



**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,

As Lent is drawing to a close, please take the opportunity to bring in your Rice Bowls. Operation Rice Bowl is a great way to help those in need and to make a small sacrifice at the same time. All donations received are given to the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to be used to help feed the hungry. You may leave your rice bowls in the bins at the church exits. If you wish to leave a check in your rice bowl, please make it out to St. Joseph Church.



This Holy Week you are invited to join us in a number of ways. There will be Morning Prayer on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8:00 a.m. Thursday evening we celebrate the

Mass of the Lord's Supper where we especially give thanks for two sacraments – the Holy Eucharist and Holy Orders. The Mass ends with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament and reservation in a side Tabernacle. Keeping Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament in a side tabernacle represents the time Jesus spent in the Garden of Gethsemane before His crucifixion. Many people still keep the tradition of visiting three churches this evening as most of them have an extended period of adoration into the evening. On Good Friday afternoon we will celebrate the Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion with a special service at 3:00 p.m. These prayers are designed to recall the Gospel story of the Lord's crucifixion, also to honor or venerate the wood of the cross as the altar on which Jesus offered His Supreme Sacrifice, and finally it provides the opportunity to receive Jesus in Holy Communion. This is not a Mass. As a matter of fact, Good Friday is the only day of the year on which Mass is forbidden. Finally the Easter Vigil is the ultimate celebration of the Lord's resurrection. It marks the end of the waiting for the new dawn to come. Fire is blessed and the new light of Christ is symbolically brought into the Church. New Christians are baptized or received into the Church and our story that is the story of Jesus' death and resurrection is retold and we are renewed.



Please help spread the Good News of Easter by welcoming those who may be visitors to our church. We want them to feel like they belong and

are accepted. Also please be mindful of the parking lots. I know you get tired of the reminders, but efficient parking is really necessary to allow the most number of people the chance to park. The Valley Road lot is for single space parking. The lot closest to the church is for head in or "bumper to bumper" parking. Please do not leave open spaces because that effectively boxes out others from entering. Thank you for your assistance.

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**Masses for the Week**

<b>Saturday</b>	<u>April 8, 2017</u>	Joanne Blaney & Bill Grossman
	5:30pm	
<b>Sunday</b>	<u>April 9, 2017</u>	
	7:00am	People of the Parish
	8:30am	Gertrude Atkins
	10:00am	John J. McNichol
	11:30am	Elizabeth Coyne
<b>Monday</b>	8:00am	John F. Hayes & Family
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00am	Joseph A. Gallen, Jr.
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:00am	A. Francis Allwein
<b>Holy Thursday</b>	8:00am	Morning Prayer
	7:30pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
<b>Good Friday</b>	8:00am	Morning Prayer
	3:00pm	Commemoration of Our Lord's Death
<b>Holy Saturday</b>	8:00am	Morning Prayer
<b>Saturday</b>	<u>April 15, 2017</u>	
Easter Vigil	7:30pm	Celebrant's Intention
<b>Sunday</b>	<u>April 16, 2017</u>	
	7:00am	Celebrant's Intention
	8:30am	Celebrant's Intention
	10:00am	Celebrant's Intention
	11:30am	Celebrant's Intention

**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 3/25/17-4/01/17**

Sunday Collection: Not Available	(\$9,196.00-2016)
School Subsidy	\$ 2,843.50
Archdiocese Assessment	\$ 1,686.05
Various Insurances	\$ 1,085.77
Monthly Trash Removal	\$ 237.32
Supplies	\$ 412.78

**This Week in Our Parish**

- Monday, April 10, 2017**
- \* Adoration – All Day – Church
- \* Senior Citizens Meeting – 11 a.m. – Church Hall
- \* Rosary – 7:30 p.m. – Church
- Tuesday, April 11, 2017**
- \* Confessions 4-5 p.m. - Confessionals
- Wednesday, April 12, 2017**
- \* Confessions 7-8 p.m. - Confessionals
- Thursday, April 13, 2017**
- \* Holy Thursday- Adoration all day until midnight
- Friday, April 14, 2017**
- \* Good Friday – 3 p.m. Lord's Passion
- \* Stations of the Cross – 7:30 p.m. - Church

**Readings for the Week**

- Monday:** Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11  
**Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38  
**Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25  
**Thursday:** Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21  
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15  
**Friday:** Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42  
**Saturday:** a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mt 28:1-10  
**Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

**A Note from the Pastor Continued...**



The collection on Good Friday is designated for those in the Holy Land. As directed by our Holy Father, Pope Francis, funds generated by this collection support programs and services in the Holy Land. Support is needed to maintain the sacred places, to provide educational and pastoral programs as well as outreach programs for the poor through established charitable institutions.



May God Bless You,  
Fr. Bordonaro

**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.

**Monthly Food Drive**



Our next food collection is scheduled for the weekend of May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Non-perishables only. Canned food items in greatest need are: **beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups and pork & beans.**

**Seeing Christ Clearly**



We start today looking through the portals of Jerusalem, seeing crowds of people, cheering and waving palm branches in the air. The whole atmosphere is one of joy, triumph, and celebration. We can get distracted or enthralled by the scene, and not see clearly the

features of Jesus as he enters. But our readings from Isaiah and Paul's letter to the Philippians clarify his features for us. He is the Suffering Servant, meek and mute before his captors and persecutors; he is the very image of the unseen God, yet will not clutch at equality with God before he endures his final confrontation in humility. Isaiah and Paul help us “behold the Lamb of God” before we hear the story of his final and greatest confrontation. It is important that we see Christ clearly before we hear the account of his passion, for we—his Body through baptism, the church—now bear his face. We must, with him, enter into this time of trial so we can, also with him, enter into his final triumph. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

**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.



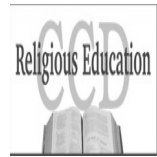
All are encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl which has aided countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese as well as throughout our nation and our world.

**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.



**April 2017**

**Tues., April 11:** Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session.

Registration for the 2017/2018 school year continues.

**Tues., April 18:** Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session. Registration for the 2017/2018 school year continues.

**Tues., April 25:** Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session. Last night for registration for the 2017/2018 school year.

**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!



**Fees for CCD Registration:**

*If registered by Tues., April 25<sup>th</sup>:*

- 1 Child \$115
- 2 Children \$207 (10% discount/child)
- 3 (or more) Children \$293 (15% discount/child)

Fees after Tues., April 25<sup>th</sup>:

- 1 Child \$130
- 2 Children \$260
- 3 (or more) \$390

**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](http://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.



**Bulletin Submittals**

Please submit your bulletin requests to the Rectory. Requests may be emailed to [sjc18976@verizon.net](mailto: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.

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**Reading Olympics:** Our fifth and sixth grade reading Olympics teams competed in the Bucks County Reading Olympics last night! Congratulations to Grade 5/6: The Hawk Squad: Mavis Brookreson, Kaylee Chesla, Albert Funk, Michael Funk, Erin Ferello, Nick Striano, Kaitlin Sigda, William Fuller, Harry Davies, Hannah Buckleman, Kate Panepresso, and Ryan Sorge. Grade 6 "Bookworms": Sofia Mazarella, Andrew Lyons, Grace Radecke, Julia Newlin, Karey Dawn Williamson, Gianna Speranza, Meghan Prior, Lauren Dachowski, Shane Golebiewski, Luke Shaeffer, Brylee Briggs, and Allison Alexander.

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual R.A.C.E** Mark your calendar!

**Fri., May 19<sup>th</sup>** The evening event will begin at 6:30 p.m. with the 1K Kids' Race followed by the 2 Mile Fitness Walk & 5K Race at 7 p.m. Last year we had over 400 runners/walkers and **raised \$16,174.00 dollars**. This year the proceeds will go towards the academic advancement that is used to support our students. The funds raised come from the generous support of local business sponsors, parishioners, and our school families.



**On-Line Registration ~ Now Open ~**

Access by clicking the RACE logo on the front page of our website: [www.stjstr.org](http://www.stjstr.org). Please register each family member for either the 5K run, 2 mile walk or 1K kids run. Each adult & child running/walking must have a separate completed registration.

The RACE will include entertainment, food, age group awards, and prizes. The first 400 runners/walkers will receive a t-shirt. We hope all SJR families will register and enjoy a truly wonderful evening of family fun.



**Kicking Off Our Sponsorship**

**Please Help Gain Sponsors & Add to Our Success**

'Corporate Friend' & 'Friend' are due May 1<sup>st</sup>. We are asking each family to consider the 'Friend' level of \$50.00 sponsorship. **Each sponsorship you secure will entitle your family to a complimentary race registration.** Businesses could include your hair stylist, dentist, doctor, pharmacy, insurance agent, financial advisor, bank, indoor/outdoor home services, restaurants, and retail stores you frequently visit.

**The Sponsorship form can now be accessed by clicking the 5K logo on our website.** For questions or assistance with possible sponsors, please contact Kathy Williamson at [kwilliamson@stjstr.org](mailto:kwilliamson@stjstr.org) or 215.343.5100.