

July 13, 2025

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass (Mon.-Sat.) 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: 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.



15th Sunday in *Ordinary Time*

"You shall love the Lord, your God,
with all your heart, with all your being,
with all your strength, and with all your
mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

Luke 10:27

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From the Desk of Fr. Pawelko

My Dear Parishioners,

A few weeks ago, we took a parish wide survey concerning the time of our Vigil Mass. Between 500-600 people regularly attend Masses here on the average weekend. We received 140 responses to the survey. I do thank everyone who took the time to respond.

The survey was about two to one in favor of an earlier Mass time.

Given the fact that the survey was in favor of an earlier Vigil Mass time, and given the fact that many have concerns about driving at night, especially in the winter months, and given the fact that there is a general trend among parishes to have an earlier time for Vigil Masses, after much thought, I have decided that we will be moving our **Vigil Mass to 4:00**.

The 4:00 Vigil Mass will begin the first Saturday of September, Saturday, September 6.

Starting September 6, the new Saturday Mass and Confession schedule will be as such:

Morning Mass: 8:00 am

Morning Confessions: 8:30-9:00 am

Afternoon Confessions: 3:00-3:45 pm

Vigil Mass: 4:00 pm

We will be advertising the new Vigil time in our bulletin and our website for the rest of the summer.

The Sunday schedule will not change, and the Sunday schedule will remain 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am.

Again, I thank all who took the time to respond, and I think long term this is a good move for our parish and for you, our parishioners.

This Wednesday we celebrate the very popular Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, and we recall our Devotion to the Brown Scapular.

Who doesn't wear the Scapular? Who would like to?

Devotion to Our Lady of Mount Carmel and to the Brown Scapular goes back centuries. The Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is celebrated on July 16 because it was on this date in 1251 that our Blessed Mother appeared and gave the Brown Scapular to St. Simon Stock. We learn through EWTN:

During the Crusades in 12th century, a group of Westerners took up the life of hermits by the well of St. Elijah on Mt. Carmel. They built a chapel in honor of the Mother of Jesus, conscious that they were living in the area made holy by Jesus and his Mother (Nazareth is less than 20 miles away).

When Islamic Saracens toppled the Latin Christian kingdom of the Crusaders, the hermits of Carmel had to flee for their lives from the holy mountain and return to the West — to Cypress, Sicily, France, England, Ireland and other countries. (Continued on page 4)

Masses For The Week

Saturday	July 12	
	5:00 p.m.	Doris Pellegrino
Sunday	July 13	
	7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	9:30 a.m.	Marie Grossman and George Snyder
	11:30 a.m.	Felix Maieron, 5 th Anniversary
Monday	8:00 a.m.	John F. Hayes & Family
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Anne Reed
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Anthony Thanickal
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Jeanne Hobb
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Linda Generale
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Raymond Generale
	July 19	
	5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday	July 20	
	7:30 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. George McConeghy
	9:30 a.m.	Marie Trotter Rickman
	11:30 a.m.	Amy Hackmaster

Please Pray For Those Who Are Ill

Paula Bielecki, Deborah Ciavola, Josh Craft, Paul Han, Emery Kutney, Dolores Krysztopowicz, Irene Lennon, Patricia McCloskey, Jack McErlean, 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, Edward White, John Zerbe.

Let us Remember and Pray for Our Dead
Richard Pancoast & Rick Gehringer

This Week In Our Parish

Office closes at 3:00pm this week

Monday, July 14

*Communion Service @ Pathways – 2:00pm

*Rosary/Communion Service @ Christ Home – 2:30pm

*Rosary – Church – 7:30pm

*Men's Group – 7:30pm

Thursday, July 17

*Charismatic Prayer Group – 7:00pm – Church Hall

Bulletin Submittals

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

Announcement

The Office will close at **3:00 pm** this week – **July 14 through July 18**. Please make note of this time change. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Readings for The Week

Mon: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Mt 10:34-11:1
Tues: Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24
Wed: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27
Thurs: Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27; Mt 11:28-30
Fri: Ex 11:10-12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8
Sat: Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15; Mt 12:14-21
Sun: Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

From the Desk of Fr. Pawelko (continued)

They brought with them little more than their title of "Brothers of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel."

According to tradition, as an important fact in the midst of these difficulties, Our Lady of Mount Carmel appeared to the prior general, St. Simon Stock, at Aylesford, England. According to tradition, Our Lady appeared on July 16, 1251.

The Blessed Virgin promised St. Simon Stock, oppressed with worries, that whoever would wear the Carmelite habit devoutly would receive the gift of final perseverance. The habit was taken to mean the scapular in particular.

The scapular was a broad band of cloth over the shoulders, falling below the knees toward the feet front and back as an apron, worn still as part of the religious habit by a number of orders of monks and friars. As it was gradually adapted for use by the laity, it became two small panels of brown cloth joined by strings and worn over the shoulders as a familiar Marian sacramental.

From the 16th century until the Second Vatican Council the scapular received warm welcome from the faithful and enjoyed a singular approval by the Church magisterium. Part of the reason for this esteem was undoubtedly the constant stream of wonderful graces, spiritual and temporal, that were poured out on individuals through its devout use.

Many of us were enrolled in the Brown Scapular through our Catholic Schools: Sister said this is what we are doing, and we did it! But what a beautiful gift we received through our good parish priests and good nuns. We owe them such a debt of gratitude!

We especially remember the beautiful Sabbatine Privilege for those who wear the Brown Scapular and live by the Gospel of Love.

The instruction from the Rite of Enrollment reads:

When Jesus walked on earth, whoever even touched the hem of his garment became whole. We praise the Lord, because in his Church he continues to use the humblest of means to show us his infinite mercy. We too can use these means to glorify the Lord, to express our desire to serve him

and to renew our life-long commitment of fidelity made at our baptism.

This scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is a sign of the motherly love of the Virgin Mary, which reminds us of her care for the members of the Carmelite Family, especially in moments of great need. It is a love which invites our love in return. This scapular is a sign of communion with the Order of the Brothers of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel dedicated to the service of Our Lady and her son Jesus Christ for the good of the Church and the World.

With this scapular, a miniature version of the Carmelite habit, you express the desire to take part in the spirit of the Order, according to your own vocation in life. The scapular is a mirror of the humility and purity of Mary; through her simplicity she invites us to live modestly and in purity.

By wearing the cloth scapular, or the scapular medal, day and night, it becomes a sign of our constant prayer and of our special dedication to the love and service of the Virgin Mary, who clothes us in her virtues.

By wearing the scapular, you renew your baptismal vow to put on our Lord Jesus Christ. In Mary, your hope of salvation in Christ will be safeguarded, because in her the God of Life has made his abode.

The beautiful thing about enrollment in the Scapular is that once enrolled, always enrolled! So, if you were enrolled as a child and haven't worn it since, you are still enrolled. Just get a scapular and put it on, simple as that!

If you were never enrolled, I would be happy to enroll you. Please just let me know, and we will come up with a time and day to do so. I will even get the Brown Scapular for you.

I pray that many will take advantage of this opportunity to be Enrolled in the Brown Scapular, and I pray that those already Enrolled will use this as an opportunity to recommit to this very beautiful devotion and powerful help from Heaven.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, pray for us!
 St. Joseph, Patron of the Church and our Patron, pray for us!

Fr. Michael J Pawelko, Pastor

SVDP CLOTHING DRIVE:

The St. Joseph's Saint Vincent de Paul group will be conducting a clothing drive for the SVDP "Feeding the Homeless" ministry, which provides weekly food and clothing to our homeless brothers and sisters in the Kensington area. Please donate new and gently used socks and T-shirts and new underwear after the masses on **July 26 and July 27**. Your donations will be greatly appreciated by those living on the streets in Kensington.

Paint & Sip Night for Single Catholic Women

Saturday, July 19, 2025 - 6pm

Join Blessed Emilina for a night of fellowship, prayer, and fun! Local Catholic artist Cydney Bittner will be leading us through a night of painting sacred art and connecting with like-minded Catholic women. This event is BYO food and drinks, so bring your faves, bring your friends, and come have a good time! **Location:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel 235 E State St, Doylestown, PA 18901. Email Aurora Pomaes with questions at blessedemilina@gmail.com

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/22yqZh3S5rbHX4X99>

Living a Fruitful Life in the Holy Spirit:

A Retreat with Father Christopher Walsh

Join Father Christopher Walsh at the **National Centre for Padre Pio in Barto** as he offers us practical ways to cultivate the gifts of the Holy Spirit received in the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation so that they may become transfigured as the "*fruits of the Holy Spirit*" in our words, actions, and attitudes. **There is no cost to attend this retreat however, it is a ticketed event. Register at www.padrepio.org by clicking on the event calendar for August 6th.** Bring your own packed lunch or pre-order and pre-pay \$20.00 for a boxed lunch when registering for your ticket online. **The deadline to order lunch is July 30th.**

National Centre for Padre Pio, 111 Barto Road - Barto
Wednesday, August 6, 2025 Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. Confessions - 9:00 AM to 9:30 AM. Welcome, Opening Prayer, and Conference #1 - 9:30 AM. Mass - 10:30 AM. Confessions Immediately Following Mass until 12:15 PM. Rosary with Veneration of the Relic Glove of Padre Pio - 11:30 AM. Lunch with Free Time to Visit the Museum, Gift Shop, and Our Lady of Grace Chapel - 12:00 PM. Conference #2 - 1:30 PM. Break - 2:30 PM. Divine Mercy Chaplet - 3:00 PM

From The Health and Help Ministry

Keeping Children Safe This Summer

6 Tips for Summer Safety

1. Prevent Heatstroke-look before you lock your car
2. Secure pool areas-don't leave children alone around water
3. Protect from bug bites-use sprays, clothing and window screens
4. Use sunscreen- apply often when playing or swimming
5. Stay hydrated-water is best
6. Keep cool-avoid outside when the sun is hottest

(Ref: PA Promise for Children)

Weekly Collections

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	June 29, 2025	June 30, 2024
Envelopes	\$ 6,796.00	\$ 6,241.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,054.98	\$ 1,972.74
Total	\$ 8,850.98	\$ 8,213.74

A Letter from Warminster Food Bank



June, 2025

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church
 1795 Columbia Ave.
 Warrington, PA 18976

Dear Members of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.,
 On behalf of the Board, our volunteers and guests we thank you for your very generous donation of 947 pounds of food received in May, 2025.

The increasing demands placed on all with continuing high food costs and diminished support from governmental agencies has prompted many to seek the assistance offered by the Warminster Food Bank. Your contribution makes it possible for us to serve those in need.

We continue to work with Salute 2 Serve and Biddle to supplement food for veterans and active National Guard members. We also assist other food pantries in the area and work together reciprocally.

Pre Covid we were distributing 30,000 pounds of food a year. We are now distributing 31,000 pounds of food a month to fulfill the challenges presented by those requiring assistance.

We count on those able to provide donations of either food or financially to continue our mission. We Thank you and trust that we can count on your future support.

With gratitude,

Mike
 Mike Cerino
 Director

495 E. County Line Road, Hatboro, PA 19040

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2025 Catholic Women's Conference

Women on Mission
 The Feminine Genius
 in the New Apostolic Age



Saturday, October 18
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
 Czestochowa Shrine
 Doylestown

Keynotes:

Mary Ann Wiesinger-Puig
 Sister Faustina Maria, S.V.

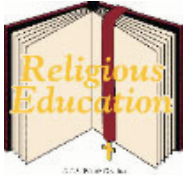
Full details & registration:
catholicwomensconference.org

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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.



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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 do not 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.



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Summer may be a quieter time, but there's still a lot of excitement building at St. Joseph/St. Robert School! We're already looking forward to welcoming new and returning families this fall, and there are a few things happening now to keep everyone connected.

We've been hosting playground meet-ups for our youngest students—those entering Pre-K through 1st grade. It's a great chance for the children to get to know a few friendly faces before the first day and for parents to meet each other too. If you have a little one starting in one of those grades, feel free to stop by and join us!

Our wonderful Home & School Association also held a Used Uniform Sale to help families stock up on uniforms inexpensively. It's just another way our community helps one another out.

Behind the scenes, we're getting everything ready for the new year—restocking supplies, sprucing up classrooms, and planning for all the learning and growing ahead. We can't wait to see the halls filled with students again! Thanks, as always, for keeping SJR in your prayers! 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 our parish's zip code 18976 then click on St. Joseph
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CYO Football & Cheerleading

Registration for the Saints CYO Football and Cheerleading is open. You must register online. Football: Grades 4th, 5th, and 6th are JV. 7th and 8th 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 1st. 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.

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
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