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MASS SCHEDULE:

Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass (Mon.-Sat.) 8:00 a.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass **4:00 p.m.**
Sunday Masses 7:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
& 11:30 a.m.

Holy Day Masses:

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.
& 3:00 p.m. – 3:45 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 that 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, OCIA, Catholic in Recovery, Women's Group, Charismatic Prayer Group, Hospitality, Hope Committee, Health & Help Ministry, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Legion of Mary.



From the Desk of Father Pawelko...

My Dear Parishioners,

This Wednesday, September 23, we celebrate the Feast of St. Padre Pio, and we will be remembering his most quoted advice: pray, hope, and don't worry.

This advice is actually only a small part of Padre Pio's teaching. He actually leaves extensive counsels on the need to trust in God, the power of prayer, the need for devotion to our Blessed Mother, the need for love for the Most Holy Eucharist, how suffering is a path to union with Christ, how the trials and temptations of life and the devil help our spiritual growth, the need for humility, simplicity, and charity.

In other words, St. Padre Pio challenges us. We thank him for that. We acknowledge him as a gift of God for challenging us.

Here are some consoling, challenging, and inspiring quotes collected by The Catholic Connect Foundation (catholicconnect.care)

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

Fr. Michael J. Pawelko, Pastor

Quotes from St. Padre Pio (The Catholic Connect Foundation)

Prayer and Spiritual Life

Saint Padre Pio's wisdom on prayer reveals the depth of his spiritual connection to God. His quotes about prayer continue to guide faithful Catholics in their spiritual journey:

1. "Prayer is the best weapon we possess, the key that opens the heart of God."
2. "In all the events of life, you must recognize the Divine will. Adore and bless it, especially in the things which are the hardest for you."
3. "Pray, hope, and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer."
4. "You must speak to Jesus not only with your lips but with your heart; actually, on certain occasions, you should speak with only your heart."
5. "The rosary is the weapon for these times."
6. "Prayer is the oxygen of the soul."
7. "If we only knew how God regards this Sacrifice, we would risk our lives to be present at a single Mass."

Faith and Trust in God

The Saint Padre Pio quotes about faith demonstrate his unwavering trust in divine providence:

1. "God is served only when He is served according to His will."
2. "Faith guides even through dark moments."
3. "Have courage and do not fear the assaults of the Devil."
4. "Always humble yourself lovingly before God and man, because God speaks to those who are truly humble of heart."
5. "My past, O Lord, I entrust to Your mercy; my present, to Your love; my future, to Your providence."
6. "Walk in the way of the Lord with simplicity and do not torment your spirit."
7. "Hold on tightly to the Rosary. Be very grateful to the Madonna because it was she who gave us Jesus."

Love and Compassion

Among the most touching Saint Padre Pio quotes are those concerning love and compassion:

1. "Love is the first ingredient in the relief of suffering."
2. "Charity is the measure by which our Lord judges all things."
3. "You must not be discouraged or let yourself become dejected if your actions have not succeeded as perfectly as you intended."
4. "The greater your sufferings, the greater God's love for you."
5. "Love and fear must go united together, fear without love becomes cowardice, love without fear becomes presumption."
6. "God's love takes on the character of a father's and a mother's love together."
7. "It is difficult to become a saint. Difficult but not impossible."

Suffering and Perseverance

These powerful Saint Padre Pio quotes about enduring life's challenges:

1. "The cross will never oppress you; its weight might cause you to stagger, but its strength will sustain you."
2. "Joy, with peace, is the sister of charity. Serve the Lord with laughter."
3. "Ahead! Courage! In the spiritual life, he who does not advance goes backward."
4. "The longer the trial to which God subjects you, the greater the goodness in comforting you during the time of trial."
5. "You complain because the same trials are constantly returning. But look here, what have you to fear?"
6. "Trials are nothing else but the forge that purifies the soul of all its imperfections."
7. "The more you are afflicted, the more you ought to rejoice, because in the fire of tribulation the soul will become pure gold."

Hope and Encouragement

These Saint Padre Pio quotes offer hope to those facing difficulties:

1. "Do not be afraid; I am with you always."
2. "God will never permit anything to happen to us that is not for our greater good."
3. "The Lord sometimes makes you feel the weight of the cross. Although the weight seems intolerable, you are able to carry it, because the Lord, in His love and mercy, extends a hand to help you."
4. "For the Lord takes delight in His faithful ones."
5. "Stay with me, Lord, for it is necessary to have You present so that I do not forget You."
6. "Remember that God is within us when we are in a state of grace and outside of us when we are in a state of sin."
7. "Remember that God loves you very much."

Please Pray for Our Troops

Capt. Daniel Carroll - U.S. Army
Ch./Maj. Stephen McDermott - U.S. Army
1st Lt. Irene S. Poli - U.S. Army
Sgt. Maj. Tim Snyder - U.S. Army
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Sr. Chief Gregory Thompson - U.S. Navy
LCpl Hunter Madison - U.S. Marines

If you would like to add the name of someone currently on active duty, please notify the parish office at sjc18976@verizon.net:

Name of Person, Branch of Service, and the name/contact information for requesting individual.

Names remain on the list while individuals are actively serving and are removed at the family's request. Submit names only with the service member's consent.

Thank you for helping us support our brothers and sisters in uniform with the power of prayer.

Please pray for those who are ill, especially:

Paula Bielecki	Paul Malachowski	William Sparke
Lillian Cannon	Dennis Matlack	Stanley Travis, III
Deborah Ciavola	Patricia McCloskey	Patricia True
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Emery Kutney	Sarah Rank	
Irene Lennon	Joseph Ranweiler	
Dominic Lightcap	Michael Tashjian	



Mass Intentions

Saturday	<u>Sept 19</u>	
	4:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	<u>Sept 20</u>	
	7:30 am	Linda Generale
	9:30 am	Giuditta & Pasquale Bonato
	11:30 am	Santangini & Conte Families
Monday	8:00 am	Harry Walls ~ 5 th Anniv.
Tuesday	8:00 am	Deceased Members of Dziedzic-Dundas Families
Wednesday	8:00 am	Robert Smith, Sr ~ 9 th Anniv
Thursday	8:00 am	Intents of Patricia & Michael McCloskey ~ 69 th Wedd. Anniv.
Friday	8:00 am	Lorraine Avayon
Saturday	8:00 am	Gina Federico
Saturday	<u>Sept 26</u>	
	4:00 pm	Charles J. DiCarne
Sunday	<u>Sept 27</u>	
	7:30 am	People of the Parish
	9:30 am	Maria & Ernesto Puntel
	11:30 am	Margaret Rieck

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Let us Remember and Pray for Our Dead
Msgr. Richard Powers
Andrea Primus



Healing Mass

Saturday | September 26, 2026

10:30 AM

St. Joseph Church

If you find yourself in need of healing, whether physically, spiritually, emotionally, or in some other way, please come and experience the healing power of Jesus.

Reception with light refreshments to follow.



St. Joseph is reviving the Knights of Columbus in our Parish. If you are already a Knight or considering becoming a Knight, and want to help revive the council off the ground, please contact the Parish Office (215) 362-3020. There will be Membership Drive after All Masses for the weekend of September 19 & 20. We look forward to meeting you and sharing more information about our valued Knights of Columbus.



Saint Vincent de Paul Society

During the month of August, 2026, SVDP had 11 incoming calls, asking for assistance. We helped a total of 31 individuals (some from other parishes and conducted 7 home visits (required before help is provided). The major issues that we are seeing are rent/utilities issues and homelessness - 9 of the families helped were dealing with housing issues. We also helped with food insecurity issues (referring many to the Warminster Food Bank). During the month, \$257 of Poor Box contributions were deposited. If you would like to help with this ministry, which is all about helping those in need in our community, please call Tom Molz (215) 801-9158. Many thanks for the support of the SVDP organization.

Monthly Food Drive

We are collecting the following items:

Non-perishables only:

Foods currently requested at this time include: Cereal, Pancake Mix & Syrup, Condiments (Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Mustard), Egg Noodles, Saltines, Crackers, Family Size Juice, and Canned Fruit other than Apple Sauce.

Non Food items:

Store Gift Cards, Laundry Detergent (liquid or pods), Household Cleaning Supplies, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Oral Care, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, and **gently used grocery size paper bags.**

The Warminster Food Bank thanks you for your generous donation of **850 pounds** collected in September!

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OCTOBER 3 & 4

NO EXPIRED FOOD PLEASE

OPEN HOUSE & ENTRANCE EXAM

La Salle College High School

La Salle College High School is located in Springfield Township (Montgomery County), will hold an Open House on Sunday, September 27 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Mass will be held at 9:00 AM for those able to attend. Prospective students and their parents are invited to tour the school.

The Scholarship/Entrance Exam for 8th Grade Boys will be held at the School at 8:30 AM on Saturday, October 3 & 24.

For questions or additional information, please contact the Admission Office (215) 402-4800 or admission@lschs.org



St. Joseph/St. Robert School

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, OCTOBER 18th

10:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Pre-K 3 to 8th Grade (Half & Full-Day Kindergarten)



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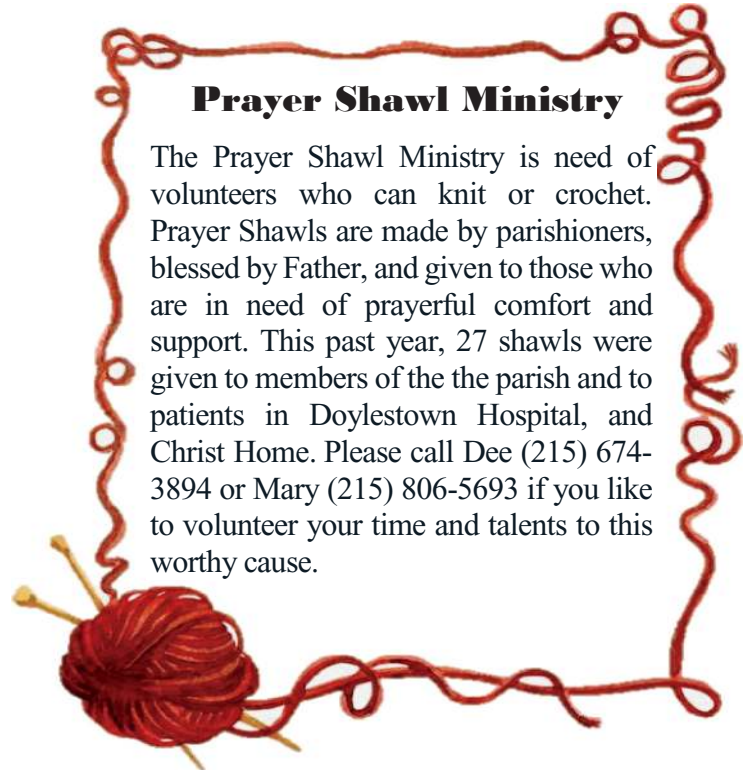
Tuesday | October 13

2:00 PM – 7:00 PM

For more information OR to Sign-Up
Mary (215) 806-5693

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is need of volunteers who can knit or crochet. Prayer Shawls are made by parishioners, blessed by Father, and given to those who are in need of prayerful comfort and support. This past year, 27 shawls were given to members of the the parish and to patients in Doylestown Hospital, and Christ Home. Please call Dee (215) 674-3894 or Mary (215) 806-5693 if you like to volunteer your time and talents to this worthy cause.



Hospitality Sunday

October 04, 2026

Church Hall Room 18

Please stop by for fellowship, treats, and free blood pressure



Mrs. Danielle Staffieri, Coordinator
stjosephprep.warrington@gmail.com
 Tuesdays ~ 6:00 – 7:15 PM



St. Joseph / St. Robert School Update

Mrs. Jennifer Durkin ~ Principal
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Reminder: If public schools are closed due to inclement weather, CCD will also be cancelled. If you have provided us with your Email address, we will notify you via Email.

TUESDAY, September 22 -- All grades in session.
TUESDAY, September 29 -- All grades in session.
TUESDAY, October 06 -- All grades in session.
TUESDAY, October 13 -- All grades in session.



Monday, September 21:

- Adoration ~ 8:30 AM
- Communion Service @ Christ Home ~ 2:30 pm

Tuesday, September 22:

- PREP Classes ~ 6:00 pm

Wednesday, September 23:

- Children Choir Practice ~ 5:30 pm
- Catholic in Recovery ~ 7:00 pm
- Adult Choir Practice ~ 7:15 pm

Thursday, September 24:

- Rosary @ Pathways ~ 1:30 pm
- Charismatic Prayer Group ~ 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 26:

- Healing Mass ~ 10:30 am

Sunday, September 27:

- Baptism ~ 12:30 pm

Now that we're underway with the new school year, there is so much happening at SJR! Our Robotics Club and Thespian Club are both getting into action this week, giving our students exciting opportunities to learn, create, collaborate, and have fun. We are incredibly grateful to Mr. Vince Mandes, who has generously volunteered to coach our Robotics team again this year. He is bringing together a team of adults to help lead our students, and we're looking forward to another exciting season of building, problem-solving, and teamwork!

We are also thankful to Alliance Holdings in Horsham for their continued sponsorship of our Robotics program. Their generosity helps us provide the tools, technology, and resources our students need to make the most of this hands-on learning experience. Meanwhile, our Thespians Club is officially underway! Rehearsals for our upcoming production of *Moana, Jr.* began Monday, and we can already feel the excitement building. We are delighted to welcome Mrs. Kulp and Ms. Keegan of Bravo Dance Studio—and members of the SJR family—as our directors this year. We can't wait to see our students bring this wonderful story to life on stage! And, because in education we're always looking ahead, we're excited to have our first Open House for prospective families on the calendar for Sunday, October 18th! If you or someone you know is considering SJR for next school year, this is a wonderful opportunity to visit our school, learn more about what we offer, and experience our SJR community firsthand.

There's even more to look forward to next year as we prepare to welcome our first three-year-old Pre-K class, in addition to our current Pre-K 4 program. We're excited to grow our SJR family and look forward to welcoming even more children and families through our doors!

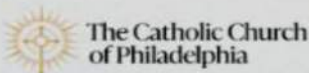
God bless you and have a wonderful week!

Mrs. Durkin

PERMANENT DIACONATE DISCERNMENT DAY

"Called to Serve as Christ the Servant"

Spend a day in prayer, conversation, and discernment with permanent deacons, their wives, and members of the Clergy Office and the Diaconal Formation Team.



Saturday, October 3, 2026

Starts at 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM



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*"Behold, I am
making everything new."*

— Revelation 21:5

*I can't — He can —
I think I'll let Him.*

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