

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 1 month prior to the christening date and at least 6 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 26th, 2009 6:30 PM

Josephine Regener (Carol McComsey)

Eucharistic Minister: Swinty

Lector: Elaine

Sunday, September 27th, 2009 10:30 AM

Joseph & Mary Nedzia (Bob & Mary Ann Lasak)

Eucharistic Ministers: Johnson & Catanese

Lector: Frank

Saturday, October 3rd, 2009 6:30 PM

Thomas Dudas (Michael & Betty Ann Herley)

Eucharistic Minister: Krupansky

Lector: Phyllis

Sunday, October 4th, 2009 10:30 AM

Eric Joshua Dilabbio (Len Sabocsik)

Eucharistic Ministers: Claypoole & Catanese

Lector: Sara

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, Dorothy Puza, William O'Hop, Ollie Alfaro, Stella Grubb, Sandra Reczek, Michael Harlow, Marie McBride, Jim Davis, Kathy Popovich, Stephanie Roman,

Priscilla Marshman, Laura Shesko, Helen Yankech, Devin Doyle, Jacob Hally, Mary Lou Burton, Mary Czirjak, Richard Shaw, Abigail Rose Burch, and Michelle Burch.

Among the recently Deceased, we remember Monsignor Richard LaHart.

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 27th, from 9:45 to 10:15 am, prior to the Morning Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Saturday, October 3rd, from 5:45 to 6:15 pm, prior to the Evening Mass. As always, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available any time upon request.

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

To date, the following is a report of our participation in the Archdiocesan Capital Campaign, Heritage of Faith – Vision of Hope:

Parish Goal	\$190,000.00
Raised to date:	\$137,760.00
% of Goal	73%
Number of Gifts:	47
Average Gift:	\$ 2,931.00



The goal is within 27% of our grasp. Please help us to succeed. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and sacrificial contribution.

Welcome to Our CYO Teams!

This Sunday, at the 10:30 am Mass, we are very pleased to welcome a representation of the members of the CYO Autumn Sports Teams sponsored by our regional parochial school. They are opening this season with a group participation at Sunday Mass, asking God's blessing on their athletic efforts and team sportsmanship. With their coaches and parents to guide them, may these boys and girls gain much happiness, confidence and satisfaction in the weeks of competition ahead.

Annual Silent Auction and Restaurant Fair

"Little Bit of Paradise", our annual silent auction and restaurant fair to benefit Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School will be held on Saturday evening, November 7, 2009, starting at 6:00 pm in the Gymnasium of Pope John Paul II. Everyone is welcome. Tickets are \$15/person or \$20 at the door. Admission includes bid number, food and beverages and of course, a good time. Call Marybeth at 610/466-7629 to purchase tickets. Mr. Richard Bollinger is returning to personalize his prints purchased the evening of the Auction. As in the past, he graciously donates his time and a percentage of his profits to Pope John Paul II.

We are still in need of auction items (new and unused). No donation is too big or too small. Suggestions are a themed basket, art supplies, gift certificates, tools, children/school age toys; anything you choose.

Items are also needed for the Live Auction: vacation rentals, tickets to sporting events, signed sports memorabilia. Please contact Maria Samson at 610/942-7327 with any questions or to donate items.

Forty Days of Life

Christians throughout Chester County are invited to take part in the National Forty Days of Life effort currently underway through November 1st. In addition to forty days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in America, please consider volunteering to pray outside of our local abortion facility, Planned Parenthood in West Chester, for one or more hours during these weeks. Spread the word to others about this important life-saving venture. To obtain more information, or to volunteer your help, please contact Chester County Pro-Life Coalition at 610/692-4463 or go to www.40daysforlife.com/chestercounty. All are welcome!

Words of Life

“The outpouring of God’s mercy cannot penetrate our hearts as long as we have not forgiven those who have trespassed against us.” – Catechism of the Catholic Church.

PJPII Winter Sports

WINTER COACHING POSITIONS 2009 – 2010 BOYS’ BASKETBALL AND GIRLS’ BASKETBALL

Coaches are needed for the winter sports season for boys’ basketball and 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 attend, the class on “Protecting God’s Children – Safe Environment”. Please send your letter to PJPII Athletic Association Dave Michell, Athletic Director, 2875 Manor Road, West Brandywine, PA 19320, **by Monday, October 5th, 2009.**

REGISTRATION FOR WINTER SPORTS 2009 – 2010 BOYS’ BASKETBALL AND GIRLS’ BASKETBALL

Registration for Winter sports is now open. Any student who is in Grades 5- 8 and attends PJPII or actively participates in PREP/CCD and wants to try out for CYO Boys’ Basketball or Girls’ Basketball 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 November 5, 2009.**

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

Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary Classes

The Catechetical Institute, an adult catechesis program at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary, is celebrating the Year of the Priest with a special 2 part series **What is the Catholic Priesthood?**, 10/3 and 10/17. Other fall courses include Overview of the Old Testament, Sacraments of Initiation, Sacraments of Healing and Vocation, Foundations of the Church, and Christian Anthropology. Classes begin in October. For a schedule and registration form, visit www.studyatholiceology.com.

Women’s Club News

There will be a Women’s Club meeting & brunch held Sunday, September 27th in the school hall immediately after the 10:30 Mass.

We will get back to work after having the summer off and start making plans for our baking sessions for the Holiday bazaar scheduled for Sunday, November 22nd. We will also be looking for suggestions for other activities for the club, along with welcoming back our returning officers who have graciously agreed to serve another year. All the women of the parish are invited and encouraged to come for a social gathering and to see what the club is all about.

Prayer for Priests

Ever-living God and Father of us all,
You give to your Church the Priesthood of your Son, Jesus, and by the power of the Holy Spirit,
You provide holy priests for a holy people.

We pray for all our priests,
Who announce the Word of God and celebrate the Sacraments,
For those who are young and those who are old,
For those who serve in difficult and trying circumstances,
For those who are faithful and those who are faltering, and
For those who have died.

We entrust all our Priests to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
And to the Immaculate Heart of Mary,
That they may preserve with fidelity
To you and to your Church.
With Saint John Vianney, patron of priests,
We pray that our priests may never fail to lead us to you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Holy Priests for a Holy People
The Archdiocese of Philadelphia
Observance of the Year of the Priest

After the Bell Program

Home-schooled students are invited to join our After the Bell Program for school aged children at Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School. Classes are conducted from 3:00 to 4:00 pm and will begin October 5th. We offer art, drama, keyboarding, intramural sports, yoga, sewing, zumba, music lessons and Spanish. We are always adding new classes, so check www.popejohnpaul2sch.org or contact Terry Altschuler at pjp2fac@aol.com or at 610/384-5961, ext. 5410.

A Touch of Class

Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School is once again offering our Touch of Class Adult Programming for all members of the community. All classes are held at the school and will begin the first week of October. Classes being offered include: Pilates, Spanish Language, Italian Language and Culture, Yoga and the exciting Zumba Dance Exercise Class. Other classes may be added. For full description of classes and registration forms, please visit www.popejohnpaul2sch.org or contact Terry Altschuler at pjp2fac@aol.com or at 610/384-5961, ext. 5410.

Introducing our New PJPII Principal

As many may be aware, last month Sister Helen Loretta McAdams, I.H.M., the untiringly dedicated Principal of our parochial school over the past dozen years, took up a new assignment as Treasurer at Villa Maria Academy, Frazer. Sister Helen continues her educational apostolate with our affection and appreciation. Taking on the Principalship of PJPII is Sister Anne B. McGuire, I.H.M., whom we are pleased to welcome warmly. Sister Anne has been a member of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary for forty-four years, engaged in Catholic education on the levels of both classroom and administration. Also, just before arriving among us, Sister Anne was instrumental in creating a program of teacher enrichment, which she subsequently directed. With prayer and gladness, we wish Sister Ann much joy, fulfillment and fruitfulness in serving as our new PJPII Principal. May God bless her every undertaking!