

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,

Last week our school, St. Joseph/St. Robert, was officially awarded the 2018 National Blue Ribbon Award for excellence in Washington, D.C. This is a tremendous honor and credit to our faculty, staff and students. Our school celebrated with a Mass of Thanksgiving on Friday. Thank you to all who support our school in any way.



Today our school is hosting its Fall Open House & Early Childhood Registration. The Open House will run on Sunday, November 18th: 10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M., and then again on Tuesday, November 20th: 6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. Come check out the great things

happening at SJR and see why we are a 2018 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence! There is an option for half day and/or full day Pre-K & Kindergarten. For more information, please call 215/343-5100 or go to www.stjstr.org.

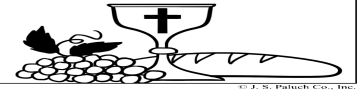
This week we will be celebrating Thanksgiving. It is a beautiful opportunity to reflect on all the blessings that God has given us and to make our response back to Him with praise and worship. I hope that you enjoy some time with family and loved ones during this special time. You are invited to join us for a Mass on Thanksgiving morning, November 22nd at 8:00 A.M. At this Mass we will continue the tradition of blessing loaves of freshly baked bread and then handing them out after the Mass. It is a way to symbolically carry the blessing of the Mass home with you to your Thanksgiving tables. Please plan to be with us on this special day.



This weekend we are starting our Giving Tree program. This is the annual opportunity to provide gifts to the less fortunate. We ask you to take a “gift tag” off the tree in the sanctuary which identifies a specific need for the various charitable organizations that we help. Then you are asked to supply a gift card in the amount of \$25 - \$35 from a department store, or check to St. Joseph (for tuition) to help meet the particular need. (Our scrip sellers will have extra cards on hand). We ask that you return the card to the Giving Tree Box – placed at the base of the tree by Dec. 9th so they may be distributed to those in need, with enough time to get their shopping done. The people of this parish have always been very generous with this program and we are very grateful for your support.

God Bless you,
Fr. Bordonaro

Masses for the Week



Saturday	<u>November 17, 2018</u>	5:30pm	Hilda Cain
Sunday	<u>November 18, 2018</u>	7:00am	All Souls
		8:30am	People of the Parish
		10:00am	Helen M. Eells
		11:30am	Helen Eells
Monday		8:00am	Paul Soltis
Tuesday		8:00am	Deceased Members of the Pellicore Family
Wednesday		8:00am	Albino Bruni & Family
Thursday		8:00am	In Thanksgiving for a Special Intention
Friday		8:00am	Fred Gale
Saturday		8:00am	Helen Eells
Saturday	<u>November 24, 2018</u>	5:30pm	Deceased Members of McAloon Family
Sunday	<u>November 25, 2018</u>	7:00am	Doris Teufel
		8:30am	Dolores Kroutch
		10:00am	People of the Parish
		11:30am	Helen Eells

Please Pray For



Those who are ill: Kim Bell, Alicia Cruz, Marcella Fay, John Ferro, Bill Gaida, Madeline Gorniak, Russel Heim, Dave McKay, Rose Murphy, baby Ronan Power, Michael Roche, and Wayne Woodruff.

This Week in Our Parish

Monday, November 19, 2018

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

Thursday, November 22, 2018

- * Happy Thanksgiving
- * Rectory Closed

Friday, November 23, 2018

- * Rectory Closed



**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 18, 2018**

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. — *Mark 13:31*

Readings for the Week

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44
Thanksgiving Day—Suggested:
 Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131;
 Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;
 Lk 20:27-40
Sunday: Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Rv 1:5-8;
 Jn 18:33b-37

St. Joseph Men's Group

Please join the men of the parish on the first and third Mondays each month as we are starting a new series in the fall; here are the upcoming topics to be discussed:

11/19: Life of St. Joseph (Bill to lead the discussion).

The sessions to be held in room 18, from 8 to 9 pm; all men are invited.

From The Health and Help Ministry

(ICE) In Case of Emergency: There is a First Aid Kit, Portable Oxygen and AED located in the Sacristy.

St. Joseph Christmas Bazaar

This year's Christmas Bazaar will be on Sunday, December 2nd from 9am until 2pm. We will have great food, fabulous raffle baskets, 50/50, vendors, crafters, music, and of course

Santa! Stay tuned for more details.

If you'd like to join our team of volunteers to help with this year's Bazaar, please contact Rita Roley at 215-872-0499 or email her at rrole2325@comcast.net

**Attention Businesses of St. Joseph Parish**

If you'd like to add an item or gift certificate to this year's Christmas Bazaar Raffle, please drop it off at the rectory in an envelope with *Christmas Bazaar* written on the front. You will be mentioned in the bulletin following the Bazaar as one of the many businesses that has supported this event.

Donations now being accepted

If you'd like to donate items for this year's raffle baskets for our 12/2 Christmas Bazaar, please leave your new/unused items on the table outside of Room 14 at the church. If you'd like to make your own basket we can use themed baskets such as Chocolate Lovers, Night Out, Dinner and a Movie, Kids Baskets, Baby Baskets or use your imagination, thanks! Call or email Rita Roley with any questions at 215-872-0499 rrole2325@comcast.net.

Financial Report

October 2018

Sunday Collections:

11/11/18: \$ 9,000.00

11/12/17: \$ 10,287.00

E-Giving:

10/18: \$ 5,540.66

10/17: \$ 5,556.25

**MONTHLY REPORT**

School Subsidy	\$ 10,919.04
Archdiocese Assessment	\$ 8,400.00
Disability Insurance	\$ 97.92
Liability Insurance	\$ 1,266.67
Property Insurance	\$ 683.00
Worker's Comp Insurance	\$ 154.83
Priest Auto Insurance	\$ 218.75
Priest Health Insurance	\$ 1,283.00
Employees Health Insurance	\$ 1,379.40
Priest Ancillary Benefits	\$ 300.00
Priest Pension	\$ 8.33
Visiting Priest Honorarium	\$ 2,655.00
Employee Pay	\$ 18,389.82
Music Ministry	\$ 979.23
Payroll Service	\$ 102.40
PECO	\$ 1,039.17
Verizon	\$ 630.68
Church Cleaning	\$ 455.00
Trash Removal	\$ 314.92
Comcast Cable	\$ 140.85
Computer Support	\$ 222.50
Supplies	\$ 7,944.72
Services	\$ 395.72
Water and Sewer	\$ 302.28
Copier Maintenance	\$ 420.00
Annual Inspection Fire Extinguishers	\$ 883.70

It is one of the glories of the Bible that it can embrace many meanings in a single passage.

—St. Thomas Aquinas

Monthly Food Drive

Our next food collection is scheduled for the weekend of December 1st and 2nd. Non-perishables only. Canned food items in greatest need are: **beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups and pork & beans.** Thank you for 990 pounds of food in November!

Respect Life

Please join other parishioners on Wed., Dec. 5th to pray the Rosary for one hour at Planned Parenthood on Louis Drive (noon to dark). Sign up sheets are on the tables in the corridor. (Not necessary to sign up, but helpful.)

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.

Registration

You must be registered in the parish before signing your child up for the 2018-2019 CCD School Year, and a copy of your child's baptismal certificate is required 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!

November 2018

Tues., Nov. 20: No CCD Class – Thanksgiving break.

Tues., Nov. 27: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session.

December 2018

Mon., Dec. 3: 7:30 p.m. in Church. Children receiving First Holy Communion in May 2019 (Third Graders) will receive rosaries and prayer books during Monday Night Rosary Service.

Tues., Dec. 4: Grades 1-6 and Sacrament Class in session including Junior/Senior High School. Advent Penance Service for children.

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

Tues., Dec. 18: Family Advent Presentation. Last CCD class until January 8, 2019. Merry Christmas!

Treasures From Our Tradition



November is a month of remembrance for the dead, and cemeteries have long been a focus for prayer. Our tradition holds great respect for bodily remains, since the body was created and redeemed by God, was once the “dwelling place of the Holy Spirit,” and has a destiny of life with God in glory. The funeral practices of the early church contrasted greatly with those of the pagans, who had a great dread of the dead body. The ancient Christian funeral liturgy ended with the relatives and friends giving a final kiss to the body. It expressed affection and showed their faith that the grave would not be the last word. This kiss horrified pagans, who thought that any contact with the dead was degrading.

Every year on their loved one's “birthday to life,” the Christians would return to the place of their burial to mark their profound communion with those whose lives were hidden in Christ. Typically, they buried the dead with their faces turned toward the east, symbolizing the rising of the Sun of Justice, Christ, at the end of days. They were attracted to the catacombs or burial grounds just as we are today. They would often celebrate the Eucharist at the tomb. Before long, as soon as Christians were allowed to build places for worship, they relocated cemeteries from beyond the city walls to surround the church. This was not so much because the church made the ground holy, but because the bodies of the saints hallowed the ground on which the church was built, a subtle but beautiful difference. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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New Family Open House & Early Childhood Enrollment

Our annual Fall Open House for new families will be held on **Sunday, November 18th from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm** and again on **Tuesday, November 20th from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm**. After **November 20th**, families may call the school to schedule an appointment to complete registration. Registration for new families with children in Grades 1st through 8th will begin in February.



The students from Pre-K to 8th grade participated in their Annual Walkathon. The walk included a sea of blue as the children walked in their Blue Ribbon t-shirts through Palomino Farms. The excitement included the recognition of the coveted 2018 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence Award.

CD's and Books

SEE WHAT'S NEW FOR ADVENT IN OUR PARISH RESOURCE CENTER!

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Look for new titles in our CD & Book stand: Get practical ideas on parenting delivered with wit and wisdom by clinical psychologist and father of ten Dr. Ray Guarendi. Be inspired by Matthew Kelly's talks on prayer, the power of the Eucharist, and the joy of living out our Catholic faith. You'll find treasures like “Amazing Grace” songs by Marty Rotella, a cute book for children about a “Christmas bear,” and even a “spiritual coloring book!” (Great stocking stuffers too!) Thank you for your donations in the slot at the stand to support our partnership with StewardshipMission.org.

St. Joseph Music Ministry



St. Augustine is credited as saying, “*To sing is to pray twice.*”

Children's Choir: Grades 2 through 8- practice from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. on Thursdays in Church.

Adult Choir: Vocalists and instrumentalists- practice from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Thursdays in Church.

Please contact our Music Director, Mrs. Maria Lennon at 215-896-9484 or email at mariaalennon@comcast.net