Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time • October 15, 2017

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 on the first and third Sundays of each month after the 12 Noon Mass. Parents are required to attend Pre-Jordan classes in preparation for Baptism. The class is held on the fourth Monday of the month at 7:30PM in the Church. Please call the rectory to make arrangements for the Baptism and to attend class.

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
This week at St. Joseph’s Parish†

Sunday 10/15/17
10:30AM – 11:30AM Scrip sales in rectory basement

Monday 10/16/17
6:15PM Holy Hour in church
7PM Narcotics Anonymous in rectory basement

Tuesday 10/17/17
6:30PM Rosary at the Grotto
6:30PM PREP in Parish Hall Classrooms
6:30 – 7:30PM Scrip sales in rectory basement

Wednesday, 10/18/17
7PM Bible Study in rectory basement

Thursday 10/19/17
7PM RCIA in rectory basement
7:30PM Legion of Mary in church basement

Friday 10/20/17
9AM – 10AM Scrip sales in rectory basement
8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous in rectory basement

Saturday 10/21/17
3PM – 4PM Confessions

Parish Organizations and Activities
† Pre-Jordan class for Baptism: Monday, October 23, 2017 at 7:30pm in the church.
† The Legion of Mary meets every Thursday at 7:30pm in the rectory basement. Join us!
† 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.
† Coffee Social is held the last Thursday of the month in rectory basement after 8AM Mass.
† Knit, Crochet & Pray Ministry is held on Tuesdays at 10AM in rectory basement.
† Padre Pio Prayer Group meets the 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month at 7pm in the convent.
† Flame of Love Group meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month in the rectory at 7pm.
† Faith Sharing & Movie Watching is held the 1st Wednesday of every month at 7pm in the rectory.
† Holy Hour: 1st and 3rd Mondays at 6:15 pm

Family Perspective: Today’s Gospel reminds us that God invites all of us to his kingdom. How do we respond to this invitation? The parable of the wedding feast reminds us that God desires our wholehearted acceptance of his invitation to salvation. Discuss how our preparations for an event and our choice of attire indicates the importance and value we place on the occasion. In today’s Gospel Jesus uses this metaphor to talk about the kingdom of heaven. Pray together as a family that you will respond wholeheartedly to God’s invitation to salvation. Pray together today’s psalm, Psalm 23. — loyolapress.com
WAITING FOR A BETTER INVITE?
How often do we get two invitations on the same date and cannot decide which event to attend? We don't like to admit it but we all have had to make tough decisions on whose dinner to attend. Hopefully we make the right choice for the right reason. This is the situation in the gospel this week. Jesus Christ tells us how his Father has sent out invitations that have not only been declined but insulted. How rude! But we have accepted the invitation of our Lord and King. We have declined other opportunities to be else where. Because we recognize the dignity and magnitude of the one who is inviting us. We recognize the host and the meal that is being served. One word is the answer to both: GOD!

St. Joseph foster our love for Jesus,
Father Sodano

Altar Server Schedule:
Saturday, October 21
4:30PM Gabriel & Mary Diallo
Sunday, October 22
8AM Cris Romanelli
10AM Taylor Family & Emmanuel Bryemah
12PM Jenna Frisch & Francesca Palaypayon
6PM Rogue & Xavier Crowe, Logan Getty

Want To Learn the Bible in One Year?
Come to the Bible Timeline Wednesday Nights
The Bible timeline is a Catholic Bible study that can help anyone to make sense of Scripture and experience the life changing power of God's Word. This study takes you on a journey through the entire Bible and deep into each period of salvation history where you will discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. Meetings will be held Wednesdays at 7pm in the rectory basement. For more information or to register for the study contact Mary Carney at 610-586-1520 or marycarney@rcn.com.

Meetings will be

Annual Memorial Mass
A special Mass will be celebrated on All Souls Day, Thursday, November 2, 2017 at the 7pm for the deceased members of our parish who have returned home to the Lord. We invite you to join us for the Mass and also to use the envelope provided in your packet to place your loved one’s names on the altar during the month of November.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Are you or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church? Are you married to a Catholic spouse, raising children Catholic, and interested in knowing more to be able to share with them? Are you a Catholic who needs the sacraments of Eucharist and or Confirmation? RCIA may be for you! To learn more about R.C.I.A. please contact Mrs. Mary Carney at 610.586.1520 or marycarney@rcn.com.

Meetings: every Thursday at 7pm in the rectory.

Save the Date ~ St. Joseph Christmas Trip
“It’s a Wonderful Life” - Walnut Street Theater
Sunday, December 10, 2017 2pm matinee
Followed by dinner at Mastorie’s in New Jersey!
Total cost = $120. Leaving at 1pm.
Contact Mary Carney at 610-586-1520 or marycarney@rcn.com to register!

Attention all engaged couples!
St Joseph’s offers a one-day PRE-CANA workshop for all couples planning to marry in the Catholic Church. Our next workshop is Saturday, November 11, 2017. To register, call the rectory at 610-583-4530. For workshop questions, contact Bobbi Shimkus at 610-259-0875.

Holy Hour is this Monday, Oct. 16 at 6:15pm.
PREP (CCD) (Levels K - 6)
Tuesdays at 6:30pm in Parish Hall classrooms
For questions or to register, please contact
Mrs. Mary Carney, Director of Faith Formation,
at (610) 586-1520 or email: marycarney@rcn.com.

Oct. 17 & 24: Regular class
Oct. 31: No class, Halloween Nov. 1: Holy Day

Children’s choir! Any parish child from 1st to 8th grade is welcome to join! We are preparing for Thanksgiving and Christmas programs. Practice is Tuesdays from 6 to 6:30pm in the Hall. Contact Sally at sallygnoza@yahoo.com for information.

Mature adult stretch and low impact exercise class!
Every Tuesday from 10am - 12pm in the convent.
Bring a mat and water! All are welcome.

Our Knights of Columbus will be selling Captain Chucky’s seafood throughout the year! Crab cakes, soup, fritters, etc! We plan on taking orders throughout the month and the pick-up date will be the last Sunday of the month. Order forms with options and prices are in the back of church!

ARCHDIOCESAN HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE
Share the trip of a lifetime with Christians from the Holy Land and fellow pilgrims from the Archdiocese from February 1-11, 2018. Find out more about this amazing pilgrimage by attending an Information Night and Social on October 19 (St. Mary Center Community Room, 701 Lansdale Ave., Lansdale), at 7pm. To register for an Information Night, email Heather at heather@select-intl.com. For information about itinerary, pricing or registration: www.selectinternationaltours.com.

Catholic Business Network of Greater Philadelphia
Faith Sharing & Networking Breakfast
Date: Friday, October 20  7:30am - 9:00am. Fee = $20.
Place: Raphaela Retreat Center, 616 Coopertown Rd. Haverford, Pa. 19401
Speaker: Temple Basketball Coach Fran Dunphy
Register at www.cbngp.org or call 610-446-4322.

BINGO
Designer Bingo with a Twist IV!
Sponsored by Collingdale 4th of July Association, Collingdale Athletic Club & Collingdale Library.
Saturday, November 4: 7pm. St. Joseph Parish Hall.
Doors open at 6pm. Tickets = $30/advance, $35/door. Designer prizes valued at $100. Refreshments served. BYOB. 50/50 Cash game. Basket Auction.
Call 610-586-0500 for tickets! Please join us!

Our Food Pantry will be open on Sunday, October 22:
Food will be distributed the ½ hour after all Sunday Masses in the Parish Hall! If you or someone you know is in need of food, please stop over! Thank you.

A New Beginning: Marriage Annulments Now
St. John Chrysostom Parish in Wallingford is hosting an informational evening on Wednesday, October 25 at 7pm in the Stevenson Center. In September 2015, Pope Francis announced reforms designed to make the marriage annulment process more accessible and affordable to all. Rev. Eduardo Montero of the Metropolitan Tribunal will lead the discussion. Discussions: Grounds for marriage nullity; procedure for annulment. A question and answer session will follow. All are welcome. Call 610-874-3418, ext 106 for more information.

Support our St. Joseph Knights of Columbus with Chance Of A Lifetime Chances (COAL). Our Council #8924 is selling COAL chances the months of October and November. Books are available in the vestibule of the church. Simply take and return your purchased chances in an envelope labeled K of C, and place in the church collection. Chances are only $1 each. Questions, contact Bob Pennock at 610-716-3945. Thank you for your support.

Parish Mission - DARE TO BE HOLY! St. Philomena, 41 E. Baltimore Ave, Lansdowne, shares exciting news! Starting Sunday evening October 22 and ending Wednesday, October 25, they are having a Parish Mission led by Lay Evangelist, Bill Wegner, of Good News International. The thrust of the mission is to bring us closer to our Lord! Join us! Bring a friend?

Next week, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Each year, the entire Church is invited to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay serve the poorest of the poor. Thank you.

Collingdale Senior Citizen Club! Hey, Seniors! Look whose moved into the neighborhood! Our new location is St. Joseph Parish Hall. Join us every Tuesday at 12noon for Bingo, cards, refreshments! Come out; join us for lots of activities and fun!

October is Respect Life Month!
To life! We must listen to God, who speaks to us. Having a well formed conscience doesn’t mean we have all the answers to the complex problems in the world, but it does mean that we are sensitive to the needs and struggles of other people.
- USCCB Secretariat of Pro Life Activities

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