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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 4:30PM Vigil

Sunday: 8AM & 11AM

6PM (September to May)

Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 05, 2024

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 celebrated on 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 6:00pm 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 are interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your initiation into the Catholic Church, please contact the Rectory.

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, May 05, 2024
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mass  *for the*
Intentions *Week*

Sun. 05 8AM Michael & Helen Fitzpatrick

11AM Carl Hildenbrand

6PM Celebrant Choice

Mon. 06 8AM – Mary Anne von Siegel (living)

Tues. 07 8AM – Mark R. von Siegel (living)

7PM – May Procession

Wed. 08 8AM – Deceased Members of
St. Joseph Memorial Fund

7PM – Vigil Mass

Thur. 09 Ascension of the Lord

8AM – Michael J. von Siegel (living)

**Fri. 10 St. John of Avila, Priest & Doctor of
the Church**

8AM – Richard J. von Siegel

Sat. 11 8AM Marjorie Kumiega

4:30PM Confirmation –

Kirk Family (living)



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

*Please call to be put on these lists. Names are listed for
one month.*

**Margaret Mc Kee, Michele Konecny,
Theresa Crowley & Baby Crowley,
Jancis Dobbs, Jack Collins,
Jackson Roche, Patti Ferry**



Please keep in your prayers our confirmands
and their families who are preparing to
receive the sacrament of Confirmation on
May 11, 2024, at the 4:30 Mass. Bishop
Deliman will preside.

Ascension of the Lord

There will be a vigil mass on Wednesday 5/8/24 @
7PM and at 8AM on Thursday 5/9/24.

Rectory will be closed on Thursday 5/9/24.

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to your parish.*



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THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Monday, 7PM Narcotics Anonymous @ Rectory
Basement

Tuesday, 6:30 to 7:30PM Scrip Sales, **6:30PM
to 8PM** Legion of Mary all are in the Rectory
Basement

Wednesday

Thursday,

Friday, 8PM Alcoholics Anonymous in Rectory
Basement

Saturday, 9:30AM Divine Mercy Cenacle meets
every 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month in the
Rectory Basement.

Confession Saturdays 3PM to 4PM

May Procession will be **Tuesday May 7** at
6:30pm in the church and ending in the
Grotto. It will be held rain or shine. Please
come honor our Blessed Mother.

Christopher Bringhurst & C J Jorgensen two of our
Confirmation children will be selling bake goods
outside church the weekend of Saturday May 4th
after the 4:30 mass and Sunday May 5th after the
8:00 & 11:00. All proceeds from the bake sale will
go towards the new altar server's robes. Thank you.

REFLECTIONS FROM A CARPENTER'S ANGLE

IS LOVE INVISIBLE?

The gospel this week connects love of Jesus with keeping His commandments. Jesus reveals His own Love of God our Father by doing His Father's will. Since love is invisible a person can say they love you but do not mean it. How do you know they love you? Love is revealed by our actions. Love may be invisible, but actions are visible. We can see a person's love by what they do or don't do.

Years ago, a high school student, Andrew, told me that his friend did not go to mass. Andrew told me that his classmate from Roman Catholic High School did not need to go to mass since God was in him already. I asked Andrew if his friend could prove that. I said to him, "If God is in your friend, then he should be able to prove it." I said that his friend should be able to stop on a highway when he sees a dead animal and get out and bring the animal back to life. Is God in you? Prove it, bring the dead animal back to life. Certainly, God would have no problem with that.

How do we show that God is in the Church? Every time we gather around the altar, Jesus who was dead comes back to us alive! Jesus' very body and blood is present at our Eucharistic banquet. How do we prove this to the world? They see that men who were paralyzed to do good suddenly are moved with compassion. They see enemies reconcile. The blind that could not see God present now see the Lord with eyes of faith. Our deafness is removed and suddenly we hear His voice call us to service. When we follow the command of Jesus to love one another as He has loved us, then the world begins to see God in us. They see our love and more important, they see God's love in us.

God Love You,

Father Sodano
Pastor





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ST. JOSEPH ELDERCARE PROGRAM

New Senior Affordable Housing Site

Catholic Housing and Community Services' newest building is now accepting applications in preparation for opening. It is for people 62+ years of age and is in the Eastwick section of Philadelphia (Island Ave.). Contact me for more information and to request an application.

Pain Management Program

COSA is co-sponsoring a chronic pain self-management program online. Components of the evidence-based program include: learning exercises to improve strength, flexibility, and endurance; using medications effectively, and; nutrition. This free program is for people 60+ years of age and will be held on Zoom for six consecutive weeks starting May 9. Register at: williamse@co.delaware.pa.us or call (610) 499-1937.

Jennifer Rose, Elder Care Program Manager,
at 484-494-5011 or jrose@chs-adphila.org
500 Woodlawn Ave, Collingdale, PA.

St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus Monthly 50/50 Raffle

All proceeds go directly to St. Joseph Church

Name _____

Phone _____

Tickets _____

Total \$ _____

*Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5

This slip can be placed in the weekly collection basket or dropped off at the rectory in an envelope marked KOC Raffle.

Tickets will be filled out for each entrant by the KOC.

Drawing will be held the last day of each month.

All are invited to the

Philadelphia Catholic Charismatic Conference
"Prophecy For Our Time" Are YOU Ready? - Holy Spirit, Empower Us!

Sat., May 18, 2024, 9:00 am to Pentecost Vigil Mass at 5:00 pm

with The Most Rev. John McIntyre presiding
Epiphany of Our Lord Church - Plymouth Meeting, PA
Speakers: Christine Watkins - Daniel O'Connor - Fr. Rick Wendell

More info and to register, go to <https://archphilaccr.org>

OLA NEWS

We would like to congratulate the following students for writing wonderful essays for The Amvets Essay Contest. The students in 6th and 8th grade wrote essays on "Why is it important to vote?" These students had their essays selected by the members of the Harold P. Sax Amvets Post: **Grade 8:** 1st Place Samantha Capuzzi, 2nd Place Maggie McDevitt, 3rd Place Tabitha Sladek. **Grade 6:** 1st Place Eli Hoke, 2nd Place Annaliesa Lucidi, 3rd Place Mia Folino! Congratulations on essays well written!

The following students are the recipients of the St. James Scholarship and will be applied to the Archdiocesan high school of their choice. Congratulations to Shane Spellacy and Kevin Gaul who will be attending Cardinal O'Hara High School in the fall. Shane received a music scholarship to O'Hara as well. Outstanding job to both 8th graders!

ON THE WAY TO CAPE MAY

BLESSING OF THE WATERS
Thursday August 15, 2023

*LEAVING ST. JOE'S following the 8:00am MASS (9:00)

*DEPART CAPE MAY AT 3:30PM - *ARRIVE HOME 6:30

*STOP AT ROSIES

***COST IS \$65.00**, INCLUDES BUS, SNACK AND DRINKS ON THE BUS. ALL PAYMENTS ARE DUE ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1ST.

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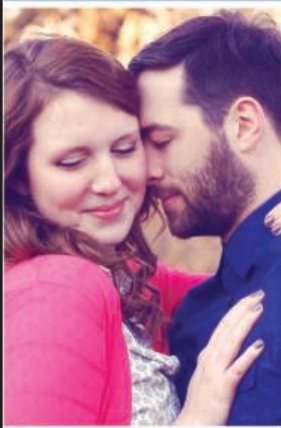
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