

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. Joseph Church.

Saturday, February 7th, 2009 6:30 PM

Rose Michnuk (Steve Michnuk)

Sunday, February 8th, 2009 10:30 AM

Sister Imelda Travis, I.H.M. (Mr. & Mrs. Dominic J. Carnuccio)

2/09 9:00 am Augusta Saska (Saska Family)
2/10 9:00 am Margaret Florian (Helen Racz)
2/11 9:00 am Marie Reali (Scott & Lisa Hillman)
2/12 9:00 am Julian Sakska (Paul & Katie Family)
2/13 9:00 am Dorothy Myers (Jerry Bugar)
2/14 9:00 am Parishioners

Saturday, February 14th, 2009 6:30 PM

Josephine Cook (Tim & Renee Jamison)

Sunday, February 15th, 2009 10:30 AM

Sue Dunlap (Chris & Cathy Castle)

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, 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 Devin Doyle.

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, February 7th, from 5:45 to 6:15 pm, prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, February 15th, from 9:45 to 10:15 am, prior to the Morning Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available any time upon request.

Women's Club News

At the meeting held last Sunday, a suggestion was made regarding a parish picnic for the spring/summer. We have hosted this event in the past at the Westwood Fire Company with much success – everyone attending seemed to enjoy themselves and it was a great chance for the children and families of the parish to participate and have some fun together. So, in keeping with the social aspect of the parish, we are looking for volunteers to form a committee to organize this affair. If you are interested in volunteering or have any suggestions for activities or catering, please contact me at 610/212-2927.

Also keep in mind that we are sponsoring a Monthly Lottery for March. Tickets are \$10 each with a minimum payout of \$100 a day. The ticket purchased will be the number (played straight) that you will play for each day of the month. If that number is the daily nightly PA lottery number pulled, you win, which gives you 31 chances during the month. If you have not received tickets in the mail to sell or purchase, they will be offered for sale at the weekend Masses during the next few weeks. If you are willing to take additional tickets to sell to friends, co-workers or family, please contact Ann Cigas at 610/384-2955.

Susan Sandoski, President & Treasurer

Parents' Confirmation Meeting



For those parents of our young candidates for Confirmation in the Spring, who were unable to attend an earlier Parents' Meeting, a make-up meeting will be conducted this Sunday, February 8th, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Church. Father John Oulds and Mrs. Leslie Hoopes, Coordinator, will be making a presentation of significance regarding the reception of this Sacrament of the Holy Spirit. We look forward to your being in attendance.

Archdiocesan Stained Glass Event



The Office for Special Projects of the Archdiocese will sponsor a Stained Glass Event at 320 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, on Saturday, February 21st from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Stained glass remnants from church windows no longer in use will be available for sale. A very limited number of marble remnants will also be available. The public is welcome to this event.

Looking Ahead to Ash Wednesday



February 25th marks the opening of the Season of Lent, with its observance on Ash Wednesday. Our schedule of services on Ash Wednesday, each featuring the blessing and distribution of ashes, will be as follows:

- 6:30 am Prayer Service in St. Joseph Church
- 9:00 am Holy Mass in St. Joseph Church
- 12:00 Noon Prayer Service in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church
- 5:30 pm Holy Mass in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church
- 7:00 pm Holy Mass in St. Joseph Church

We hope that this advance notice will be helpful in making your plans for Ash Wednesday.

Words of Life

“By virtue of the simple fact of existing, every human being must be fully respected. Discrimination with regard to human dignity based on biological, psychological or educational development, or based on health-related criteria must be excluded.”
Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith

Men's Spirituality Conference



Cardinal Justin Rigali invites the men of the Archdiocese to deepen their commitment to Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church by their participation in the Men's Spirituality Conference, Let Us Strengthen One Another, to be held on Saturday, March 7th, 8:45 am – 5:00 pm, at Cardinal O'Hara High School, Delaware County. Keynote speakers will be Rich Gannon, former Most Valuable Player of the NFL, and Marcus Grodi, host of EWTN's Journey Home Program. For full details and registration, contact the Family Life Office at 215/587-5639.

Rachel's Vineyard



Rachel's Vineyard Retreats are for anyone hurting from the spiritual and emotional pain of an abortion. The weekend will help you experience the compassion of God, grieve your loss, and forgive yourself and others. A retreat will be held at the Spirituality Center in Frazer, PA on March 13-14-15th. Call 215/906-6337 or 610/399-0890 for further details and registration. All contacts are strictly confidential. This retreat is sponsored by Rachel's Vineyard of Greater Philadelphia

PJPII Longaberger Basket Bingo



On March 27, 2009, Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School will host the 3rd Annual Longaberger Basket Bingo. Last year's Bingo was a huge success and a lot of fun for everyone. As many of you recall, we sold out of tickets weeks before the event. We will again be offering tickets to our school families and parishioners before advertising elsewhere. The doors will open at 5:30 pm. The tickets are \$25 per person, which includes cards, a door prize ticket and 20 games of regular Bingo. There will be

special games, raffles, 50/50 and extra Bingo cards for sale. Come hungry! There will be plenty of food and drinks for sale. All baskets will be generously filled. Contact Christine McClure at 610/942-3871 or Candy Whitehead at 610/384-0685 with any questions or to purchase tickets.

PJPII Summer Camp Program



Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School will be offering a Community Summer Camp Program, open to all students in the community who will be in grades K-8th in September 2009. See what the buzz is about: weekly themes, cooking, science, special guest, art, adventure and fun! Also available are family discounts, lunch program, water day and so much more! Don't make any plans for this summer until you check us out. Camp begins the week of June 15, 2009. Contact Terry Altschuler at 610/384-5961, ext. 5410.

What Can I Do To Help the Victims of the Arson Spree in Coatesville?



Perhaps Christian concern has had you ask yourself the question "what can I do to help the victims of the arson spree in Coatesville?" Here are some contact points in our community:

- Citadel Federal Credit Union has created the Coatesville Reward Fund to be given to any person(s) offering information that leads to the arrest of those responsible. Contributions will be accepted until February 10th by deposit in Account 563719 or by mail to:

Citadel Federal Credit Union
Coatesville Reward Fund
Attn: Office Manager
135 Modena Road
Coatesville, PA 19320

These monies will be added to the reward being offered by the Citizens' Crime Commission (215/546-TIPS).

- Contributions to the Coatesville Family Fund can be deposited in Citadel Federal Credit Union Account 563858 or mailed to Citadel Federal Credit Union, Coatesville Family Fund, at the above address. These monies will be distributed to those families seeking assistance, having been victimized by arson.

Anyone knowing anything about the crimes is asked to contact one of the following:

- Coatesville Police Hotline: 610/636-0514
- Crime stoppers: 1-800-4-TIPS
- Citizens' Crime Commission: 215/546-TIPS

The last two organizations listed are offering cash rewards for information leading to an arrest in these arson cases.

Family Bingo



The Teen Group of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish will host a Family Bingo in their Parish Hall on Sunday, February 22nd at 12:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. A slice of pizza and a beverage come with your ticket, if purchased in advance. There will be prizes for adults and children, raffles, 50/50 and specials. To purchase tickets, contact Gail Mascherino at 610/696-8338 or Michael Gale at 484/888-6846.

Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist

Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist welcomes you to attend The Year of St. Paul Institute: Paul the Prophet. Presenter: Father Francis Martin

Dates: Friday Feb. 20th, doors open at 6:30 pm

Saturday, Feb. 21st, doors open at 8:30 am

Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on Saturday. Bring your own lunch. Closing at 3:00 pm with Eucharistic Benediction. Free will offering taken. To register and for more information, contact Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist, 610/582-3333, or email us at olme@olme.org, 640 E. Main Street, Birdsboro, PA 18508.

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.