

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 (Except Jan. 1): 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 Wednesday March 6th we will celebrate Ash Wednesday. We will have Masses at 8:00 a.m, 5:00 p.m. and at 7:00 p.m. All 3 Masses will have the distribution of ashes. While Ash Wednesday is not a Holy Day of Obligation, it is the official start to the Lenten Season which is a period of preparation or purification. It is a time when we reflect on what needs to change in our life. In preparation for the start of Lent, if you have any old blessed palm from previous years, please bring it to church and place it in the wicker basket in the back hallway, by the crucifix. Please remove all wrappings, and rubber bands and take the palm out of all paper and plastic bags. We will burn the palm for the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

May God Bless You,
 Fr. Bordonaro

Archbishop Chaput has asked us to communicate the following letter to you.

February 10, 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In the Gospel of Saint Luke we will hear next weekend, Jesus proclaims His well known “Sermon on the Mount”, offering the Beatitudes as a design for living our lives. In this scripture reading, Jesus relates the foundation of the central tenets for Christian discipleship.

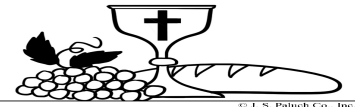
Our priests strive to live Jesus’ message faithfully through their pastoral service and sacramental ministry in parish communities, schools, and institutions. Many retired priests continue to assist parishes with great dedication. Others, due to advanced age and declining health have been compelled to withdraw from active ministry. These priests reside at Villa Saint Joseph in Darby, Regina Coeli in Warminster, as well as various other health care facilities where they continue to carry a message of hope to all by their lives of prayer and sacrifice offered for the people of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. They now depend on you for your prayers and support.

The annual Collection for the Care of Aging and Retired Priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will be taken in all parishes on the weekend of February 16th and 17th throughout the Archdiocese. This annual collection is an opportunity for the faithful to express their gratitude for the many blessings received through the ministry of priests. I’m very grateful for your generous response to this collection in the past. Through your continued kindness we can be assured that they will be cared for in their retirement.

Your kindness will be remembered daily in my prayers. I ask that you continue to remember our retired priests in yours. May God bless you and your loved ones for your generous response to this annual appeal.

Gratefully and with best wishes in Christ,
 +Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
 Archbishop of Philadelphia

Masses for the Week



Saturday	<u>February 9, 2019</u>	Rosalie Frank & Bob Stevens
	5:30pm	
Sunday	<u>February 10, 2019</u>	
	7:00am	People of the Parish
	8:30am	Raymond Generale
	10:00am	Helen Eells
	11:30am	David Dziedzic
Monday	8:00am	John F. Hayes & Family
Tuesday	8:00am	Theresa Piroso & Family
Wednesday	8:00am	Dolores Metzger
Thursday	8:00am	Keith Britton, 1 st Anniversary
Friday	8:00am	The Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	8:00am	Deceased Members of Sansoni Family
Saturday	<u>February 16, 2019</u>	Arthur, Kimble & Lauderback Families
	5:30pm	
Sunday	<u>February 17, 2019</u>	
	7:00am	Charles Casey
	8:30am	People of the Parish
	10:00am	Delores Kroutch, 1 st Anniversary
	11:30am	Helen Eells

Please Pray For



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

Sunday Collections:

02/03/19: \$ 10,385.00
 02/04/18: \$ 11,429.00



This Week in Our Parish

Monday, February 11, 2019

- * Adoration – All Day – Church
- * Senior Citizens Meeting – 11 a.m. – Church Hall
- * Rosary – 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 14, 2019

- * Children’s Choir Practice – 4:30 p.m. – Church
- * BSA Troop 137 – 7:30 p.m. – Rectory Basement
- * Adult’s Choir Practice – 7:30 p.m. - Church

Readings for the Week

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 10, 2019

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?"
 "Here I am, I said, send me!"
 — Isaiah 6:8

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.

**All are Welcome**

The Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers is Saturday, March 30th at 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia. Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., will be the principal celebrant and homilist. There will be a reception immediately following the Mass. All are Welcome. To RSVP go to www.opdarchphilly.org, or call the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530 with the number attending.

St. Joseph Men's Group

Please join the men of the parish on the first and third Mondays of each month -- we are starting a new series:

2/18: Topic *TBD*

3/4: Life After Sunday Series -- Dance

(<http://www.lifeaftersunday.com/issues/las-Dance.pdf>)

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

Monthly Food Drive

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

Respect Life

Please join other parishioners on Wed., March 6th 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. (Sign ups are helpful, not necessary)

Pre-Cana Workshop at St. Jude Parish

St. Jude Parish offers a fun, engaging and instructional Marriage Preparation day for engaged couples. The sessions are held at St. Jude School located at 323 West Butler Avenue, Chalfont, PA 18914. Our next session is scheduled for Saturday, February 16th, 2019. Please contact St. Jude Rectory 215-822-0179 office@stjudechalfont.org

God's Summons

Here I am; send me!



Confronted with God's power and majesty, the first response of the prophet Isaiah was to acknowledge his sinfulness. "Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips," he said aloud. Likewise, with his empty fishing nets dramatically filled at Jesus' instruction, Peter fell to his knees and cried out, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man."

Next, Peter got up. He docked his boats then left to follow Jesus. Isaiah also had a dramatic change of heart. When he heard the Lord say, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" Isaiah answered, "Here I am, send me."

We are summoned daily by the Risen Lord. We are reminded of the saving power of the gospel and know in our heart of hearts that, as St. Paul wrote, believing in anything else won't lead to anything.

What will it take for you to move past your sinfulness? What will it take for you to get off your knees? What will it take for you to bring to dock what is unimportant and to accept your call to be God's messenger? Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Respect Life Committee

If you or others you know are experiencing sadness or depression from an abortion, contact: Project Rachel (hopeafterabortion.com) or call 1-855-722-4354; projectrachelhope@gmail.com or Rachel@rechelsvineyard.org. Reconcile with yourself and the Lord.

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 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!

February 2019

Tues., Feb. 12: All Grades and Sacrament Class in session.

Tues., Feb. 19: All Grades and Sacrament Class in session.

Tues., Feb. 26: All Grades and Sacrament Class in session.

My great concern is not whether God is on our side; my great concern is to be on God's side.
—Abraham Lincoln

Treasures From Our Tradition



The Reign of God comes about because people commit to reversing their lives completely, to embracing new vision, new values. Many popular television shows exploit an unattractive side of human nature by pitting contestants against one another, even to the point of performing dangerous stunts or devious schemes, to gain money or favor.

At the liturgy, we counter that impulse by committing ourselves to live generously. In response to Christ's total gift, we offer bread and wine as the emblems of our lives, our hopes, our joys and sorrows. The bread and wine carried to the altar contain our lives, and by offering our lives to God, we prepare to receive the gift of God's own life. We are to become what we receive: the body of Christ.

On Sundays, this self-giving is often accompanied by a collection and procession of gifts for the poor and money for the upkeep of the parish. There are certainly other methods of collecting money, some perhaps more efficient. Yet the act of giving from our abundance, and attending to the needs of the poor, opens us up to participation in the changes the Reign of God requires.

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Malvern Retreat House



Ash Wednesday Lenten Day of Reflection
March 6th ~ 9 AM - 3PM

Directed by Fr. James McGuinn, this is the perfect day for you to begin Lent with the distribution of ashes, a sit-down lunch with Mass and Confessions. The theme is: "Understanding and Pursuing Catholic Spiritual Growth." \$40.00 per person.

Register at www.malvernretreat.com or call (610)-644-0400.

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Welcome to SJR

St. Joseph/St. Robert School (SJR), with Jesus as our foundation and inspiration, prepares students to live fully through 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.

Giving Opportunities (go to STJSTR.org for more info.)

* **Sponsor A Student** – This program offers financial support to those students at SJR that are in need of tuition assistance.

* **Matching Gifts** – Help twice as many students with your donation! Many employers have programs that will match their employees' charitable contributions. Donors are encouraged to find out if their employers have a matching gift policy to help increase the contributions they are making to our school.

* **EITC (Educational Improvement Tax Credit) Program** – Business owners can take advantage of a sizable tax credit for its state tax obligation by donating to a non-profit scholarship program.

* **Planned Giving** – St. Joseph/St. Robert School is proud of its alumni and local community. Their constant support has continued to enable our school to thrive in the 21st century. A simple way to ensure this support in the future is to make a planned gift by adding SJR as a beneficiary in your will. Contact your attorney, tax advisor or estate planner to designate St. Joseph / St. Robert School in your will.

Archbishop Wood High School

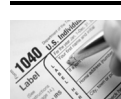


ABW is pleased to announce that the following students have achieved Academic Honors for the First Quarter of the 2018-2019 school year:

First Honors: Dylan Huegel '20, Lauren Scott '21

Second Honors: Brian Harms '19, Robert Hennessey '19, Michael Kuyper '19, Matthew Quigley '19, Katlynn Razler '20, Hailey Jacobsen '21, Peter Jorgenson '22, Mason Yacovelli '22.

Contributions/Donations to St. Joseph Church



If you would like a copy of your 2018 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 two weeks to process letters.