

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

NOVEMBER 3, 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:

1 Kings 17: 10-16

Psalm

146: 7, 8-9, 9-10

2nd Reading:

Hebrews 9: 24-28

Gospel:

Mark 12: 38-44

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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November 3, 2024 - 31th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Our Annual Remembrance Mass

For those who have passed away over the past year will be held on

Monday, November 4th at 7:00pm



Monday November 4	All the good Priests and Sisters who taught John & Eleanor Slanga <i>Req. by John & Eleanor Slanga</i>
Tuesday November 5	Nam Dinh <i>Req. by Brandon & Thuy Dinh</i>
Wednesday November 6	Victor Ziemba <i>Req. by Kathryn Ziemba</i>
Thursday November 7	Frances Ott <i>Req. by John Darnall</i>
Friday November 8	Joseph Leonard <i>Req. by Gary & Kim Martorana</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.



Lector Schedule

<u>November 2</u> 4:30 - K Martorana	<u>November 9</u> 4:30 - E Slanga
<u>November 3</u> 7:30 - C Staab 9:00 - J Michael 11:00 - M Benton	<u>November 10</u> 7:30 - J Kelly 9:00 - R Keeley 11:00 - M Arnold

November 17- November 7
November 24- November 14
December 1- November 21

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

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

<u>November 2</u> 4:30- C Narducci	<u>November 9</u> 4:30- K Martorana
<u>November 3</u> 7:30 - J Schival 9:00 - R Zeleski 11:00 - L Wolf	<u>November 10</u> 7:30 - K Thum 9:00 - N Horning 11:00 - T Duffy



Leslie	Mike
Megan	Caroline
Joe	Gianna
Jacob	Kathy
Rich	

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

Monday, November 4

7:00 pm - Remembrance Mass for the Deceased

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



**SPECIAL
THANKS**

**TO ALL WHO
ATTENDED &
MADE OKTOBERFEST
2024 -- A GREAT TIME
FOR ALL!**

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Redemption

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. Jesus was born in Bethlehem. We know that he came as the Great Light and that he came to share his light with all people. Through his death and resurrection, he showed us that the life he gives us is risen life, eternal, or "everlasting" life! We call this moment Redemption. 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.

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



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Please Join Us

Sunday, November 10th at 7:00pm

In the Church

For our 4th Grade Prep Class

Saint Presentation



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.



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.



Polish Night

Date: November 9, 2024

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus, Council 1374

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting an authentic Polish Dinner featuring homemade foods

Dinner includes choice of stuffed cabbage rolls or kielbasa with sauerkraut platters. All meals served with pierogi, rye bread, a choice of beverage, and dessert. Take-out orders will be available.

Mark your calendars to support this event and enjoy an authentic Polish dinner and polka music!

Saturday Evening, November 9th, 2024

Dinners Served 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Sacred Heart Café 838 Walnut Street, Royersford

Adult Platter...\$14.00 Children 5-12...\$7.00, under 5 eat free
Combo Platter (very popular), kielbasa with cabbage roll...\$17.00

Pay at the door or pre-order tickets (recommended)

For more information go to www.kofc1374.org, phone 610-792-7283 or email us at kofc1374info@gmail.com



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Friday, Nov. 8
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To the Heights



Over these weeks we have taken a slow tour of our Church: beginning with our Front doors and arriving now at the main body of the Church.

Our goal in these writings has been to look at the details of our Church. These details can become

so familiar that we don't really see them and yet, each detail has a meaning that can enrich us. Each can be a treasure for us to share.

This week: a simple reflection on something we meet as soon as we approach our church and becomes even more evident as we arrive at the Nave, the main body of the Church. What is it? Why the Height of the Church!

Our church, and practically all churches, have *really High Ceilings*: ceilings that are much higher than necessary.

Cathedrals, basilicas, take our breath away with their height. The height of our Church probably doesn't take our breath away, but it is a deliberate feature of churches to have high ceilings.

The height of churches make room for stained glass windows and the beautiful play of natural light filtered through images of holiness.

Yet, an even a deeper reason for the height is the experience of that Height itself. The Height calls us – LOOK UP! Simple? Profound! LOOK UP! The Father calls us – every day, every moment, at every age – to this, our Final Goal:

**Come UP, To the Heights
of Light, of Life, of Love.**

S. Mary Ann

Prayer before an Election

U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.

We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity....

We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn & those abandoned, Men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender.... We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live Your love, and keep in the ways of Your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and His Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.

We ask through Your Son, Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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