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MAKING CHRIST A REALITY IN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH WE LIVE

Pastor:

School: Principal: Religious Education: CCD Office: Music Director: Rev. Joseph C. Bordonaro

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MASS SCHEDULE: Mass Schedule:

schedule:	
Daily Mass (MonSat.)	
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.)

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Catholic Schools Week

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A Note From The Pastor



My Dear Parishioners,

• Happy Catholic Schools Week! Thank you to Mrs. Durkin, our principal, and all of her teachers, staff, and volunteers. Thank you also

to our parishioners. Without your support of Catholic education, we could not fulfill this part of our mission as church. Our school is a real blessing to our families. It is a true community where we are, "Focused on Faith and Learning." Our Mission Statement reads: "St. Joseph/St. Robert School Community, with Jesus as our foundation, inspires us to live fully His message of love, courage, and compassion. Our academic rigor and relevance empower us to be contributing members of the Church and the global community." All are invited to check out the good things happening at our school by coming to our Open House, Sunday, Jan. 28th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

For the past several months, I have been meeting with a group of parishioners interested in renewing and reviving spiritual and social life at St. Joseph parish. We formed a consolidated Pastoral Council and our first order of business was to come up with a Parish Mission Statement. We voted and came up with the following:

St. Joseph Parish Mission Statement

We are a faith filled family of believers, who are committed to nurturing our relationship with Jesus Christ, as we join together through prayer, sacraments, proclamation of the Word, and service to the community on our journey to God's kingdom.

The members of the new committee are: Teresa Anastasia, Cathy Cain, Laura De Hennis, Brian Gozdan, Tom Molz, Lisa Sciscio, and myself. Next week there will be an opportunity to meet these members after the Saturday Vigil Mass and the Sunday Masses in classroom 18. There will be some refreshments as well as a chance to get to know who they are and tell them about yourself and what you would like to see at St. Joseph. We are also introducing a "suggestion box" at the church exits. We are looking for ideas or programs you would be interested in seeing and supporting at St. Joseph. Please note we are not looking for complaints, but rather what positives you want to see and participate in.

Next week we will have the collection of the Care of Aging and Infirm priests. Archbishop Pérez asked that the following letter be communicated to all the parishes this weekend.

> May God Bless You, Fr. Bordonaro

Saturday **Jan. 27** 5:00 p.m. **Stevens Family** Sunday **Jan. 28** 7:30 a.m. Mrs. Mary Higgins **Doris Pellegrino** 9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. People of the Parish Tom Ambolino Monday 8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. Thomas Ambolino Tuesdav Wednesday 8:00 a.m. Rita Clare Carsley 8:00 a.m. Marie Trotter Rickman Thursday Friday 8:00 a.m. Dale Cain Saturday 8:00 a.m. Dorothy Babcock, 1st Anniversary Feb. 3 **Raymond Generale** 5:00 p.m. Sunday Feb. 4 People of the Parish 7:30 a.m. Dr. Louis Cerritelli 9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. Dorothy Babcock, 1st Anniversary

Masses For The Week

Please Pray For Those Who Are Ill:

Steve Becker, Michelle Bird, Kristina Crawford, Don Doyle, Peter Evans, Sr., Luke Gallo, Sr., Agnes Hagan, 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, Christine Winterborne, Joan Winterborne, John Zerbe.

This Week In Our Parish

<u>Monday, January 29</u>

*Adoration – 8:30 a.m.

*Rosary – 7:30 p.m.

<u>Tuesday, January 30</u>

*Rosary & Communion Service at Christ Home – 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 31

*RCIA – Room 18 – 7:00 p.m.

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

Thursday, February 1

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

<u>Bulletin Submittals</u>

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

Call 215 672 3020 or email <u>sjc18976@verizon.net</u>.

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Readings For The Week

- *Monday:* 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 5:1-20
- *Tuesday:* 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mk 5:21-43
- Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd; Mk 6:7-13

- *Friday:* Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32
- *Saturday:* 1Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; Mk 6:30-34
- *Sunday:* Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

<u>A Note From The Pastor (continued...)</u>

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The recently published Synthesis Report of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops – A Synodal Church in Mission underscored the challenges faced by senior citizens and those suffering from physical afflictions. The Chapter, Towards a Listening and Accompanying Church notes that, "the elderly and the sick are often invisible in society. We encourage parishes and Christian communities to be close to them and listen to them. Works of mercy inspired by the Gospel words 'I was sick, and you visited me' (Mt 25:39) have a profound significance for the people involved and for fostering the wider bonds of community."

The Synod's desire to encourage support for the elderly and ill in a way that upholds their dignity, calls to mind the great gift that retired our retired priests.

During their many years of active ministry, these men devotedly brought the presence of Christ to countless individuals through the celebration of the Sacraments, preaching, teaching, and charitable actions. In retirement, they continue to be a great source of spiritual support, through their prayers, the celebration of Holy Mass, working in various ministries, and their wise counsel.

Today, one-third of our priests are retired. Many continue in some degree of active service to our parishes as much as their health allows. Others, due to advanced age and medical conditions, live quietly and offer prayers for you, the people of our local Church. The annual Collection for the Care of Aging and Infirm Priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will be taken in all parishes during the weekend of February 3-4, 2024. This initiative provides a meaningful opportunity for you to express gratitude for the many sacrifices made by our retired priests in seeking to fulfill the pastoral and temporal needs of those entrusted to their care over many years.

Please remember all our priests, active and retired, in your daily prayers and consider a generous donation to the Collection for the Care of Aging and Infirm Priests this year. May the Lord bless you and your families abundantly. Please be assured of my prayers for you and your intentions.

Sincerely in Christ Jesus,

+Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, D.D. Archbishop 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: <u>SGibbs@chs-adphila.org</u>. Villa Saint Joseph is an EOE, M/F/V/D

Monthly Food Drive



Our monthly Food Drive will be held next weekend, February 3rd & 4th.

<u>*No expired food please</u>* Non-perishables only. Items currently needed: canned pasta,

fruit cup, apple sauce, baked beans, soup (cream of chicken and/or cream of mushroom), ketchup, peanut butter, canned chicken breast, tuna helper, stuffing mix, ramen noodles (packages), mustard, and peaches. Non Food items: store gift cards, laundry detergent (liquid or pods), toilet paper, paper towels, gently used grocery size paper bags. In December we donated **707 pounds** of food.



We are in need of more volunteers to help with loading, sorting, and delivery of donations to the Warminster Food Bank. Commitment is only once a month on the Wednesday after the first full weekend of the

month. If interested call the rectory 215-672-3020 for details.

Or meet us in church Wednesday, February 7th

7:00 7:15 a.m. to load, attend 8:00 a.m. Mass, then deliver to the Food Bank. Can we count on your help for this worthwhile cause?

Choir Schedule



Youth Choir

January $28^{\text{th}} - 9:30 \text{ a.m. mass}$ February $25^{\text{th}} - 9:30 \text{ a.m. mass}$ Adult Choir

February $4^{th} - 9:30$ a.m. mass February $11^{th} - 11:30$ a.m. mass **Contemporary Group** February $18^{th} - 11:30$ a.m. mass

RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held **February 16 - 18, 2024** at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit <u>www.HelpOurMarriage.org</u> or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Catholic Men's Conference



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

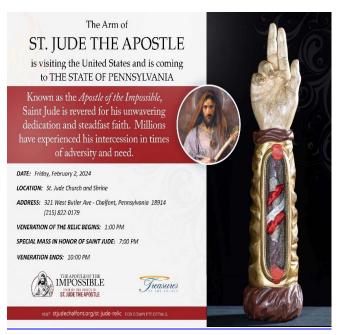
Deacon Nathan Gunn - serves as the Initiatives Coordinator for the Young Life Northeast Division

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.* https://manupphilly.com/registration

Martin Saints Classical High School

Admissions Open House: January 28, 2024 Location: 3006 Keenwood Road, East Norriton, PA 19403 7th Grade Visitation Day: March 12, 2024 Come be "fully alive" with us! <u>www.whymsc.org</u> Contact Ms. Laura Lindmeier with any questions <u>llindmeier@martinsaintsclassical.org</u>



Fuel Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

The cost of home heating will have a major impact on monthly budgets. To assist people with these rising costs, the Pennsylvania Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is now in progress. The Fuel Assistance Program is available to people of all within the income guidelines. ages For example, individuals with a monthly income of \$1,823 or less, or a two-person household with a monthly income of \$2,465 or less, can qualify for the grant. If there are more than two individuals in your household, income guidelines will be given when you call. Call United Social Services at (215) 923-1900, Monday through Friday, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. A staff worker will explain the eligibility requirements, answer your questions and assist you in completing an application. This grant is provided to all who qualify, and does not have to be repaid. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Meekly Collections

	2024	2023
	January 14	January 15
Envelopes	\$ 5,487.00	\$ 6,128.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,257.04	\$ 3,173.55
Total	\$ 7,744.04	\$ 9,301.55
	2023	2022
Christmas	\$23,126.00	\$21,551.39

Thank Yoy.

St. Joseph Church CCD Religious Education Program Mr. James Ness, Administrator <u>stjosephccd.warrington@yahoo.com</u> 215-672-9990 or 215-672-3020 Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.

Celebrating our students



Lord, thank you for the gift of each and every student of our school. Help us to recognize that every student is unique, irreplaceable, and unrepeatable. Guide each student so that they can grow in virtue and become the people you desire them to be. Help our students to do their best each day to overcome the challenges

that they face. We pray also for catholic students around the world, especially students in the Missions. May the gift of a Catholic education propel all students to be Saints. Amen

<u>Tuesday, January 30</u> All grades in session. End of First Semester.

<u>**Tuesday, February 6**</u> All grades in session. First Semester Progress Reports distributed.

<u>**Tuesday, February 13**</u> All grades in session. Signed Progress Reports to be returned to teachers.

<u>Monday, February 19</u> 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.

<u>**Tuesday, March 5**</u> All grades in session. Family Home Schooling drop off and pick up assignments in CCD office.

<u>**Tuesday, March 12</u>** All grades in session. Lenten Penance service for **all** students (Family Home Schooling and In-Person)</u>

<u>Wednesday, March 13</u> Confirmation practice 6:00 - 7:15 p.m. in church hall. All students receiving the sacrament of confirmation must attend. Students to be dropped off and pick up at church.

Thursday, March 14 Confirmation Mass 5:00 p.m. Students should report to church hall by 4:15 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19 All grades in session.

Tuesday, March 26 All grades in session.



Mrs. Jennifer Durkin, Principal 850 Euclid Avenue, Warrington, PA 18976 215-343-5100 <u>www.stjstr.org</u>

Since 1974, National Catholic Schools Week has been an annual celebration of Catholic Schools in the United States. This Sunday is the first day of Catholic Schools Week 2024! Today, the school children at SJR are celebrating our parishes and will be speaking at Masses this weekend. In thanksgiving for your support through our parishes, we'd love to have you join us over in the school for our Open House which runs from 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. It's an opportunity to view the school and enjoy some light breakfast treats. In addition, you can vote on the best decorated door – based on each class's selected book theme and visit our Book Fair. We are blessed to be supported by two wonderful parishes which we will keep in prayer during this special week! Other events and activities this week include:

Monday: Celebrating the Community

We'll be kicking off our collaboration with The Next Steps program to raise funds for this important community organization this year.

Tuesday: Celebrating the Nation

We'll be thanking those who have served in the military and remembering them in prayer during our school-wide rosary. We'll also be praying this evening during our annual Luminary Walk. You are welcome to join us between 6:00 -7:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Celebrating our Students

We are so blessed by the students in our school and we'll be hosting their parents today to visit classrooms. Our Home and School is also providing them with a pizza lunch!

Thursday: Celebrating Faculty, Staff and all Vocations

We will be celebrating our faculty and staff whose commitment to Catholic Education make it all possible!

Sister Theresa Marie will be visiting the school today to share her story and vocation with students.

Friday: Closing Celebration

We'll be wrapping up this wonderful week in the most wonderful way possible – by attending Mass. The students will also attend an assembly provided by the Home and School Association – The Brain Show.

Thank you so much for keeping us in your prayers! You will certainly be in ours as we celebrate Catholic Education and our wonderful school this week. God bless you!

Mrs. Durkin

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 <u>volunteer</u> 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

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 Enter our parish's zip code 18976 then click on St.
- 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.

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.

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.

Reminder

Please remember to make all checks for the Special and Second Collections payable to <u>St. Joseph Church</u>, 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 <u>www.saintjosephchurch.us</u>
- 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.

THE DECKER FUNERAL HOME

Pre-Arrangements Available

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