

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,

I want to thank all those who supported our Easter Flower Collection. You helped to pay for the beautiful decorations for our solemn celebrations. Please know that your intentions will continue to be remembered throughout the entire Easter Season. The envelopes with your intentions written on them will remain on the **reredos** (back altar) until Pentecost. Once again I thank Mrs. Carla Venditti and Mrs. Karen Baranowski and their team, who did an excellent job not only with decorating, but also with maintaining the floral displays. Thank you also to Sansoni Farm Market for the beautiful flowers. I also want to thank Bill and Rosemary Hronchak who do so much hard work behind the scenes setting up the sanctuary for all the various liturgical celebrations. They are the ones who make sure that the appropriate altar linens are used, and set up the tabernacle of reservation for Holy Thursday and the various Good Friday displays, as well as helping me prepare the church for the Easter Masses.

We are also in very serious need of young people willing to serve at Mass. As I have said before, St. Joseph Parish has been blessed with a good number of young people willing to serve well into their high school years and I want to thank and acknowledge those who do. Unfortunately our need for servers has increased as many of the high schoolers move on to college. Parents please encourage your children to be an Altar Server. It is a good way to keep them engaged at Mass and also a great service to their parish community and a way for them to deepen their relationship with God. I will be visiting the school and CCD classes looking for young people in the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades asking them to sign up. If your child lost the sign-up sheet, just bring them to one of the practices. Practices are scheduled for Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. for 45 minutes on the following Saturdays: 4/21, 4/28, 5/12, & 5/26. I am asking that trainees make at least 3 practices. If these dates and times do not work, I will be willing to do additional training sessions. We really need the help.

I recently received word that Warrington Township is looking to repave Columbia Road (the access road to our parking lot). I do not know when this will be done but obviously it will cause some disruption for daily Mass. Before they get to paving the road, however, they are seeking an easement from the parish to address the drainage issue that exists between the Columbia Road entrance to our lower hall and the road. There is a serious drainage problem where the driveway in front of the church connects with Columbia Road. Every time it rains, the drain backs up and there is a small lake that develops and people have to cross when entering the front of our church. I have forwarded the materials to the Archdiocesan Property Office for their review.

God Bless You,
Fr. Bordonaro



Saturday	<u>April 14, 2018</u>	5:30pm Bill Grossman
Sunday	<u>April 15, 2018</u>	7:00am Dorothy Smedley 8:30am Raymond Generale 10:00am People of the Parish 11:30am Dominick DiPaolo
Monday	8:00am	Dorothy Smedley
Tuesday	8:00am	Frank Eells
Wednesday	8:00am	Susan and Alfred Denofa
Thursday	8:00am	Mary Chapman Earley, 7 th Anniversary
Friday	8:00am	David Dziedzic
Saturday	8:00am	Salvatore Boccella, 2 nd Anniversary
Saturday	<u>April 21, 2018</u>	5:30pm George Hartman, Sr., 10 th Anniversary
Sunday	<u>April 22, 2018</u>	7:00am Ann White 8:30am Special Intention 10:00am Earl Newhard 11:30am People of the Parish

Please Pray For



Those who are ill: Kim Bell, Cathy Casey, Alicia Cruz, Helen Eells, Bill Gaida, Rosemarie Generale, Lauren Gorniak, Bob Hagan, Dave McKay, Rose Murphy, baby Ronan Power, and Gil Sleutaris.

Sunday Collections:

04/08/18: \$ 8,219 .00
04/09/17: \$ 9,196 .00



WINGS: Faith furnishes prayer with wings, without which it cannot soar to Heaven. —*St. John Climacus*

This Week in Our Parish

Monday, April 16, 2018

- * Adoration – All Day – Church
- * Rosary – 7:30 p.m. – Church
- * Men’s Group Meeting – 8:00 p.m. – Room 18 Church Bldg

Thursday, April 19, 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: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

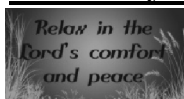
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

**Third Sunday of Easter****April 15, 2018**

You alone, O LORD,
bring security to my dwelling.

— *Psalm 4:9*

Guided by Christ

Guided by Christ is holding a **Theology on Tap** on Monday, June 4th at 7:30 p.m. in the banquet room at Giuseppe's. 990 2nd street Pike, Richboro. The topic for the Theology on Tap will be Catholic Leadership.

Guided by Christ, the area Catholic Young adult group for Catholics aged 18 to 40, meets on Mondays at the Olde St. Andrew's Church, 135 S. Sycamore Street Newtown at 7:30 p.m. Please join us!

Vocation Office Summer Camp Opportunities

Brothers of Borromeo Vocation Camp (B.B.V.C.) July 13, 2018: Boys in Grades 6 to 8 (rising 6th graders to graduated 8th graders), are invited to gather at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. The day includes games, activities, great talks, powerful prayer & Mass, lunch and dinner. For more information, visit HeedTheCall.org/event/BBVC.

Marriage Encounter

Would you like to make your good marriage and even greater marriage? Come to MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER on the weekend of July 13th – 15th at the Shrine of Czestochowa. For information call 484-393-1645. Guaranteed to be a great weekend, per Father Duffy!

Pre-Cana Workshop at St. Jude Parish

St. Jude Parish offers a fun, engaging and instructional one day Pre-Cana marriage preparation day for engaged couples. The sessions are held at St. Jude School, 323 West Butler Avenue, Chalfont, PA 18914. Our next session is scheduled for Saturday, April 28th, 2018. Please contact St. Jude Rectory 215-822-0179, office@stjudechalfont.org

Monthly Food Drive

Our next food collection is scheduled for the weekend of May 5th and 6th. Non-perishables only. Canned food items in greatest need are: **beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups and pork & beans.**

Treasures from our Tradition

There are many ways in which religious communities are organized. Some have a central authority in a congregation, and others have a "rule" that is shared by all the members, but are a kind of federation of independent houses. Sometimes, congregations with distinct histories and ministries decide to merge. Several years ago, one of the largest mergers on record took place. Seven independent congregations of Dominican women religious, most in the Midwest, are now one new congregation enfolded more than seven hundred members spanning thirty-six states. The oldest of the founding groups, the so-called "Kentucky Dominicans," began as a frontier community in 1822. Other communities have European roots. To get to this historic moment, the sisters spent many years in conversation, and approved the new structure by a two-thirds majority vote. This was then ratified by the Holy See. The merger allows the sisters to pool their resources in order to be more effective in ministry. They are living the Paschal Mystery, experiencing Christ's dying and rising in an inspiring way.

—*Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.*

Believing in Jesus Christ

Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament—the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures.

Today's selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in "Jesus Christ the righteous one" (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to "repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away" (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ "expiation for our sins" (1 John 2:2). Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with "Peace" and urges them to preach "repentance, for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47).

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Mount Saint Joseph Academy

We invite seventh grade girls to experience life at the Mount. Join us for a morning visit. Visitations will continue through May. All visits can be arranged online. Visit our website at www.msjadac.org for more information.

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 2018

Tues., April 17: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session. Registration for the 2018-2019 School Year continues.

Tues., April 24: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session. Last night for registration for 2018-2019 school year.

Registration

Registration for the 2018-2019 CCD School Year will be held **Tuesdays:**



April 17 and **24** 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!

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.



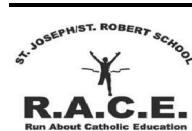
Bulletin Submittals



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.

8th Annual 5K R.A.C.E./



Run About Catholic Education

St. Joseph/St. Robert School :

5K Registration Now Open. Please complete the registration on-line by

clicking the RACE logo on the front page of our school website: www.stjstr.org.

Mark your calendar now for our 8th Annual Run about Catholic Education (R.A.C.E) on Friday, May 11, 2018. We are offering a new way to support this event – our own Go Fund Me page! <https://www.gofundme.com/sjr-5k-race?ssid=1230721086&pos=1>.

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Congratulations! We have received word that Hannah Bucklemann, grade 7, was a member of the Philadelphia Area Honors Band. Hannah performed in a concert with this band on March 24th at Devon Preparatory School.

After School Enrichment Programs: This spring we will be



offering a series of after school enrichment programs. Our next 2 part interactive program: "Healthy Friendships" for girls in 6th through 8th grade will be held on Monday, April 16th & 23rd. Please see the flyer in this week's communication for more information and registration.

Thank You! What happens when over 240 children clad in Phillies colors go to the gym for lunch? A Phillies picnic breaks out! Many thanks to Mrs. Daiana Fuller and her wonderful helpers for providing a wonderful lunch – and memory for our students!



Lunch Ladies: We are quickly approaching the final months of school. I would like to thank our wonderful Lunch Ladies, Mrs. Michelle Studley and Mrs. Diana McDonnell, for all they do for us each week. Wednesdays and Fridays are very special days – and they make all they do look easy! Thank you!

Just a Thought: This week, the faculty used a book titled, "Tools and Fuels" as the basis for some faith – sharing. The book's subtitle is eye-catching: "How Catholic teachers can become Saints, Beat Burnout, and Save the World". Pretty powerful words! The essence of our discussion was the need for all of us to remember that the work we do is not about us – it is about the Mission of the Church. We were reminded to focus on remaining close to the sacraments, make time for daily prayer, and become a person of the scripture. Following these three strategies, we will learn to shake off cynicism, worry, and embrace a positive, confident attitude.



Registration is now open for the 2018/2019 academic year.

2018/2019 Tuition Rates for Parish Families

(5 Day) **Half Day Pre-K & Kindergarten:**

8:10 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Monthly Tuition - \$375.00 (10 payments)

(5 Day) **Full Day Pre-K & Kindergarten:**

8:10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Monthly Tuition - \$440.00 (10 payments)

Before and After School Program Available

Grades 1st – 8th (10 payments)

One Child – Monthly - \$350.00

Two Children – Monthly - \$675.00

Three Children – Monthly - \$758.00

Four Children – Monthly - \$865.00

Before and After School Program Available