

MAKING CHRIST A REALITY IN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH WE LIVE

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM, 8:30 AM,
10:00 AM, 11:30 AM

Weekdays: 8:00 AM

Saturdays: 8:00 AM

Holy Days: 5:30 PM Vigil
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays: 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

MASS FOR SHUT-INS:

TV - Sunday, 5:30 a.m. WPVI Channel 6,

Radio - Sunday, 9:00 a.m. 89.3 FM

BAPTISMS: Parents should make arrangements with the Pastor at least one month before the date wanted. Baptism is celebrated on the **FIRST** and **THIRD** Sundays of the month at 12:30 PM. Preparation is held on the **SECOND TUESDAY** of each month, 7:30 PM, in Room 18 of the Church Building. Godparents must be practicing the faith and present a Letter of Eligibility from their parish. No date can be set for baptism until parents have fulfilled these responsibilities.

MATRIMONY: To set a date for a wedding, couples must make an appointment at the Rectory at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. Weddings can be scheduled for most Saturdays, at 12:00 Noon or 2:00 PM, or on Friday afternoons.

SICK CALLS: Phone the Rectory,
215-672-3020.

REGISTRATION: All Catholics who live within the parish boundaries should register. Boundaries: South of Street Road from Lower State Rd., to Norristown Rd., to County Line, to Blair Mill Rd., to Moreland Rd., to Maple Ave., to Horsham Rd., to Limekiln Pike, to Lower State Rd. & back to Street Road.

If you are not registered, we cannot serve you in ways which require us to know you. Please call the Rectory (215-672-3020.) We will welcome you as part of our community of faith.

PARISH ACTIVITIES: Catholic Youth Organization, CCD School of Religion, Choir (Adult and Children's), Home & School Association, Men's Group, Miraculous Medal Novena and Rosary, Respect Life Committee, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Senior Citizens, and Women's Group. (Notices for these groups are posted inside this bulletin.)

A Note from the Pastor



My Dear Parishioners,
Easter is almost here.
This week a group of young adults from our CCD program



are presenting the Living Stations of the Cross, accompanied by music from our Contemporary Music Group, led by Mr. Bill Monaghan. The Living Stations help us to remember that Jesus truly suffered in his humanity. We have a tendency to treat the way of the cross as “a necessary evil on the way to our salvation.” We take this opportunity to recall that Jesus was not acting out some part of a Divine Play, he was a real human being and he responded to his suffering and those around him in a truly unique way, a way that has something to teach us. Our musicians and students worked hard on this presentation and I recommend making it a part of your Lenten spiritual preparation; it is a nice way to put yourself in the footsteps of Christ. The Living Stations will be on Friday, March 31st at 7:30 p.m.



Lenten confessions are heard Wednesday Evenings from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Our Saturday confessions are regularly from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. During Holy Week we will hear confession on Tuesday, April 11 from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. and Wednesday, April 12 from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. (please note this is the last opportunity to go to confession before Easter).

The Sacred Triduum starts on Thursday, April 13th. We will have Morning Prayer at 8:00 a.m. and the Traditional Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 7:30 p.m. At this Mass we remember when, as recounted in the Gospel of St. John, that Jesus washed the feet of his disciples as a sign of our call to serve one another. Please consider volunteering to have your foot washed at this Mass. It is an act of humility to have it done, but it also communicates a very important sign to our community. Sign-up sheets are at the church exits. The Mass of the Lord’s Supper is a great opportunity to join as a family and celebrate the dual occasions when Jesus instituted both the Eucharist and the Priesthood. This is also the Mass when we will have additional Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on hand and be able to offer the Precious Blood as part of Holy Communion. When receiving the Precious Blood, after responding Amen, please take the chalice in both hands and take a sip. When you hand the chalice back, the Extraordinary Minister will wipe the chalice. If you are not feeling well that day, please refrain from receiving from the chalice.



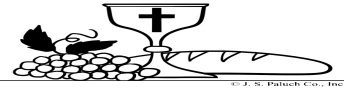
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Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 26, 2017



The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not want.
— Psalm 23:1

Masses for the Week



Saturday	<u>March 25, 2017</u>	Deceased Members 5:30pm DiTore Family
Sunday	<u>March 26, 2017</u>	7:00am Richard Zappile 8:30am Linda Generale 10:00am Ray & Rose Wallrath 11:30am People of the Parish
Monday	8:00am	Mary Farner Carey
Tuesday	8:00am	Lou Huber
Wednesday	8:00am	Raymond Generale
Thursday	8:00am	Ellis R. Kirby
Friday	8:00am	Leonre Ott
Saturday	8:00am	Michael Dollarton
Saturday	<u>April 1, 2017</u>	5:30pm People of the Parish
Sunday	<u>April 2, 2017</u>	7:00am Joseph Renk 8:30am Linda Generale 10:00am Florence Olson 11:30am Ruth Ann Gallagher

Please Pray For

Those who are ill: Kim Bell, Kathleen Boccella, Alicia Cruz, Bill Gaida, Bob Hagan, Mary Johnson, Dave McKay, Joel Rivera, Ann Scanlon, Dorothy Smedley and Lorraine Smith.



Financial Report	3/18/17- 3/25/17
Sunday Collection:	\$10,194.00 (\$10,892.00-2016)
School Subsidy	\$ 2,843.50
Archdiocese Assessment	\$ 1,686.05
Various Insurances	\$ 1,085.77
Supplies	\$ 1,359.37
Computer Maintenance	\$ 209.50
Services	\$ 50.00

This Week in Our Parish

- Monday, March 27, 2017**
- * Adoration – All Day – Church
- * Senior Citizens Meeting – 11 a.m. – Church Hall
- * Rosary – 7:30 p.m. – Church
- Wednesday, March 29, 2017**
- * Confessions 7-8 p.m. - Confessionals
- Thursday, March 30, 2017**
- * Children’s Choir Practice – 4:30 p.m. – Church
- * BSA Troop 137 – 7:00 p.m. – Rectory Basement
- * Adult’s Choir Practice – 7:30 p.m. - Church
- Friday, March 31, 2017**
- * Living Stations of the Cross – 7:30 p.m. - Church

Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;
 Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;
 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
 Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

A Note from the Pastor Continued...

After Mass on Thursday, April 13th, there will be the traditional procession with the Eucharist to the altar of reposition and church will be open for adoration until Midnight. Friday, April 14th is Good Friday, a day of Fast and Abstaining from meat. Morning Prayer will be at 8:00 a.m. and we will have the Solemn Commemoration of Our Lord's Passion (with Holy Communion) at 3:00 p.m. Holy Saturday, April 15th we have Morning Prayer at 8:00 a.m. and the Vigil Mass will be at 7:30 p.m. Masses on Easter Sunday follow the regular Sunday schedule: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, and 11:30 a.m.

May God Bless You,
 Fr. Bordonaro

St. Joseph Music Ministry

Music ministry is looking for a **trumpet player** for Confirmation (April 6th), Easter Vigil (April 15th) and Easter Sunday (April 16th).

We also need **additional singers** for Confirmation, Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday. No experience necessary for singers! Only prerequisite is to enjoy singing with others! There is a place for **all ages!** Please help to make the music for one or all of these masses extra special! For further information, please contact Maria Lennon at 215-896-9484 or email at mariaalennon@comcast.net

Living Stations

Please join us this Fri., March 31st with our parish youth at 7:30 p.m. in Church for the Living Stations of the Cross. Please call Ann Tucci 215-528-2710 or Rita Roley 215-872-0499 for more information.

Bulletin Submittals

Please submit your bulletin requests to the Rectory. Requests may be emailed to sjc18976@verizon.net or dropped off at the Rectory Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. We welcome your bulletin requests; however, all bulletin requests are subject to Pastor's approval and space availability.

Monthly Food Drive

Our food collection is scheduled for next weekend, April 1st and 2nd. Non-perishables only. Canned food items in greatest need are: **beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups and pork & beans.**

We welcome you!

Wednesday Night Confessions

(In addition to our Saturday Confessions)

Every Wednesday in Lent,
 in the confessionals from 7-8 p.m.

Our confessionals are located in the hallway, on the Sacred Heart side of Church.

CPR Classes

St. Joseph Church Health and Help Ministry presents

Friends and Family CPR.

Be prepared to help a family member!

The Family & Friends CPR Course teaches the lifesaving skills of adult CPR, child CPR with breaths, adult and child AED use, infant CPR and relief of choking in an adult, child or infant. Skills are taught in a friendly group by a parishioner.

Wed., March 29th at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall. \$10/person.

All are welcome. *Does not include certification card.*

Or

Heartsaver Course

Heartsaver courses are designed for anyone with little or no medical training who needs a course completion card for a job. For many Heartsaver courses, students receive a course completion card that is valid for 2 years.

Sat., April 8th at 9 a.m. in the Church Hall

\$30/person. *Certification card included.*

Any questions or to sign up call: Jim's CPR and First Aid 267-221-0088.

Pray the Rosary in your car this Lent!

Pick up the **Holy Rosary on CD** (and a rosary if you like) at our *Catholic Resource Center* stand as you arrive or leave the church during mass times. Also, find titles by dynamic speakers on the power of prayer, the sacraments, and living your faith in our trying culture. Pick

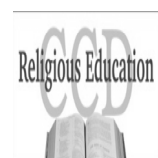
up an inspirational book, a copy of the Holy Bible, or a few booklets that will help explain and enrich your faith. These resources may be "just what the doctor ordered" for someone in your life who is struggling with or seeking to learn more about how to live our faith and nurture a personal relationship with Jesus. Any donations at the stand are appreciated to continue to bring a variety of titles to our parish.

CCD School of Religion

Please call 215-672-9990 or 215-672-3020 for information.



Class times: Tuesdays, 4:30- 5:50 p.m. and 6:15- 7:35 p.m.



March 2017

Tues., March 28: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session.

Lenten Penance Service for children.

Registration

Registration for the 2017-2018 CCD School Year will be held **Tuesdays: April 4, 11, 18 and 25** in the CCD office during the regularly scheduled CCD classes. You must be registered in the parish before signing your child up for CCD and you must hand in a copy of your child's baptismal certificate if your child is new to the program. Payment is due at the time of registration. Classes are filled on a first come-first served basis!



Fast and Abstinence and Other Acts of Penance for Lent 2017



The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and

including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.



All are encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl which has aided countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese as well as throughout our nation and our world.



In faith there is enough light for those who want to believe and enough shadows to blind those who don't. —Blaise Pascal

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Join 5K Sponsorship:

7th Annual SJR 5K, Fri., May 19th

We are asking for the continued generous support from our parish community. **Various levels of sponsorship and advertising opportunities for your business are available.**

You may also support the race through donations of water, post race snacks, and prizes. For information, please email



Kathy Williamson at kwilliamson@stjstr.org or call the school at 215.343.5100.

Holocaust Survivor

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Peace and Justice Ministry welcomes Holocaust Survivor, Ronnie Reutlinger Breslow, who will speak about her experiences as a young Jewish child in Nazi Germany.

Mon., April 3rd at 7:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, St. Mary's Hall
209 E. State St. (across the street from the church)
Doylestown, PA 18901

Refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

"If we forget the lessons of the past, we are surely to allow history to repeat itself... Let us not forget."

Ronnie Reutlinger Breslow

St. Joseph On-Line Giving

Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. Simply follow these easy steps:

1. Visit the church website at www.saintjosephchurch.us
2. Click on the [ONLINE GIVING] button,
3. Click on the Create Profile button, then
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.



Michael S. Monaghan Memorial Scholarship Concert

Archbishop Wood HS Auditorium/655 York Rd., Warminster
Sat., April 22nd at 7 p.m.

Since 1998, and for the past 19 years, the concert has raised scholarship money for Archbishop Wood students, and features Bill & Jim Monaghan, Celtic Pride, and many talented friends! This year also features the reunion of Bill & Jim's college band, Cadence, specializing in Classic Rock.

Adults - \$15 donation, Children under 13 & Senior Citizens - \$10 donation, Children 4 & under FREE. For tickets and info call (215) 357-3370 or email tickets@monaghanmusic.com