



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,

On April 22nd, the universal Catholic Church observes the 55th Annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations. By setting aside this day, the church publicly reminds each of us of our need to pray so that Our Lord may send laborers into his harvest. The United States Catholic Conference of Bishops has provided the following message:

“The purpose of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), to the Religious life in all its forms (male and female, contemplative and apostolic), to societies of apostolic life, to secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life, in the particular sense of mission "ad gentes" (to the people).”



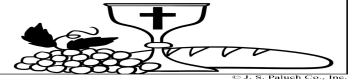
In this year's address, Pope Francis identifies three aspects of vocations: listening, discerning and living. The Holy Father focuses his message on Jesus' own mission and his visit to the synagogue of Nazareth. He listened to the word, discerned the content of the mission entrusted to him by the Father, and proclaimed that he came to accomplish it today (Lk 4:16-21). Please pray for vocations today and every day. Pope Francis says, “Vocations are born in prayer, and so I ask that you join me in praying for an increase of laborers for the harvest!”

The Health and Help Ministry of St. Joseph Church has recommended that we have an Automated External Defibrillator for parish use in case of emergencies. The website of the American Heart Association says, “an automated external defibrillator (AED) is a lightweight, portable device that delivers an electric shock through the chest to the heart. The shock can potentially stop an irregular heart beat (arrhythmia) and allow a normal rhythm to resume following sudden cardiac arrest (SCA). SCA occurs when the heart malfunctions and stops beating unexpectedly. If not treated within minutes, it quickly leads to death. AEDs make it possible for more people to respond to a medical emergency where defibrillation is required. Because AEDs are portable, they can be used by nonmedical people (lay-rescuers). They can be made part of emergency response programs that also include rapid use of 9-1-1 and prompt delivery of cardio pulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

All three of these activities are vital to improving survival from SCA. Although formal training in the use of an AED is not required, it is recommended to help the rescuer increase their comfort and level of confidence.

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Masses for the Week



Saturday	<u>April 21, 2018</u>	George Hartman, Sr., 10 th Anniversary
	5:30pm	
Sunday	<u>April 22, 2018</u>	
	7:00am	Ann White
	8:30am	Special Intention
	10:00am	Earl Newhard
	11:30am	People of the Parish
Monday	8:00am	Tony Muredda
Tuesday	8:00am	Sr. Mary Elko
Wednesday	8:00am	Blanche Cimino
Thursday	8:00am	Thomas Devan
Friday	8:00am	Bob Weychert
Saturday	8:00am	Barbara Lombo
Saturday	<u>April 28, 2018</u>	
	5:30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	<u>April 29, 2018</u>	
	7:00am	Souls in Purgatory
	8:30am	Alex & Julia Giovannone
	10:00am	Louise Snyder & Joanne Blanney
	11:30am	Lisa & Panfilo DiPasquale

Please Pray For



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

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.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, April 22, 2018

* World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Monday, April 23, 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 26, 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 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28, 30-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

Financial Report

March 2018

Weekly Sunday Collection:
 04/15/18: \$ **8640.00**
 04/16/17: \$ 10,048.00

E-Giving:
 03/18: \$ **6,708.77**
 03/17: \$ 4,372.50



MONTHLY REPORT



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	\$ 1,710.00
Employee Pay	\$ 18,590.84
Music Ministry	\$ 1,490.00
Payroll Service	\$ 159.20
PECO	\$ 1,241.64
Verizon	\$ 630.78
Church Cleaning	\$ 455.00
Trash Removal	\$ 268.02
Comcast Cable	\$ 140.85
Computer Support	\$ 215.25
Supplies	\$ 3,222.86
Services	\$ 1,274.65
Alarm System	\$ 270.00
Pest Control	\$ 123.00
Copier Maintenance	\$ 508.93
2018 County & Municipal RE Tax	\$ 5,258.41
Heating Oil	\$ 4,758.25
Defibrillator	\$ 917.00

A Note from the Pastor Continued...



However, AEDs are intended for use by the general public. Most AEDs use audible voice prompts to guide the user through the process.

Our Health and Help Ministry has facilitated the purchase of this device and will be hosting a fundraiser to help pay for it. We will be placing the AED in the Hallway by the Sacred Heart Statue (appropriate right!). It is directly opposite from the confessional door. We will be hosting a brief training session after all the masses next weekend Saturday and Sunday, April 28-29. I am asking that all volunteers who help at Mass or other church functions (ushers, lectors, musicians, extraordinary ministers, rosary leaders etc.) and all other interested people please consider coming to a training session. You do not need to be a physician or emergency responder to use this device.

God Bless You,
 Fr. Bordonaro

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.** Thank you for the 715 pounds of food in April!

Saved By The One Who Was Rejected



Some city teenagers often scorn and reject farm kids. Yet it's no exaggeration to say that humanity owes its life to farmers who care for the world's crops and livestock. This week's scriptures remind us that Jesus was as rejected as a shepherd, a farm boy, yet we owe our very lives to him.

In this Sunday's reading from the Acts of the Apostles Peter tells the people that salvation comes through Jesus Christ, the one who was rejected. In John's letter we hear that we have become God's beloved children through Jesus, whom the world did not know. Lastly, in the Gospel Jesus describes himself as the Good Shepherd who "lays down his life for the sheep" (John 10:11). Will you join Jesus in laying down your life for God's beloved flock? *Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.*

Health and Help Ministry



FREE AED INSTRUCTION:

The Health and Help Ministry will offer free instruction on the function and use of an AED (**Automated External Defibrillator**) after all Masses on Saturday, April 28th after the Vigil Mass, and Sunday, April 29th after all Masses. All

interested parishioners are encouraged to attend! Coffee and donuts will be served on Sunday. An AED has recently been procured for our church and can be used to help save a life. Please join us after Mass in Room 18.

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 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 this **Tuesday:**



April 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!

May 2018

Tues., May 1: Grades 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and Sacrament Class in session including Junior/Senior High School. 3rd Grade will meet on May 2 for Communion Practice.

Wed., May 2: First Holy Communion practice in Church from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. for all children who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

Sat., May 5: First Holy Communion Mass 10 a.m. Children should report to the Church at 9:30 a.m.

Mon., May 7: 7:20 p.m. May Procession and Rosary. All children are requested to attend and participate in the procession.

Tues., May 8: Last day of CCD classes for those children who have attended the required number of classes. Progress reports for the year will be sent home with the children.

Tues., May 15: Make-up class for any child who missed more than 3 classes during the year. This class will only be held from 4:30 - 5:50 p.m. Final teachers' meeting for the school year will be held in the school building at 6:30 p.m.

Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 22, 2018

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. — *1 John 3:1*

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.



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8th Annual R.A.C.E. Run About Catholic Education

Friday, May 11, 2018

****Opportunity for Friend/Parishioner Sponsorship**

The funds raised come from the generous support of local business sponsors, parishioners, and our school families. **New to RACE sponsorship is the ability for our**

parishioners & friends to access our electronic "Go Fund R.A.C.E Donation" by visiting the school website: www.stjstr.org. Ques.? Contact Kathy Williamson at kwilliamson@stjstr.org or 215-343-5100.

Training runs are held every Thursday evening at 8:30 p.m. beginning in St. Robert's parking lot. All levels of runners/walkers welcomed.

SUPPORT SJR R.A.C.E.

This year the 5K will have an additional opportunity to enhance the advancement of our students' academic achievements. Please take a moment to donate below.

DONATE NOW

Treasures from our Tradition



Most languages take the name for this fifty-day season from the Lord's Passover: *Pasqua* in Italian, *Pâques* in French, *Paach* in Dutch, *Pascha* in Greek and Russian. English has a much newer name, the name of a pagan goddess, *Eoster*. For centuries before Christianity took hold, in both Germany and Britain the spring equinox was dedicated to her and the concepts of fertility and rebirth. She was said to be a playful spirit, following the Sun King's chariot, and ending the reign of winter. She had a magical companion, a rabbit who hid eggs in the fields to coax plants and animals to rebirth. It was believed that *Eoster* once came across a bird with broken wings and saved it by turning it into a rabbit—an egg-laying rabbit at that! Although they were baptized, most people didn't take to the new Latin name (*Pascha Domini*) too easily, and kept calling the spring equinox by the old accustomed name. For good measure, they kept a pagan name for Christmas, too: *Yule*.
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Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Worldwide Marriage Encounter has been strengthening marriages for 50 years. Join the millions of couples around the world who have made a Weekend. The next Weekends in the Philadelphia Area are July 13-15, 2018 and October 19-21, 2018, both at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA. For more information or to register go to www.wme-philly.org or call 484-393-1645. Help us celebrate 50 years by experiencing a Weekend of Discovery and a Lifetime of Love!