

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

SEPTEMBER 15, 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:

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

Psalm

54: 3-4, 2, 6 & 8

2nd Reading:

James 3: 16 - 4: 3

Gospel:

Mark 9: 30-37

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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September 15, 2024 - 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Please join us
Saturday September 21st
at 11am
St Joseph Church



We have collected \$1600 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

Bulletin Date	Date Due
September 29- September 19	
October 6- September 26	
October 13- October 3	

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

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

September 14 4:30- C Narducci	September 21 4:30- H Coggins
September 15 7:30 - J Zona 9:00 - Sr Mary Ann 11:00 - M Arnold	September 22 7:30 - P Power 9:00 - S Prestia 11:00 - T Duffy



Monday September 16	Bochko & Glowacki Family <i>Req. by The Lederer Family</i>
Tuesday September 17	Bruce Bennett <i>Req. by Sara Falco</i>
Wednesday September 18	Vicki Tuski <i>Req. by The Mungin Sisters</i>
Thursday September 19	Barbara Wynne <i>Req. by John & Eleanor Slanga</i>
Friday September 20	Lorraine Duffy <i>Req. by Leslie & Chuck Staab</i>



Lector Schedule

September 14 4:30 - H Coggins	September 21 4:30 - K Martorana
September 15 7:30 - C Staab 9:00 - J Michael 11:00 - S Lorenca	September 22 7:30 - J Kelly 9:00 - R Keeley 11:00 - M Benton



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, September 15

8:30 am - MOJO Breakfast - Pavilion

2:00 pm - Confirmation Meeting Parents & Confirmand - Church

MONDAY, September 16

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

7:00 pm - Pastoral Council Meeting - Trailer 3

TUESDAY, September 17

7:00 pm - MOJO Meeting - Trailer 1

8:30 pm - Building Committee Meeting - Trailer 1

THURSDAY, September 19

7:00 pm - St. Vincent dePaul Meeting - Narthex

SATURDAY, September 21

11:00 am - Healing Service - Church



**MOJO's Breakfast
TODAY**

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15th

Starting at 8:30 am in Pavilion

DONUT SUNDAY



Come Join Us

Sunday October 6th
After Sunday Masses in Narthex

Free Coffee, Juice and Donuts

WOMEN'S GROUP 19th ANNUAL BASKET RAFFLE DONATION REQUEST ANNOUNCEMENT

The Women's Group will be hosting its 19th Annual Basket Raffle. The event will take place on **October 13, 2024** at the Royersford Friendship Fire House 269 Green Street, Royersford, PA. Proceeds from previous year's events benefited the Veteran's Center, Project Outreach, St. Mary's Shelter, The Clinic in Phoenixville, Mom's House, St. Vincent De Paul, Bon Homie Adult Center and others. We hope to contribute to these organizations with this year's proceeds. We are asking for each family to donate a basket. You can use any type container, i.e., bucket, wash baskets, something that may go with the theme of your donation. List what is in your basket/ container with family/families name and contents.. Contact Pat Herbert 610-764-1734 to make arrangements to pick up your basket.

All donations must be submitted by October 6th.

INDIVIDUAL ITEM DONATIONS

For those who prefer to donate money toward a basket, please mail your payment to St. Joseph Church, **ATTN: Basket Raffle** or place in collection basket attention Basket Raffle. Make checks payable to St. Joseph Church. A basket will be made in your name. Gift cards to stores and or restaurants would be appreciated as well and can be mailed or placed in collection basket with your name and basket raffle. Additionally any **NEW** individual items you would like to donate towards many different theme baskets can be placed in the donation cabinet in the narthex.

Suggested donations: Baking or cooking items: pans, cake mixes, pot holders, dish towels cupcake liners, brownie mixes. Bar-B-Que rubs sauces pizza pans, cookie cutters.

Summer items: cooler, smores kit, beach towels, sand toys, beach games, kite, beach bag, snacks.

Sports: Your favorite team merchandise, football, basketballs,

Automotive basket: tire gauge, fix a flat, antifreeze, windshield wiper fluid, ice scrapers etc.car wash items
Craft items as well as toys.



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 goods

Cereals

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!



Save the Date

Saturday, October 5, 2024

6 pm

In the Pavilion

Music, Fun, Food, Beer, and More!



St. Joseph's Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS)

A PREP/Faith Formation option for Pre-school (age 3) thru Grade 6

FALL SESSIONS BEGIN SEPTEMBER 10th

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER!

CGS Level I (age 3 thru Kindergarten):

- Tues 9:00-11:00am OR
- Sun 8:45-10:35am

CGS Level II (Grades 1-3):

- Tues 4:30-6:20pm

CGS Level III (Grades 4-6):

- Tues 4:30-6:20pm



Parents of children enrolled/interested in enrolling are invited to attend an informational meeting to learn about the CGS method:

CGS Parent Orientation

Sun, Sept 8th
7:00-8:30pm

Trailer #1 of the Faith Formation Center

Curious about CGS? Please see the St. Joseph website (QR code above) or contact Anne Pulsifer (cgssjoseph@comcast.net / +84-+31-5156).



HOME AND HOMELAND

Have you ever given much thought to the words "Home" and "Homeland"?

Over the past months the Lord has taken to Himself a very close friend of many years and two members of a Prayer group to which I belong: one a long-time member who had been homebound and a new member whom we had just gotten to know and love.

A few weeks ago, I attended a weekday Mass where one of these friends' Funeral had been celebrated. After Mass, the Church emptied, and I was there alone. Yet, not alone, for, in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament, I knew and felt the Lord was truly with me.

During my time there, a number of thoughts came to me that I'd like to share, today, and over the next few weeks.

– In the quiet of that church, my grandmom's funeral homily came to mind. The priest had asked us to think of our grandmom taking a walk with Jesus. As they walked, Jesus said to her: *Mary, we've come a long way. You're so close to My house now. Let me take you HOME.*

Yes, grandmom and my friends are HOME now, I thought. That's what our lives are all about – isn't it? We're called to Go Home. We need to "make it HOME." Yet, as Philip once asked and I, that day, asked the Lord, "How can we know the Way?"

-The WAY – How do we "make it HOME?" In Church that day, it seemed like the good Lord answered me.

I think God's answer was this: to *make it HOME*, we need to *become HOME*, that is, God's HOME. Then, (with His Help) to make *wherever we are* a HOME, a True HOMELAND of God:



God's HOME in us, then our Homes, our Schools, Workplaces, Neighborhoods, Nation – HOMELANDs of God - like nesting dolls – each fitting one within the other.



HIS HOME IN US

– In the presence of these friends who have gone to God, I had felt myself to be in God's Presence, to be at Home.

But how did they *become* a HOME of God? I believe they became Homes of His Presence because they often dwelled in His Presence.

This, they had sought from God - *One thing I ask of the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the House of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His Temple.*

Psalm 27:4

Here, in this place, this Church, this HOME of God, we come.

Over the next weeks, let's take a closer look at this, our Church HOME. What might it say to us of Home and Homeland?

Next Week:
Get the Door!

S. Mary Ann

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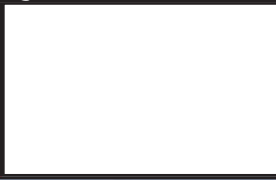
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