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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:

4:30PM Vigil

Sunday:

8:00AM, 11:00AM, and 6:00PM

Weekdays:

(Monday – Friday) 8:00AM

Saturdays:

8:30AM

Holy Days:

8:00AM & 7:00PM

Second Sunday of Advent • December 9, 2018

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:00 PM

MARRIAGES:

Couples contemplating marriage should contact the rectory a minimum of six months before the date of the wedding.

BAPTISMS:

Baptisms are celebrated the first and third Sundays of the month after the 11AM Mass. First time parents are required to attend a Pre - Jordan (Baptism Preparation) Session. The sessions are held the fourth Monday of the month at 7:30pm in church. Registration is required. **Only when Certificates of Eligibility from godparents are presented, then a date for the Baptism can be set.** Please call the rectory to set up an appointment for Pre - Jordan and the Baptism.

APPOINTMENTS:

The pastor is most willing to be of service to our parishioners. If you wish to meet with him, please call the rectory in advance to arrange an appointment.

R.C.I.A.:

The RCIA prepares adults for Baptism and full communion in the Church. If you're interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your initiation into the Catholic Church, please contact Mrs. Mary Carney, Director of Faith Formation.

RECTORY OFFICE:

The secretaries are available for business matters from Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

VISITS TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY:

The clergy and extraordinary ministers of the Holy Eucharist visit the homebound sick and elderly on a regular scheduled basis. Please call the Rectory to report a needed visit.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

If you are scheduled for surgery or a hospital stay, receive the Sacrament of the Sick before you go to the hospital. Call the rectory or ask the priest on Sunday to administer the Anointing of the Sick after Mass.

HOSPITAL VISITS:

Due to the Pennsylvania Privacy Act you must tell the hospital that you would like to be visited by a priest who serves the hospital as Catholic Chaplain.

PARISH REGISTRATION:

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH PARISH!

We invite all Catholics living within parish boundaries to become registered members of St. Joseph Parish as soon as possible. If you have recently changed your status, married, moved out of your parents home or graduated from college, you need to re-register. If you move, we would also appreciate a phone call to the rectory so that our records will be in order.

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BULLETIN DEADLINE - TUESDAY, 12:00 NOON

Sunday, December 9, 2018
Second Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Sun, 12/09** 8AM Pro Populo
11AM Michael Taylor
6PM Celebrant's choice
- Mon, 12/10** 8AM Dan Powell
- Tues, 12/11** **St. Damasus I, Pope**
8AM Philomena Guglielmo
- Wed, 12/12** **Our Lady of Guadalupe**
8AM Michael & Margaret Fitzpatrick
& Family
- Thu, 12/13** **St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr**
8AM Doris Kern
- Fri, 12/14** **St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church**
8AM John Kane & Family
- Sat, 12/15** 8:30AM William P. Cardell, Jr.
4:30PM Margaret O'Brien

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jackson Roche - Linda Holmes - Mary Pat Hee - Cheryl McKee - Gina Swentner - Claire Burt - Mia Zarzycki - Jordan Dougherty - Claire Reyburn - Sandra Reilly - Baby Lacey Mae McElkenney - Brandon Davis - Peg Conway - Adele Klein - Rob Grande - Daniel & Helen Switliski - Helene Schultheis - Baby Jackson & his mother Leah - Jacob Rohs - Ray Torello - Lorraine McGlinchey - Richard LaCombe - Edward Dowd - Teri Daly. *Please call to be put on this list. Names are listed for one month.*



SCRIP SALES: Rectory Basement:
Sunday 10:00am - 11:00am
Monday 10am - 12pm
Tuesday 6:30pm - 7:30pm
Friday 9am - 10am

LAST day to preorder for Christmas is Fri, 12/ 14.

Go to shopwithscrip.com for a complete list of hundreds of stores available for pre-order!

NO SALES: Dec. 23 - January 1, 2019

Newly Baptized ~ Welcome to The Faith!
Caleb Nguyen deFreitas



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH PARISH



Sunday 12/09/18

10AM - 11AM Scrip sales in rectory basement

Monday 12/10/18

7PM Narcotics Anonymous in rectory basement

Tuesday 12/11/18

10AM Knit Crochet Pray Ministry in rectory basement

6:30PM - 7:30PM Scrip sales in rectory basement

7PM - 8PM Confessions in church

Wednesday 12/12/18

Thursday 12/13/18

7:30PM Legion of Mary in Rectory basement

Friday 12/14/18

9AM - 10AM Scrip sales in rectory basement

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous in rectory basement

Saturday 12/15/18

3PM - 4PM Confessions in church

† **Parish Organizations and Activities**

- † **Pre-Jordan class for Baptism:** Monday, Dec. 17, 2018 at 7:30pm in the church.
- † **The Legion of Mary** meets every Thursday at 7:30pm in the rectory basement.
- † **The Knights of Columbus** are always looking for new members! To join, please call the rectory.
- † **Divine Mercy Cenacle mtgs:** 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month in the rectory basement at 10am.
- † **Pro Life Committee** meets 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm in rectory basement.
- † **Knit, Crochet & Pray Ministry** is held on Tuesdays at 10am in rectory basement.
- † **Flame of Love** Group meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month in the rectory at 7pm.
- † **Holy Hour:** 1st and 3rd Mondays at 6:15pm (Oct-May)
- † **Low impact exercise:** Tue/Fri 10am rectory basement
- † **St. Joseph Novena:** Thursdays after 8am Mass

WEEKLY COLLECTION ~ THANK YOU!

December 1/2, 2018: \$6,215.40

December 2/3, 2017: \$7,194.00



Advent prayer books and calendars for your Advent reflection are available at the doors of the Church.

Keep prayer as your # 1 Christmas preparation!



The St. Joseph Knights of Columbus also provide food baskets for families over the Christmas holiday and any donations are appreciated. If you care to donate please drop your donation in the Sunday collection or the rectory, in an envelope addressed to the Knights. Thank you for your support.



REFLECTIONS FROM A CARPENTER'S ANGLE

FAREWELL

Just last week we said good bye to our dear Mayor Frank Kelly. Besides being the second longest serving mayor in the United States of America, Mayor Kelly was a public servant that was approachable and was a welcoming official and distinguished presence here during his nearly fifty years of service to the residents of Collingdale. Unlike the leaders who are mentioned in the gospel this week we had a friendly face and a man who was willing to serve the citizens of our community. The leaders of Jesus' time in Palestine were those who "made their importance felt." People of those biblical times lived in fear under the rulers of those years.

They only answered to those who were above them. The ordinary person was there to serve the rulers and not the other way around.

We give thanks to God for the teachings of Jesus Christ who came "to serve and not to be served." We have the privilege of living at a time that we need not fear our leaders and even more importantly they must answer to the people. Our leaders must be elected by the citizens every few years to serve only if they win the vote of the local population. Mayor Frank Kelly was elected by the people of Collingdale for the last fourteen terms of office. That in itself shows how much our community loves our Mayor Frank.

As we said good bye to our honorable mayor on the last day of November, a candle with his wife's name, Janet, was burning on the altar of St. Joseph just a few feet away. His childhood sweetheart and bride of sixty years had gone to the Lord early this same year. As we see in the windows of our church the death of St. Joseph with our holy mother, Mary nearby, we pray that Mayor Frank will be welcomed into the arms of Our Blessed Mother and Jesus. May he and his bride be eternal guests at the banquet feast of the Lamb of God.

Saint Joseph, grant him peace,
Father Sodano



Confessions for Advent will be held
on Tuesday, December 11 from
7pm – 8pm in church.



St. Joseph Annual Nativity Play
Tuesday, December 18 at 7pm in church

~ Nativity play practices are held on the Sunday
evenings of December 9 and 16 at 7pm in church.

Performers needed! Enter by the side door.

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Second Sunday of Advent



We are a people who wait in joyful hope for the
coming of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Advent is a joyful time of spiritual preparation for
coming of God into our world and our lives.

Prayer for Week 2, Peace

Dear Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent, as we strive to become the-best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.

Advent action: In this Advent season of God loving us so much that God became one of us, pay attention today to your thoughts, remarks and conversations. Catch yourself before you judge or criticize.



PREP (CCD)

(Levels K -7). **TUESDAYS at 6:30pm in the Hall**

For questions, please contact Mrs. Mary Carney at (610) 586-1520 or email: marycarney@rcn.com.

Dec. 11: Regular class

Dec. 18: Class/ La Posada Play at 7pm in church

No class Dec. 25 and Jan. 1, 2019

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, December 15

4:30pm Gabriel & Mary Diallo

Sunday, December 16

8:00am Charlie Cronmiller

11:00am Nicholas & Matthew Taylor, Gabriel Diamond

6:00pm Thomas Ohrt and Jayden Pyle



FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: During the season of Advent, we choose to add many activities to our family's schedule to prepare for Christmas. John the Baptist reminds us that our repentance is another way in which we can prepare for the Lord's coming. Your family should choose to participate in the Sacrament of Penance at church. Read together today's Gospel, Luke 3:1-6. Talk about how John the Baptist called upon the people to prepare the way of the Lord through repentance. Invite each family member to pray silently, asking God to forgive his or her sins. Pray together the Act of Contrition. Then celebrate God's forgiveness by sharing the sign of peace with one another. – loyolapress.com



ST. JOSEPH PARISH GIVING TREE

Our parish Christmas Giving Tree is located in the vestibule of church.

~ Brighten someone's Christmas by

taking an ornament and purchasing an appropriate gift worth \$10 for the person listed.

~ Return the **unwrapped gift TODAY** with the ornament taped to it. Bins are located near the tree for your donations.

~ Gift cards are especially needed this year.

~ A locked donation box for cash and gift cards is located near the tree.

~ As donations are made, place a red bow on the tree.

~ Thank you! May God be with you during this holy season of giving.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE DINNER

Please join us for the annual pro-life Our Lady of Guadalupe Dinner on Wednesday, December 12, at St. Pius X Parish in Broomall. Mass is 5:15 PM at St. Pius Church, dinner at 6 PM in the school auditorium.

Guest speaker is Brett Atterby, President of Heroic Media. Ticket cost is \$30 each or \$200 for table of 10. For tickets or information, call Lori at 610-328-6054. Proceeds benefit crisis pregnancy centers in our area.

**Monthly on Sundays continuing Dec. 16 5:30 - 6:30 pm
Event: Holy Hours of Reparation and Petition for the Scandals of the Catholic Church**

All Catholics of the greater Philadelphia area are invited to attend a monthly holy hour of prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament to ask for His mercy upon His Church in this moment of profound crisis. We come to make reparation for our own sins and those of our bishops and priests. We come also in confident hope that from Christ's super abounding mercy will come the purification, healing and restoration of holiness for which we long.

Location: Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Phila.

St. Raphaela Center Sponsored Day of Prayer:

Dec. 18. 8:30am-5pm (flexible);

Come for a day of spiritual renewal, and discover some peace and quiet in this whirlwind of a life that we all live. We set aside one Private Retreat Day each month for individuals that would like to spend the day in private prayer or quiet reflection at the Center. There is also the possibility of having a session with one of our Spiritual Directors on staff.

Registration: online (www.straphaelacenter.org) or call St. Raphael Center at 610-642-5715. Cost: \$15

Vigilance and prayer are two words for Advent: Because historically the Lord came in Bethlehem; and He will come, at the end of the world and also at the end of our individual lives. But every day, every moment, He comes into our hearts, with the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. - Pope Francis



FOOD DRIVE: Sunday, December 16, 2018

Needed for our pantry are tuna, soup, applesauce, desserts, paper towels, toilet paper, one canned meals such as beef stew, spaghetti, etc.

Our Pantry will be open on Sunday, December 23.

Food will be distributed **after Sunday morning Masses**. If food is needed, stop over!



Blessing for the Christmas Tree:

"Dear God, two thousand years ago, you brought your son, Jesus into this world to teach us the power of love and sacrifice.

As we raise this tree, we remember his birth and the meaning of his life for us. Bless this tree as a symbol of our celebration of Jesus' birth and our gratitude for his sacrifice.

May the joy this tree brings and the gifts we place under it remind us of the many gifts you have given us.

We ask your blessings upon our loved ones, this day and always. Amen." - Sisters of Providence

St. George, Glenolden Advent confessions:

Mondays after the 4pm Mass to 5pm

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:15pm up to Dec. 15

Saturday, December 22 3:00 - 4:15pm

Society of Catholic Scientists

Did you know about this new Catholic organization? The Society of Catholic Scientists is an international lay organization founded in June of 2016 to foster fellowship among Catholic scientists and to witness to the harmony of faith and reason. The Society hopes to answer the call of Pope St. John Paul II that 'members of the Church who are active scientists' be of service to those who are attempting to 'integrate the worlds of science and religion in their own intellectual and spiritual lives. To learn more about this new organization visit <https://www.catholicscientists.org/>.

Christmas Flowers & Trees



It is a long standing tradition of St. Joseph Parish to remember our deceased loved ones in a special way through your donations towards our Christmas flowers. We will again have live trees to enhance our beautiful poinsettias. Please fill out the cut off below and drop off at the rectory, place in the collection basket or mail in. You may also use your Christmas flowers envelope that is sent with the Christmas mailing. Your generosity is truly a blessing to our Parish. We will publish the names of your beloved deceased in a separate bulletin insert.

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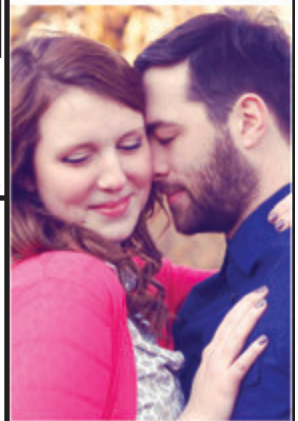
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