



MAKING CHRIST A REALITY IN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH WE LIVE

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Public Masses are suspended until further notice. Please go to Archdiocese of Philadelphia website for additional information from Archbishop Perez.

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,

Today is Pentecost, when we celebrate the Holy Spirit coming upon the disciples of Jesus, as He promised, to guide them and be with them until the end of time. The Holy Spirit is technically identified as a "Procession" from the Father and Son. This means that the Spirit was not created but rather proceeds from the love of Father and Son. It is a fine example of how divine love is dynamic and fruitful. It is so strong that it bursts forth with another person of the Holy Trinity. Today is also identified as the birthday of the church. It is fitting that as we are re-opening our churches and adjusting to modified celebrations, we celebrate the church's birth. It is a kind of re-birth, if you will.

As of Saturday, June 6th St. Joseph Church will be open for public Mass and devotions with certain restrictions in place. The Saturday morning 8:00 Mass will be the first "open" Mass. I attended a webinar that generally described how we will do this, but by the time I submitted this column for print, the detailed instructions were not available. I will recount them as I recall them.



1. The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass for all people remains in place until further notice.
 - a. You are still encouraged to keep Sunday as the Lord's Day and if not joining the community for Mass, then consider viewing on TV or computer.
 - b. Those who are sick or otherwise compromised are not to attend Mass.
 - c. Those who are at risk because of health, age, or issues of comorbidity are not to function as Liturgical Ministers.
2. When coming to Mass we are asking all people to wear masks – liturgical ministers exempted while performing their ministry. Those unwilling or unable to wear a mask may be asked to sit in a separate section.
3. In the "Yellow Phase" we will be permitted up to 50% capacity of our church.
 - a. We will have every other pew taped off
 - b. Please try to keep 6 feet of distance between households. (Families may sit together, while keeping 6 feet from non-household members)
 - c. There is to be no congregating in the church, the hallways, or doorways either before or after Mass.
 - d. Maintain safe distance in the line for Holy Communion and also when exiting.

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Masses For The Week

Saturday	<u>May 30, 2020</u> 5:30pm	For the Intentions of Jana Krysztofiak
Sunday	<u>May 31, 2020</u> 7:00am 8:30am 10:00am 11:30am	Pasquale Macrone Linda Generale People of the Parish Thanksgiving Mass Offered for Matilda & Thoms Correa
Monday	8:00am	St. Joseph Memorial Society
Tuesday	8:00am	Special Intention
Wednesday	8:00am	Marthann McGowan
Thursday	8:00am	Woody Metcalf
Friday	8:00am	Machado, Fernandez, & Misquitta Families
Saturday	8:00am	Rose & Sam Langetti
Saturday	<u>June 6, 2020</u> 5:30pm	Deceased Members of the DiTore Family
Sunday	<u>June 7, 2020</u> 7:00am 8:30am 10:00am 11:30am	Marilyn Higgins Raymond Generale For the Intentions of Christine Gladkowski People of the Parish

Please Pray For



Those who are ill: Kim Bell, Joy Cataldi, June Faust, Linda Giardetti, Russel Heim, Patricia Hesser, David Jones, Ralph Lawson, Laura Lippincott, Mary Lishman, John Lommock, Terry McDonnell, Dave McKay, baby Eva McNamara, Adeline McNulty, John Montgomery, Rod Nordlin, Mary Jo Pergolin, Ronan Power, Marie Trotter Rickman, Jack Streisky, and Jack Wilhelm.

Weekly Envelope Collection

05/17/20	\$ 5,812 .00
05/19/19	\$ 9,323.00

This Week In Our Parish

Monday, June 1, 2020

- * Adoration – 9 a.m.-4 p.m. – Church
- * No Rosary/No Benediction



Monday-Friday

Church is open for private prayer from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday, June 6th and 7th

Public Masses resume

Readings For The Week

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14;
Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16;
Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2;
Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14;
Mk 12:28-34

Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17; Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165,
166, 168; 1-6; Mk 12:35-37

Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22;
Mk 12:38-44

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55;
2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

A Note From The Pastor Continued...



4. Masks are to be worn for the Mass and then removed before receiving Communion and then replaced after receiving communion. Gloves if worn – should be removed before receiving Holy Communion. You are requested to receive Holy Communion in the hand, if this is not possible, please see me and arrangements will be made.

5. Missalettes and Song books will be removed from the church. If required, you are encouraged to bring in your own, or use a digital platform such as ibreviary.

6. Ushers will be using our regular long baskets for the collection, please help them out by having your closest household member drop your donation in the basket.

7. The Sign of Peace is not to be exchanged.

Because our regular weekend assistance is not available to us, I will have to adjust the Scheduled Mass times. **STARTING JUNE 6TH WE WILL HAVE CONFESSIONS ON SATURDAY FROM 4:00 – 5:00 P.M. FOLLOWED BY THE 5:30 P.M. VIGIL MASS**, which will also be videotaped for our website. **SUNDAY MASSES WILL BE AT 8:30 AM AND 11:30 AM. ONLY** – for the time being. This is what I am calling our Soft Opening. I apologize that I am not able to commit to our usual 4 Sunday Masses at this time. Hopefully as things open up and our need grows we will be able to offer more.

God Bless you,
Fr. Bordonaro

Magnificat

During this challenging time, many of the faithful are unable to attend Mass. We are honored to provide complimentary access to our online versions of MAGNIFICAT and MagnifiKid! to help people pray from home. Go to: <https://us.magnificat.net/free>

Bulletin Submittals

Please submit your bulletin requests to the Rectory. Requests may be emailed to sjc18976@verizon.net. We welcome your bulletin requests; however, all bulletin requests are subject to Pastor's approval and space availability.



Pentecost Sunday May 31, 2020

There appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. — *Acts 2:3*

The Richness Of The Spirit



Students, and most adults recalling their school days, are familiar with the phrase “compare and contrast” that shows up from time to time on tests. Today we hear two different accounts of the giving of the Holy Spirit to the church. Let's contrast, then compare. Luke's account from Acts is filled with arresting details: the mighty wind from heaven, the tongues of flame, the miracle of different languages. John's account seems timid: fearful disciples, the wounded Christ, the expelling of breath from his risen body, not from the sky. Our literal, modern minds wonder which way it happened; our noisy culture probably makes us prefer the former. But if we compare the two, we find that the dazzling richness of the Spirit fills both accounts, for it is the very breath of the risen Christ, ascended to the sky in Luke, that appears to his disciples in John and sends his followers forth to carry on his mission of forgiving sin and proclaiming the mighty acts of God.

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Saint Charles Lwanga And His Companions (martyred 1886-87) June 3

“Master of Pages,” reputedly the handsomest man in all Uganda, Charles Lwanga, lay catechist, courageously led about forty teenaged boys, Catholics and Anglicans, on a forty-mile forced march to martyrdom for their common Christian faith. Teaching each other the hymns of their different churches, they strengthened one another for the ordeal ahead. King Mwanga, himself barely twenty, had ordered them executed for being “those who pray.” But these royal pages were the king's male harem, who, now Christians, refused what pious accounts demurely describe as his “unreasonable demands.” Some were clubbed to death, most burned alive; the youngest, thirteen-year old Saint Kizito, whom Charles had often shielded from the King's lust; the most tragic, Saint Mbaga, whose father was his executioner! In 1964, Paul VI canonized the young Catholics and praised their Anglican companions, recalling the heroism of early Christianity's African martyrs, which we modern Christians of far less faith never expected to see repeated. Forty years after the pope's words, what does our faith cost us? Heroism aside, how generous is our response?

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CCD School Of Religion

Please call 215-672-9990 or 215-672-3020 for information or email stjosephccd.warrington@yahoo.com



Even though our school building is closed, our DRE and catechists will continue to respond to your calls and emails. (STJOSEPHCCD.WARRINGTON@YAHOO.COM)

Registration

Registration for the 2020-2021 CCD School Year will be held via U.S. mail. All registration forms were sent home with the children March 3. Please fill out the registration form – FRONT AND BACK – and return it to St. Joseph Church, Attn: Cathy Cain, 1795 Columbia Ave., Warrington, PA 18976. 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!

PENTECOST

Unless the eye catch fire,
God will not be seen.
Unless the ear catch fire,
God will not be heard.
Unless the tongue catch fire,
God will not be named.
Unless the heart catch fire,
God will not be loved.
Unless the mind catch fire,
God will not be known.
—William Blake

Contributions/Donations to St. Joseph Church



If you would like a copy of your 2019 Contributions to St. Joseph Church, please email sjc18976@verizon.net.

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:

Online Giving

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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We continue to have openings for Pre-K 4 to 8th Grade for the 2020-2021 school year. We have scholarships and grants available. Even though we can't currently invite your family to the school, we can communicate by phone/email. Please contact Kathy Williamson, Director of Advancement. She can be reached at: kwilliamson@stjstr.org.

SJR Class of 2020!

