

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, August 22nd, 2009 6:30 PM

Parishioners of St. Joseph Church
Eucharistic Minister: Hillman

Sunday, August 23rd, 2009 10:30 AM

Rose Michnuk (Husband Bill)
Eucharistic Ministers: Claypoole & Lasak, Jr.

8/24 9:00 am Joseph Bugar, Jr. (Family)
8/25 9:00 am Steve Kocik (Eleanor Wasko)
8/26 9:00 am Julie Vanderslice (Theresa & Tim Fisher)
8/27 9:00 am Steffie Levenite (Bob & Lorraine Newlin)
8/28 9:00 am Frank Malatesta (The Branson Family)
8/29 9:00 am William Oleszek (Wife Angie & Family)

Saturday, August 29th, 2009 6:30 PM

Josephine Regener (Ann & Leroy McComsey)
Eucharistic Minister: Johnson

Sunday, August 30th, 2009 10:30 AM

Steffie Levenite (Bob, Kris & Spence Dunlap)
Eucharistic Ministers: Bugar & Catanese

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, James Allen, Father Arthur Szela, Dorothy

Puza, William O'Hop, Ollie Alfaro, Stella Grubb, Sandra Reczek, Michael Harlow, Marie McBride, Father Francis Mulranen, Jim Davis, Kathy Popovich, Stephanie Roman, Priscilla Marshman, Laura Shesko, Helen Yankech, Devin Doyle, Jacob Hally, Barbara Hughes, Jane Wills and Mary Lou Burton.

Among the recently Deceased, we remember Alfons Pawlowski.

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, August 22nd, from 5:45 to 6:15 pm, prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, August 30th, from 9:45 to 10:15 am, prior to the Morning Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available any time upon request.

Heritage of Faith – Vision of Hope: St. Joseph Church

The following is an update of our participation in the Archdiocesan Capital Campaign, Heritage of Faith – Vision of Hope:

Parish Goal	\$190,000.00
Raised to date:	\$131,750.00
% of Goal	70%
Number of Gifts:	45
Average Gift:	\$ 2,927.00

The goal that, at first, seemed so far away a few months ago now is within 30% of our grasp, as nearer and nearer we come to its fulfillment. Please help us to succeed.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and sacrificial contribution.



NYC Trip to See WICKED Sunday 9/20/09

This trip is sold out! Just a reminder that the balance is due no later than Sept. 1st. The balance due for most people is \$85. Please make checks payable to St. Joseph's Women's Club. Please mail to Lisa Hillman at 105 Tyler Drive, Coatesville, PA 19320, or hand deliver to me at church. I will be contacting each of you in a few weeks to make your dinner selection for Mastoris. Feel free to contact me at 610/857-1549 if you have any questions. Thank you! Lisa Hillman

Choir Sign-Up

Sign-up sheets for both the Adult and Children's Choir will be in the church vestibule for Mass the weekends of 8/22 – 23, and 8/29 – 30. The first practice for the Children's Choir will be held on Monday, 9/14 at 6:45 pm. The first practice for the Adult Choir will be held the following Monday, 9/21 in the church choir loft at 7:30 pm, immediately following the children's practice. We will then go to a weekly Monday night schedule with the children starting at 6:45 pm and the adults immediately after the children's practice at 7:30 pm.

New members are welcome and encouraged to join. The Children's Choir ranges in age from 5 to 13 years old. And there is no age limit for the Adult Choir. Experience or the ability to read music is not required, just the desire to sing.

If you are a returning member of either choir, please sign the current roster and include your contact phone number. All new members for the Children's Choir must also list the parent name(s) along with a daytime contact phone number.

If you have any questions, I will be available after Sunday Mass or I can be reached at 610/212-2927. - Susan Sandoski, Choir Director

PJPII Volleyball Tryouts

Calling all volleyball players – new or experienced. PJPII Regional Catholic Elementary School is currently holding tryouts/practice for the 2009 volleyball season. Any girls 5th grade thru 8th grade that are interested should contact Sue McCormick at smmccormick@comcast.net (7/8 grade) or Michele Byler at Michele@cornucopiacatering.com (5/6 grade).

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 with confidence in your Parish? Consider attending the Church Ministry Institute, a 3-year certificate program offered by the Archdiocese. There are no papers to write or tests to take. Enjoy learning from committed faculty, meet wonderful students and read great books. Sessions are conducted at several convenient locations. For more information, call 215/587-0551 or Google: Church Ministry Institute. The time to register is now! Classes begin the 2nd week of September.

Vigil for Life

Join Father Christopher Rogers as a volunteer Helper of God's Precious Infants in a Vigil for Life on Saturday, 9/5. The Vigil begins with Mass at 8:00 am in St. Agnes Church, West Chester, followed by a Rosary Pilgrimage to a Planned Parenthood facility. For full information, contact Jack & Mary Finley at 610/692-3154.

Your Urgent Action is Requested

We must take action now to share our thoughts and beliefs with our national legislators in time for them to consider incorporating these points when deliberating on the pending [Health Care Reform](#) resume in September. To contact your Representatives and Senators directly, please go to www.nchla.org and click on Action Alerts, where you will be able to find the names of your legislators. Voice your insistent plea to uphold the dignity and sanctity of life with this new legislation. The message is simple: "Support genuine health care reform that respects the life and dignity of all. A fair and just health care reform bill must exclude mandated coverage for abortion, and uphold longstanding laws that restrict abortion funding and protect conscience rights." If you have any questions, the Respect Life Office is readily available to assist you; call 215/587-5661.

Words of Life

"One thing is certain: When time has run its course, nothing which is man-made will subsist. One day, all human accomplishments will be reduced to a pile of ashes. But every single child to whom a woman has given birth will live forever, for that child has been given an immortal soul made to God's image and likeness." – Alice Von Hildebrand

Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts

Now is the time to join the fun and excitement of Scouting. A registration night will be held on 9/10/09 at 7 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room at PJPII for Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts (a fee is required at time of registration). Cub Scouts is designed for boys in Grades 1-5 and Girl Scouts for girls in Grades K-8. 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. Any questions on Cub Scouts, call Linda O'Neill 610/383-6814. Any questions on Girl Scouts, call Kathy Bowser at 610/857-1152.

14th Annual Chester County Golf Classic

The Chester County Family Service Center of Catholic Social Services will host its 14th Annual Chester County Golf Classic at Chester Valley Golf Club on Monday, September 28, 2009. Registration begins at 10:30 am; lunch at 11:30 am; golf shotgun tee off at 1:00 pm. The open bar reception is at 6:00 pm and the buffet dinner and awards ceremony at 7:00 pm. For information on reservations or tickets, please phone 610/344-7098 or 610/869-6500.

Tour of Our Nation's Capital

The Alumni Assoc. of St. James High School is sponsoring a tour of Washington, DC on 10/3/09 for \$99 per person. The day includes a tour of the US Capital Visitors' Center, a view of the Washington Monument and the White House, a visit to the Lincoln Memorial, the Korean War, Vietnam War and World War II Memorials, and the Pentagon Memorial in Virginia, as well as a sit down dinner in Maryland. For more information, call 610/566-1080.

Religious Jubilarian Celebration

On Sunday, 9/13/09 at 11:00 am, Cardinal Justin Rigali will be the presiding celebrant of the Annual Religious Jubilarian Liturgy in the Cathedral-Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, for the religious sisters, priests and brothers of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia who celebrate their Silver, Golden or Diamond Anniversaries in 2009. Nearly 300 religious observe their Jubilees this year, representing over 15,000 years of dedicated witness and service in the Church. You are cordially invited to join in this celebration as a sign of gratitude to these women and men religious, and as a prayerful support for all religious who have touched our lives in so many ways over the years.

Local Summer Festival

St. Mary of Providence Center, 227 Isabella Road, Elverson, invites you to their Annual Summer Festival on Sunday, August 23rd, 1:00 to 6:00 pm, rain or shine. For full information, call 610/942-4166.

Are You Thinking of Becoming a Catholic?

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process employed by the Church for welcoming new Catholics to its fold. It is comprised of two components: religious instruction and sacramental celebration culminating in the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism (if not already baptized), Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. This is also the opportunity for those baptized Catholics who may not have received all the Sacraments of Initiation to "catch up" and complete their membership in the Church. Our RCIA Program is now forming for the fall, and those who are interested in joining our group of inquirers are invited to do so by contacting Father John at 610/384-0360.

Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary

will reopen on September 1, 2009. Uniform dress code is required. September 1st dismissal will be 11:00 am Grades 1 thru 8. September 2nd and 3rd will be full day for Grades 1 thru 8. September 3rd – Kindergarten Open House at 9:00 am September 4th & 7th – No School September 8th – First Full Day for Kindergarten Sept. 11th – Band Parents Mtg - Multi-Purpose Room at 7:00 pm

Please check the school website popejohnpaul2sch.org for the 2009-10 school calendar, school forms, and much more information.