, from 5:45 to 6:15 pm, prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, September 14th, from 9:45 to 10:15 am., prior to the Morning Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available any time upon request.

Society of St. Vincent DePaul

The Chester County Conferences (ours included) of the Society of St. Vincent dePaul are planning a Friends of the Poor Walk, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, at nearby Hibernia Park, on Saturday, September 27th. For details, please refer to the attached flyer. All are invited to participate.



Cub Scout Program

Now is the time to join the fun and excitement of Cub Scouting. A Registration Night will be held on September 15th at 7:00 pm, in the Multi-Purpose Room of Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School. A fee is required at the time of registration. Designed for boys in Grades 1 thru 5, Cub Scouting combines outdoor activities, sports, academics and more in a fun and exciting program that helps families teach ideals such as honesty, good citizenship and respect. We are currently in need of a Leader for our 1st Grade Tiger Troop. If you are a parent or grandparent ready to share in the

adventures of scouting, please contact Linda O'Neill at 610/383-6814 (evenings) with any questions. No experience in Scouting is required, as we provide all of the training.



P.A.C.C. Women Members and Ladies Auxiliary Members

A special meeting will be held on Sunday, September 21st at 2:00 pm, for P.A.C.C. Women Members and Ladies Auxiliary Members in the P.A.C.C. Club facilities on Strode Avenue. It is a meeting of significant purpose, dealing with the future of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Parish CCD Registration

Our Parish Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Program (CCD) will be conducting their 2008-2009 Registration for CCD Classes on three successive Sundays: September 7th-14th-21st, immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass, in the Parish Hall. If your child was not baptized in either St. Joseph Church or St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, please present a copy of his/her Baptism certificate at the time of registration. Be reminded that we are expecting to have the Sacrament of Confirmation administered to eligible candidates this coming Spring in our Parish Church. The CCD Class Year begins on September 28th at the usual hour: 9:15 to 10:15 a.m., with the expectation that students and their families would embrace the habit of attending the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass together.

If you need an option to the Sunday Classes, kindly be aware of the Regional Religious Education Program at our new parochial school. Their classes meet on Tuesdays in the late afternoon, and on Wednesdays and Thursdays in the early evening. Contact Father John for full details.

A Citizen Referendum on Human Life

Next Sunday, September 14th, Parishioner Walter Gies will be on hand to solicit your signature on a citizen referendum on human life, in support of a proposed Constitutional Amendment. The proposal upholds the paramount right to life vested in every human being from their respective moment of fertilization, without regard to any condition of dependency or ability to function. It is an urgent cause, worthy of your prayer, study and reflection.

Special Collection This Weekend

The Second Collection this weekend, September 6th-7th, is earmarked as the Annual Appeal in behalf of the Black and Indian Missions located in the United States. This was a cause close to the heart of Philadelphia's own St. Katharine Drexel who founded a community of religious women, the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, to labor tirelessly in this specific Apostolate. Please be generous in helping to advance such a noble cause.

Girl Scout Program

Calling all girls in Grades K thru 8! Discover the fun, friendship and capabilities of girls together in our Girl Scout Program. Girls and parents, please gather at 7:00 p.m. on September 15th in the Multi-Purpose Room of our new Regional Catholic School, to gain more information and to register (\$10.00 fee due at time of registration). If you are a parent or grandparent, ready to share an adventure with your favorite girl or an adult, female or male, looking to make a difference in a girl's life, there is something for you as well. We are currently in need of a leader for our Kindergarten Daisy Troup. No experience in Scouting is required, as all necessary training will be provided. Please contact Kathy Bowser at 610/857-1152 (evenings) with any questions.



Auditions for the Archdiocesan Boy Choir

Do you know a boy who loves to sing? The Archdiocesan Boy Choir of Philadelphia offers a rich musical and spiritual experience for boys in grades 2 thru 8. The choir performs extensively throughout the Delaware Valley and has toured in the U.S.A., Canada and Europe. Members are welcome from the Diocese, including Chester County. Auditions will be held on September 13th at St. Peter School, 5th Street and Girard Avenue, Philadelphia and at St. Charles Seminary, City Line & Wynnewood Road, Wynnewood on September 20th. At each location, the auditions are conducted from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For added information or to schedule an audition, please call Tom Windfelder at 215/425-6995. Visit us at www.archboychoir.org.



Special Conference at the Seminary

A special conference on “Where Pope Benedict XVI is Leading Us With the Gospels and With St. Paul” will be conducted on Saturday, September 20th, at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The featured speaker is Father Benedict J. Groeschel, C.F.R., Director of the Office for Spiritual Development, Archdiocese of New York and popular EWTN television speaker. The Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas, Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia, will be the principal concelebrant and homilist at the Mass concluding the day, at 4:00 pm, in St. Martin Chapel. The Archdiocesan Boy Choir will sing at this Mass. Lunch will be served. Reservations are required. Tickets are \$40.00; full time high school and college students \$15.00. Please send fee to St. John Neumann Chapter, CUF, 183 Hillcrest Ave., Phila., PA 19118-2621. For more info, call 215/247-2585.

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!



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