

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. Joseph Church.

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

10/05 9:00 am Parishioners of Saint Joseph Church
10/06 9:00 am Agnes Sushinski (Barbara Kramer)
10/07 9:00 am Julia Vanderslice (Theresa & Tim Fisher)
10/08 9:00 am Jane Wills (Barb & Dick Reczek)
10/09 9:00 am Jennie Esworthy & Victoria Mihalak
(John Mihalak)
10/10 9:00 am Special Intention (Fr. John Oulds)

Saturday, October 10th, 2009 6:30 PM

Andrew Benkovich, 2nd Anniversary (Wife & Family)
Eucharistic Minister: Hillman
Lector: Kathy

Sunday, October 11th, 2009 10:30 AM

Deceased Members of the Lasak Family
(Frank & Mary Jane Lasak)
Eucharistic Ministers: Johnson & Lasak, Jr.
Lector: Kathleen

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, Dorothy Puza, William O'Hop, Ollie Alfaro, Stella Grubb, Sandra Reczek, 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.

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, October 3rd, from 5:45 to 6:15 pm, prior to the Evening Mass. Next weekend, confessions will be heard on Sunday, October 11th, 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

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.

8th Annual Chester County Buddy Walk

On Sunday, October 11, 2009, the Lasak family and friends will participate in the Eighth Annual Chester County Buddy Walk. It will take place in West Goshen Community Park, West Chester. The walk is sponsored by the Chester County Down Syndrome Interest Group. The purpose of the one-mile walk and afternoon of activities is to promote support, awareness, and understanding for individuals with



Down syndrome and for their families. (We also have a lot of fun!) Jan is serving on the Buddy Walk planning committee. Jan, Sarah and Jennie will work as volunteers for the event, and the whole family will be walking. As a special treat this year, Sujeet Desai will speak and perform at the event. Sujeet Desai is a musician and inspirational speaker who has Down Syndrome. Again this year, the Lasaks are collecting donations. These donations go to organizations that help our families with scholarships, and also allow us to support Chester County Special Olympics. If anyone of the St. Joseph's family would like to be a part of Catherine's Crew by sponsoring Catherine or by walking, please contact Jan or Frank at (610) 869-4841. Catherine also has a fundraising website www.active.com/donate/ccdsigbuddywalk/catherinescrew. Check it out! Thank you.

Solemn Blessing of the New Archdiocesan Cemetery

Word has reached us that All Souls Cemetery, the new Archdiocesan Cemetery in Chester County, will be solemnly blessed by the Cardinal-Archbishop on Monday, November 2nd (All Souls Day), at 2:00 in the afternoon. As most would know, All Souls Cemetery is located on Route 82, south of Route 322, and north of the campus of our new regional parochial school. We shall inform you of additional details concerning the Blessing Ceremony, as well as the purchase of graves, when these details become known to us.

Respect Life Sunday: October 4th

For more than thirty years, October has been celebrated as Respect Life Month, with the first Sunday designated as Respect Life Sunday, a time to recommit ourselves to the preservation of life and to highlighting awareness of issues which challenged it. Now, more than ever, the need for such recommitment and awareness is vital! The proposed Health Care Reform bills under discussion in Congress are only one of the major threats to human life we currently face. Life is a precious gem of incalculable worth, lovingly given us by God. Do not allow a culture of death to prevail; seek always to be the Creator's instrument of promoting a culture of life.

Life Chain this Sunday in Town

In observance of Respect Life Sunday, a Life Chain will assemble this Sunday on the 600 block of East Lincoln Highway, in the vicinity of the old St. Cecilia School, from 2:30 to 3:30 pm. It is a quiet, prayerful, reflective hour of offering a group witness to the sacredness and dignity of all human life. This simple gesture will be, by the grace of God, consciousness-raising to those who drive or walk by. For full details, kindly

contact Margaret Mary Filoromo at 610/383-7921.



Join the Best at Camilla's Oktoberfest!

The Camilla Hall Oktoberfest will be held on Saturday, October 10th, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, on the grounds of Camilla Hall, adjacent to Immaculata University. A variety of opportunities will be offered that include delicious food, entertainment, children's games, hayrides, White Elephant

sale items, crafts and much more. Proceeds will benefit Camilla Hall, a nursing home facility for the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. It is located south of the intersection of Routes 30 and 352, between Paoli and Exton. All are welcome to come out and enjoy a fun time with the I.H.M. Sisters.

Prayer for Our Nation's Health Care Reform



Lord Jesus, you are the Divine Physician,
And the source of all life and health,

Guide our nation at this critical moment,
As our government seeks health care reforms,

Give our elected officials the humility to know
That they are servants, not masters,
Give them the wisdom to realize
That every life has equal value.

Give them the strength to resist the idea
That some lives can be scarified to save others
Or that killing the unborn is a part of health care.

Give your people the courage to speak up
And to hold public officials accountable for their actions.

Save us, Lord Jesus, from a culture of death,
And let every reform in our public policy
Be based on the reform of our hearts and minds
In the light of your Gospel.
For you are Lord forever and ever. Amen.

International Dinner



The Coatesville Area Senior Center cordially invites you to their 4th Annual International Dinner on Wednesday, October 14th, 4:00 to 7:00 pm, at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 107 South 17th Avenue. Tickets are modestly priced at \$10 for an adult, and \$5 for a child 3 – 10 years old. Reservations must be made in advance by calling 610/383-6900.

Rachael's Vineyard Weekend Retreat



Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. The retreat offers a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment in which women and men can express and reconcile their painful post-abortive emotions, and begin the process of healing and renewal. The next local Rachel's Vineyard Retreat will be conducted

October 9th – 11th at Villa Maria House of Studies, Immaculata, PA. For more information or to register, please contact Priscilla at 215/906-6337 or Gerri at 610/399-0890. The cost is \$160, but financial assistance is readily available if necessary.

Charitable Gift Annuity – Great Rates!

These difficult financial times present a particularly good time for considering the Gift Annuity program. You may have sold stock in the last few months or weeks, and/or have other funds parked in very low interest money market or savings accounts. You cannot beat an annuity, guaranteed by the Archdiocese that pays 2 – 3 times the money market rate! And you get to make a gift to the Parish and receive a charitable deduction as part of the benefit! This is a great opportunity for you to help your parish in the future and get a **great rate for a lifetime**.

Age	Current Rate
65	5.3%
70	5.7%
75	6.3%
80	7.1%
85	8.1%
90	9.5%

Contact: Bill Boland 215/587-5650, the Planned Giving Coordinator



Women’s Club News

The Women’s Club is making plans for their Annual Christmas Bazaar, which is scheduled for the Sunday before Thanksgiving, November 22nd.

Some of the Work Sessions have been scheduled as follows:

Kiefli Volunteers Needed:



We need volunteers to help make kiefli for the bazaar. No experience necessary. We will teach you what you need to know. If you own a rolling pin, please bring it with you. Teenage children are encouraged to help. Don’t miss out on the fun!

We also need people to make the dough for the kiefli. You will make the dough at your home the day before the session. The Women’s Club will supply all the ingredients that you will need. Please contact Lisa Hillman at 610/857-1549 to make arrangements to get the supplies and the recipe instructions. One batch of dough takes fifteen minutes.

Sessions will be held in the School Hall on Tuesday, October 20th at 6:00 pm and Tuesday, November 10th at 6:00 pm.

Christmas Bazaar Crafts:



We will again be featuring our Christmas Craft Table, which always makes our Bazaar very festive. (Although it will be a Christmas Bazaar, any craft will be gratefully appreciated.) We are hoping that any crafty members of our Parish will be

able to contribute your specialty to this Table.

Please call Ann Cigas at 610/384-2955 with any questions. We are looking forward to your support. Thank you.

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!

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.

PJP II 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 PJP II 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 PJP II 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.



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.