

MAKING CHRIST A REALITY IN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH WE LIVE

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MASS SCHEDULE:

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

Holy Day Masses 5:30 PM (eve of Holy Day)
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 7:00 PM

(Christmas and New Year's have special schedules)

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.

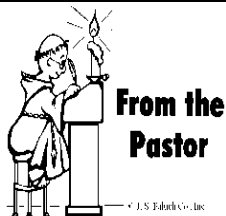
SICK CALLS: Phone the Rectory,
215-672-3020.

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,
 On behalf of Msgr. Bolger, Fr. Connors, Msgr. McCoy, myself, and all those who minister and work here at St. Joseph parish I want to wish all of you and your loved ones a very Blessed Easter. We know that Jesus is risen. We have faith that He

is with us in this present crisis and that He will see us through it. So I invite you to try to rejoice, even if you don't feel like it. Thank you for your presence, your perseverance, and prayers as we celebrate this special feast.

We rejoice that Jesus Christ is risen, and that we are also invited to participate in His resurrection through His Church and the Holy Spirit. Jesus remained faithful to God the Father, even when things were at their bleakest. He believed what God had promised, and God found a way to save Him and all of us. Today we rejoice because Jesus is the way that God found to bring us back from the death of our sins. We have hope because of Him. So we can truly rejoice that Jesus is alive and that He has forever changed our future. Our Savior, Jesus Christ, has conquered death and everything that diminishes the Divine life in us and among us. His resurrection from the dead is not simply a fact of history to be retold at Easter. It is a mystery to be lived every day. As Christians, we are just as inspired by the presence of Jesus among us as those who first saw the empty tomb. **HAPPY EASTER!**

On a personal note I am grateful to all those who made our celebration of Holy Week, including the Mass of the Lord's Supper, the Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion, the Easter Vigil, morning prayer for the entire Triduum, and all the Easter Sunday Masses, so beautiful including the various Liturgical Ministers, Musicians, Cantors, Choirs, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers, Sacristans, Altar Servers, and of course the Church Decorators. Special thanks to those who contributed to our Easter Flower collection and our team for arranging them so beautifully. We also ask the Holy Spirit to renew us as well. When we participate in the Easter sacraments we are reminded of our need to accept God's call and also to respond to it. We pray also for all those who have moved away from the Church. We ask God to touch them in a special way that they might be moved to return to Him. This is the season for bringing things back to life, even if it is our faith life.

If you have not yet returned your Rice Bowls, please deposit them in the bins in the back hallway. We will be forwarding those donations to Catholic Relief Services.

I wish to express my gratitude to you, the people of St. Joseph parish. I am most grateful for your prayers and support. I hope that you and your families experience the renewal of grace offered in Jesus' saving sacrifice.

God Bless you,
 Fr. Bordonaro

Masses For The Week

Saturday	Apr 3, 2021	
	7:30pm	Celebrant's Intentions
Sunday	Apr 4, 2021	
	7:30am	Celebrant's Intentions
	9:30am	Celebrant's Intentions
	11:30am	Celebrant's Intentions
Monday	8:00am	St. Joseph Mem. Soc.
Tuesday	8:00am	John Kostic
Wednesday	8:00am	Kenny Farrell
Thursday	8:00am	Terence (T.J.) McDonnell
Friday	8:00am	Pauline Tate
Saturday	8:00am	Dec'd. members of the Sansoni Family

Please Pray For



Those who are ill: Peter Trotter, Margie Conway, Brian Stec, James Cunningham, Jacqueline De Blasi, Jean Keenan, Michael McCarthy, Bernadette Brooks, Louis Cerritelli, Gianna Farris, Sharon Melchiorre, Eric Torpey, Carole Toth, Seth Game, Kim Bell, Frances Bungard, Joy Cataldi, June Faust, Linda Giardetti, Russel Heim, David Jones, Ralph Lawson, Laura Lippincott, Mary Lishman, 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, Jack Wilhelm.

This Week In Our Parish

Monday, April 5, 2021

- *Rectory and Office closed
- *Adoration – 8:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. – Church
- *Men's Group – 8:00 p.m. – Downstairs Hall

Thursday, April 8, 2021

- *BSA Troop 137 - 7:00 p.m. – Rectory Basement

Bulletin Submittals

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

Mass Intentions Mass Intentions 2021



The following are Masses still available in April, 2021. April 19, 8:00 a.m., April 21, 8:00 a.m., April 23, 8:00 a.m., April 24, 8:00 a.m., April 28, 8:00 a.m. April 29, 8:00 a.m., April 30, 8:00 a.m. Call the office at **215-672-3020** for details on how you can reserve a Mass.

Readings For The Week

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-21; Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31



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St. Joseph Men's Group

The Men's Group meets on the **first Monday** of the month in the **Downstairs Church Hall** and via **Zoom** on the **third Monday** of the month. If you are interested in either meeting, please contact Tom Molz at 215-801-9158 for details. The next meeting is Monday, April 5 in the hall.

Reflect on the Readings:

REJOICE AND BE GLAD

During the first three or four centuries of Christianity, if you asked a Christian to name the feast days of the church, your answer would have been a puzzled stare, for there was only one feast: the Resurrection of the Lord. Every Sunday was a feast celebrating the one great feast. Even though our calendar now has many beautiful and holy feasts, we must continually be called back to the fact that all these other feasts exist because of the feast of Christ's passover from death to life. The psalm today proclaims this message well: "This is the day." It is not one of many days, but it is the day of all days, the one that gives all the others their origin, purpose, meaning, and destiny. Listen carefully to Peter's speech in Acts with its recollection of the Passion, to the words of the apostle Paul, and to the account of Mary Magdalene, John, and Peter finding the empty tomb, and you will hear the many wonderful works that God has done for us through Christ. Rejoice and be glad!

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St. Joseph On-Line Giving

Online 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.

Wedding Anniversary Mass:

The Annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, May 1, 2021 at 5:15 pm at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul. Archbishop Nelson Pérez will be the principal celebrant and homilist. This Mass will commemorate those couples celebrating their 1 year, 5 year, 10 year, 25 year and 50 year wedding anniversary milestones. Wedding vows will be renewed on this very special day. Please RSVP online or call the Office for Life and Family at 215-587-0500. For more details, visit www.phillycatholiclife.org.

Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers

Sunday, April 25, 2021 at 3:00 pm.

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez will be the principal celebrant and homilist. St. Christopher Parish Schola will provide the liturgical music. All are welcome. Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia. More info: email opd@archphila.org or call the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530 with the number attending.



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Envelope Collections

2021	Mar. 14	\$6,883	Mar. 21	\$6,602
2020	Mar. 15	\$4,404	Mar. 22	\$4,255

CCD School Of Religion

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

The format for the 2020-2021 CCD program is "Family Homeschooling." The next meeting is **Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at 7:00 P.M.** in the church hall. March assignments will be turned in and the next set of assignments will be distributed. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY CHILDREN TO THE PARENTS' MEETINGS DUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING.** Thank you for your cooperation!



Treasures from Our Tradition

It has been said that the most convincing sign of the Risen Christ is the Risen Christian. Today, in parishes around the world, new life is drawn from the waters of baptism, and new Christians are thrilled to see the crowds pour in to join in the feast. On Easter, we do not say the Creed, but rather renew our baptismal promises with hearty responses. We are taking the first joyful steps on a fifty-day-long celebration. In the southern hemisphere, the world is slipping into winter, but for us in North America, the earth itself seems to sing hymns to Christ's victory. Look this morning for the fresh paschal candle standing near the baptismal waters. It was consecrated in the hours of the night, will burn brightly for fifty days whenever we gather for prayer, and will glow again at every baptism and every funeral in the year ahead. Even though we may be gathered around the candle someday in sadness, today's joy at Christ's victory over death will shine through.

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SJR-HSA Spring Flower Sale



St. Joseph/St. Robert School is having a Spring Flower Sale. Different size Deck and Porch Planters, Hanging Baskets and various herbs are available. Please contact Suzanne Sorge at suzannesorge@verizon.net or 215-704-9708 for ordering information. All orders are due by April 16 and the flowers will be available May 6.

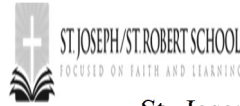
Contributions/Donations to St. Joseph Church

Joseph Church, please call 215-672-3020 or email sjc18976@verizon.net.

Moving Out of Parish

Have you moved, changed an email address, added a family member, no longer have a land line or changed phone numbers? Help us keep our records updated by notifying the Parish office. 215-672-3020 or sjc18976@verizon.net.

St. Joseph/St. Robert School



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St. Joseph/St. Robert School has "succeeded" together in safely engaging our Pre-K to 8th grade students in continuous in-person learning since the school doors opened in September! We invite prospective families to explore our "success"! Call 215.343.5100 to schedule your private family tour!



St. Joseph/St. Robert School celebrated the Solemnity of St. Joseph and Patron Saint with a private school Mass for students and teachers. Following Mass, Fr. Bordonaro blessed the shrine to St. Joseph located in the school lobby, commemorating this year dedicated to St. Joseph. With this being the "Year of St. Joseph", our students are praying daily the Pope Francis' Prayer to St. Joseph for the blessings and guidance that lead all of us along the path of life to Christ. St. Joseph, pray for us!

ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL
FOCUSED ON FAITH AND LEARNING

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

Fatherly, Humble, Loving, Obedient, Patient, Hard Worker, Faithful

Love is Patient Love is Kind

Pope Francis' Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, To you God entrusted his only Son; In you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.