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MASS SCHEDULE: Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass (MonSa	at.) 8:00 a.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass	5:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses	7:30 a.m.
•	9:30 a.m.
	& 11:30 a.m.

Holy Day Masses 5:30 p.m. (eve of Holy Day) 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

(Christmas and New Year's have special schedules)

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

MASS FOR SHUT-INS:

TV - Sunday, 5:30 a.m. WPVI Channel 6, Daily & Sunday, 8:00 a.m. EWTN

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 p.m. 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 p.m., 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, PREP (Parish Religious Education Program), Choir (Adult and Children's), Home & School Association, Education Program), Men's Group, Miraculous Medal Novena and Respect Life Committee, Rite of Rosary, Christian Initiation of Adults. (Notices for these groups are posted inside this bulletin.)

Kathleen McCarthy Monday, February 17, 2025



The Jubilee Year of Hope: A Special Time of Love, Mercy, and Forgiveness

6:30PM Rosary 7:00PM Sharing by Kathleen Followed by Benediction

To find out more about Kathleen and her Radio Ministry, please go to In His Sign Catholic Radio Network https://www.inhissign.com/

February 9, 2025

From the Desk of Fr. Pawelko

My Dear Parishioners,

We thank all of those who helped to make our volunteer's appreciation dinner and our family bingo so successful. There were so many happy people at both events. We have such a beautiful and friendly and happy parish. We are so blessed.

Saturday morning Confessions are off to a great start. The new Confession schedule is 8:30-9:00 and 3:30-4:30. Saturday morning Confessions offer an opportunity for those who cannot come in the afternoons to have their Confessions heard.

More people are also signing up for Monday Adoration. We can still use more people to sign up to keep our Monday Adoration going. We remember that time before the Eucharist is never wasted time and the most productive of time possible.

This weekend we have another happy event as we have a pancake breakfast on Sunday morning. Fill up on pancakes and get the sugar high to cheer on the Eagles!

Next weekend, we will be blessed by a pastoral visit by Bishop Christopher Cooke. Bishop Cooke is the regional bishop of Bucks County. He will be saying our vigil Mass on Saturday, February 15 and will be greeting parishioners after the Vigil Mass.

Monday, February 17, we are blessed to have Kathleen McCarthy with us again. Kathleen will have a faith sharing at 7:00pm followed by Benediction. She is an excellent speaker. Come. The schedule is: Rosary at 6:30, presentation by Kathleen at 7:00, then concluding with Benediction.

This weekend we hear the call of the Prophet Isaiah and the call of St. Peter.

The burning coal that touched the mouth of Isaiah is symbolic of the Sacraments. The Sacraments burn away the uncleanliness sin. Then the Sacraments fill us with the Heavenly Graces necessary to live out whatever Vocation to which God calls us.

The call of St. Peter is the call of our very first Catholic Priest. All priests are fishers of men. The "net" used by priests are the teachings of the Church. The "bait" is the chance for eternal life in Heaven. The "boat" is the Church itself.

All priests are unworthy. This is because all priests share is the Priesthood of Our High Priest, Jesus Christ. Yet, Jesus Christ has chosen to use the ministry of priests in order to fulfill His promise to us to remain with us until the end of time. Jesus has chosen to make priests another Himself, "another Christ." He has chosen to use the hands and mouths of His priests to continue to teach, govern, and sanctify us, His people.

Priests then are not a nice thing to have in a parish but a necessary presence in a parish. Our very definition of a parish confirms this: *(Continued on page 4)*

Masses For The WeekSaturdayFeb. 85:00 p.m.People of the ParishSundayFeb 97:30 a.m.Linda Generale9:30 a.m.Louis Picciocchi11:30 a.m.Maria Zerbe

	11:30 a.m.	Maria Zerbe	
Monday	8:00 a.m.	John F. Hayes & Family	
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	T. J. McCarthy	
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Andy Landmesser	
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Doris Pellegrino	
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Fiore J. Schena	
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the	
		DiTore & Sansoni Fams.	
	Feb. 15		
	5:00 p.m.	Fr. John Bowe	
Sunday	Feb. 16		
	7:30 a.m.	Raymond Generale	
	9:30 a.m.	Andy Landmesser	
	11:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	

Please Pray For Those Who Are Ill:

Paula Bielecki, Donna Cunningham, Josh Craft, Paul Han, Dolores Krysztopowicz, Irene Lennon, Patricia McCloskey, Dave McKay, Art McLaughlin, John Merritt, Moira Merritt, Gertrude Nelson, Patricia Picciocchi, Sarah Rank, Joseph Ranweiler, Gino, Theresa, Dean, & Rick Romaniello, Clare Smith, William Sparke, Stanley Travis, III, Patricia True, Jack Wilhelm, Joan Winterborne, John Zerbe.

This Week In Our Parish

Monday, February 10

*Adoration – 8:30 am – 7:30 pm *Communion Service at Pathways – 2:00 pm *Men's Group – 7:30 – Room 18 *Rosary - 7:30 pm

Tuesday, February 11

*Rosary/ Communion Service-Christ Home 2:00pm Wednesday, February 12

*Rosary/Communion Service- Luther Woods – 1:30 pm

Thursday, February 13 *Charismatic Praver Group – 7:00 pm – Church Hall

Bulletin Submittals

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

2024 Contribution Letters

Contribution letters are available by request by calling or emailing the office.

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CHOIR NEWS

Readings for The Week

Mon: Gen 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
Tues: Gen 1-20 – 2:4a; Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 7:1-13
Wed: Gen 2:4b-9; 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
Thurs: Gen 2:18-25; Ps 128: 1-2, 3, 4, 5; Mk 7:24-30
Fri: Gen 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 7:31-37

Sat: Gen 3:9-24; Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10

Sun: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk

6:17, 20-26

From the Desk of Fr. Pawelko (continued)

Can. 515 §1 A parish is a certain community of Christ's faithful stably established within a particular Church, whose pastoral care, under the authority of the diocesan Bishop, is entrusted to a parish priest as its proper pastor. No lay person or even Deacon, however committed to the parish, however well intended, however devout, can replace a parish priest.

Let us continue to lay siege to Heaven for more priests. Let us continue to promote vocations to the Sacred Priesthood from our own parish and from our own families.

Tuesday, February 11, is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of the Sick. This day commemorates the first of the 18 apparitions of our Blessed Mother at Lourdes. To help us observe the Feast I am including the Litany of Our Lady of Lourdes from EWTN.

It is a big weekend for us Philly fans. Go Birds! And may everyone have a really great celebration—of an Eagles win!

> Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us! St. Joseph, our Patron, pray for us! Fr. Michael J Pawelko, Pastor

LITANY OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy; Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy. Christ hear us; Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of Heaven; Have mercy on us. God the Son, Redeemer of the world; Have mercy on us. God the Holy Spirit; Have mercy on us. Holy Trinity, one God; Have mercy on us. Holy Mary; Pray for us. Holy Mother of God; Pray for us. Mother of Christ; Pray for us. Mother of our Savior; Pray for us. Our Lady of Lourdes, Help of Christians; Pray for us. Our Lady of Lourdes, Source of love; Pray for us. Our Lady of Lourdes, Mother of the poor; Pray for us. Our Lady of Lourdes, Mother of the handicapped; Pray for us. Our Lady of Lourdes, Mother of orphans; Pray for us. Our Lady of Lourdes, Mother of all children; Pray for us. Our Lady of Lourdes, Mother of all nations; Pray for us. Our Lady of Lourdes, Mother of the Church; Pray for us. Our Lady of Lourdes, Friend of the lonely; Pray for us.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Comforter of those who mourn; Pray for us.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Shelter of the homeless; Pray for us.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Guide of travelers; Pray for us.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Strength of the weak; Pray for us.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Refuge of sinners; Pray for us.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Comforter of the suffering; Pray for us.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Help of the dying; Pray for us.

Queen of heaven; Pray for us.

Queen of peace; Pray for us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; Spare us O Lord.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; Have mercy on us.

Christ hear us; Christ graciously hear us.

Let us pray: Grant us, your servants, we pray you, Lord God, to enjoy perpetual health of mind and body. By the glorious intercession of Blessed Mary ever Virgin, may we be delivered from present sorrows, and enjoy everlasting happiness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Music Ministry

Adult Choir

February 15th – 5:00 pm February 23rd – 11:30am <u>Children's Choir</u> February 15th – 5:00 pm (with Adult Choir)

March $2^{nd} - 11:30$ am

Contemporary Group

February 16th -11:30 am mass

February Diaper Drive

Our next drive is February 15 & 16.

We will be collecting diapers and wipes for the **Legacy of Life Foundation** this month. They educate, inspire and support women with unplanned pregnancies because every choice is a life choice. They are located in Warminster and are the other group that St. Joseph will be supporting with your donations. Thank you in advance for your generosity. FYI - if you order online, you may send your donation to the rectory.



2	2025	2024
	January 26	January 28
Envelopes	\$ 8,333.00	\$ 5,943.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,191.53	\$ 1,956.71
Total	\$10,524.53	\$ 7,899.71



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Treasures From Our Tradition

The song of the angels, "Holy, Holy, Holy," resounds from our lips at every Mass. There was a widespread belief in the first religions of the world that God stirred creation into being by a word, a song, a musical note. Music and a sense of God's presence have always been inseparable. In the liturgy, your voice is invited into this song as the priest names the reasons for our praise. "Heaven and earth are full of your glory," and we are not passive onlookers, but participants in this glory. Catholic prayer no longer assigns this angelic hymn to a choir, but gives it to you to sing. Even if your voice is thought to be suitable only for a well-insulated shower stall, you are called into this song.

We are born to sing—just listen to a baby testing the full range of newly-discovered vocal abilities. Soon we get shushed and hushed into quiet, and given lots of messages that our voices are unwanted, and that we need to raise our hands in order to be heard. All of that is overturned in liturgy, the place where God waits to hear us come alive in the song of all creation. In heaven, everyone's in the choir; why not start practicing now? _James Field

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 14 - 16, 2025 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.

Saint Stanislaus Legacy Band Dance Night

Come Dance the Night Away! Beat the Winter Doldrums. Hear and Dance to THE BEST 10-piece Band in the Philly Area! Friday, February 21, 7:00 to 11:00pm in the Mater Dei School gym

Also enjoy a "Taste of Philly" buffet, including beer and wine (must be over 21 to attend). See why the versatile Legacy Band has a following and their vast array of music appeals to all age groups! Raffle prizes offered, too!

Price is \$60 per person. Scan the QR code to register.



Please contact Helen Daly at <u>helen.m.daly5@gmail.com</u> or 267-261-0980 with any questions or if you would like to help sponsor this event.

2025 Parish Lenten Day of Reflection Saturday, March 8, 2025

Presenter: Father Patrick Brady Vice-Rector and Professor of Sacred Scripture St. Charles Borromeo Seminary



Order of Day: 10:30 Welcome and Refreshments: Church Hall 11:00 Presentation by Fr. Brady: Church Hall 12:00 Lunch: Church Hall 1:00 Holy Hour with Presentation by Fr. Brady and Benediction: Church

The Lenten Day of Reflection is free, but please register for lunch.

Call or email the Parish Office to register for the lunch by February 28, 215 672 3020 or sjc18976@verizon.net.



Rachel's Vineyard March 28 - 30, 2025

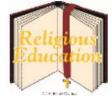
A Place to Heal from Abortion if you or someone you love is carrying the emotional and spiritual pain of an abortion, no matter how much time has passed, please know there is hope for healing, our rachel's vineyard retreat weekend offers a safe and supportive environment where you can begin to transform your pain into a future filled with hope.

Rachel's Vineyard retreats provide a space for healing and God's forgiveness to those who feel burdened by the trauma and darkness of abortion. God's mercy is infinite, greater than any sin, and is always ready to embrace you. Join us for a compassionate, confidential weekend to experience the healing power of God's boundless mercy and find peace for your soul.

CONTACT OUR TEAM TO REGISTER OR FOR QUESTIONS: Susan – 610-716-4795, <u>Susiemck@comeast.net</u> Georgeann – 484-955-4278, <u>geemegarry@gmail.com</u>

Villa Joseph Marie High School Summer@Villa

Camps for girls entering grades 3-9 Villa Joseph Marie presents a range of summer camp programs for girls designed to educate, excite, and inspire. Check out our programs in academic enrichment, the arts, and athletics and register today at vjmhs.org/summer. St. Joseph Church Parish Religious Education Program Mrs. Danielle Staffieri, Coordinator <u>stjosephccd.warrington@yahoo.com</u> 215-672-3020 Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.



<u>**Tuesday, February 11**</u> – All grades in session. Signed Progress Reports should be returned to teacher.

<u>Monday, February 17</u> – Confirmation Retreat 8:30 am - 2:30 pm for students receiving the sacrament of Confirmation.

Tuesday, February 18 – All grades in session.

<u>**Tuesday, February 25**</u> – All grades in session. Pre-Lenten Penance Service for all students.

<u>Tuesday, March 4</u> – All grades in session.

Wednesday, March 5 – Ash Wednesday.

<u>**Tuesday, March 11**</u> – Stations of the Cross for **all** students - 6:15 pm. Drop off and pick up at Church.

Tuesday, March 18 – All grades in session.

Tuesday, March 25 – All grades in session.

<u>Wednesday, March 26</u> – Confirmation practice in Church Hall 6:00 pm. - Drop off and pick up at Church.

<u>Thursday, March 27</u> – Confirmation Mass 5:00 pm. Students should report to Church by 4:15 pm.



ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL

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

Exciting News at SJR!

This is a wonderful time of year at SJR! While we celebrate all the great things happening at school, we are also looking ahead to the future. **Enrollment for the next school year is now open!** If you're interested in learning more about joining our school family, please visit our website at <u>www.stjstr.org</u>.

We are also thrilled to share that the Foundation for Catholic Education has announced a special opportunity for our incoming first graders. Every first-grade student at SJR for the 2025-26 school year will receive a \$1,000 "Welcoming Grant" toward their tuition. This grant is in addition to any other tuition scholarships they may qualify for. Our goal is to make Catholic education as accessible and affordable as possible for your family.

If you have any questions, please visit our website or contact Mrs. Kathy Williamson at kwilliamson@stjstr.org.

In addition to welcoming new students, we are also excited to announce a staffing update! Due to our strong enrollment and our commitment to keeping Catholic Education as affordable as possible, we have decided to separate the roles of Enrollment and Advancement. Mrs. Kathy Williamson will continue as our Enrollment Director, and we are now hiring a part-time Advancement Director. This role is essential in supporting the school's mission through fundraising, alumni relations, donor stewardship, and marketing initiatives.

If you or someone you know is interested in applying, the full job description is available on our website at <u>www.stjstr.org</u>. For more information, feel free to contact me directly at jdurkin@stjstr.org.

Thank you for your continued support of SJR! God bless you and have a wonderful week!

Mrs. Durkin

St. Joseph/St. Robert School does not discriminate in admissions or hiring based on race, color, religious creed, disability, ancestry, national origin, age or sex."

Parish Registration

New parishioners are always welcome!

Call the Parish Office Monday – Thursday to register. Help us keep our records updated by notifying us 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 FIVE** (5) YEARS

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- 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.

Visit with Our Lady of Guadalupe

"The Pilgrim Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe" is brought to your home by a parishioner on Sunday. Our Lady wants to come and visit with you in a personal way for a whole week. Welcome her with love and gratitude. Gather each day to pray, speak to her about your concerns. Empty your heart out to her then in silence let her fill it with her maternal love, guidance and graces she obtains for you. Let her renew you in the spirit of her Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord and Savior. Then on the following Sunday the picture of "Our Lady of Guadalupe" will be picked up and continue on to her next family visit. To schedule a visit call Kathie Zajkowski @ 484-925-8080.

Stay Informed at St. Joseph Parish

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE Emails

Stay Informed! We have adopted a new way of communicating with you. Evangelus is the communication system for our parish. Visit

eva.us/carpenter to sign-up. You can also follow us on Social media and download our parish app as well.

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

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