

# 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 at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church.

## Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008 6:30 PM

Andrew Cigas (Betty Hracho)

## Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008 10:30 AM

Rose Michnuk (Steve Michnuk)

## Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008 6:30 PM

Henrietta Torma (Marcia & Ralph Hendershot)

## Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008 10:30 AM

Leroy & Ann McComsey (50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniv.) (Family)

## Words of Life

“Do we recognize that the innate dignity of every individual rests on his or her deepest identity – as image of the Creator – and therefore that human rights are universal, based on the natural law, and not something dependent upon negotiation or patronage, let alone compromise? And we are led to reflect on what place the poor and the elderly, immigrants and the voiceless, have in our societies. How can it be that domestic

violence torments so many mothers and children? How can it be that the most wondrous and sacred human space - the womb – has become a place of unutterable violence?”

- Pope Benedict XVI, Welcome Celebration by the Young People at Barangaroo, Sydney, July 17, 2008

## 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, Baby Ava Webb, Sandra Reczek, Michael Harlow and Father Francis Mulranen.

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 Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, from 9:45 to 10:15 am, prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, from 5:45 to 6:15 pm, prior to the Evening Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available any time upon request.

## Parish Celebrations of Confirmation and First Communion

We have received notice from Bishop Robert Maginnis, Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia, that he will be with us for the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, April 19, 2009, to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to those who are eligible candidates for the Sacrament.

A few Sundays later, on May 3, 2009, at the 10:30 am Mass, our Parish Family will celebrate the reception of First Holy Communion for those boys and girls who are eligible candidates for the Sacrament. The date of their First Confession has yet to be determined, most likely in the second half of Lent.

We hope this early announcement of these Sacrament Events will be helpful for those families to whom they apply, as they attempt to lay out the important occasions in the current school year.

## ***Change of Time for Friday's Morning Mass***

To permit Father John's participation in the First Friday Mass of our parochial grade school children, our Morning Mass on October 3<sup>rd</sup> will be offered at 8:15 am, forty-five minutes earlier than usual. Thank you for your kindness in making this time adjustment on that day.

### ***Thank You, Ladies!***

Last Sunday evening, September 21<sup>st</sup>, the Women's Club of St. Joseph Church got off to a promising new season with a delicious full course dinner and a productive business meeting. During the meeting, Susan Sandoski, President and Treasurer, presented Father John with a magnificent check in the amount of \$7,000 to assist with the financial responsibilities of our Parish. This check represented the dedicated efforts and untiring enthusiasm of the Women's Club in their many successful fundraisers, for which we all are most grateful. Thank you, ladies, and God bless you for your faithful selflessness!

### ***Floral Donation***

The beautiful autumn flowers, decorating our sanctuary area, have been placed there in loving memory of Andrew and Mary Shesko by Their Family. We appreciate the generous initiative taken by the donors in providing our place of worship with these colorful reminders of the change in season. May Andrew and Mary rest in eternal peace!

### ***Vigil for Life***

All are invited to join Father Philip M. Foriano as a volunteer Helper of God's Precious Infants in a Vigil for Life on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. The Vigil will begin with Holy Mass at 7:30 am in SS. Simon and Jude Chapel, Westtown. A Rosary Pilgrimage follows Mass, taking the participants to the Planned Parenthood Facility in West Chester. For more information, kindly call Jack & Mary Finley at 610/692-3154.

### ***Coming Next Weekend – Kidstuff***

Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School will be selling the Kidstuff Coupon Books after all the Masses in our West End Churches over the weekend of October 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>. Representatives for these money-saving coupon books will be located at the main entrances of the church. The cost is \$25.00. Please stop by and show your support. Any questions, please call Kim Atkinson at 610/380-6423.

### ***Home Mission Diocese of Lexington, Kentucky***

Thank you most sincerely to those who contributed to the Mission Co-Op Collection last month on behalf of the Diocese of Lexington, Kentucky. A little less than \$1000 was donated to this worthy cause, represented by Father Nicholas Pagano. God love you for your kindness!

## ***Respect Life Mass***

Next Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, His Eminence, Cardinal Justin Rigali will celebrate the Annual Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass at 11:00 am in the Cathedral-Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia. This special Mass is intended to draw attention to Respect Life Month, during which the United States Bishops observe the Catholic Church's call to build a culture of life in our society. Your participation in this Respect Life Mass would make this an event that provides a strong testimony to our ongoing commitment to the protection of life. Please come.

### ***A Journey Through Grief***

Daylesford Abbey, 220 South Valley Road, Paoli, will host "From Darkness to Light: A Journey Through Grief Finding Support After the Death of a Loved One". It is an eight week Bereavement Program, from 6:00 – 7:30 pm, on Mondays and Thursdays, beginning October 13<sup>th</sup> and concluding on November 6<sup>th</sup>. The program is designed to promote healing through helping people know what to expect and what not to expect during the grieving process. Attendees will have the opportunity to share with other grieving people who can understand and support them. People of all faiths are welcome. For more information and appropriate registration, call 610/647-2530, ext. 133.



### ***Annual Silent Auction***

Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School will host "Let the Good Times Roll", their 10<sup>th</sup> annual Silent Auction, on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, starting with a preview at 5:30 pm in the School Gymnasium. Everyone is welcome. Tickets are \$35/person or \$55/couple. This includes bid number, butlered hor d'oeuvres and, of course, a good time. Call Jeannie at 610/466-0830 to purchase tickets. Respected Artist 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 our regional parochial 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 choose. Other possible donations needed are vacation rentals, tickets to sporting events, signed sports memorabilia. Please contact Kristen Donaldson at 610/466-0550 with any questions or to donate.

### ***Winter Coaching Positions 2008-09 for PJP II***



Coaches are needed for the winter sports season for boys' basketball and for girls' basketball. Anyone interested in coaching a team should 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 be attending, the class on "Protecting God's Children – Safe Environment". Please send your letter into PJPII Athletic Association, Attn: Dave Michell, Athletic Director, 2875 Manor Road, West Brandywine, PA 19320 by Friday, October 3, 2008.

### **Boys and Girls Registration for Basketball 2008-2009**



Registration for PJPII Boys' Basketball and Girls' Basketball will open on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Any student in grades 5-8 who attends PJPII or participates in CCD/RREP and wants to try our for CYO Basketball must do the following:

- Go to [www.wagdogs.com](http://www.wagdogs.com) and create an account by clicking on BECOME A MEMBER (this is free and only requires that you have an email address)
- Click on REGISTER FOR AN ACTIVITY
- Click on Pope John Paul II, West Brandywine and complete the registration form.

No payment is due at this time. When teams are finalized by the coaches, payment of \$100 will be due (payable to PJPII Athletic Association) before uniforms can be distributed and games played.

### **A Special Rock Event**

Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, will present the Irish Rock Group Blackthorn on Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the School Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 each. Call 610/518-1300, ext. 4248 to reserve your ticket(s). Come and join us for this special rock event!



### **Catholic Charismatic Renewal**

The National Service Committee of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, in conjunction with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia CCR Office, presents "Jesus Lives! Pour Out Your Spirit Anew!", a day of renewal in the Year of St. Paul. All are invited for a day of powerful praise, teachings and empowerment on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, at Father Judge High School, 3301 Solly Avenue, Philadelphia. Tickets are \$20; seating is limited. Bring your own lunch and beverage. For more information, please call 215/535-2962, ext. 424.

### **Vocation Discernment**

Are you between the ages of 16 and 24? Have you ever thought about being a priest? Does the thought interest you? Heed the call. Come and join others for a weekend October 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary to explore the call. For more information, please visit our website

[www.HeedTheCall.org](http://www.HeedTheCall.org) or call 610/667-5778. Registration is required.

### **Retreat Day**

Cardinal Justin Rigali will celebrate Mass on October 18<sup>th</sup> at the MOM-Heart of the Home Archdiocesan Day of Renewal in St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. The theme of the day is "The Light of God Surrounds Us". Moms of all ages are invited to the day of renewal to pray and to replenish their spirits. Registration is open now through October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The cost is \$20.00 and the fee includes lunch. Bus transportation is being organized. Please contact Colleen Gallagher, your local representative, for details by calling 610/269-0304, or [colpgal@comcast.net](mailto:colpgal@comcast.net). Visit [www.momheartofthehome.org](http://www.momheartofthehome.org) for on-line registration. PayPal is accepted.



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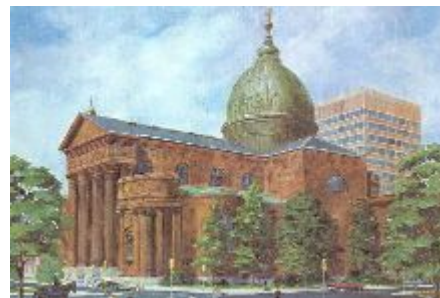


### **Cathedral Basilica Ambassadors**

Do you have an interest in art, architecture, history? Do you have an interest in speaking to small groups, sharing information about our Faith and our beautiful Cathedral? Are you interested in giving some of your time to the Mother Church of our Archdiocese? Or, are you simply curious about what being an ambassador is all about?

If so, please contact [dbgeninfo@dibruno.com](mailto:dbgeninfo@dibruno.com) to find out more information and to sign up for an initial information and organizational meeting on this new opportunity for service at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul. The meeting, with light refreshments, is scheduled for Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 5:30 – 7:00 pm at Di Bruno Brothers, 1730 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

We are hoping to enlist the assistance of many people who are willing to give 4 hours of their time, once or twice a month, welcoming and answering the questions of our many thousands of visitors. We look forward to seeing you!



### **Choir Practice Reminder**

REMINDER – Choir practice for both choirs will be held on TUESDAY nights for the next few weeks – same times. Youth Choir at 6:45; Adult Choir at 7:30. If you have any questions, please call Susan Sandoski 610/212-2927.