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# SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

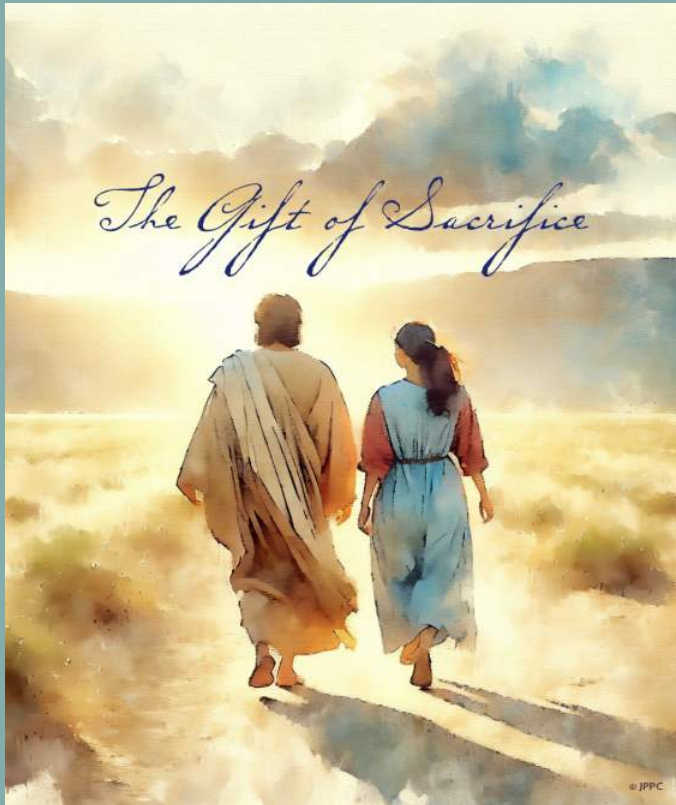
## MASSES

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.

1<sup>st</sup> Reading:

Daniel 12: 1-3

Psalm

16: 5, 8, 9-10, 11

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:

Hebrews 10: 11-14

Gospel:

Mark 13: 24-32

## OFFICE HOURS

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

Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

## 1<sup>ST</sup> 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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# November 10, 2024 - 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Please Join Us**  
**Sunday, November 10th at 7:00pm**  
**In the Church**  
**For our 4th Grade Prep Class**  
**Saint Presentation**

<b>Monday</b> November 11	Joseph Farino <i>Req. by JoAnne &amp; Judy Zona</i>
<b>Tuesday</b> November 12	Barbara Wynne <i>Req. by Kevin Thompson</i>
<b>Wednesday</b> November 13	Millie Coburn <i>Req. by Ruth Coburn</i>
<b>Thursday</b> November 14	Hoa Nguyen <i>Req. by Brandon &amp; Thuy Dinh</i>
<b>Friday</b> November 15	<i>For the Holy Souls in Purgatory who have no one to pray for them</i> <i>Req. by John &amp; Eleanor Slanga</i>



***In Remembrance of Them***  
 During November our church remembers in a special way all those who have gone before us: our beloved family members, dear friends, and neighbors. We invite you to bring in photos of those you wish to be remembered during our November liturgies and in our private prayer. Place photos at our Meditation corner in the front of church on the Blessed Mother side.

## The WORD of GOD

**Lector Schedule**


<b>November 9</b> 4:30 - E Slanga	<b>November 16</b> 4:30 - H Coggins
<b>November 10</b> 7:30 - J Kelly 9:00 - R Keeley 11:00 - M Arnold	<b>November 17</b> 7:30 - C Staab 9:00 - B Keeley 11:00 - S Lorenca

Bulletin Date	Date Due
November 24- November 14	
December 1- November 21	
December 8- November 28	

Bulletin Submission Schedule  
 Please submit any items for the bulletin to [St.Joes@comcast.net](mailto:St.Joes@comcast.net)

## Eucharistic Minister Schedule

<b>November 9</b> 4:30- K Martorana	<b>November 16</b> 4:30- C Narducci
<b>November 10</b> 7:30 - K Thum 9:00 - N Horning 11:00 - T Duffy	<b>November 17</b> 7:30 - J Zona 9:00 - Sr Mary Ann 11:00 - C or G Reece



Leslie	Mike
Megan	Caroline
Joe	Gianna
Jacob	Kathy
Rich	

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## 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 - 4:30 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, November 10

7:00 pm - Saints Presentation Prep Level 4 - Church

### MONDAY, November 11

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

### TUESDAY, November 12

7:00 pm - Men's Spirituality Group Meeting - Trailer 1

7:00 pm - Servants of Mary - Narthex

### SATURDAY, November 16

8:15 am - Confirmation Retreat

11:00 am - Healing Service - Church

### MONDAY, November 18

7:00 pm - Knights of Columbus Meeting - Trailer 1

7:00 pm - Pastoral Council Meeting - Trailer 3



## HEALING SERVICE



Please join us

Saturday November 16th  
at 11am

St Joseph Church

## The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

### Parousia

In the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd atrium, the six- to twelve-year-old child comes to know about the three great moments in the Salvation History: Creation, Redemption and Parousia. Parousia is the name given to the moment in which God will be "all in all." (1 Corinthians 15:28) At Parousia, the Kingdom will be fully established and will last forever! At the end of the Our Father prayer, we pray: "For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever." (Rev 1:6; 4:11; 5:13) The history begins with Creation, culminates in Redemption, and will be complete at Parousia. It is called the History of the Kingdom of God, and it is told in the Bible.

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## Holy Family SCHOOL



Let's work together to support fun and learning! Holy Family School is raising funds to create a new play area next to Griffin Hall. Playgrounds foster social skills, physical activity, and creativity. A playground committee is actively engaged and seeking ideas and funds to execute their goal. Your support can transform a 25-year-old play area into a hub of laughter and learning for not only our school community, but the wider community. Every donation counts. Please access the QR Code to donate and if you would like to be a part of our project, please contact Bernadette Kovaleski at [bnkovalesski@gmail.com](mailto:bnkovalesski@gmail.com). Thank you for your generosity!



**The Knights of Columbus** are conducting Coats for Kids drive for new and like-new coats for children ages 1-17. We will have a drop box placed in the narthex of the church. The last date of collection will be Sunday, November 17th. Coats will be distributed to children via Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity in Norristown. Please drop off a coat for a child in need as winter weather approaches! Reach out to Brian Pickell at 484-686-4413 with any questions.

For your information, here is how the schedule will work:

- We will place the boxes in all four parishes that we serve in the week of October 28th.
- Coats will be collected in those boxes at the weekends of Nov 2nd & 3rd, Nov 9th & 10th, and Nov 16th & 17th.- The Knights will then deliver the coats to Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity in Norristown prior to Thanksgiving.



### Knights Memorial Mass

The Phoenixville Knights of Columbus Council 1374 will be having a Memorial Mass to honor deceased members of the Knights and their families at Saint Ann's Church in Phoenixville located on Main Street on Saturday November 16, 2024, at 4:30 Mass.

This Mass will be to honor specifically those Knights that have passed away since our last Memorial Mass. A fourth-degree presence will be requested to honor these Knights and their families.



### Church Projects

Here is a listing of projects completed around our St. Joseph Church Complex (2024): As you may or may not have noticed we have been making some improvements around the property this year as follows:

- Turf under the playground equipment
- Added cement slab at the pavilion for events
- Paving the parking area at the PREP/Modular building
- Safety Railing between the PREP/Modulars and the Rectory Parking with added lights
- Church Carpet Replacement
- Concrete the Grotto pathway to make it more accessible
- Concreted the side walkway from the new paved area to the PREP building front porch
- Rectory Kitchen flooring replaced
- Exterior window for Fr. O'Hara's Confessional room window replaced.
- Added a walkway from the Front side porch of the PREP Building to the new paved area for the teachers.

**Future Projects:** We are working on tinting the Narthex windows to reduce the morning mass glare, along with replacing the Rectory garage doors and adding some lighting to the PREP driveway area in the fall/winter.



### Caring for the Poor in our Community

We will be accepting donations for both PACS (Phoenixville Area Community Services) and Project Outreach located in Spring City that help contribute the necessary items to struggling families in our area.

#### The following donations are needed:

- Soups**
- Ready to Eat Canned Goods**
- Chef Boyardee Items**
- Cereals**
- Canned Tuna & Chicken**
- Pasta Sauce**

You may place the donated items in the large cabinet in the Narthex.

We are very grateful to all of you for your support in the mission to Care for the Poor!



**WOW...we did it!!!! We have earned \$2,000 in funds through the Redner's script program.**

Everyone give yourselves a pat on your back. Let's see how much more we can put in for! Keep turning in your REDNER'S Save-A-Tape grocery receipts! There is a container in the Narthex on the credenza under the TV waiting for your receipts— St. Joseph Parish receives benefits from your donations and they **PAY OFF!**

Thank you to all for helping with this campaign.

**Keep shopping and saving your tapes...maybe we can reach \$2,500!!!!**

From the Heights 

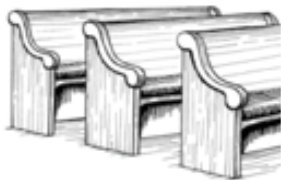
## To the Depths

Last week we ended with asking everyone to Look Up. This week, as we enter the Main Body of Church, before we enter our chosen pew, we GO DOWN: bending our knee, or if, for some of us, that's pretty impossible, we bend LOW.



When I first entered the Convent, we beginners shared stories of "life before the Convent". One Sister, Mary Jane, told us about her first date: going to an afternoon movie. She was very nervous and walked very cautiously down the aisle to pick her seat. All of a sudden, with her date behind her, she realized her knee was touching the floor. There she was, for all to see, genuflecting to the movie screen!

**From the Heights to the Depths and Everything in Between** – Up to this point we've examined Church *things* – doors, calendars, even ceilings, but this week our reflection is about *us* AND a *thing* AND what we do when we've entered that thing.



**PEWS** – To me, the word pew sounds a bit funny. I always needed to put on a straight face when asking children to go into the pews. The word comes

from Latin to Old French (*puve*) to Late Middle English meaning an enclosed place for worshippers.

The Church at Vatican II reminded us to actively participate at Mass. Sometimes we think of Mass participation as being an altar server, or lector, or

Eucharistic Minister, not just being a worshipper in a Pew.

Yet, the true meaning of active participation is to participate with our mind, our heart, our prayer, our active eagerness to receive what God wishes to speak to us, to give us. It even means to participate with sacred actions of our bodies!



### Catholic Fitness

When people of other faiths attend our Catholic Mass, they tend to be amazed (or confused) by all the bodily movements during Mass: in that all-purpose Pew we can kneel, stand, sit, be close to family and welcome those we don't yet know. We turn to others in their pews and offer them God's Peace. We leave our Pews, process to receive the Lord, and go back to our Pew taking time to welcome the Lord into our heart.

**Why does the Action Fit?** – Like my friend Mary Jane, these bodily movements can become so familiar we hardly know we're doing them. Next time we're at Mass, let's ask ourselves – Why do we stand now? Or sit now? Or kneel now? What great Pew-Pondering!

– S. Mary Ann

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