

MAKING CHRIST A REALITY IN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH WE LIVE

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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

Saturday	May 22, 2010	
	5:30pm	Raymond Littel, Sr. & Jr.
Sunday	May 23, 2010	
	7:00am	People of the Parish
	8:30am	Alfred Denofa, 34 th Anniv.
	10:00am	John (Jack) McPeak
	11:30am	Helen Duran
Monday	8:00am	Dec'd Members of Miley & McGuire Family
Tuesday	8:00am	Martin Harkins
Wednesday	8:00am	Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart
Thursday	8:00am	Mary Ellen Raub
Friday	8:00am	Harry K. Braun
Saturday	8:00am	Dec'd Members of Gleeson & Kelly Family
Saturday	May 29, 2010	
	5:30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	May 30, 2010	
	7:00am	William J. Spaide
	8:30am	Linda Generale, 3 rd Anniv.
	10:00am	Joseph O'Connor
	11:30am	Helen Duran

Please Pray For

Those who are ill: Peggy Liberato, Mike McCloskey, III, & Angelo Malgieri.

Financial Report 5/16/10

Sunday Collection: \$11,675.00 (\$11,226.00 – 2009)
 387 Sunday Envelopes used
 17 Parishioners made up for collections missed

EXPENSES

School Subsidy	\$ 2,966.50
Employee Pay	\$ 4,439.17
Supplies	\$ 4,123.90
Repairs/Service	\$ 496.60

Comments on Tithing

Saint Irenaeus wrote that God "...instructed His disciples to offer to God the first fruits of creation, not because God had any need, but so that they themselves should not be ungrateful."

Charity - the Stairway to Heaven

Charity is the source of all good things; it is the way that leads to Heaven." - *Saint Fulgentius*

Remember to include St. Joseph Church in your will.

This Week in Our Parish

- Monday, May 24, 2010**
 *Monday - All Day Adoration - Church
- Tuesday, May 25, 2010**
 *Busy Bees - 8:30am - Nursery Room
- Wednesday, May 26, 2010**
 *Busy Bees - 8:30am - Nursery Room
- Thursday, May 27, 2010**
 *BSA Troop 127 - 6:30pm - Rectory Basement
 *H.O.P.E. Comm. - 7:30pm - Room 18
- Friday, May 28, 2010**
 *Busy Bees - 8:30am - Nursery Room

SCRIP Sellers Schedule 6/5/10 - 6/6/10

- 5:30pm - *Kate Gozdan*
 8:30am - *Carol Sautner*
 10:00am - *Julie McReynolds*

Readings For The Week

- Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Mk 10:17-27
 Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Mk 10:28-31
 Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25; Mk 10:32-45
 Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Mk 10:46-52
 Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13; Mk 11:11-26
 Saturday: Jude 17:20b-25; Mk 11:27-33
 Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

Saints and Special Observances

- Tuesday: St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII;
 St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi
- Wednesday: St. Philip Neri
- Thursday: St. Augustine of Canterbury

COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



Pentecost Sunday

*Holy Spirit,
 You who pointed out the way for your disciples
 To announce the Gospel,
 We pray to you:
 As in the time of the apostles,
 Guide today's messengers of the Good News.*

The Fullness of the Holy Spirit



The church wakes up to an amazing message this morning. Look around and see who has been called.

Listen to the voices of those who proclaim Jesus is Lord. You'll find no race of people left out; you'll find no language on earth unfit to proclaim the glory of God. We call Pentecost Sunday the "**birthday of the Church.**"

In many ways, the Church is still being born. Only when we all know the peace Jesus offered in today's Gospel will we really know the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

St. Paul assures us in today's second reading that "we were all given to drink of one Spirit."

When we look around us in the Church we should see everyone. But we don't. Not yet. What is holding us back from fully embracing the one Body of Christ? When will we see our differences as manifestations of the same Holy Spirit?

Corpus Christi Procession

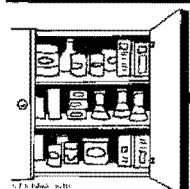


June 6th we will celebrate the solemn Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, also called "**Corpus Christi.**" It's an opportunity for us to thank our Lord for His gift of Himself in the Holy Eucharist.

At the end of the **11:30 Mass**, we plan a brief procession down the handicapped ramp to a portable altar next to the corner of the building. There we will have a hymn and **Benediction.**

Pope John Paul said that on **Corpus Christi**, the Church "not only celebrates the Eucharist but solemnly bears it in procession, publicly proclaiming that the sacrifice of Christ is for the salvation of the whole world."

Manna Drive To Fill Community Cupboard



Manna Bags will be distributed at all of our Masses on the weekend of **May 29-30**. Kindly return your filled Manna Bag on **Sat. June 5th** or **Sun. June 6th**.

Canned food items in greatest need are: beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups and pork & beans.

God fed His people in the desert with **Manna**. We call this special food collection a "**Manna Drive**".

Prayer

Jesus, many times throughout Your life

You fed hungry people and

You called others to help.

You called the young child with the loaves and fishes to share his gifts.

You call each one of us today.

Open our eyes to see the needs of others.

Open our ears to hear your call to share.

Open our hearts to welcome all

people to the table of love. Amen

Mary, Our Mother



Why do Catholics Honor Mary so much?

Many volumes have been written about the Blessed Mother. There are four dogmas or articles of faith about Mary.

The Immaculate Conception is one of these dogmas. We believe that Mary was preserved from original sin from the moment of her conception. The perpetual virginity of Mary is another article of faith. We believe that God preserved her virginity, even though she conceived by the Holy Spirit and gave birth to Jesus. She was a virgin at the conception of Jesus and remained a virgin her whole life. We believe that Mary is the Mother of God, which is the third dogma about the Blessed Virgin. Finally, we believe that Mary was assumed into heaven, body and soul.

One way to think about Mary is that, like all of us, she had a call or vocation from God. In order to fulfill her vocation faithfully, all the elements in these four dogmas were necessary. God, therefore, gave them to her. God always makes sure we have what we need to fulfill our vocation, no matter how extraordinary the vocation or the gifts may be.

*Mary, Mother of the Church,
Pray for us and our families*

"May Devotions"

Monday through Friday: Many stay after **8:00am Mass** to pray the **Rosary**. Why not join them?

Monday Night: During May, at **7:30pm**, we pray the **Rosary** during **Exposition** of the **Blessed Sacrament** and conclude with **Benediction**.

Saturday Morning: After **8:00am Mass**, we pray the **Miraculous Medal Novena** and the **Rosary**.

Saturday Evening: to prepare for Sunday's **Vigil Mass**, parishioners pray the **Rosary** at **5:00pm**.

It's Not Too Late for the Charities Appeal

We urge you to contribute to the **Catholic Charities Appeal**.

As a **minimum** gift, we ask you **pledge \$1.00 a week**. That's **\$52.00** a year which you can spread over the year with a **pledge**.

Or consider just **25 cents** a day--**\$80.00** a year as a **pledge**. Or even better, give **one percent** of your annual income. Let's do something wonderful for the Lord.

No donation is too small. You Can Give Hope!

215-587-3651 or www.CatholicCharitiesAppeal.org

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

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

Held at the **Spirituality Center** in Frazer, PA on **May 21st, 22nd, & 23rd**. All contacts are confidential.

Call **215-906-6337** or **610-399-0890**

Or visit www.rachelsvineyard.org

Retreat for Healing Sexual Abuse

Grief to Grace – Healing the Wounds of Abuse – Reclaiming the Gift of Sexual Dignity is a spiritual program for those who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. It is appropriate for anyone who has endured sexual abuse, rape, incest or other forms of traumatic violation in childhood or adolescence and for anyone who has been abused by clergy.

June 6 – 10 in Aston, PA

Visit www.griefftoGrace.org or Call **610-203-2002**.

Rugged Outdoor Men's Retreat

The **King's Men** are sponsoring a retreat for men called **"Into the Wild"** at French Creek State Park on **June 10-13th**. This weekend features fishing, orienteering, outdoor cooking, archery and faith. Single or married men as well as fathers and sons are welcome.

Damian 215-906-8878 or www.intothewildweekend.com

New CD Titles

Stop by the Lighthouse Catholic Media stand next to our St. Joseph statue and see what's new!

Fallen Fiction: The Truth about Angels & Demon by Matthew Arnold

Seven Last Sayings of Christ by Dr. Scott

Why Do We Have a Pope? by Dr. Scott Hahn

The Passion of Christ in Light of the Holy Shroud of Turin by Fr. Francis Pefflry

Building Better Families by Matthew Kelly,

Feminism Misunderstood: One Woman's Journey to Peace by Jane Brennan

Pursuing Holiness: Lessons from St. Francis de Sales, Doctor of the Church by Ralph Martin

Charity in Truth: Excerpts from Encyclical "Caritas in Veritate" read by Kevin O'Brien

Voting for Catholics – U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops – presented by Dave Duran

Over 600 CDs have been distributed out of our stand to parishioners. Please pick up and pass them on.

Click on the CD Club link at www.saintjosephchurch.us

St. Joseph/St. Robert School News

Dairy Queen Spirit Day



Nothing says summer like **ICE CREAM!**

Friday, May 28th - Noon to 10pm

Across the street from the Warrington Fire House. Bring in a voucher from school or the church bulletin for SJR to get credit!

SJR Class of 1975 Graduates

"A Reunion is being planned"

If you are a 1975 Graduate, please contact the development office with updated information or E-mail your address info to development@stjstr.org or call school **215-343-5100**.

Youth Group

The Youth Group would like to thank Warrington Flowers for wrapping the carnations worn by our Seniors at their prom and to all the parishioners that donated delectable appetizers, entrees and desserts. Pictures may be viewed on the St. Joseph Church Website.

The Youth Group wishes to "Thank" **Charlie Sterling Signs** for donating the pancake breakfast banners. Contact Charlie Sterling at 215-343-6657.

Upcoming Events

Steubenville Meeting Dates: May 24th, 26th, June 8th & 21st. Meetings will be held at St. Roberts at 7:00pm.

End of Year Concert & Picnic: June 13th - after Youth Mass. Youth group will be selling hoagies – bring your own sodas.

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

4th Annual Vocation Congress

Attention: **6th, 7th & 8th Grade Boys & Parents**

Tues., June 22nd - 9am – 6:30pm - St. Charles Seminary

The Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood is sponsoring this one day event led by our Philadelphia Seminarians which will provide young men an opportunity to hear and consider the call of Christ. The day will include: music, sports activities, prayer, Liturgy & Eucharistic Adoration. Call: **610-667-5778** or www.HeedTheCall.org

Respect Life

Did you know – Pa. total number of abortions rose nearly 6% to 38,807 in 2008 including 15,377 in Philadelphia alone – according to recently released figures by the PA. Dept. of Health.