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**SCHOOL:** 215-343-5100

# 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.

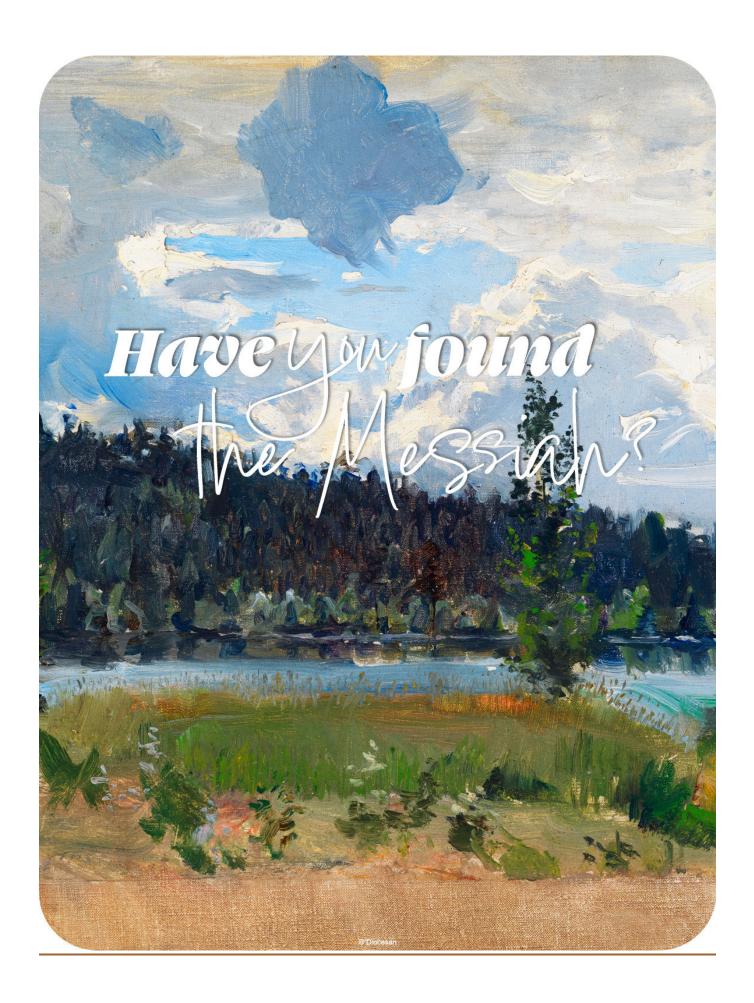
MATRIMONY: To set a date for a wedding, couples must make an appointment at the Rectory at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. Weddings can be scheduled for most Saturdays, at 12:00 Noon or 2:00 PM, or on Friday afternoons.

**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,

We began the Liturgical Season known as Ordinary Time this past Tuesday. The Universal Norms for the General Instruction of the Roman Missal states: "Besides the times of the

year that have their own distinctive character, there remains in the yearly cycle thirty-three or thirty-four weeks in which no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ is celebrated, but rather the mystery of Christ itself is honored in its fullness, especially on Sundays. This period is known as Ordinary Time.

While we say goodbye to the Christmas decorations, we will try to keep the Poinsettias going for as long as possible, please feel free to take home with you any plants that are placed in the back hallway (by the crucifix). Again, I want to thank Carla Venditti and Karen Baranowski for watering the flowers throughout this entire time; it is a large task and they have been very generous with their time. Thank you also to all those who memorialized a loved one on the Christmas Decorations envelope, your support helped to make our celebrations special.

This past week 16 of our young people celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the very first time. Please keep them in your prayers as they come to experience the love and mercy of the Lord Jesus. They will now focus on the Spring when they will be receiving Our Lord in Holy Communion for the first time. Hopefully, we will see their reception of this sacrament as a reminder that we all need to stay close to the Lord, and that whenever we have placed an obstacle in our relationship with God, He gives us the opportunity to have that obstacle removed.

At the start of a new calendar year, every parish is asked to make a Pastoral report to the Archdiocese, and ultimately to the Church in Rome on a variety of Pastoral Issues such as the numbers of parishioners, attendance at Mass, Social Ministries offered, religious education (school and CCD), devotions, sacraments and sacramental prep programs administered during the previous year. These reports are compiled every year. We are now in the process of compiling that report.

This week we join with Christians throughout the world in celebrating a week of Christian Unity from January 18-25th. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU) has a history of over 100 years, in which Christians around the world have taken part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity. By annually observing the WPCU, Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper "that they all may be one." (cf. John 17:21)

In preparation for the WPCU, ecumenical partners in a particular region were asked to prepare a basic text on a biblical theme. Then an international group organized through the World Council of Churches (WCC) and The Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity edited this text, (Continued on page 4)

# **Masses For The Week**

WIUSSES I OF THE WEEK				
Saturday	<u>Jan. 13</u>			
	5:00 p.m.	Miss Kitty Casey		
Sunday	<u>Jan. 14</u>			
	7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish		
	9:30 a.m.	David Dziedzic,		
		12 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary		
	11:30 a.m.	William G. Nelson		
		10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary		
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Marie Trotter Rickman		
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Marie L. Monkiewicz		
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Marie Trotter Rickman		
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Betty Adams Mackey		
Friday	8:00 a.m.	John Orobono		
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Rev. Joseph A. Gallen,		
		69 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary		
	<u>Jan. 20</u>			
	5:00 p.m.	Linda Generale		
Sunday	<u>Jan. 21</u>			
	7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish		
	9:30 a.m.	Trudy Rasimas		
	11:30 a.m.	Frances Cerritelli		

# Please Pray For Those Who Are Ill:

Steve Becker, Michelle Bird, Kristina Crawford, Don Doyle, Peter Evans, Sr., Luke Gallo, Sr., John Hesser, Rachel Higgins, Wendy Jacobs, Joyce Kelly, Enoch Kroutch, Andy Landmesser, Irene Lennon, Mary Lishman, Annabelle Long, Dana Madden, Paul Malachowski, James Martin, Patricia McCloskey, Dave McKay, Peggy McKay, John Merritt, Gertrude Nelson, Clifford Patton, Michael Pham, Albinka Potocka, Ronan Power, Joseph Ranweiler, James Ritsick, Gino Romaniello, Theresa Romaniello, Helen Rosenbaum, Joanne Slouskey, George Snyder, Brian Stec, Stanley Travis, III, Patricia True, Jack Wilhelm, Joan Winterborne, John Zerbe.

# This Week In Our Parish

# Monday, January 15

\*Adoration – 8:30 a.m.

# Tuesday, January 16

\*Mass at Christ Home – 2:00 p.m.

# Wednesday, January 17

\*RCIA – Room 18 – 7:00 p.m.

\*Adult Choir Practice – 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

# Thursday, January 18

\*Children's Choir Practice – 5:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

# **Bulletin Submittals**

Requests may be emailed to <u>sjc18976@verizon.net</u>. All requests are subject to Pastor's approval and space availability.

# **2023 Contribution/Donation Letters**

Available by request. Call 215 672 3020 or email sjc18976@verizon.net

<sup>\*</sup>Rosary – 7:30 p.m.

# **Readings For The Week**

**Monday:** 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28 **Wednesday**1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday:** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13; Mk 3:7-12

**Friday:** 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11; Mk 3:13-19 **Saturday:** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21

**Sunday:** Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

# A Note From The Pastor (continued...)

which was jointly published by the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and WCC, through their Commission on Faith and Order. The WCC accompanied the entire production process of the text. The final material was sent to member churches and Roman Catholic dioceses, and they were invited to translate the text and contextualize it for their own use.

The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2024 was selected by the Pontifical Dicastery for Promoting Christian Unity, the World Council of Churches, and the Christian Churches in Burkina Faso, coordinated by the community of Chemin Neuf, a French Catholic and ecumenical community of vowed and lay people and its local community in Burkina Faso.

# The theme is "You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbor as yourself."

(Luke 10:27) taken from the first chapter of the Gospel of Luke, reflects the connection between love of God and love of neighbor with a particular concern for challenging the boundaries of who is considered "neighbor." In this pericope, Jesus is questioned as to the path to eternal life. His answer is not to only observe the commandments, but to also imitate the love of God in the giving of self for another. It is a call for charity, mercy, justice, and unity. Here is an example of a prayer for Christian Unity:

We pray, O gracious Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that we all may be one as you are one. In your community of complete unity, we have our beginning and our end. To you we pray, asking for the gift of visible unity among all who believe in your Christ.

As we commemorate this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we are reminded by your Word that all human beings are our neighbors and that we are to love them like ourselves and in the same way we love you. Help us to overcome the barriers and divisions we have nurtured against your will.

Grant to us, O Lord, a new Spirit of love and solidarity, that we may proclaim your good news to all of creation. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirt are one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

May God Bless You, Fr. Bordonaro

# Parish Operating Expenses December 2023

E-Giving: Sunday Collections:	\$11,475.57
Total:	\$ <u>39,312.00</u> \$ <b>50,787.5</b> 7

School Subsidy	\$ 5,125.00
Archdiocese Assessment	\$ 8,108.33
Disability Insurance	\$ 89.50
Liability Insurance	\$ 1,738.08
Property Insurance	\$ 1,241.75
Worker's Comp Insurance	\$ 148.33
Priest Auto Insurance	\$ 246.92
Priest Health Insurance	\$ 2,116.54
Employees Health Insurance	\$ 2,122.92
Priest Retirement Debt Service	\$ 233.33
Visiting Priest Honorarium	\$ 1,630.00
Employee Pay	\$ 20,435.44
Music Ministry	\$ 1,080.00
Payroll Service	\$ 63.18
PECO	\$ 2,730.10
Verizon	\$ 699.68
Church Cleaning	\$ 465.00
Trash Removal	\$ 292.69
Comcast Cable	\$ 173.20
Computer Support	\$ 274.10
Supplies	\$ 3,446.38
Services	\$ 451.00
Water & Sewer	\$ 479.86
Copier Maintenance	\$ 207.08
Christmas	\$ 1,575.00
Total	\$ 55,173.41



	2023	2022
	December 31	January 1,'23
Envelopes	\$ 5,636.00	\$ 5,493.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,957.69	\$ 2,740.85
Total	\$ 7,593.69	\$ 8,233.85



# **Choir News**

The Contemporary Music Group will sing at the 11:30 a.m. mass on February 19<sup>th</sup>

# Be Encouraged: Catholic Support for Mental Health

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has launched a website with resources to support those who are experiencing mental health struggles and those who love them. The website offers links to find Catholic clinicians, local crisis response phone numbers and ministries that can assist with recovery and healing. In addition, there are tools to help parishes, schools and institutions cultivate a deeper awareness of and responsiveness to these realities, suffered by so many. Visit the Be Encouraged website at archphila.org/support.

# **Workshop: You are Not Alone: Supporting Those with Mental Health Struggles**

Saturday, January 27, 2024 – 9:15 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

St. Cecilia Parish Auditorium, Philadelphia

It is estimated that one in five adults in the U.S. lives with a mental illness. Among children and teens, the numbers are increasing dramatically. This means that every parish and church institution has many members who suffer in this way, and often in silence. This workshop is designed to give parish leaders, as well as family members and friends, practical tools to help you support those who experience mental health struggles. See the flyer for workshop topics.

**Speaker:** Dave Eckert, Intersect Network. Register at <a href="https://archphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Event-Jan-2024-flyer.pdf">https://archphila.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Event-Jan-2024-flyer.pdf</a>

Sponsored by: Office for the New Evangelization and Office for Persons with Disabilities of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia

# **Job Opportunity**

**Full-time Cook/Dining Assistant** 

Regina Coeli Residence for Retired Priests 685 York Road, Warminster PA

Tuesday-Saturday 10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Responsibilities: Kitchen/Dining Prepare meals, set-up and clean up dining room for 8 -10 resident Priests, Cleaning and organizing of kitchen area, Stock pantry, as needed, Maintain list of pantry needs for supervisor, Ability to work flexible hours, if needed, Light Housekeeping and Laundry assistance as needed. Skills Required: Ability to work independently, Ability to lift, bend, and stand for long periods, Ability to lift 25 lbs., Experience with dining and serving multi-resident community, Knowledge and experience.

Regina Coeli is a private retirement home for retired Priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia located in Warminster, Pa. All resumes can be sent to Sharon Gibbs email address: SGibbs@chs-adphila.org. Villa Saint Joseph is an EOE, M/F/V/D



The 16th Annual Archdiocesan Catholic Men's Conference will be held on Saturday.

March 2, 2024 at St John Vianney Hall Theater at Cardinal O'Hara High School. The Man Up Philly volunteer team is finalizing our plans for the 2024 Conference, and we have a fantastic line-up of speakers confirmed. We are excited to bring this great day to you to help all of us focus on our faith and reliance on Our Lord. Our speakers this year include:

*Mike Schmidt* - National Baseball and Philadelphia Phillies Hall of Fame

**Danny Bader** - Best-selling author whose life was transformed by a near death experience

Mark Hartfiel - Vice-President of Paradisus Dei

**Deacon Nathan Gunn** - serves as the Initiatives Coordinator for the Young Life Northeast Division

We welcome back acclaimed Irish tenor, *Mark Forrest*, who will again provide inspirational accompaniment during a special Eucharistic Adoration.

The Conference will conclude with Saturday Mass (not the Sunday Vigil) celebrated by *Archbishop Nelson J. Perez*. <a href="https://manupphilly.com/registration">https://manupphilly.com/registration</a>

# Come and See Weekends for Men Discerning a Call to the Priesthood

Are you a Catholic male, discerning where God is calling you to love and serve him?

Come & See events offer men (high school and post-high school) considering a vocation the opportunity to visit the St. Charles Borromeo Seminary to see what seminary life is like and explore a possible call to the priesthood.

**High School Men** 

January 20 – January 21 February 10 – February 11 March 9 – March 10 Post High School Men
January 26 – January 28
February 23 – February 25

**Location:** St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood Visit <a href="https://heedthecall.org/comeandsee/">https://heedthecall.org/comeandsee/</a> or contact Fr. David Friel, Vocations Director, fr.dfriel@archphila.org.





# ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL

St. Joseph Church **Religious Education** In Person Times: Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.

Tuesday, January 16 All grades in session. "Kids Talk" classes presented to all grades.

Tuesday, January 23 All grades in session. (Snow date for "Kids Talk" classes)

Tuesday, January 30 All grades in session. End of First Semester.

Tuesday, February 6 All grades in session. First Semester Progress Reports distributed.

Tuesday, February 13 All grades in session. Signed Progress Reports to be returned to teachers.

**Monday, February 19** Confirmation retreat 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. for students receiving the sacrament of confirmation 2024. Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. Bus departs and returns to CCD school parking lot.

Tuesday, February 20 All grades in session. Stations of the Cross will be held in the Church for all students (Family Home Schooling and In-Person) at 6:15 p.m. Families are welcome. In-Person students will report and be dismissed from the CCD Building.

Tuesday, February 27 All grades in session.



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I had the opportunity to catch up with some old friends over the holidays and it was so lovely. A few of them I see regularly but one I hadn't seen in quite a long time. Finding out what was happening with her and her family was a happy part of my Christmas. Wouldn't it be wonderful to do that with some SJR classmates, too? Last year St. Joseph's Parish celebrated its 100th anniversary and as part of the celebration, there was a photo and artifact display. While perusing that, I read that St. Joseph Parish opened its school three years after its founding. That means that SJR will be celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2025! I'd like to plan some fun celebratory activities and, if you are an alum of St. Joe's or SJR, I'd love for you to be included. We're updating our database as some of our alumni graduated in the years before email. So, please share your contact information at alumni@stjstr.org and let your family, friends, or classmates who have moved from the area know to do so as well. I'll keep you updated about our plans. And maybe we can even plan to get together before 2025! I look forward to meeting and celebrating with all of you! Gratefully,

Mrs. Durkin



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Sunday, January 28 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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## **Parish Registration**

New parishioners are always welcome!

To register see Fr. Bordonaro after Mass. Please help us keep our records updated by notifying the office if you are moving from the Parish or have changed your address, phone number, email address, etc., at 215-672-3020 or sjc18976@verizon.net.

# **Safe Environment Program**

All people who **volunteer** for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are **required** to fulfill the following obligations:

### **CLEARANCES:**

PA State Police Criminal Record Check

https://epatch.pa.gov/home

PA Dept. of Public Welfare Child Abuse Clearance Ck.

https://www.compass.state.pa.us

Federal History Fingerprint Clearance\*

https://uenroll.identogo.com

\*ONLY if you lived outside of PA within the last 10 years Disclosure Statement Application for Volunteers

CLEARANCES MUST BE RENEWED EVERY 5 YEARS

# **FORMED**

To gain access to all of FORMED's content, follow these simple steps:

- Go to https://signup.formed.org/
- Enter our parish's zip code 18976 then click on St. Joseph
- Enter your name and your email address

That's it! You're in. Now you can get the free FORMED app for your phone by searching FORMED Catholic in your app store.

# **American Sign Language Masses**

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel will have a Sign Language Interpreter on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th (when applicable) Sundays of the Month at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

St. Stanislaus Church in Lansdale has a "Deaf Community Mass" at 11:45 a.m. on the 4th Sunday of each month.

Catholics believe that all people are made in the image and likeness of God, and that all the Baptized share in the life and mission of the Church. This includes people with disabilities. A "Sensory Friendly Mass" is one way that a parish can assist in destignatizing the experience of attending Mass for individuals and families with members with Autism and other disabilities. Across the Archdiocese there are a number of Sensory Friendly Masses that are taking place. To find a Sensory Friendly Mass near you, visit <a href="https://opdarchphilly.org/sfm/">https://opdarchphilly.org/sfm/</a>.

### Reminder

Please remember to make all checks for the Special and Second Collections payable to St. Joseph Church, not the individual charity. All donations received are then forwarded to the appropriate organization.

# 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
- 4. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

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