

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, April 18th, 2009 6:30 PM

Henrietta Torma (1st Anniv) (Joan & David Dubinski)

Sunday, April 19th, 2009 10:30 AM

Confirmation Class

4/20 9:00 am William Oleszek (Lori & Bob Davis Family)
4/21 9:00 am Steve Kocik (Joan Monko)
4/22 9:00 am Julian Saska (Beth & Moishe Starkman)
4/23 9:00 am Margaret Florian (Eleanor Wasko)
4/24 9:00 am Margaret Simpson (St. Joseph Women's Club)
4/25 9:00 am Parishioners

Saturday, April 25th, 2009 6:30 PM

Pauline Howell (Mrs. Nick Kousisis)

Sunday, April 26th, 2009 10:30 AM

Frances Weyman (Neff Family)

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, Brenda McDonald, Dorothy Puza, William O'Hop, Ollie Alfaro, 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, Devin Doyle, Jacob Hally and Agnes Sushinski.

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, April 18th from 5:45 to 6:15 pm, prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday morning, April 26th, from 9:45 to 10:15 am, prior to the Morning Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available any time upon request.

Special Collection Next Weekend

The Second Collection next weekend, April 25th-26th, is earmarked as the Annual Catholic Home Missions Appeal. In many rural areas of the United States, the Church struggles to provide the celebration of the Sacraments, religious education and the evangelization necessary for the spiritual nourishment of our Catholic people. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal is dedicated to strengthening the Church here at home, supporting Home Missions in areas such as Alaska, Appalachia, the Deep South, the Rocky Mountain States, the Southwest, Puerto Rico and island dioceses in the Pacific and Caribbean. Your kind response to this appeal will indeed strengthen the Church's presence and work among those Catholics who live their faith in difficult circumstances here at home. Thank you!

Congratulations to Our Newly Confirmed!



Confirmation This Sunday, April 19th, we welcome the Most Reverend Robert P. Maginnis, Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia, who comes to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation for forty-three of our younger parishioners at the 10:30 am Mass. Within the Easter Season, they are sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit and complete their reception of all three Sacraments of Initiation. Our heartiest congratulations are extended to the newly confirmed. May they walk always by the light of the Holy Spirit!

Our Deepest Appreciation

How can we find words sufficient to express our gratitude for those who gave of their time and talent, energy and enthusiasm in providing our Parish with an outstandingly beautiful and spirited celebration of Holy Week and Easter? It is as though we entered into the realm of heaven as we participated in the Sacred Liturgies which solemnly commemorated the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord. Thank you to our choir and musicians, our various ministers at the altar, our church decorators, as well as ushers, sexton and other helpers whose generosity and dedication helped us to exclaim that Christ is truly risen.

St. Joseph Church Family Picnic

Our Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 14th at Hibernia Park (Pavilion #1) from 12:00 – 4:00 pm. Cost is \$5 per adult (12+) to a maximum of \$20 per family. Children under 12 are free.

Anyone interested in donating summer-themed bingo picnic baskets OR volunteering on one of the picnic committees (Set-up/Social, Food, Games, Invitations/Reservations or Clean-up) should contact Christine Claypoole in person, by phone at 610/857-4916 or email christineclaypoole@yahoo.com.

Please plan to come and join in on a great day of fun! We hope to see you there!

Vacation Bible School 2009 – Discovery Canyon

VBS will be held Monday, June 22nd – Friday, June 26th, 2009, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm in St. Joseph School Hall

Ages 5 – 11 (younger children are welcome if a parent stays)

Adult volunteers are needed as Group Leaders. A Group Leader is responsible for overseeing a group of children and taking them to each of the stations (Music, Arts & Crafts, Snacks, Games & Bible).

We are also in need of children ages 12 and up to volunteer as Group Leader Assistants in the following areas: Music, Arts & Crafts, and Snacks & Games. Volunteers should have a lot of enthusiasm and enjoy working with children.

We are also in need of donations of juice boxes, cases of water (small bottles) and ice pops. Monetary donations are also accepted and will be used to purchase snack items and craft supplies

Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Lisa Hillman in person, by phone 610/857-1549 or email lisahillman@comcast.net.

Rachel's Vineyard of Philadelphia Ministries

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. Held at the Spirituality Center in Frazer, PA on May 15, 16, 17, 2009. Call 215/906-6337 or 610/399-0890. All contacts are confidential. Visit them at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

2009 MS Walk

Dear Parishioners, with the economic times such as they are, I hesitated to ask you for your help this year in the upcoming MS campaign. However, when I considered what your help could possibly do for our daughter, our grandchildren and for all of those who suffer with this dreadful disease, I realized I could not turn my back on them. They must be able to see the light at the end of the tunnel and we must continue to work so that the doctors can one day find that light.

Therefore, my plea to all who hear this call is that no matter what the gift may be, you consider helping the "Shesko Family" in this year's "Walk for the Cure". Your contribution comes with our deepest and most sincere appreciation and gratitude. Hopefully, one day, we will find the cure and give all victims of this disease a reason to HOPE!

With much thanks, Harold and Mary Frances Johnson

Your contributions may be given directly to Christine Claypoole at church or Mary Frances Johnson, 1160 Hilltop Lane, Coatesville, PA

19320, 610/384-6427, at church or it can be done on-line at www.walk4MS.org.

St. Agnes High School Celebration

St. Agnes High School graduates are cordially invited to a May Celebration at Bishop Shanahan High School, Downingtown, on Thursday, May 7th at 6:00 pm. Participants will attend a Liturgy and a Crowning Ceremony to honor the Blessed Mother, followed by refreshments and entertainment. Please contact Sister Helen Miriam, I.H.M., at 610/343-6223 or email hmiriam@shanahan.org by Monday, May 4th for reservation.

Pasta Buffet

All are welcome to a Pasta Buffet on Wednesday, April 22nd, 4:30 to 7:30 pm, in the Parish Hall of Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 80 South 17th Avenue. The buffet includes salad, pasta, meatballs, rolls and dessert. The cost is \$8.50 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 12. Take out is available.

Adoration, Talk and Ice Cream

Attention all 7th – 12th grade students! You are invited to a special evening of prayer, praise and ice cream at the Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, on April 26th from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. "Adoremus Te Midway" is the title of the evening, which features Eucharistic Adoration, awesome talks by Father David Engo, O.F.M., and an ice cream social. It's free! All you have to do is check us out on Facebook: Adoremus Te, or email adoremuste@yahoo.com. This is an evening you won't forget!

New Birthright Center

Birthright is a worldwide organization whose mission is to offer assistance to women who are experiencing an unwanted or unplanned pregnancy, offering alternatives to abortion. Support and referral services are provided for the mother and young baby as needed. Volunteers are needed to work at the new Birthright Center in Coatesville, which will be opening in May. If you would like to become involved, please contact Celeste DiJohnson at 484/919-8872 or Beth Gianulio at 484/467-6992.

Clothing Drive

The Archdiocesan Society of St. Vincent DePaul will be at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 80 South 17th Avenue, on May 9th and 10th, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm each day, to collect donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing. They will also be accepting small household goods (bed/bath linens, pots, pans, dishes, cooking utensils, toys, books, and small appliances in good working order). You are invited to take all donations to the Society's trailer in the church parking lot. Tax receipts are available upon request. The Society also offers pick-up service for furniture, large appliances and vehicle donations. For more information, please call 215/288-8160. Thank you for helping us help others.



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Brian Nicholas
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Carolyn Kateri Smith



Kara Kateri Taylor

Not Pictured:

Molly Clare C. Clifford

Nicholas Peter Angelo Doria

Spencer Andrew Andrew Furlough

Adriana Juarez

Joseph Anthony Petras

Caitlyn Katharine Toomey

Rebecca Brigid L. Clifford

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