

MAKING CHRIST A REALITY IN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH WE LIVE

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Modified Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass (Mon.-Sat.) 8:00 AM
Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 PM
Sunday Masses 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM
& 11:30 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays: 3:30 PM to 4:30 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,
Please keep in your prayers the children who received their First Holy Communion recently. This was the class that was delayed because of the coronavirus. 18 young people have gotten closer to the Lord through this Sacrament (15 just this past Saturday). We hope that they will only grow deeper in love with the Lord and that their families will help them remain close to Him. This Sunday, October 4th is the Church's feast of St. Francis of Assisi. In honor of St. Francis, St. Joseph Church will be hosting our annual Blessing of the Animals on Sunday afternoon, October 4th at 1:00 p.m. Please bring your **leashed animals** to the grassy area between the two back parking lots for a brief prayer service and blessing.

You should have already received our Annual Stewardship Appeal letter. In the letter, I let you know of the drop in income since the start of the coronavirus. While the reasons for this are certainly understandable, this year the Stewardship Appeal will be even more crucial than ever to help St. Joseph continue functioning in these difficult times. If you have not yet responded, I ask you to give your donation serious thought and prayer. All of the money raised as part of this appeal stays here at St. Joseph parish and helps to keep the parish operating. St. Joseph Parish cannot survive simply on the weekly contributions collected. Please believe me that your generosity is sincerely appreciated. If you are not able to make the requested contribution, please make whatever donation that you feel is appropriate and supportive of your parish and know that it does make a difference. You can make a contribution by mailing the form back to the parish, or dropping the envelope in with your regular collection contribution, or online, simply follow the instructions for online giving at www.saintjosephchurch.us.

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has put the following on their website to assist PA Catholics: "On November 3, 2020 general elections will take place with local, state, and federal offices on the ballot. To assist the faithful as they prepare to vote with formed consciences, the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference (PCC) has produced a Presidential Candidate Comparison <http://archphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/PresidentialComparison2020.pdf> document and a State Legislative Voters Guide <http://archphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/voterGuide.pdf>. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia and the PCC do not endorse or oppose any candidate for political office, nor does it intervene in political campaigns in any way." (Continued on page 3)

Masses For The Week

Saturday	<u>Oct. 3, 2020</u>	Dec'd members of the DiTore Family
	5:30pm	
Sunday	<u>Oct 4, 2020</u>	
	7:00am	Raymond Nardelli
	10:00am	Charlene Boland
	11:30am	Mary Ann Dowzicky
Monday	8:00am	St. Joseph Mem. Soc.
Tuesday	8:00am	People of the Parish
Wednesday	8:00am	People of the Parish
Thursday	8:00am	Arlene Cliggett
Friday	8:00am	Michael Paolucci
Saturday	8:00am	Myrtle M. Gallen
Saturday	<u>Oct. 10, 2020</u>	
	5:00pm	Helen Xibos
Sunday	<u>Oct 11, 2020</u>	
	7:30am	People of the Parish
	9:30am	For the Intentions of Sandy Lang
	11:30am	For the Intentions of Bridget Gomes

Please Pray For



Those who are ill: Carole Toth, Seth Game, Matt McKenzie, Kim Bell, Frances Bungard, Joy Cataldi, June Faust, Linda Giardetti, Russel Heim, David Jones, Ralph Lawson, Laura Lippincott, Mary Lishman, John Lommock, Dave McKay, Daniel McKinny, baby Eva McNamara, Adeline McNulty, John Montgomery, Rod Nordlin, Mary Jo Pergolin, Ronan Power, Marie Trotter Rickman, Joanne Slouskey, Jack Streisky, and Jack Wilhelm.

This Week In Our Parish
Monday, October 5, 2020

* Adoration – 8:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. – Church



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.



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Envelope Collections

2020	Sept 20	\$6,967.00	Sept 27	\$5,234.00
2019	Sept 22	\$7,439.00	Sept 29	\$7,306.00



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 4, 2020

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.

Philippians 4:6

Readings For The Week

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42
Wed: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt22:1-14 [1-10]

A Note From The Pastor Continued....

As Catholics we believe that we need to follow our conscience, but this does not mean that we are free to do anything we want and claim that “I was just following my conscience.” We also have the obligation to properly form our conscience. To assist in this effort, especially in regards to the election, the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops issued a document in 2015 entitled, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility*. It was then updated in 2019. Here is the link: <https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/forming-consciences-for-faithful-citizenship-title>

God Bless you,
Fr. Bordonaro

Treasures from our Tradition

Using beads for prayer and meditation is an ancient custom, found in many cultures and religions. The Christian rosary dates from the twelfth century, when it provided a way for ordinary Christians to learn about the lives of Jesus and Mary. Alan de la Roche, a fifteenth-century Dominican, preferred “Psalter of Our Lady” to “rosary.” This fitting name recalls an explanation of the devotion’s origin. Unable to read the one hundred fifty psalms that formed the Church’s “official” daily prayer, medieval Christians substituted first one hundred fifty *Pater Nosters*, and later one hundred fifty *Ave Marias*. By meditating on the various mysteries of the rosary while repeating these simple prayers, the faithful could immerse themselves in the whole mystery of the Incarnation and the Resurrection.

The dedication of October to the Blessed Virgin Mary is an appropriate reminder of this venerable form of prayer. Faithful Christians everywhere continue to meditate on the mysteries of the rosary, praying in groups or alone. Why not take advantage of this season to renew your acquaintance with the rosary?

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Public Square Rosary Rally

“The Rosary will be a very powerful armor against hell; it will destroy vice, deliver from sin and dispel heresy.” —Our Lady to Saint Dominic

Join us for the 2020 Public Square Rosary Rally to pray for the US and our world on October 10, 2020 at noon in honor of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima in 1917. The Rally will be held in front of St. Joseph Church at the corner of Rt. 611 and County Line Road.



**Congratulations to St. Joseph Parish
First Communion Class of 2020**

Nathan Bargerhuff
Eloise Buckleman
Sarah Cannon
Keagan Conn
Annie Elenback
Cole Gibson
Alexis Hildenbrand
Jaiden Jaskowiak
Kendall Junod

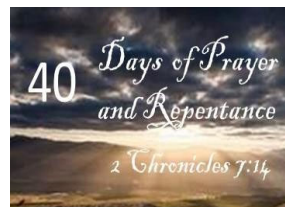
Sophia Kostrzewski
Fiona Matkowski
Cara McGettigan
Madeline Mooney
Cole Pollick
Benjamin Sciscio
Emma Serpico
Lilliana Stitz
Sophia Weaver

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



The Bucks County Pro-Life Coalition is sponsoring 40 Days of Prayer and Repentance for an end to abortion. Intercessors will be gathering at Warminster Planned Parenthood, 610 Louis Drive. St. Joseph Parish is scheduled for 10/14 and 10/21. Please call Libby McGinn at 215-343-0230 for more information or to sign up for one hour of prayer.

HOPE Committee

The pandemic is having its effect on us all and the homebound are especially affected. If anyone is interested in calling one of our parishioners on occasion to just chat, please let me know and I will give you the details.

A friendly voice can make such a difference!
Laura DeHennis 215-442-1515

CCD School Of Religion

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

The format for the Fall CCD program will be "Family Homeschooling." The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00 P.M. in church. The September assignments will be turned in then the next set of assignments will be distributed.

We will monitor the COVID situation to see if we can bring the students and the catechists back in-person come January. If not, then we will continue with the meeting style outlined above approximately once a month. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY CHILDREN TO THE PARENTS' MEETINGS DUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING.** Thank you for your cooperation!



Reflect on the readings:

THE GIFT OF THE REIGN OF GOD
 Matthew's Gospel today expands on Isaiah's ballad considerably. A comparison with the same story in Mark's Gospel clearly shows us that here the author is busy teaching this community of Jewish Christians: "This is a story about Israel a long time ago; this is also a story about Jesus and the skeptical leaders." Jesus as much as told these Jewish leaders that they were the tenants who first stoned their own prophets. And he told the leaders they were the tenants who would soon even dispose of him—Jesus—and, in doing so, would forfeit their privileged place of presenting to the world the promised Messiah.

"And this," says Matthew's Gospel, "is a story about you, the inheritors of what was first offered to Israel." The reign of God was first opened to Israel and is now given to the whole world, but it must be received as a gift. The first Christians are the new tenants in the vineyard. The deeper reality of the reign or kingdom of God is that it is available to everyone on the face of the earth—Israel included.

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St. Joseph Church - New Schedule

- DAILY MASS MON – SAT 8:00 a.m.
- CONFESSIONS SAT 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
- VIGIL MASS SAT 5:00 p.m.
- SUNDAY MASS 7:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m.

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The Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) is an amazing program that provides significant tax credits to businesses and individuals that allocate a portion of their tax dollars to St. Joseph/St. Robert School. Every one of your donated Pennsylvania tax dollars will provide tuition assistance to deserving students via scholarships. We are grateful to those community businesses and individual donors that currently support our students. We invite interested individual parishioners or those that own a business to register for an upcoming 30 minute EITC Webinar to learn about the rewards of directing your tax dollars to qualified SJR students.

Redirect Your PA Taxes to A Catholic School of Your Choice!

September 29th at 10:00 am

October 14th at 2:00 pm

October 29th at 7:00 pm

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 for login information.