

Rev. Charles R. O'Hara, Pastor & Rev. Donato P. Silveri, In Residence

MARCH 31, 2024

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

MASSES

Daily Monday - Friday at 8:00 AM

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM, Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00 (streamed) & 11:00 AM

Confession

Saturday, 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM



The readings for next Sunday are shared here to give you a chance to meditate on them in preparation for Mass.

1st Reading:

Acts of the Apostles 4: 32-35

Psalm

118: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24

2nd Reading:

1 John 5: 1-6

Gospel:

John 20: 19-31

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

1ST SATURDAY DEVOTION & MASS

7:20 AM Rosary followed by Mass

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Daily from 8 AM until 7 PM

BAPTISMS

Sundays at 12:15 PM by appointment

Baptismal Prep by appointment

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Those unable to attend Mass due to illness should call the Rectory to make arrangements to receive Holy Communion.

Hospitalization

If a family member is hospitalized, please inform the Rectory so that we may remember them in our prayers.

MARRIAGE

Couples contemplating marriage must contact the priest **at least 6 months in advance** to make an appointment to discuss marriage preparations.

EDUCATION

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

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March 31, 2024 - Easter Sunday



May the kindness of God's Mercy bring you new life and Easter Joy to you and your families.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Charles O'Hara
Fr. Donato Silveri



Monday April 1	Rose Keleman <i>Req. by George Miskewicz</i>
Tuesday April 2	James Patrick <i>Req. by Sara Falco</i>
Wednesday April 3	Agnes Baranoski <i>Req. by her children for the 6th Anniversary</i>
Thursday April 4	Bernice & John Caroselli <i>Req. by The Mungin Cousins</i>
Friday April 5	Kenny Staab <i>Req. by Leslie & Chuck Staab</i>



Please return the Rice Bowls to the Narthex by Easter Sunday.



Eucharistic Minister Schedule

March 30 7:00- A Jackowski + K Cabot	April 6 4:30- E Glanga
March 31 7:30 - J Zona, P Power + M Frank 9:00 - S Prestia, S Winters + R Zeleski 11:00 - S Scowden, T Duffy + K Martorano	April 7 7:30 - J Schival 9:00 - R Zeleski 11:00 - L Wolf

Bulletin Date	Date Due
April 14- April 4	
April 21- April 11	
April 2- April 18	

Bulletin Submission Schedule
Please submit any items for the bulletin to St.Joes@comcast.net

The WORD of GOD Lector Schedule

March 30 7:00 - H Coggins/ E Slanga	April 6 4:30 - E Slanga
March 31 7:30 - J Kelly / C Staab 9:00 - B Keeley / J Michael 11:00 - S Loranca / M Benton	April 7 7:30 - A Jackowski 9:00 - R Keeley 11:00 - M Benton



Leslie	Mike
Megan	Caroline
Joe	Gianna
Jacob	Kathy
Rich	

March 31, 2024 - Easter Sunday

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY

Masses 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am
CGS Level I 8:45 am
PREP every other Sunday 8:45 am
PREP Confirmation Class 6:00 pm

MONDAY

Mass 8:00 am

TUESDAY

Mass 8:00 am
CGS Level I - 9:00 am
CGS Level II - 4:30 pm
CGS Level III - 6:25 pm
Holy Hour & Devotion - 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY

Mass 8:00 am

THURSDAY

Mass 8:00 am

FRIDAY

Mass 8:00 am

SATURDAY

Confession 2:30 - 4:00 pm
Vigil Mass 4:30 pm

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE:

Vigil Mass 7:00 pm

Holy Day:

8:00 am, 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm

EVENTS & PROGRAMS

SUNDAY, March 31 † EASTER

7:30 am, 9:00 am & 11:00 am - Easter Sunday Masses - Church

MONDAY, April 1

6:30 pm - Knights of Columbus Meeting - Narthex

SATURDAY, April 6

7:30 am - First Saturday Devotion - Church
8:00 am-12:30 pm - PREP First Eucharist Retreat -Trailers 1,2&3
12:30 pm - PREP First Eucharist Interviews - Trailer 3
4:30 pm Mass- Knights of Columbus Speaker - Church

Sunday, April 7

11:00 am Mass- Knights of Columbus Speaker - Church
4:30 pm - CGS Meditation Series Session - Church

MONDAY, April 8

7:00 pm - Knights of Columbus Meeting - Trailer 3

TUESDAY, April 9

7:00 pm - Men's Spirituality Group Meeting - Trailer 1
7:00 pm - Servites of Mary - Rosary Garden/Narthex



Thank you for the Donations

Memorial Listing will be posted on the Narthex Bulletin Board

1st Saturday
Devotion

This Saturday

April 6th

7:30 am

St. Joseph Church

alleluia!

Christ has Risen!

March 31, 2024 - Easter Sunday



We have collected \$600 so far in 2024. Please continue to bring your receipts in to St. Joseph and drop them in the container in the Narthex under the Television! We receive a portion back from all your purchases. If you are NOT a member of Redner's Save-A-Tape Shopper's Club, please consider joining-stop at their customer service desk for information.

2024 Goal is \$2000

Volunteers Needed

Are you a good listener? Have a heart for helping others? Love babies?

We are looking for volunteers to provide encouragement and share God's love with expectant and new mothers. We provide training and ask for 2.5 hours of your time weekly. Please look at our website, www.ababysbreath.org, and email abbhousing@gmail.com if you are interested.

CYACC - Holy Hour with music and night prayer

Join CYACC - Chester County Catholic Young Adults on **Wednesday April 3rd** for one of our most beautiful events, an evening of adoration, music, and night prayer.

We will begin at **7:30pm** at **St. Agnes in West Chester**. Access the chapel by entering the side door to the basement.

All are invited out afterwards for food, drinks, and fellowship. For more information about our organization: check www.cyacc.org or find us in Facebook / email us at cyacc1@gmail.com

Father Judge High School Class of 1974 50 Year Reunion

Saturday, April 27th from 6 - 10 PM at Father Judge
Cost is \$80 per person
Please contact khuckel@fatherjudge.com for more information



Knights of Columbus 1374 Recruitment Drive April 6th & 7th

Fellowship, Brotherhood
Answer the Call of Those in Need
Service & Volunteer Opportunities
Fundraising, Coat Drives
Grand Knight Brian Pickell will speak about becoming a brother Knight!
<https://kofc1374.org>



The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Psalm 23: 5-6

You set a table before me as my enemies watch; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Only goodness and love will pursue me all the days of my life, I will dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come. • "Goodness" alludes to the preferential love of God. Goodness is like grace, the absolutely gratuitous love of God; it is without cause, it is given in abundance. (Ways to Nurture the Relationship with God by Sofia Cavalletti, p 40)

For more information contact Anne Pulsifer
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The Sunday of Sundays

Easter - The Resurrection of the Lord -

Here we are. The Lenten Journey is completed.

The purple of Lent has been put away.

White and Gold adorn the Altar.

Spring flowers drive out the dullness of winter.

The Paschal Candle has been lit at the Easter Vigil and

The majestic Exultet has been sung.

The church exults in the Wonder of Christ's Rising.

Exults in a triumphant elation – a jubilation.

It Leaps Up!

It is – Easter – The Resurrection of the Lord.

Easters PAST

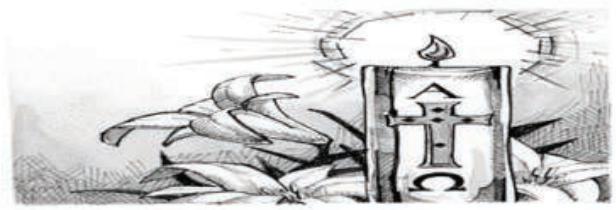
When I was a child my grandmother would buy us our Easter “outfits”. They were outfits of spring: colorful and lightweight, even if the Easter weather didn't cooperate.

The clothes were a true treat. We were decked head to toe in newness, even the shoes!

The clothes were new, and we felt new.

When we were older we would come to connect these “Easter Clothes” with a spiritual meaning: Christ Lived, Died, Rose, to make *us* New.

Easter was certainly special for us then, as it is now for all of us here present. Would that we could celebrate this newness all year through!



Easters PRESENT

Yet, that is exactly what the Lord calls us to.

We all know that Lent consists of 40 days. Yet, it took me a while to realize that the Sundays of Lent were not part of that 40 day count.

You see – every Sunday is considered a celebration of Easter. We come together as Church on Sunday because it is the Day of Resurrection.

Every Sunday is to be a Day of Jubilation, a Leap Up and Out of the workaday week and into the reality of God's Invitation to Rise to New Life.

Every Sunday is meant to be set apart – Keep Holy the Sabbath – says the LORD's Third Commandment.

Imagine if we did! Imagine truly resting in the Lord's Triumph over sin and death every single Sunday: taking time to relax as families, to relax our minds, to give God the Praise, the Trust, to lay everything of our lives into His Hands, every week – NEW!

Easters To COME

Each Sunday is meant for us to experience a Resurrection, an Easter, a heavenly taste of the future glory God has prepared for us

- The Jubilation, the utter JOY, the Fullness, of the Life to Come.

S. Mary Ann

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