

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,
 Next week we celebrate our annual **Catholic Schools Week**. This is a special time when we acknowledge and celebrate all the blessings we have at **St. Joseph/St. Robert School**. This includes our terrific students, excellent principal, talented faculty, hardworking administration and staff, and generous volunteers. Our School is a true community where we are, "Focused on Faith and Learning." Our Mission Statement reads: St. Joseph/St. Robert School (SJR), with Jesus as our foundation and inspiration, prepares students to live fully His message of love, courage, and compassion. Our philosophy of academic rigor and relevance prepares our students to be contributing members of the Church and the global community. All are invited to check out the good things happening at our school by coming to our Open House, next week (Sunday, Jan 28th) from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or Wednesday, January 31st from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

There has been some confusion over our school. Yes we still have a school. No it has not closed. Here is a brief history of the school taken from its website:

St. Joseph/St. Robert School is located in Warrington, Pennsylvania. Our school was founded on the grounds of St. Joseph Parish in Warrington in 1925 and staffed by the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Originally called St. Joseph School, an additional building was added to the school campus on Valley Road in 1961. St. Robert Bellarmine Parish was formed from St. Joseph Parish on May 31, 1968. As St. Robert Bellarmine Parish grew, St. Joseph School became consolidated as St. Joseph/ St. Robert School. In September 1999, the Parish Religious Education Building was added to the St. Robert Bellarmine Parish complex and housed the students in grades 5-8 in what was known as the Annex Building. The children in Kindergarten through grade 4 remained at the Valley Road site. In September 2008, the school was completely incorporated on the St. Robert Bellarmine Parish Campus.

Now would be a good time to remind everyone that you can help us in our efforts to provide a quality Catholic Education by buying and using our Scrip. Scrip is actually a "gift card" that you can purchase after the weekend Masses or at the SJR school office. The cards can be used at local grocery stores, restaurants, and other area stores. You get the full value of your purchase price and in addition for most of the stores you receive a \$2.00 tuition voucher for every \$50.00 purchased. Those vouchers can then be used to help pay tuition, or if you do not have a child in Catholic school, they can be donated back to a needy family who uses our school. And as always, we are in need of scrip sellers after all the weekend Masses. If you can assist with this, please contact the rectory and we will get you on the schedule.

May God Bless You,
 Fr. Bordonaro



Saturday	<u>January 20, 2018</u>	5:30pm Miss Kitty Casey
Sunday	<u>January 21, 2018</u>	7:00am Rev. Joseph A. Gallen, 63 rd Anniversary
		8:30am People of the Parish
		10:00am Frances Cerritelli
		11:30am Frances Cerritelli
Monday		8:00am Mary & George Speece & Wilhelm Weychert
Tuesday		8:00am Joseph McDowell
Wednesday		8:00am Leo R. & Vivian Pavonarius
Thursday		8:00am Joseph Huonder
Friday		8:00am Russel Strollo
Saturday		8:00am Colleen Jackson
Saturday	<u>January 27, 2018</u>	5:30pm Tom Hartman, 10 th Anniversary
Sunday	<u>January 28, 2018</u>	7:00am Francis X. Eells
		8:30am John Barbier
		10:00am People of the Parish
		11:30am Rosalle, Bob & Frank Stevens

Please Pray For



Those who are ill: Kim Bell, Alicia Cruz, Bill Gaida, Lauren Gorniak, Bob Hagan, Paul Moran Kilbride, Eleanor McDonald, Dave McKay, Adeline McNulty, Sam Mullen, Patricia O'Mara, baby Ronan Power, Ann Scanlon, Brenda Shelton, Gil Sleutaris, Lorraine Smith, baby Violet Grace, and Joan Vollmar.

This Week in Our Parish

Monday, January 22, 2018

- * Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
- * Adoration – All Day – Church
- * Senior Citizens Meeting – 11 a.m. – Church Hall
- * Rosary – 7:30 p.m. – Church
- * Men's Group Meeting – 8:00 p.m. – Room 18 Church Bldg

Wednesday, January 24, 2018

- * RCIA – 7 p.m. – Room 18 - Church Bldg.

Thursday, January 25, 2018

- * 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

Readings for the Week

- Monday:** 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26;
Mk 3:22-30, *or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer*
- Tuesday:** 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10;
Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday:** 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;
Mk 16:15-18
- Friday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11;
Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday:** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17;
Mk 4:35-41
- Sunday:** Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35;
Mk 1:21-28

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 21, 2018

This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand- Mark 1:14-20

Treasures from our Tradition



One of the most unusual Catholic churches in the world is in Amsterdam: Our Lord in the Attic, or as the locals say, “Ons Lieve Heer op Solder.” What looks like a beautiful narrow brick mansion alongside a canal is a clever disguise for a very well-preserved seventeenth-century home and a secret church. During the Reformation, the Netherlands was divided into Protestant Holland and the Spanish

Netherlands, now known as Belgium, a Catholic stronghold. Protestant reformers seized all the Catholic parishes in Holland and “de-Catholicized” them. New laws forbade the celebration of the Mass in public. St. Nicholas Church was renamed “Old Church” by the new owners, and the dispossessed Catholics got to work “hiding” St. Nicholas Parish in the upper floors of this mansion. Other Catholics did the same thing, but this is the only hidden church that survives today. Sunday Mass is still celebrated here.

It’s a beautiful hideaway, with nothing spared in regard to marble, gilding, a pipe organ, and classic Dutch painting. A few steps away, the Old Church, begun in 1250, stands emptied of the statues and carvings of its Catholic days, its windows replaced by plain glass. The new tenants gave up when it came to the ceiling, which is still painted with saints, biblical scenes, and merchant ships. The Dutch reformers were tolerant sorts, and as long as the Catholics kept out of sight, they were out of mind. Catholicism was at last tolerated in Holland after 1853, but in 1924 when the International Eucharistic Congress was held in Amsterdam, processions of Catholics were still forbidden in the streets. Today, Roman Catholics are about 19 percent of the population, and there’s no need for any of them to hide in the attic.

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Financial Report

Weekly Sunday Collection:

01/14/18: \$ **9,311.00**
01/15/17: \$ 9,828.00

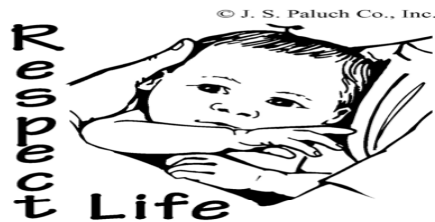
E-Giving:

12/2017: **\$5,454.43**
12/2016: \$3,865.78

December 2017



School Subsidy	\$ 11,374.00
Archdiocese Assessment	\$ 8,341.67
Disability Insurance	\$ 93.25
Liability Insurance	\$ 1,212.08
Property Insurance	\$ 650.50
Worker’s Comp Insurance	\$ 144.58
Priest Auto Insurance	\$ 208.33
Priest Health Insurance	\$ 1,466.00
Employees Health Insurance	\$ 1,576.45
Priest Ancillary Benefits	\$ 408.33
Priest Pension	\$ 66.67
Visiting Priest Honorarium	\$ 1,775.00
Employee Pay	\$ 18,393.88
Music Ministry	\$ 1,710.00
Payroll Service	\$ 104.00
PECO	\$ 1,266.73
Verizon	\$ 630.14
Church Cleaning	\$ 580.00
Trash Removal	\$ 267.91
Comcast Cable	\$ 137.95
Computer Support	\$ 215.25
Supplies	\$ 2,908.52
Repairs	\$ 34.42
Services	\$ 631.15
Alarm Systems	\$ 270.00
Pest Control	\$ 123.00
Heating Oil	\$ 2,768.28
Underground Tank Insurance	\$ 247.50
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,835.00



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Super Bowl Party



The SJR CYO Super Bowl Party will be on **Saturday, February 3rd** from 7:30 p.m. until midnight at Monsignor Marley Hall (St. Robert Bellarmine Gym). The CYO board needs volunteers, and donations for door prizes. Tickets are \$40 each. Please consider attending a great evening with the SJR families and friends. **Any help or contributions are greatly appreciated.** For more information please contact Paul Dickson @ 215-771-4471. Thank you!

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.

January 2018

Tues., Jan. 23: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session. (Snow date for “Protecting God’s Children” classes.)

Tues., Jan. 30: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session. End of first half of the year. Confirmation Class 2018 Service Projects due.

February 2018

Tues., Feb. 6: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session including Junior/Senior High School. Progress reports distributed to children to take home for parents’ signatures.

Monthly Food Drive



Our next food collection is scheduled for the weekend of February 3rd and 4th. Non-perishables only. Canned food items in greatest need are: **beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups and pork & beans.** Thank you for your generosity in January of 680 pounds and for a total of 11,200 pounds in 2017!

Sticky Buns



Exciting news! Our next Sticky Buns sale is Super Bowl Sunday, February 4th.

Contributions/Donations to St. Joseph Church



If you would like a copy of your 2017 Contributions to St. Joseph Church, please make your request known to the Rectory by calling Mon.-Fri, from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. or email sjc18976@verizon.net. Please allow a week to process your request.

Respect Life Committee



Prayer Cards are in the pews this weekend. You are asked to take one or more home and pray (perhaps as a family) that the baby you spiritually adopt will be carried to birth, not aborted, and delivered into loving arms according to God’s plan.

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.

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**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
OPEN HOUSE
&
REGISTRATION OPEN
PRE-K TO 8TH GRADE**

Sunday, January 28th Wednesday, January 31st
9:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon

Information/Enrollment Requirements: 215.343.5100
or www.stjstr.org
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St. Joseph / St. Robert School HSA

4th Annual BINGO BONANZA ~ Ladies Night Out

St. Robert Bellarmine, Msgr. Marley Hall

Friday, January 26th

7 p.m. (Doors open at 6 p.m.)

Basket Raffles, * 50/50 *, Door Prizes

Tickets - \$ 35 includes: 15 Bingo rounds, Hot & Cold Beverages / Dessert

BYOB & Snacks

To purchase tickets please visit: www.stjstr.org

or contact Daiana Fuller 215-801-8602 (tickets will sell out, get your tickets early!)

Save the Date ~ SJR Father/ Daughter Dance

Saturday, February 17th. Anyone interested in volunteering to help with the dance is asked to contact Amy Dixon at amykaltnekar@hotmail.com.

The Demands of Discipleship



Today we encounter readings that already have a Lenten feel about them. Nineveh undergoes a forty-day fast, the psalmist reminds us that God alone can show sinners the way, Paul shows us how fleeting the things and events of this world are, and Jesus cries out “Repent!” before he calls his new followers. “Come after me,” Jesus says, but if we are to truly live out the commands and demands of our discipleship through baptism, we must first know our need for conversion, our repentance, our need to believe in the gospel fully. Today’s Gospel opens with the stark reminder of what befell John the Baptist for completely living out his vocation as the herald of Christ and the gospel: he was arrested, imprisoned, and martyred. Though few of us will experience consequences that extreme, we must all be ready to risk some sort of rejection as, heeding the call of Jesus, we live out the kingdom of God at hand, repent of our sins, and believe in the good news of salvation.