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#### MAKING CHRIST A REALITY IN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH WE LIVE

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MASS SCHEDULE: Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass (MonSat	t.) 8:00 a.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass	5:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses	7:30 a.m.
-	9:30 a.m.
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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:** 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. – 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 requested date. Baptism is usually celebrated on Sundays at 12:30 pm (following 11:30 am Mass). Please contact Rev. Michael J. Pawelko for Pre-Jordan preparations. 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, Men's Group, Rosary, Respect Life Committee, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Women's Group, Charismatic Prayer Group, Hospitality, Hope Committee, Health & Help Ministry, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Legion of Mary.

# CHRISE BRUNELLE

## May 16th, 2025 | 7 pm

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church 1795 Columbia Ave.. Warrington PA Free concert - Free-will offerings welcome

YouTube @ChrisBrunelle

#### May 4, 2025

**Masses For The Week** 

#### From the Desk of Fr. Pawelko

#### My Dear Parishioners,

Jesus is so good, so loving. He loves us so much that He mounted the Cross for our sake and our salvation. He loves us so much that He allowed His side to be pierced for our sake and our salvation. He loves us so much that He allowed blood and water to flow from His pierced side. The blood and water representing the "wellsprings" of salvation: the Sacraments the Most Holy Eucharist and of Baptism.

During the Easter Season, we especially remember the beauty, the power, and the necessity of Baptism.

Jesus Himself spoke of the necessity of Baptism: Jesus answered and said to him, "Amen, amen, I say to you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born<sup>\*</sup> from above.....I say to you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit" (John Chapter 3). The Risen and Glorified Jesus then gave the Great Commission to Baptize: Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matthew Chapter 28).

The Blessed Apostles taught of the power of Baptism. St. Peter taught: "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is made to you and to your children and to all those far off, whomever the Lord our God will call." He testified with many other arguments, and was exhorting them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand persons were added that day (Acts of the Apostles Chapter 2). St. Paul added: "Or are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection (Romans Chapter 6).

How powerful is the Sacrament of Baptism? Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we have forgiveness of sins, we become temples of the Holy Spirit, we become children of God, we become brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, we become sharers in the Resurrection and heirs of Heaven, we are made worthy to receive the other Sacraments.

How beautiful is the Sacrament of Baptism? St. Cyril of Jerusalem teaches:

You were led down to the font of holy baptism just as Christ was taken down from the cross and placed in the tomb which is before your eyes. (Continued on page 4)

Saturday	<u>May 3</u>	
	5:00 p.m.	Paul Babcock,
	-	8 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Sunday	May 4	
	7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	9:30 a.m.	Iside Maieron,
		4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
	11:30 a.m.	Robert Bill
Monday	8:00 a.m.	St. Joseph Memorial Soc.
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the
		Dziedzic & Dundas Fams.
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Norman Mullock
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Michael J. Gallo, Sr.
Friday	8:00 a.m.	For a Fallen Away Loved
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Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the
		DiTore &: Sansoni Fams.
	<u>May 10</u>	
	5:00 p.m.	Fiore J. Schena
Sunday	<u>May 11</u>	
	7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	9:30 a.m.	Marie & Elmer Grossman
		and Louise Snyder
	11:30 a.m.	Maryann McDermott

#### **Please Pray For Those Who Are Ill**

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

#### <u>This Week In Our Parish</u>

#### Monday, May 5

\*Adoration – 8:30 am – 7:30 pm \*Rosary/Communion Service @ Christ Home – 2:30 pm \*Rosary & Benediction– 7:30 pm

#### Wednesday, May 7

\*Rosary/Communion Service @ Luther Woods- 1:30 pm \*Children's Choir Practice – 5:30 – 6:45 pm \*Adult Choir Practice – 7:30 – 9:30 pm

#### Thursday, May 8

\*Charismatic Prayer 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.

#### **Readings for The Week**

*Mon:* Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29 *Tues:* Acts 7:51-8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wed: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40 Thurs: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51 *Fri:* Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59 Sat: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69 Sun: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rev 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

#### From the Desk of Fr. Pawelko (continued)

Each of you was asked, "Do you believe in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit?" You made the profession of faith that brings salvation, you were plunged into the water, and three times you rose again. This symbolized the three days Christ spent in the tomb.

As our Savior spent three days and three nights in the depths of the earth, so your first rising from the water represented the first day and your first immersion represented the first night. At night a man cannot see, but in the day he walks in the light. So when you were immersed in the water it was like night for you and you could not see, but when you rose again it was like coming into broad daylight. In the same instant you died and were born again; the saving water was both your tomb and your mother.

Solomon's phrase in another context is very apposite here. He spoke of a time to give birth, and a time to die. For you, however, it was the reverse: a time to die, and a time to be born, although in fact both events took place at the same time and your birth was simultaneous with *your death.* 

This is something amazing and unheard of! It was not we who actually died, were buried and rose again. We only did these things symbolically, but we have been saved in actual fact. It is Christ who was crucified, who was buried and who rose again, and all this has been attributed to us. We share in his sufferings symbolically and gain salvation in reality. What boundless love for men! Christ's undefiled hands were pierced by the nails; he suffered the pain. I experience no pain, no anguish, yet by the share that I have in his sufferings he freely grants me salvation. (Jerusalem Catechesis of St. Cyril)

Let us say continual prayers of thanksgiving to God, through Jesus, that He allowed us to be Baptized. Let us also offer prayers of thanksgiving for those who brought us to the font of Baptism and for the priest or deacon who Baptized us.

Let us also encourage the parents in our lives to get their children Baptized, so that they too can share in the beauty and power of Baptism.

St. Joseph, our Patron and Patron of the Church, pray for us!

Fr. Michael J. Pawelko, Pastor

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Gospel today sees Peter and his colleagues after the Resurrection, returning to Galilee and resuming the family business. They are fishing by night. Although it is true that fish feed by night, the mention of darkness here is more about the human spirit than it is about fishing advice. Modern life keeps darkness effectively under control; much of the world has been glowing radiantly through the night for a century. Yet just as surely as the Risen Christ breaks into Peter's fishing, so does he break into the usual patterns of our own darkness, electric lights notwithstanding. It is Easter, and we are the people of the light.

In our tradition, Evening Prayer, celebrated in monasteries, parishes, cathedrals, and homes everywhere, is a kind of solemn protest against the darkness and its claims, an act of praise for our light-bearing God, and a commitment to carrying that light forward. Sunset is a turning point of our day, felt less acutely in an electrified world, but still an effective reminder that one day darkness overtakes us all. Yet our Eastering has taught us in a hundred ways that the victory belongs to the Bearer of Light. Easter summons us to transform our everyday "blackouts," perhaps in a way as simple as a whispered prayer of thanks at evening for the blessings of the day. -James Field

#### **HospitalityWeekend**

Stop by room 18 after all Masses



(including Saturday night) for coffee, donuts, and blood pressure checks. This is our last Hospitality event of the season and it is hosted by the St. Vincent de Paul Society.



	2025	2024
	April 20	April 21
Envelopes	\$ 5,105.00	\$ 5,575.00
Online Giving	\$ 3,947.04	\$ 2,404.39
Total	\$ 9,052.04	\$ 7,979.39



#### CYO Football & Cheerleading

Registration for the Saints CYO Football and Cheerleading is open. You must register online. Football: Grades 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> are JV. 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grades are Varsity, there is no weight limit. Cheerleading is grades K thru 8. The registration fee for football is \$200 and for cheerleading the fee is \$75. Late fees will apply after June 1<sup>st</sup>. You must be enrolled in the parish and either attend catholic school or the Parish PREP. Register at saintscyo.com For more info please contact us at saintscyo@gmail.com or call Dave Armstrong @215-783-3587, Joe Barone@215-287-6006, or Joe Meehan @267-250-3492. For cheerleading call Catie Messina @267-575-4151 or email saintscyocheerleading@gmail.com.

#### Martin Saints Classical High School

#### Summer Camps www.whymsc.org/camps

3000 Keenwood Road, East Norriton, PA

There is a cap to the number of spots for all camps, so register while there is still room.

#### Fiber Arts Summer Workshop

**Monday, June 9 - Friday, June 13, 2025 at 9 am - 2:30 pm** A 5 day workshop focused on sewing, embroidery, and weaving. Attendees will learn sewing and embroidery in the morning and weaving in the afternoon and will come home at the end of the week with 2-3 completed projects and materials to continue learning at home. This workshop is open to students ages 8-15.

Contact: Holly Guertin at hguertin@martinsaintsclassical.org

#### Traditional Woodworking Summer Workshop

**Monday, June 9 - Friday, June 13, 2025 at 9 am - 2:30 pm** A 5-day traditional woodworking workshop for rising 6th-8th graders sponsored by <u>Martin Saints Classical High School</u>. Students will work with Bill Hillman, a fourth generation Carpenter whose writing has been published and whose work can be found in area museums and cultural institutions. We completed our inaugural workshop in 2023 with great success. Returning students will build upon their experience from previous years and complete a new project.

Contact Mr. Khiet Luong at khiet.luong@gmail.com

#### **Robotics Summer Workshop**

**Monday, July 7 - Friday, July 11, 2025 at 9am -12:00 pm** A 5 day robotics summer camp sponsored by <u>Martin Saints</u> <u>Classical High School</u> for students entering grades 6-12 in the fall of 2025. We will learn C++ programming using an Arduino microcontroller and circuit board. Students will program simple circuits, learning how data is stored and moved. Students will solder circuits, learning to activate and control sensors and motors. Contact John Rogers at <u>info@waysidestem.com</u> for details.

#### Archbishop Wood Summer Camps Athletic Camps

Visit https://tinyurl.com/ydh4hrsr to register!

Led by our talented coaching staff, these camps help students sharpen their skills and build confidence in a positive, teamfocused environment.

•Cheer Camp for ages 4-14: June 16–20 (9 AM–2:30 PM)

•Football Camp for incoming 6th - 8th graders: June 10, 12, 19 (5:30 PM–7:30 PM)

•Baseball Camp for incoming 9th graders: June 23–26 and/or July 14–17 (9 AM–2 PM)

•Girls Basketball for incoming 3rd through 9th graders: July 28–31 (9 AM–3 PM)

•Boys Basketball for incoming 3rd through 9th graders: June 16–20 (9 AM–3 PM)

•Girls Volleyball for incoming 5th through 9th graders: August 4–7 (Gr 5&6 4 PM–5:30 PM, Gr 7,8,9 5:30 PM–7:30 PM)

•Field Hockey for incoming 2nd through 9th graders: June 23–26 (9 AM–3 PM)

•Girls Flag Football for incoming 4th through 8th graders: July 21–24 (5:30 PM–7:30 PM)

#### **Enrichment & Arts Camps**

Visit <u>https://tinyurl.com/55r8xw2t</u> to register!

Creative and academic camps that make learning fun while helping students explore new interests!

•Mixed Media Art Camp for incoming 6th-8th graders: June 23–27 (9 AM–12 PM)

•Theater 101 for incoming 6th-8th graders: July 28–August 1 (6 PM–9 PM)

•Executive Functioning Camp for incoming 6th-8th graders: July 14–18 (9 AM–12 PM)

•Faith Builders Camp for incoming 6th-8th graders: July 28– August 1 (9 AM–12 PM)

•Science Explorers Camp for incoming 6th-8th graders (Zoology, Chemistry, Earth/Space, Forensics): June 30–July 3 (9 AM–12 PM)

•Mindfulness Camp for incoming 6th-8th graders: July 21–25 or August 11–15 (9 AM–12 PM)

•Robotics Camp for incoming 4th through 8th graders: June 23–27 (9 AM–3 PM)

#### Why Choose Archbishop Wood Camps?

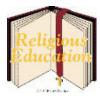
- ✓ Welcoming environment rooted in our Catholic values
- ✓ Small group sizes with individualized attention
- $\checkmark$  Run by experienced teachers, coaches, and moderators
- $\checkmark$  A great way to meet future classmates and explore our campus

Questions? Email Dr. Nobles at knobles@archwood.org

#### **2026 Mass Intentions**

The 2026 Mass Book is now open. We will continue our tradition of accepting masses no more than **one year** in advance. The donation for Announced and Unannounced Masses is **\$15.00**.

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.



We have great news to share! Saint Joseph PREP program is moving to a fully automated online PREP registration with the ability to pay online.



#### Registration is now open.

New families can complete the New Family Form found on our website. Once you complete this form, the Religious Education office will be notified and will review your application. If approved, you will receive an automated email from Parish Giving with login credentials for an account that was created for you. Sign into your Parish Giving Account to make a payment and select sessions for your children.

If you are a **returning family**, please <u>do not</u> fill out a form. You will receive an email from Parish Giving. This email will contain login credentials for a Parish Giving account that was created for you. There is no need for you to create a Parish Giving account.



**May Crowning** -Sunday, May 11 at the 11:30 Mass *\*note change of date and time* 

ST. JOSEPH/ST. ROBERT SCHOOL

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

I hope the Easter season continues to bring joy and blessings to you and your families! It is a particularly joyful time for our third graders, who are receiving their First Communion with their parish communities. It has been a true pleasure and privilege to witness these special moments. Thank you to their parents, teachers, and our Parish Directors of Religious Education for all your support and preparation.

Spring has also been a season of learning and fun at school. Our students have been enjoying field trips, and last week, the Home and School Association sponsored a fantastic Phillies Ballpark Lunch. The faculty and eighth grade competed in a wiffle ball game—congratulations to the eighth grade on their victory! Afterwards, everyone enjoyed hot dogs, chips, and a visit from the Kona Ice Truck.

The warm weather is also a reminder that our annual 5K is just around the corner! Please join us on Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup> on the school and St. Robert's campus. Don't worry if running isn't your thing—it's not mine either! You can choose to participate in the Kids' Run (6:00 PM), the Fitness Walk (6:30 PM), or the 5K Race (6:30 PM). We would love for our final major Home and School event of the year to be the best yet—and we can't do it without you! There will be awards, snacks, and plenty of fun for everyone. Please consider making it a fun family tradition. If you are an SJR alumnus, we especially invite you to come by—I would love the opportunity to reconnect! You can register through the school website. I hope to see you there!

God bless you, and have a wonderful week! Mrs. Durkin



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#### **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 sic18976@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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- 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.

#### **Stay Informed at St. Joseph Parish**

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE Emails

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.

#### 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.

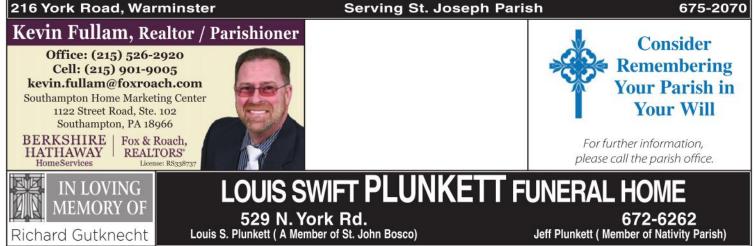
#### St. Joseph On-Line Giving

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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