

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, January 3rd, 2009 6:30 PM

Andrew F. Cigas (Mrs. Agnes Sushinski)

Sunday, January 4th, 2009 10:30 AM

Pauline Howell (Mary & Ray Sieracki)

Saturday, January 10th, 2009 6:30 PM

Andrew F. Cigas (Michael & Kathy Catanese)

Sunday, January 11th, 2009 10:30 AM

Andrew & Mary Shesko (Children & Grandchildren)

Your Prayers Are Requested

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the Sick: Dorothy Bodnar, Jan Schultz, 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, Dorothy Puza, William O'Hop, Patricia McAdams, Ollie Alfaro, Julia Lucci, Stella Grubb, Brian Babcock, Sandra Reczek, Michael Harlow, Marie McBride, Father Francis Mulranen, Jim Davis, Kathy Popovich, Stephanie Roman, John Dudas, Priscilla Marshman, Laura Shesko, Helen Yankech and Barbara Hughes.

Among the recently Deceased, we remember Father Joseph Kennedy, Father William Wright, and Mark Mihalak.

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, January 4th from 9:45 to 10:15 am, prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, once again, confessions will be heard on Sunday, January 11th from 9:45 to 10:15 am, prior to the Morning Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available any time upon request.

Choir Practice



The next choir practice for the children will be **Monday**, January 5th at 6:45 pm to prepare to sing the following Sunday, January 11th at the 10:30 Mass.

The next adult practice session will be **Monday** night, January 12th at 7:30 pm, immediately after the children's practice. With Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent starting on February 25th, it is not too soon to begin preparing for the Lenten/Easter season, particularly since Confirmation and First Holy Communion are shortly after Easter. If you have any questions or need additional information, please call me at 610/212-2927.

Susan Sandoski, Choir Director

Women's Club Gathering

There will be a Women's Club get-together this Sunday, January 4th in the school hall at 7:00 pm. This will be our "postponed" Christmas festivity. The event will be a "Dessert Party" and we will have a wrapped gift exchange (up to \$10 value) if you wish to participate. All the women of the parish are invited to attend what I hope will be a fun evening of socializing. If you would like to bring a favorite dessert (not required), let me know ahead of time so I will know what we will have to serve. Please call me at 610/212-2927 and leave a message if I am unavailable. Thank you.

Susan Sandoski, President & Treasurer

Pope John Paul II Spring Sports Information

Spring Coaching Positions 2009

Boy's Baseball, Girl's Softball and Co-ed Track



Coaches are needed for the spring sports season for boy's baseball, girl's softball and co-ed track. Any one interested in coaching a team, please apply by sending the coach's application and a letter to the Athletic Board listing your qualifications and coaching experience. Go to www.popejohnpaul2sch.org to download the coach's application. 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 application and letter to: PJPII Athletic Association, Attn: Dave Michell, Athletic Director, 2875 Manor Road, West Brandywine, PA 19320, by **Friday, January 30, 2009.**

Registration for Spring Sports 2009

Boy's Baseball, Girl's Softball and Co-ed Track



Registration for Spring sports will open on January 5, 2009. Any student who attends PJPII or actively participates in RREP and wants to try out for CYO Baseball or Softball (Grades 5 – 8) or Track (Grades 4 – 8) must do the following:



Go to 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. **Registration closes on March 1, 2009.**

No payment is due at this time. When teams are finalized by the coaches, payment of \$85.00 will be due before uniforms can be distributed and games played.

PJPII First Quarter Auction



On February 8th, 2009, Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School will host their First Quarter Auction, starting at 2:00 pm. Doors will open at 1:00 pm. Tickets are \$5.00 each. There will be over 100 items to win, door prizes and a 50/50 drawing. There will also be cash and carry items, food and fun for the entire family. Proceeds will benefit the school athletic fields. For tickets, call Carolyn Kuhn at 484/889-9428 or Tracy Hickey at 610/715-5803.

Mass for Homeschooling Families

On Monday, January 12th, at 1:30 pm, His Eminence, Cardinal Justin Rigali, is scheduled to celebrate Mass in the Immaculate Conception Chapel for Homeschooling Families on the campus of Saint Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood. All are welcome to attend. Come and participate in the celebration of this vocation. For additional information, please contact Peter Vink at 610/942-4286.

Day of Eucharistic Adoration for Priestly Vocations

Our Cardinal-Archbishop has designated Monday, January 12th as an Archdiocesan Day of Eucharistic Adoration for an increase in priestly vocations. We are requested to be united in prayer before the Christ of the Blessed Sacrament for more young men to respond generously and courageously to the call to the holy priesthood. On that day, Eucharistic Adoration will be conducted immediately following the 9:00 am Mass in Saint Joseph Church, and continue until a concluding Holy Hour at 7:00 pm. The congregations of both West End Parishes are urged to participate in this joint spiritual event of such urgent significance to the well-being of our Archdiocese.

Special Programs at Bishop Shanahan High School



Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, and Dr. Richard Fuller together offer the most comprehensive 35-hour training experience in a PSAT/SAT program in our area, with a student ratio of 8:1 in math. Classes begin January 21st, 2009. Also, future summer programs will include: Algebra I Enrichment Program (grades 5 – 9); “Critical Thinking and Study Skills” Program (grades 8 – 12); and a PSAT/SAT Program (with a student teacher ratio of 8:1). Summer classes start June 15th, 2009. For more information, call Dr. Fuller at 610/275-9660 or BSHS at 610/518-1300.

Registration at Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic

school
registration



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 2009-2010:

- Registration will be held in the multi-purpose room, from 9:00 am to 12:00 Noon on February 3rd, 2009.
- To enter Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old by September 1st, 2009.
- To enter First Grade, a child must be 6 years old by September 1st, 2009.
- An original birth certificate must be submitted.
- An authenticated certificate of Baptism must be submitted.
- Immunization records are necessary at the time of registration.
- Catholic families must present a letter from their proper Pastor verifying parish membership before a child is registered.
- There is a \$100.00 non-refundable registration fee.

PJPII will accept registrations from parishioners who have students in the public school district currently in Grades 1 – 6, depending on the availability of space. This registration will be done on the registration day in February.

Vocation Discernment

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, cordially invites young men (high school age and up) to An Evening for Young Men on Friday, January 16th from 7:00 to 9:30 pm. The evening will include a premiere showing of a video on the priesthood in Philadelphia, a candlelight procession, a Holy Hour with Bishop Daniel Thomas, and refreshments. For more information and to reserve your place, please contact the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood at 610/667-5778.

School Open House



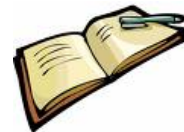
All parents with pre-school children are invited to an Open House at Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School, West Brandywine, on January 22nd, 2009, from 8:30 to 11:00 am. We will be happy to have you visit our little ones in the classrooms, and answer any questions you may have about our school.

Volunteer English Program



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 22nd; Monday, January 26th; Thursday, January 29th; (with Monday, February 2nd as a snow date), from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. For more information about this rewarding volunteer opportunity or to register for the workshop, contact 610/918-8222 or visit www.volunteerenglish.org.

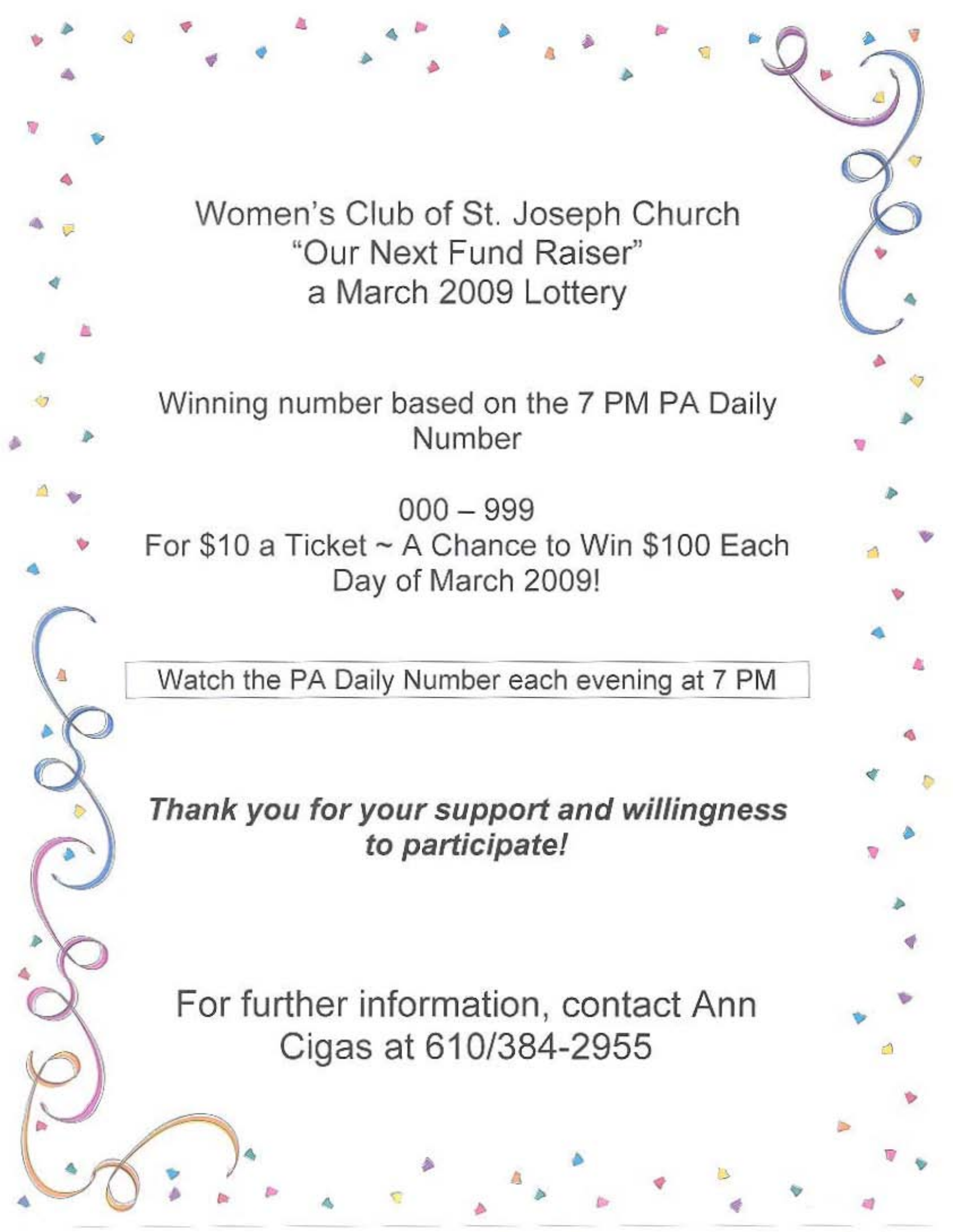
Touch of Class Program



Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School is once again offering adult programming. Relax and take some time for yourself! All classes are open to the public, so bring a friend. Application forms are available on the web page at www.popejohnpaul2sch.org. Many classes are run in conjunction with the RREP Program. Why not join us while your children are at RREP?

- Men’s Basketball on Sunday, 7:00 – 9:00 pm
- Cooking Class on Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:00 pm
- Spanish Language on Tuesday, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
- Italian Language and Culture on Wednesday, 6:45 – 7:45 pm
- Yoga on Wednesday, 6:45 – 7:45 pm

For additional information, contact Terry Altschuler at 610/384-5961, ext 5410.



Women's Club of St. Joseph Church
"Our Next Fund Raiser"
a March 2009 Lottery

Winning number based on the 7 PM PA Daily
Number

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For \$10 a Ticket ~ A Chance to Win \$100 Each
Day of March 2009!

Watch the PA Daily Number each evening at 7 PM

***Thank you for your support and willingness
to participate!***

For further information, contact Ann
Cigas at 610/384-2955