



Our Lady of the Rosary Parish



80 South 17th Avenue

It's a family thing

Coatesville, PA 19320

Fellow citizens . . . members of God's household, because you have been built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone (Ephesians 1,19).

There are no strangers in grace . . . only the friends we have been waiting to meet!

SACRAMENTAL AND DEVOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

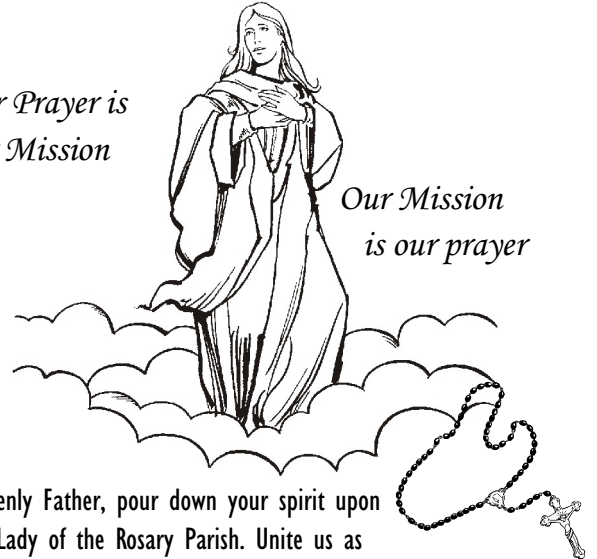
- ✠ Morning Prayer: 6:45 before morning Mass.
- ✠ Daily Mass: M, T, T, F, S: 7 AM; Wed. 6 PM
- ✠ Weekend Mass : Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:30, 10:45 AM
- ✠ Holy Day Mass: Will be posted for each Holy Day
- ✠ Reconciliation: Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM

- ✠ BAPTISM dates are scheduled once parents have submitted all necessary forms and have completed the Pre-Jordan session. Please do not anticipate any date for a Baptism until you have consulted with Fr. Brennan. To begin the Baptism journey, call the Parish Office.

- ✠ Rosary each Monday at 7:00 PM.
- ✠ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Most Saturdays: 7:30 to 12 noon;
Last Monday of each month: 7:30 AM to 7:30 PM;
Divine Mercy Chaplet: 3:00 PM,
7:00 PM Rosary
7:30 PM Saint Jude Novena with
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.
- ✠ Miraculous Medal Novena each Saturday after
7:00 AM Mass
- ✠ Sacred Heart Novena First Friday after daily Mass

*Our Prayer is
our Mission*

*Our Mission
is our prayer*




Heavenly Father, pour down your spirit upon Our Lady of the Rosary Parish. Unite us as one, sharing a vision of your glory, a new experience of your power, a new faithfulness to your word, and a new consecration to your service. Through our renewed witness, and with the help of Mary, Queen of the Rosary, may your Holy Name be glorified, and your kingdom advance. We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Parish Office: 610-384-1415 Fx: 610-383-6592
www.olrcc.org

PREP: Parish Religious Education Program

Jackie Townsley and Paul Friel – Directors
Pope John Paul II Regional Elementary School
Principal: Mrs. Sarah Kerins 610-384-5961

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Silence is golden

FEBRUARY 3, 2019 Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time



THE GREATEST OF THESE IS
LOVE.

CALENDAR NOTES

- ✦ Feb. 20 Pasta Dinner
- ✦ March 2 First Reconciliation
- ✦ March 3 Mass with Anointing of the Sick 10:45
- ✦ March 6 ASH WEDNESDAY

PARISH NEWS

SUNDAY FLOWERS

The bouquet at the Main Altar was donated in memory of Edward Steen requested by daughter Dorothy Ruscio.

HOAGIE SALE

Don't forget to pick up your Hoagie in the hall kitchen after Mass today!

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Frank Balisteri, Maureen Bole, Dolly Carnuccio, Nina Cordaro, Brian Dray, Heather Fuller, Judy Groff, Shelly Guisepppe, Christopher Hagee, Kathy Hawk, Liam Hawk, Jr., Joanne Hill, Skip Hill, Raymond Holter, Mya Hostutler, Richard Humphreys, Cindy Kerr, Ave Lamb, Chloe Lamb, Nathan Lamb, Frank LaPolla, Julia Lavin, Mary Lou Mancuso, Emerson Ann Mascherino, James Mascherino, Jeff McCoy, James Porreca, Janet Rambo, Lucinda Reach, Mary Riley, Carlos Sanz, Baby Maverick Sonneborn, Joe Spagnuola, Roseanna Terriman, Hedy Tranchitella, Fred Weller, Frank Yannetti and Lucas Yost.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD

Eternal rest grant unto Joe Spagnuola and Judith Pacana, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

ROSARY CAFE

Rosary Café will be serving coffee, tea and conversation on Sunday, February 10th from 9:00 to 12:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All are invited to take advantage of this great opportunity to mingle, chat and enjoy a cup before heading home.

FIRST PENANCE

There will be a First Penance *practice* on Saturday, February 23rd at 9:00 a.m.

The Sacrament of First Penance will be held on Saturday, March 2nd at 10:00 a.m.

***Prayer is the road to heaven but
Faith opens the door!***

SODALITY

Sodality membership dues for this year are now payable. Dues are \$5 per year. Please send your payment to Dorothy Ruscio or drop in the Sunday collection basket.

SERVICE FOR OUR LORD

Registration forms for new Altar Servers are available on the bulletin boards at the church entranceways. Any parish children (4th grade or above) who would like to offer their service to God and our parish in this special ministry is invited to take one of the forms, fill in the necessary information and return it to Father Brennan no later than March 15th.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Everyone is invited to join in the all-day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament which is offered on the last Monday of each month. Our next Eucharistic Adoration will be held on Monday, February 25th from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Come and spend some time before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament!

DEVOTIONS

There will be no Monday Rosary, St. Jude Novena or Benediction during the month of January and February.

The next Monday Rosary will be held on Monday, March 4th at 6:00 p.m. to pray the *Joyful Mysteries*. All are welcome to join in the prayer.

The *Rosary* is also recited at 4:30 p.m. on all Saturday evenings before the Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m.

GRIEVING THE DEATH OF A LOVED ONE

Where ever you are on your journey of grief, you don't have to travel alone. All Our Lady of the Rosary parishioners are invited to take part in our upcoming grief support program. This six week program, led by OLR Bereavement Ministry Team aims to help participants feel a renewed sense of hope and healing in God's loving guidance. The sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the church hall beginning March 12th and ending April 23rd. Please register with Sandra Hould at 610-384-2112 or Jhould@ccil.org. 2-206

LOTTERY CALENDAR

01/22/18	625	Roy Hunsicker
01/23/18	899	<i>House wins! Thank you!</i>
01/24/18	578	<i>So Sorry!</i>
01/25/18	648	Matt Rambo
01/26/18	276	<i>Wish it were you!</i>
01/27/18	885	<i>Could have had it!</i>
01/28/18	060	<i>Number still available!</i>

GET IN ON THE FUN

It's fun; it's easy; it's 365 chances to win! Don't let your family and friends miss out on a chance to win every day of the year for the low price of \$40. Order forms can be found on the bulletin boards in church. Those who have already ordered their calendars can pick them up in Mary's Chapel after Mass.

We express our sincere thanks to everyone who has been a supporting participant in our parish Lottery Calendar. Your support has helped to make this adventure a wonderful success as well as providing a little excitement and fun – especially for our winners.

The luck of the New Year be with you!

PASTA DINNER

The Sodality will host a *Pasta Dinner* in the parish hall on Wednesday, February 20th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults; \$5 for children. All are welcome to join in the fun, fellowship while enjoying an outstanding meal.

YOUR SERVICE OF SUPPORT

Sunday Collection, January 27, 2019

Envelopes Offered:	316
Donations:	\$10,024.00

We thank all parishioners for their generosity and commitment to OLR. You are truly a blessing!!

TEACHER NEEDED

Our PREP program is in need of a 6th grade teacher. Your time and talent will be extremely appreciated. The class is held on Sunday mornings from 9:30 to 10:40. If interested, please contact our PREP directors Jackie Townsley (610-384-4482) or Paul Friel (610-857-9091).

*If I cannot do great things, I can do
small things in a great way!*

Martin Luther King

*When life gets too hard to stand,
then kneel!*

LOOKING AHEAD

Ash Wednesday, March 6th will begin the Lenten Season. Mass will be held at 7:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Daylight Savings Time will begin on March 10th.

Anointing of the Sick will be held after the 10:45 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 3rd.

Troop #117 will host a Pasta Dinner on May 4th.

PRE-JORDAN

Parents and godparents presenting a child for Baptism need to attend a preparation class in order to be properly informed about the meaning of the Sacrament of Baptism. The next class will be held on Thursday, March 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the last classroom in the parish hall. Registration is a must. Please register in advance by calling Mrs. Coxson at 610-384-5560. Please do not assume any date for baptism before confirming the date with Father Brennan. Before any date can be finalized, all forms and eligibility letters need to be delivered to the rectory.

CRAB CAKE SALE

The Lady's Sodality is once again having a Crab Cake Sale! The sale has started and runs until Sunday, February 24th. Pick up is Saturday, March 2nd from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the church hall. Capt'n Chucky's Crab Cake Company is supplying the crab cakes, crab critters and Maryland Crab soup. Order forms are available on the entrance tables in church or on page five of this bulletin. Don't miss out – they are delicious! And, just in time for Lent!

DONATIONS

An evening at Shanahan on March 30th features amazing food from local restaurants, music from BSHS Jazz Band and a variety of silent auction items and raffles. All proceeds will support BSHS's student activities and programs. BSHS is kindly requesting support from the families of OLR via a small monetary donation to go towards a large item to donate to the auction. Please mail monetary donation to the OLR/BSHS coordinator April Hershey, 220 Pine Valley Dr., Coatesville.

Growing in FAITH™

Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

February 2019

Our Lady of the Rosary Church
Reverend Thomas J. Brennan, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

St. Jerome Emiliani

St. Jerome led a wayward life while a soldier until he was captured in battle and turned back to God. Soon after returning to Venice, he began studying for the priesthood and was ordained in 1518. With the devastation from the war came famine and plague. At his own expense, St. Jerome cared for the victims left behind, especially the children. For this purpose, he and some companions founded the Clerks Regulars of Somascha, in Somascha, Italy.



Make it a good day

A good day is one spent in God's presence. Start the morning by offering your efforts to God. Throughout the day, look for evidence of his nearness to you as you go about your business. Don't let minor irritants affect your mood.

"I don't care to inquire why they cannot believe an earthly body can be in heaven, while the whole earth is suspended on nothing." St. Augustine, *City of God*



Make every Sunday the Lord's Day

"This is the day the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24). God wants us to have a day of rest each week. He felt it was so necessary that he made it a **Commandment**.

While it is non-negotiable for God's people, a busy person may find it hard to do Sunday right. Try these tips for making Sunday the Lord's Day:

Attend Mass. Both Jesus' Resurrection and Pentecost occurred on Sunday. There's no better way to celebrate the Lord's Day than to worship him during Mass on Sunday.

Schedule chores. It's not very restful to stand in line at the grocery store or change the oil in your car. Try to

accomplish chores and errands another day so you can spend time relaxing on Sunday.

Alternate entertainment. Instead of turning on the TV or zoning on the smartphone, take a nice long drive, curl up with a good book, or visit friends or family. Do whatever it takes to recharge your spirit.

Create a unique prayer habit. Offer prayers that you only say on Sundays. Read Scripture. Listen to sacred music. Take time to thank God for your blessings.

Protect the day. Make Sunday a priority. Don't let anything interfere with your rest, peace, or worship. Let the Holy Spirit guide your day.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics believe the pope is infallible?

As visible head of the Church on earth, the pope has the gift of infallibility. This means that by gift of the Holy Spirit, the pope can't err in teaching the faith.

That's not to say that a pope is a perfect person. This gift of the Holy Spirit helps the pope, and the bishops

with him, guide the Church in staying faithful to Christ. The pope is only infallible when he solemnly declares a teaching on faith and morals as St. Peter's successor (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #890-891).



“Please forgive me!”

Throughout history, there has been only one person who never made mistakes. The rest of us make plenty but few of us are comfortable with asking for forgiveness for them. Yet owning up to our mistakes is a big step toward preventing their recurrence. Try this:

Start by looking at the other person when you apologize. This communicates that you know you have caused harm and are ready to accept the consequences of your behavior.

Name the actions for which you are sorry. Be specific.



Assure the other person that the actions won't happen again and detail the steps you will take to rectify any harm you caused. Remember – true contrition involves making amends for your sin.

Give some visible sign that you are sincerely sorry. Shake hands or give a touch on the shoulder. Such an action will help start the healing of your relationship.

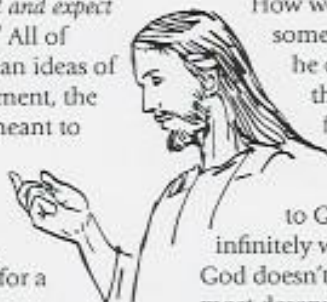
Taking steps to achieve sincere contrition and forgiveness will help you grow in holiness as you work to eliminate an occasion of sin.

from Scripture

Luke 6:27-38; Being merciful as God is merciful

In this Gospel passage, Jesus tells us to “love your enemies...lend and expect nothing back...and forgive.” All of these go against our human ideas of fairness. In the Old Testament, the “eye for an eye” rule was meant to make sure the punishment wasn’t excessive. Likewise, the idea of getting favors was meant to show gratitude for a favor already given.

The problem is that “an eye for an eye” can result in a vicious cycle of violence and destroyed relationships. The “favor for favor” idea reduces the value of giving gifts out of kindness and



appreciation to simply owing favors. How would you know if the good someone did you was because he or she loved you or because they wanted something from you?

Jesus “updates” the old understanding of justice to God’s justice, which is infinitely wiser and more perfect. God doesn’t dole out his love to the most deserving, but freely to everyone. His goodness includes mercy as well as justice. His love is generous, selfless, simple, and compassionate. The surest sign of being God’s children is if we love others the way he does.

Feasts & Celebrations

Feb. 11 – Our Lady of Lourdes (1858). A heavenly “lady” appeared to St. Bernadette Soubirous, a poor and sickly girl from a small village in France. Soon after the first vision, a spring with miraculous, healing waters emerged from a nearby cave. The “lady” revealed herself as the “Immaculate Conception” – the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Feb. 22 – St. Peter’s Chair (1st century). We celebrate the establishment of the Holy See and pray for the preservation of God’s Church. The “Chair of Peter” refers to the relic of an actual chair of St. Peter and to the

spiritual authority of the Church, symbolized by the chair.

Feb. 26 – St. Porphyry (420). Born to a wealthy Greek family in Macedonia, St. Porphyry lived as a hermit. His quiet life was interrupted when he inherited a fortune, which he quickly gave to the poor. He worked as a shoemaker before becoming a priest, then the Bishop of Gaza (against his will). Despite initial resistance, St. Porphyry successfully evangelized Gaza.



Q & A What is the difference between a basilica, a cathedral, and a shrine?

Different church buildings serve different purposes. Basilicas are traditionally large, rectangular churches that have a historical and spiritual



importance, such as St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome. The ancient Romans originally used them to house kings or judges. Later, Christians used the style for places to worship God, the King of Kings.

The pope can raise important church buildings of historical and spiritual significance, for example a cathedral, to the status of “minor basilica.” When you visit, you’ll know you’re in a minor basilica if the conopaeum (a red-and-yellow umbrella), a special bell, and the Vatican seal (papal crown and crossed keys) are on display.

A cathedral is the chief church in a diocese and is where the bishop presides. The name “cathedral” comes from the word cathedra, which is Latin for “the chair.” This refers to the bishop’s chair, which represents his authority. A shrine is a sacred place where a saint’s relic is preserved, an apparition took place, or a place to encourage a specific belief or devotion.

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