

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

**Pastor:** Rev. J. A. Grant  
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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday:** 5:30 P.M.  
**Sunday:** 7:00 A.M., 8:30 A.M.,  
 10:00 A.M., 11:30 A.M.

**Weekdays:** 8:00 A.M.  
 (6:45 A.M. Lent and Advent only)

**Saturdays:** 8:00 A.M.

**Holy Days:** 5:30 P.M. Vigil  
 6:00 A.M., 8:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 7:00 P.M.

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 P.M.  
 7:30 to 8:00 P.M. **Eve** of Holy Days and of  
 1st Fridays 7:00 to 7:30 P.M.

**TV MASS FOR SHUT-INS:** TV -Sunday, 5:30 am  
 WPVI Channel 6, Radio – Sunday, 9:00am 89.3 FM

**BAPTISMS:** Parents should make arrangements with one of the priests 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 THURSDAY of each month, 7:30 P.M., in the Rectory. Godparents must be practicing the faith and present a note from their parish on their eligibility as sponsors. 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 any time until 2:00 P.M. or on any weekday.

**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:** Choir, CCD School of Religion, Catholic Youth Organization, Home & School Association, Legion of Mary, Men's Club, Miraculous Medal Novena and Rosary, Pre-Cana, Respect Life Committee, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Senior Citizens, and Women's Group. (Notices for these groups are posted inside this bulletin.)

"NOTICES FOR THIS BULLETIN (subject to available space)  
 MUST BE AT THE RECTORY AT LEAST 10 DAYS PRIOR TO PUBLICATION."

**Masses for the Week**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 16, 2010</b>	
	5:30pm	Miss Kitty Casey
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 17, 2010</b>	
	7:00am	William J. Spaide
	8:30am	Linda Generale
	10:00am	People of the Parish
	11:30am	Jean Ciavarelli
<b>Monday</b>	8:00am	Tom Alexander
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00am	Edward McLaughlin, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:00am	Eleanor R. Zecca
<b>Thursday</b>	8:00am	Carlo Borghi
<b>Friday</b>	8:00am	Linda Generale
<b>Saturday</b>	8:00am	Robert McCaffery
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 23, 2010</b>	
	5:30pm	Rosalee & Bobby Stevens
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 24, 2010</b>	
	7:00am	Dolores Dunn
	8:30am	Ann Laurich
	10:00am	George McLoughlin
	11:30am	People of the Parish

**Please Pray For**

**Those who are ill:** Peggy Liberato, Mike McCloskey, III, Sr. Rosemary Haslam, and Stephanie Ionata.

**Financial Report 1/10/10**

Sunday Collection: \$12,514.00 (\$12,263.00 - 2009)  
 378 Sunday Envelopes used  
 35 Parishioners made up for collections missed

**EXPENSES**

School Subsidy	\$ 2,966.50
Employee Pay	\$ 4,065.18
Supplies	\$ 700.31
Repairs/Service	\$ 3,466.71
Snow Removal – Dec. 2009	\$ 4,883.91
Heating Oil	\$ 6,014.00

**Comments on Tithing**

“I feel liberated now that I know how much to give. I’m glad to know.”

**Where There’s A Way, There’s A Will**

**St. Augustine** urged us to “pursue Charity”, saying “Without it, the richest person is poor; with it, the poorest is rich.” You can pursue charity in your **Will**.

We hope you list **St. Joseph Church** among your favorites

*No one who understands the reality of God is, can think that God does not exist.*

**This Week in Our Parish**

**Monday, January 18, 2010**

- \*Monday - All Day Adoration - Church
- \*Monday Rosary & Benediction - 7:30pm - Church
- \*BSA Comm. Meeting - 6:30pm - Rectory Basement

**Tuesday, January 19, 2010**

- \*Busy Bees - 8:30am - Nursery Room
- \*CCD Classes - 4:30pm & 6:15pm - Valley Road School
- \*Health & Help Ministry - 7:30pm - Rectory Basement
- \*Parish Council & Finance Comm. – 7:00pm - Room 18

**Wednesday, January 20, 2010**

- \*Busy Bees - 8:30am - Nursery Room
- \*RCIA - 7:30pm - Rectory Basement

**Thursday, January 21, 2010**

- \*BSA Troop #137 - 6:30pm - Hall and Rectory Basement

**Friday, January 22, 2010**

- \*Busy Bees - 8:30am - Nursery Room
- \*Bloodmobile - 1:00pm - Church Hall

**SCRIP Sellers Schedule 1/23/10 - 1/24/10**

- 5:30pm - Nora Quigley*
- 8:30am - Joanne Burdulis*
- 10:00am - Mary Huegel*

**Readings For The Week**

- Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28
- Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12
- Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19, or any readings from the Mass “For Peace and Justice,” nos. 887-891
- Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21
- Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19; 1 Cor 12: 12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**Saints and Special Observances**

- Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins
- Tuesday: Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)
- Wednesday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian
- Thursday: St. Agnes
- Friday: St. Vincent; Day of Penance for Violations to the Dignity of the Human Person
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



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**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time**

**“March for Life”**

**Friday - January 22, 2010**

The bus leaves **St. Robert Bellarmine** parking lot for the “**March for Life**” in Washington, DC at **7:00am**. Cost: **\$20** which includes bus fare and dinner. **Dress**

**for cold weather.** (Bus will return at approx. 9:45pm)

**To ensure a seat, Call: Paul Hottinger @ 215-675-4291.**

*God our loving Father,*

*grant wisdom to those who govern us,*

*compassion and courage to those*

*who work to defend life,*

*and safety and care to every human being.*

*For you alone formed us in our mother’s womb,*

*and who call us home to heaven,*

*are God, for ever and ever. Amen*

**“March for Life” and Prayer, Friday 1/22**

A number of our fellow parishioners are going by bus to the “**March for Life**” in Washington, DC, this **Friday, 1/22**.

While they are in Washington, we invite you to join in **Mass and Adoration** here at St. Joseph’s.

We will celebrate a special **Mass “for Justice and Peace”** at **8:00am**, followed by a period of **Adoration** until **9:00am**. During this period we can pray the Rosary and the Litany for Life.

**Dignity and Justice for All**

A person’s dignity is deserved not because you, I or a court say so, but because dignity is a right we are born with, to be treated with the respect due to any child of God.

Justice is not only an absence of poverty, war or hate, but also the assurance that all people are treated with appropriate dignity.

Lord, when we act, may we act with the moral dignity that benefits your children.

May we accept your justice willingly when we fail, and may we treat all people with the dignity and justice deserved by children of God.

**Catholic Relief Services Collection Today**

**“...Jesus reminds us to care for those in need and to recognize Him in the poor, the hungry...”**

“The **Catholic Relief Services Collection** provides an opportunity for Catholics in the United States to express compassion...resources raised by this collection makes possible...aid to people suffering, such as young Congolese boys, families in Chad refugee camps, orphans in Lespitho, and victims of conflict...”-----**Cardinal Rigali**

We have the **Collection this Weekend.**

**Good News**

Spend some time looking at the news, secular or ecclesial, and you will see a variety of problems in today’s Church. The Greek word for church, *ekklesia*, means “gathering.” The folks gathering today don’t always get along too well.

Saint Paul’s first letter to Corinth has a powerful message for us. He has already given strong advice to those gathering for the Eucharist. He’s upset by divisions among the Christians there. He has scolded Christians for taking each other into secular courts instead of working on their problems together. He has addressed sexual immorality in the Church; a man is living with his father’s widow. On top of all that, he sees Corinthians who are arrogant.

Does this New Testament Church offer us a mirror? Now watch what Paul writes, after recounting the Corinthians’ sins. To this same Church, he says:

*There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone.*

Different – different views, different strengths, different focuses – different isn’t the problem. Failure to work together is the problem. That’s hard work. But we are called to do it – called to be one – because we have one Lord, one Spirit.

Today’s readings give us powerful advice to remember as we gather the Church together, as we live with diverse views and even our deep arguments.

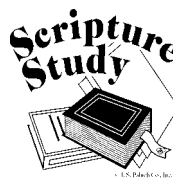
We should not avoid problems. For Zion’s sake I will not be silent (Isaiah 62:1).

We have a variety of gifts. We are different, because God wants difference to deepen the Church’s wisdom.

Like water changed into wine, our ordinary stuff may become something more; it can become the *very presence* of Christ.

**Dan Finucane**

[sundaybulletin@liguori.org](mailto:sundaybulletin@liguori.org)

**Bible Study**

The **Bible** is not just any story – it is your story. Do you want to discover how to read it? Then come join us in the Bible Timeline study that will be offered at Saint Joseph. Check future church bulletins for times, dates and additional information.

**Church Bloopers**

Anyone not claiming lost articles will be disposed of.

## CCD School of Religion

### January Schedule

**Mon. Jan. 18:** Retreat to St. Katherine Drexel Shrine for Confirmation Class.

**Tues. Jan 19:** All Grades in Session.

**Tues. Jan. 26:** All Grades in Session.

### February Schedule

**Tues. Feb. 2:** All Grades in Session. Progress reports distributed. Service projects due.

**Tues. Feb. 9:** All Grades in Session.

**Tues. Feb. 16:** All Grades in Session.

**Tues. Feb. 23:** All Grades in Session. Stations of the Cross – meet at school.

Call: Cathy Cain 215-672-9990 or 215-675-3506

## Retrouvaille – Marriage Help

Retrouvaille is a Catholic based program to help marriages that are stressed or in trouble. All calls are confidential.

The next program will be Feb. 12-14 @ St. Joseph's in Malvern. 302-832-8044 or [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The next couples experience will be Jan. 29-31, 2010. For more information, Call: 1-800-456-8330.

## Neumann Spirituality Group

...will hold an outstanding day retreat program at Nativity of Our Lord Church, Warminster, on Wed., Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>, entitled Psalms – Living Prayer.

## Rachel's Vineyard Ministries

Rachel's Vineyard retreats are for anyone hurting from the spiritual and emotional pain of an abortion. The weekend will help you experience the mercy and compassion of God, grieve your loss, and forgive yourself and others.

**Retreat Dates: March 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, Spirituality Center, Frazer, PA** Call: 215-906-6337 or 610-399-0890 or [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

## News from the Health & Help Ministry

### **URGENT PLEA!!**



The Red Cross Blood Bank is empty. There will be a Blood Drive at St. Joseph in the Church Hall on Friday, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Please call Mary 215-674-4612 or Elaine 215-675-8756.

## Parish Health & Help Ministry

Join us as we Journey through the Holy Land – a walking incentive program you can do during Lent.

Sign up after Mass on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>.

## St. Joseph/St. Robert School News

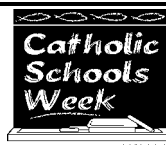
### Can You Help with Tuition?

There are four families in our School that are having a hard time paying tuition.

The remaining tuition for these children is \$9,861.00.

Please call Fr. Grant or Rita Carsley @ 215-672-3020

### Catholic Schools Week



This year Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated January 31<sup>st</sup> through February 5<sup>th</sup>.

### Youth Group

**Adopt a Grandparent Service:** Youth Group will deliver Homebaked Bread to the homebound of our parish Today.

**Jan. 26:** Auditions for Stations of the Cross @ 6:45 in the CCD Building.

**Jan. 31:** T3 Bible Study – video, faith sharing & breakfast 10:00am – then Mass at 11:30am.

**Super Bowl Sunday:** Hoagie Sale on the 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> after all Masses. (Youth Group Fundraiser) Delivery on Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>.

**June 25-27:** Sign up now for our trip to Steubenville.

We are collecting printer cartridges and phones. Proceeds help fund summer trip to Steubenville.

Call: Theresa 215-918-0529 or [stjoesyouth1@gmail.com](mailto:stjoesyouth1@gmail.com)

### Super Bowl Dance

Come out and support the SJR Hawks CYO Programs on Saturday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm – 12:00am in Marley Hall at St. Robert's. Tickets are \$25 and include admission, door prizes, appetizers, buffet dinner, beer, set-ups, dancing and fun.

Tickets and chances for a LCD TV will be sold after Masses (except 7:00am) beginning Jan. 9-10.

For more info please contact: Jim Alexander 267-992-7998 or [jimalexander@comcasr.net](mailto:jimalexander@comcasr.net) or Bill Horan 215-441-5130 or [billhoran@comcats.net](mailto:billhoran@comcats.net).

### Classes at St. Charles Seminary

Registrations are being accepted for St. Charles Seminary spring classes. Undergraduate courses begin Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>.

Non-credit adult catechesis program begins in February.

For more info: [www.StudyCatholicTheology.com](http://www.StudyCatholicTheology.com)