



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,

Late summer is the time to look to the future and the resumption of the academic year for both our school and CCD programs. I hope that it has been and continues to be a restful and restorative summer vacation for all of you. In terms of Sacramental Preparation, St. Joseph Parish will continue participating in the combined program with St. Robert Parish as we have in the past. This cuts down on the number of meetings parents have to attend, providing both a good sacramental preparation for parents along with the opportunity to tailor specific instructions and questions to the individual parish situations. We have been alternating which parish hosts the joint program.

This year St. Joseph has the privilege of hosting the parent prep class for both parishes. Our **Parent Sacramental Prep Class** will be on **Oct. 22, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. here at St. Joseph Parish**. The afternoon is arranged so that every parent attends an opening prayer, and then proceeds to the specific class(es) that pertain(s) to their child and to their respective parish. This one afternoon of preparation will take place here both in our church, and also in our lower hall. The sessions are for the parents of children receiving Penance & First Holy Communion (3rd Grade), as well as parents of those making Confirmation (6th Grade). Both SJR school parents and St. Joseph CCD parents of children involved will be notified soon. Please note that St. Robert's parents from both SJR and St. Robert's CCD classes will also be present.

As I mentioned in last week's column, parents of those students making confirmation this year, please have your child's sponsor begin the process of getting a Certificate or Letter of Eligibility to act as sponsor. If your sponsor is a member of St. Joseph parish, they must get their letter from our church. The purpose of the Letter is to verify that the sponsor meets the requirements of the Church. One of the most basic requirements is that the person comes to Mass regularly. If that is not the case, they may need some time to reestablish their regular practice. Please give them as much notice as possible.

We will have our Confirmation retreat early this year. It is scheduled for Thursday, September 21, 2017. The retreat is to help those preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation by giving them some time to pray and grow closer to the Lord and the Holy Spirit. Our students also have the opportunity to learn about a local saint. The reason we are having the retreat a little earlier is because the St. Katharine Drexel Shrine, run by the Blessed Sacrament Sisters, will be closed for good shortly. We have gone to this shrine for a number of years and the Sisters give a very nice presentation to our young people. They can no longer afford to keep the shrine running, so we will be able to have our confirmation retreat there one final time before it closes.

God Bless you,
Fr. Bordonaro



Saturday	<u>August 26, 2017</u>	
	5:30pm	James Cunningham
Sunday	<u>August 27, 2017</u>	
	7:00am	People of the Parish
	8:30am	Linda Generale
	10:00am	Kathleen Mary Murphy
	11:30am	Deceased Members of the Miller Family
Monday	8:00am	A. Francis Allwein
Tuesday	8:00am	Rev. Raymond T. Manning, 47 th Anniversary
Wednesday	8:00am	Vicki Piroso & Joseph Vincelli
Thursday	8:00am	Anna Porreca
Friday	8:00am	Rev. Francis X. McGinty, 41 st Anniversary
Saturday	8:00am	Louis Ambolino
Saturday	<u>September 2, 2017</u>	
	5:30pm	William T. McGowan, Sr.
Sunday	<u>September 3, 2017</u>	
	7:00am	Forgotten Souls
	8:30am	People of the Parish
	10:00am	Anne O'Toole
	11:30am	Patrick Walsh

Please Pray For



Those who are ill: Kim Bell, Gary Cain, Alicia Cruz, Bill Gaida, Vera Galenti, Bill Gardner, Bob Hagan, Mike Jones, Dave McKay, Ann Scanlon, Dorothy Smedley, Lorraine Smith and Robert Smith.

Sunday Collection

08/20/17: \$ 9,146.00
08/21/16: \$ 8,720.00



This Week in Our Parish

Monday, August 28, 2017

- * Adoration – All Day – Church
- * Rosary – 7:30 p.m. – Church

Save these Dates!

- Sun., Sept. 10th Concert/Bake Off
- Sat., Sept. 30th Heartsaver Course
- Wed., Oct. 4th Friends and Family CPR Course
- Sun., Dec. 3rd Christmas Bazaar

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

St. Joseph Day to Pray the Rosary



The first Wednesday of each month is St. Joseph's day to pray the rosary at Planned Parenthood on Louis Drive in Warminster from 12 Noon until dark. We would like 2 people per hour. Our next day is Wed., Sept. 6th. Please contact Peggy McKay at 215-773-8282 to sign up for a time.

CYO Registration



SJR CYO Fall Sports registration is now open! CYO offers **Volleyball** for girls in grades 5 - 8, **Soccer** for boys & girls in grades 3-8 & **Cross Country** for boys & girls in grades 1 - 8. Please visit www.wagdogs.com to register.

Free Concert, Covered Dish and Bake Off



Sun., Sept. 10th 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Church Grounds

Enjoy music from Bill Monaghan and the contemporary music choir, bring your favorite covered dish to share, be a part of our "bake off" with a grand prize (*bake off contest will be determined with a monetary vote*) & take a chance on our 50/50! For more details or to help, call Rita 215-872-0499 or Marilyn 215-385-4808.

Golf Outing



The SJR CYO **15th Annual Golf Outing** is scheduled for Fri., Sept. 22nd at Warminster Five Ponds Golf Course. The cost to play golf is \$125 per golfer which

includes, greens fee & cart, scramble format (shotgun start at noon), lunch, dinner, beer on the course, skills events and great prizes. We are also looking for sponsors & volunteers for the event. If you have any questions please call Dominic Anzideo @ 215.692.9682.

Monthly Food Drive



Our food collection is scheduled for next weekend, September 2nd and 3rd. Non-perishables only. Canned food items in greatest need are: **beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups and pork & beans.**

New Members Welcome!



The Music Ministry of St. Joseph church is looking for new members for the **Adult and Children Choirs.**

Children's Choir practices are held in the choir loft on Thursdays from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. The children sing about twice a month. The Adult Choir practices Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 in the choir loft. The Adult choir sings approximately 2 Sundays a month and sings for all Feasts, Sacraments and special masses. Practices start on Thurs., Sept. 14th. Contact Maria Lennon at 215-896-9484 or email at marialennon@comcast.net.

Participation in a Children's Choir helps to enrich their Catholic Faith. They learn the parts of the mass, and understand what it means to be part of a parish community as they serve in Music Ministry with their peers.



St. Joseph Health and Help Ministry



The Health and Help Ministry of St Joseph Parish seeks to develop creative ways of addressing needs and identifying resources that promote health, wellness and healing. **We welcome new members.** Our next meeting is Thurs., Sept. 7. Call Dee 215-674-3894.

CPR Classes



St. Joseph Church Health and Help Ministry presents **Friends and Family CPR.**

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. Wed., Oct. 4th at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall. \$10/person. *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. Sat., Sept. 30th 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.

CCD School of Religion

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



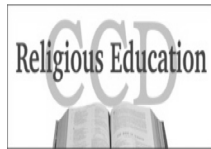
Registration



To register for the 2017-2018 CCD School Year, 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:

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



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

September 2017

Thurs., Sept. 7: 6:30 p.m. Teacher's meeting (Valley Road School Building)

Tues., Sept. 12: 7:00 p.m. Parents' meeting for all grades, in Church. At least one parent must be present. Fr. Bordonaro will be the speaker. An Open House will be held afterwards in the Valley Road School Building where parents will meet the teachers and pick up their handbooks for the year.

Sun., Sept. 17: Catechetical Sunday – Theme "Living as Missionary Disciples."

Tues., Sept. 19: Opening night of classes for grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class.

Thurs., Sept. 21: Confirmation Class 2018 Retreat to the Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel.

Tues., Sept. 26: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session.

Attention Confirmation Class of 2018



It's not too early to start thinking about who you will choose as a sponsor! Summer is a great time to ask your sponsor to get the necessary form from the church they attend.

Also, summer is a great opportunity to start attending Monday Night Rosaries and working on charitable projects for others!

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.

St. Joseph/St. Robert School



ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL
FOCUSED ON FAITH AND LEARNING

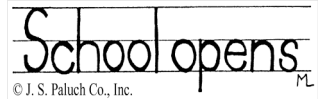
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Joseph Mazzearella, of Warrington, a 2017 8th grade graduate, was awarded a Neumann Scholarship by the Connelly Foundation. As a 2017 Neumann Scholar, Joseph will receive a 4-year scholarship and will attend Archbishop Wood High School in September. Joseph was one of approximately 900 eighth graders from across the Archdiocese of Philadelphia who were eligible to take the Neumann Scholarship Examination. Joseph received one of 35 scholarships that were awarded. Way to go Joey!

(Photo) *Left to right* – Mrs. Deborah Jaster, Principal; Ms. Susan Macrone, Faculty; Fr. Bordonaro, Pastor, St. Joseph Parish; Joseph Mazzearella, Neumann Scholar; Mrs. Lois Farabella, Faculty; Mrs. Bernadette Taylor, Faculty; & Oonie R. Lynch, Scholarship Counselor, Neumann Scholars Program

Welcome to the 2017 – 2018 academic year at St. Joseph/ St. Robert School!



Classes begin for the children in **grades 5 – 8** only on **Wed., Sept. 6th** with a full day of school. **Back to School Night** for the parents of students in grades 5 – 8 will take place on Sept. 6th at 7pm beginning in the school dining hall.

Classes begin for the children in **grades 1 – 4** only on **Thurs., Sept. 7th** with a full day of school. **Back to School Night** for the parents of students in **Kindergarten through grade 4** will take place on Sept. 7th beginning at 7pm in the school dining hall.

The children in **Pre-K and Kindergarten** will "**visit**" with their teachers on Wednesday or Thursday September 6th and 7th. Information concerning the visits will be sent from the teachers.

All of the children in Pre-K through Grade 8 will have a full day of school on Fri., Sept. 8th.

The "**September Forms**" are available on our website. **Please be sure to check the site and send the completed forms with your children on opening day.** Our CARES program will begin on Mon., Sept. 11th. CARES information and registration may be found on our website: www.stjstr.org

Our school office is open daily from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.