STARTING SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 6

4:00PM VIGIL MASS

NEW SATURDAY SCHEDULE STARTING SEPTEMBER 6:

8:00AM DAILY MASS CONFESSIONS 8:30-9:00AM

CONFESSIONS 3:00-3:45 4:00 VIGIL MASS

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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.

From the Desk of Fr. Pawelko

My Dear Parishioners,

We do not have to travel to Europe to see and pray in a beautiful church. We have it right here. We are so blessed to have our church!

Prominent in our beautiful church are our magnificent stained-glass windows. On the Columbia Avenue side of the church, they illustrate the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. On the County Line Road side of the church, they illustrate the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary.

Our windows are the Holy Gospels and the Teachings of the Church in art. They make these Gospels' passages and Teachings real and personal and easy to visualize.

When mediating with the window of the Annunciation, it is easy to visualize the moment "the Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary, and she conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit."

When mediating with the window of the Visitation, it is easy to visualize the moment "the infant leaped with joy" in the womb of St. Elizabeth, and Mary sang with equal joy her Magnificat: my soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for He has looked with favor on His lowly servant, from this day all generations will call me blessed.

When mediating with the window of the Nativity, Christmas comes alive for us, and we can't help but to join the Angels in proclaiming "Glory to God in the Highest."

Moving to the County Line Road side of the church, the Pentecost window helps to easily visualize the moment when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Blessed Apostles in the presence of our Blessed Mother. We can then mediate on the beginnings of our Holy Church and generations since who have handed down True Religion to us.

We can then move back and forth between the Ascension of Our Lord, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary windows. As we do, we mediate on Heaven. These windows remind us that Heaven is real. These windows remind us that Heaven is far more beautiful than we can ever image. These windows, most importantly, remind us that Heaven is very possible.

This is when we turn our attention from our beautiful windows to our beautiful Tabernacle, where Jesus is waiting. With Him, all things are possible; most especially with Him, Heaven is possible.

Come, let us Adore Him!

Monday Eucharistic Adoration is resuming Monday, September 8. Monday, September 8 is also the birthday of our Blessed Mother. Give Mary the gift she wants: she wants you to spend time with her Son Jesus on Mondays in Adoration. Signup sheets will soon be available. Make Mary happy by signing up and committing to an hour with her Son, Jesus.

Our CCD program is also making final preparations for the Fall semester. It isn't too late to enroll your child or grandchild. It isn't too late to commit to volunteer as a teacher or hall monitor. As always, if you volunteer, you will get more from the children then you give.

Our adult and children's choirs are also getting ready to begin Fall practices. It is never too late to contact our music director, Mrs. Maria Lennon, if you would like to add to the beauty of our liturgies with either your voice or an instrument that you play.

This Monday, August 25, is the Feast of St. Louis. I am including an excerpt from a letter he wrote to his son Philip. In it, he gives good advice to the future king, encouraging him to live both public life and a private life pleasing to God. Let us then lay siege to Heaven for more leaders like St. Louis.

St. Joseph, Patron of the Church, and our patron, pray for us! Fr. Michael J Pawelko, Pastor. *(Continued on page 4)*

Masses For The Week

Wasses For The Week			
Saturday	Aug.23		
	5:00pm	Louise, George E., &	
		George J. Snyder	
Sunday	Aug. 24		
	7:30am	The People of the Parish	
	9:30am	Huf & Corey Families	
	11:30am	Anthony Thanickal	
Monday	8:00am	George Ott	
Tuesday	8:00am	Robert Joseph Amon	
Wednesday	8:00am	Robert Dilorio	
Thursday	8:00am	Kathleen McShea	
Friday	8:00am	Rev. Raymond T. Manning,	
		55 th Anniversary	
Saturday	8:00am	Michael J. Gallo, Sr.	
	Aug. 30		
	5:00pm	William McGowan	
Sunday	Aug. 31		
	7:30am	Deceased. members of the	
		Pat McFadden Family	
	9:30am	The People of the Parish	
	11:30am	Hugh Mullan	

Please Pray For Those Who Are Ill

Paula Bielecki, Deborah Ciavola, Josh Craft, Paul Han, Emery Kutney, Dolores Krysztopowicz, Irene Lennon, Dominic Lightcap, 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.

This Week In Our Parish

Monday, August 25

*Mass @ Luther Woods - 2:00pm

*Rosary/Communion Service (a) Christ Home – 2:30pm

*Men's Group – Room 18 – 7:30pm

*Rosary - Church - 7:30pm

Thursday, August 28

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

Readings for The Week

Mon: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Mt

23:13-22

Tues: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mt 23:23-26

Wed: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Thur: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17; Mt 24:42-51

Fri: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Mk 6:17-29

Sat: 1 Thes 4:9-11, Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30

Sun: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-

19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

From the Desk of Fr. Pawelko (continued)

Letter from St. Louis to his son Philip

Dear son, since I desire with all my heart that you be well "instructed in all things, it is in my thought to give you some advice in writing. For I have heard you say, several times, that you remember my words better than those of anyone else.

My dearest son, my first instruction is that you should love the Lord your God with all your heart and all your strength. Without this there is no salvation.

Keep yourself, my son, from everything that you know displeases God, that is to say, from every mortal sin. You should permit yourself to be tormented by every kind of martyrdom before you would allow yourself to commit a mortal sin.

If the Lord has permitted you to have some trial, bear it willingly and with gratitude, considering that it has happened for your good and that perhaps you well deserved it. If the Lord bestows upon you any kind of prosperity, thank him humbly and see that you become no worse for it, either through vain pride or anything else, because you ought not to oppose God or offend him in the matter of his gifts.

Dear son, I advise you that you accustom yourself to frequent confession, and that you choose always, as your confessors, men who are upright and sufficiently learned, and who can teach you what you should do and what you should avoid. You should so carry yourself that your confessors and other friends may dare confidently to reprove you and show you your faults.

Listen to the divine office with pleasure and devotion. As long as you are in church, be careful not to let your eyes wander and not to speak empty words, but pray to the Lord devoutly, either aloud or with the interior prayer of the heart.

Be kindhearted to the poor, the unfortunate and the afflicted. Give them as much help and consolation as you can. Thank God for all the benefits he has bestowed upon you, that you may be worthy to receive greater. Be just to your subjects, swaying neither to right nor left, but holding the line of justice. Always side with the poor rather than with the rich, until you are certain of the truth. See that all your subjects live in justice and peace, but especially those who have ecclesiastical rank and who belong to religious orders. Love all good, and hate all evil, in whomsoever it may be. Let no one be so bold as to say, in your presence, words which attract and lead to sin, and do not permit words of detraction to be spoken of another behind his back.

Dear son, give thanks to God often for all the good things He has done for you, so that you may be worthy to receive more, in such a manner that if it please the Lord that you come to the burden and honor of governing the kingdom, you may be worthy to receive the sacred unction wherewith the kings of France are

Seek diligently, most sweet son, to have good magistrates and judges in your land, and inquire frequently concerning their doings, and how they conduct themselves, and if they administer justice well, and do no wrong to any one, nor anything which they ought not do.

Inquire more often concerning those of your household if they be too covetous or too arrogant; for it is natural that the members should seek to imitate their chief; that is, when the master is wise and well-behaved, all those of his household follow his example and prefer it. For however much you ought to hate evil in others, you should have more hatred for the evil which comes from those who derive their power from you, than you bear to the evil of others.

Be devout and obedient to our mother the Church of Rome and the Supreme Pontiff as your spiritual father. Work to remove all sin from your land, particularly blasphemies and heresies.

In conclusion, dearest son, I give you every blessing that a loving father can give a son. May the three Persons of the Holy Trinity and all the saints protect you from every evil. And may the Lord give you the grace to do his will so that he may be served and honored through you, that in the next life we may together come to see him, love him and praise him unceasingly. Amen.

Save the Date

Parish Picnic – Rain or Shine! Sunday, October 5th - 2:00pm Grassy area next to the parking lot (indoors if it rains!) Bring your

lawn chair and your favorite covered

dish (potluck style). We'll provide some **drinks**, and you bring your appetite and your game face! Enjoy **live music** from *Bill Monaghan & the Contemporary Group*, plus games like **corn hole** and more! Let's eat, laugh, and make memories together as a parish family.

Mark your calendars – you won't want to miss it!

Adoration Coverage Needed



The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the Altar on Monday's beginning **September 8, 2025.** We are looking for coverage each



hour from 8:30 am - 6:30 pm. Sign-up sheets are on the back table. You can determine which time works for you. The sheet will be for the upcoming Monday only. A new sheet will be available each week after Monday night Rosary. Thank you for spending time with Jesus. Please let us know if you need additional details.



Choir News

St. Augustine is credited as saying: "*To sing is to pray twice.*"

Our Music Ministry is looking for new

Children's Choir

members!

Grades 2 through 12- practice Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:45 pm. Practices start on Wednesday, September 3rd. They will be singing for the 11:30 Mass on September 7th for the start of the 100th Anniversary of St. Joseph School. New members are welcome any time throughout the year!

Adult Choir

Vocalists and instrumentalists- practice Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:30. Practices start Sept. 3rd. New members welcome any time! HELP!! We need male voices!!!

Cantors

Those who have nice singing voices who lead the assembly in song from the altar- individual rehearsals will be based on convenience of you & the Music Director.

<u>Guitarist, pianists, organists, flutist, violinists, clarinets, trumpet players etc.</u>

We can find a spot for you! No prior experience is necessary and attendance at masses and practices is flexible. It is not necessary to commit for the entire year! Only the instrumentalists need to be able to read music! Please contact our Music Director, Mrs. Maria Lennon at 215-896-9484 or email at mariaalennon@gmail.com



FRIDAY SEPT 12, 2025

\$10 per person for 10 Games (price does not include food) DOORS OPEN 6PM GAMES START 7PM

Bring your friends and family for a night of fun and laughter Cash winners and door prizes!



Rent a Table at Nativity of Our Lord Flea Market



Saturday, September 20, 9:00 AM- 1:00 PM
Nativity Community Center/Gym
605 West Street Rd. Warminster, PA 18974
Please call to reserve a table 215-675-1925

Sponsored by Nativity's 60 plus Social Circle.

Tables #25. Deadline September 5th.

Please makes checks to Nativity of Our Lord.

Drop off payment at the parish office prior to 9/20.

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Envelopes	\$ 5,895.00	\$ 5,836.00		
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Total	\$ 9,473.89	\$ 8,687.74		

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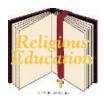
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215-672-3020
Tuesdays 6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.



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 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.



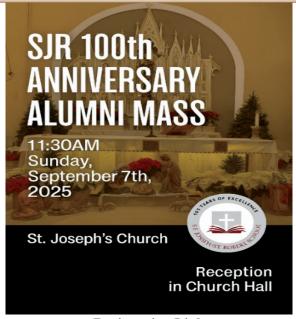
Back to PREP Prayer

Almighty God, We give you our PREP Program. We give you all the teachers and staff who volunteer here. We give you all the children who study here. We pray our program will be a place of great discovery, adventure and creativity. May it be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love. A place where everyone is respected and all are deeply valued. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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Registration Link
https://www.stjstr.org/alumni-mass-reception/
Submit Photos of your time at SJR School
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It is not too late to enroll for Fall 2025! St. Joseph/St. Robert School has 2 seats available for Pre-K 4. SJR is open and welcomes your family to tour the school. You will learn more about the strength of our Early Childhood Programs, enrichment activities, and our faith-filled campus life. Scholarships and grants are available for qualified families.

Schedule a summer tour today! Call 215.343.5100 or email Kathy Williamson at kwilliamson@stjstr.org.



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.



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*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

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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.

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- 2. Click on the [ONLINE GIVING] button
- 3. Click on the Donate button
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