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NOVEMBER 24, 2024

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

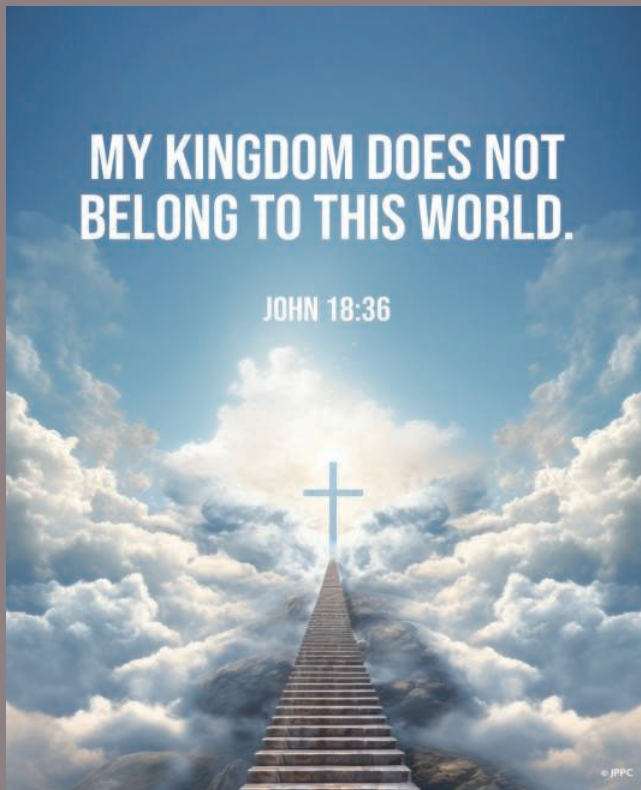
MASSES

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



MY KINGDOM DOES NOT
BELONG TO THIS WORLD.

JOHN 18:36

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

1st Reading:

Jeremiah 33: 14-16

Psalm

93: 1, 1-2, 5

2nd Reading:

Thessalonians 3: 12, 4:2

Gospel:

Luke 21: 25-28, 34-36

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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GIVING TREE

The St. Joseph Giving Tree is in the Narthex. Please prayerfully consider helping spread holiday cheer for someone in need this Christmas.



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.

Bulletin Date	Date Due
December 8- November 28	
December 15- December 5	
December 22- December 12	

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

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

November 23 4:30- H Coggins	November 30 4:30- A Jackowski
November 24 7:30 - P Power 9:00 - S Prestia 11:00 - T Duffy	December 1 7:30 - J Schival 9:00 - R Zeleski 11:00 - T Duffy



Monday November 25	<i>Kenny Staab</i> <i>Req. by Leslie & Chuck Staab</i>
Tuesday November 26	John & Catherine Blanton <i>Req. by John & Catherine Blanton</i>
Wednesday November 27	The George Yost Family <i>Req. by The Family</i>
Thursday November 28	The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Friday November 29	<i>Lorraine Duffy</i> <i>Req. by Judy & Ed Luedtke</i>



Lector Schedule

November 23 4:30 - K Martorana	November 30 4:30 - E Slanga
November 24 7:30 - J Kelly 9:00 - J Michael 11:00 - M Benton	December 1 7:30 - C Staab 9:00 - R Keeley 11:00 - M Arnold



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 24

ALL Masses - Seminarian Speaker Benjamin Braun - Church
2:00 pm - Pageant Practice - Church

MONDAY, November 25

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

TUESDAY, November 26

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

THURSDAY, November 28 HAPPY THANKSGIVING

8:00 am - Thanksgiving Day Mass - Church

SATURDAY, November 30

After 4:30 pm Mass - Christmas Cookie and Coffee - Narthex

SUNDAY, December 1

After ALL Masses - Christmas Cookie and Coffee - Narthex
2:00 pm - Pageant Practice - Church



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!!!!

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Land of Israel

Would God choose a special place to be Jesus' homeland? In all of the great big world, God chose a special country. He chose the very small country of the Land of Israel. The youngest children in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd atrium will have the opportunity to look closely at the Land of Israel topographical or raised surface map. The map allows the child to see the hilly country, the bodies of water, and the desert. It is in this way that the Land of Israel becomes more real for the children, and Jesus also becomes more real for them. It helps them know that Jesus was a real, historical person and that he lived on this earth in a particular place, and that place was called the Land of Israel.

For more information contact Anne Pulsifer
484-431-5156 or cgsstjoseph@comcast.net



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PROJECT OUTREACH INVITES YOU TO

Community Thanksgiving Meal

Thursday, November 28, 2024
Doors open 11:30am | Meal served at 12pm

Royersford United Methodist Church
380 Church Street, Royersford

Reservations recommended & walk-ins welcome
Call 610-948-5111 for reservations

Adopt-A-Family

IF YOUR FAMILY IS STRUGGLING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, PROJECT OUTREACH MAY BE ABLE TO HELP!

CALL OR STOP BY THE OFFICE TO APPLY FOR OUR ADOPT-A-FAMILY PROGRAM. WE ARE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS THROUGH

NOVEMBER 1 - DECEMBER 5

ELIGIBLE CHILDREN MUST BE 14 AND UNDER AND LIVE IN THE GREATER SPRING-FORD AREA

410 WASHINGTON STREET
ROYERSFORD, PA 19468
610-948-5111

ALL St. Joseph Parish children in grades K-3 are welcome to be a part of our annual Christmas Pageant. Practices begins Sunday November 24th at 2:00 pm in church. For more information or to sign up, please contact stjosephprep@comcast.net

Friday December 20th at 7pm

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Roses for Life

The Knights of Columbus Say THANK YOU!

Thanks to the generosity of our fellow parishioners in this church and the other three other churches that the Knights of Columbus Phoenixville Council #1374 serves, a total of \$2,245 was collected at Masses on Respect Life Sunday (and Saturday). All of your donations will go to local Pro-Life charities to help vulnerable mothers and to save the lives of their babies. We humbly and gratefully say "Thank You" for making this effort a tremendous success!



Please Joins in the Narthex After ALL Masses Nov 30th & Dec 1st Christmas cookies & Coffee



Christmas Wreath Sale

The scouts of Troop 4 (Spring City) are selling wreaths at Ridge Fire Company Stop by from 29-30 Nov 8AM-2PM or 1 Dec 9AM-1PM. Wreaths are 22" in size and cost \$30 each. For questions or to reserve a wreath ahead of time, contact Rich Pomager (rcpomager@comcast.net)

Thanksgiving Blessings

FATHER O'HARA, FATHER SILVERI & THE ST. JOSEPH PARISH STAFF WISH YOU ALL A VERY **HAPPY THANKSGIVING**.
WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOU!





Tabernacle

*And the WORD became flesh
and dwelt among us.* John 1:14

The literal translation is – The Word became flesh
and *tabernacled* among us.

When the Jewish people left Egypt, their journey to the Promised Land led through the desert. When they camped, each tribe had a set position. The Tent or “Tabernacle” of Meeting, where God met with Moses, was set in the middle of camp.

God tabernacled, pitched His tent, not in the front, not in the back, but in the midst of His people.

Pitching our Tent

We have come into our pews before Mass begins. Here, in a sense, we have pitched *our* tents. We have come, like Moses, to the Holy Tabernacle, to meet with God.

In Exodus, a pillar of cloud led the Israelites by day and a pillar of fire by night. We don’t have the cloud but we do have that little flame to the right of our Tabernacle. Its fire tells us that, just as God was in the midst of His People in the desert of the Old Testament, so Jesus is here in the midst of our deserts, our journeys, our sorrows, our joys.

We have genuflected or bowed as we entered our pew to acknowledge the Lord’s True Presence.

May our hearts take in the Goodness,
the utter Love of His Presence, for
He has come to pitch His tent with ours
- now and always - *S. Mary Ann*

Advent Is Upon Us

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King – the Feast ending this past Liturgical Year. Next Sunday we enter our New Liturgical Year with the First Sunday of Advent.

Advent Meditation Corner

During November our Church’s Meditation Corner was a Place of Remembrance and Prayer for our Beloved Deceased.

In December this Corner will be dedicated to our Advent Preparation for the Great Feast of Christmas: Christ, the Word made flesh, is born of Mary in Bethlehem.

Pitching our Tents on Wednesdays

Come, “pitch your tent” on each Wednesday evening in Advent. Come, be refreshed and renewed in a time for adoration, quiet prayer, sacred music and song.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available.

*Holy Hour – Preparing the
Homes of our Heart for HIM*
Wednesdays – Dec. 4, 11, 18
– starting at 7pm -

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