



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

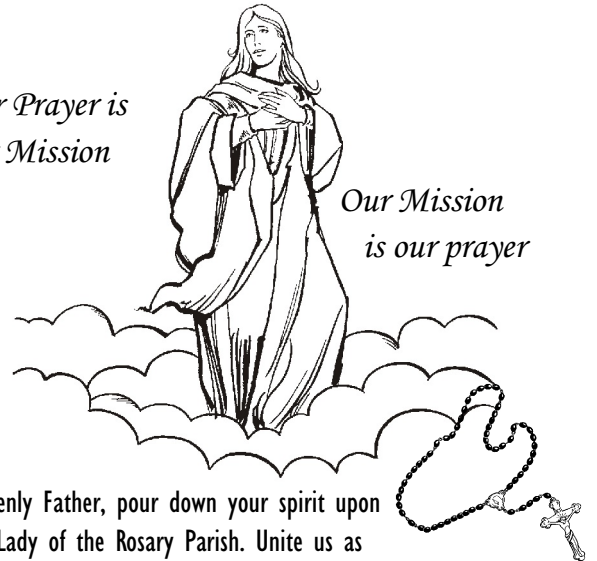
- ✠ BAPTISM dates are scheduled once parents have submitted all necessary forms and have completed the Pre-Jordan session. Please do not anticipate any date for a Baptism until you have consulted with Fr. Brennan. To begin the Baptism journey, call the Parish Office.

- ✠ Rosary each Monday at 6:00 PM.

- ✠ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Most Saturdays: 7:30 to 12 noon;
Last Monday of each month: 7:30 AM to 6:30 PM;
Divine Mercy Chaplet: 3:00 PM,
6:00 PM Rosary
6:30 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*



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
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Parish Religious Education

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



MARCH 1, 2020 First Sunday of Lent

Repent and believe in the Gospel

The BEST part of the week.

CALENDAR NOTES

- ✦ March 7 First Reconciliation
Pray for our young ones celebrating Jesus' love in this special way.
- ✦ March 15 Painting with a Twist



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Silence is golden

Remember ME



This Week at Our Lady of the Rosary Church

Monday March 2	Readings: 7:00 a.m. Mass 6:00 p.m.	<i>Lv 19:1-2,11-18; Ps 19:8-10,15; Mt 25:31-46</i> Nina Guerrero by Chuck & Eileen Coxson Rosary in church
Tuesday March 3	Readings: 7:00 a.m. Mass	<i>Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7,16-19; Mt 6:7-15</i> Mary DeCristoforo by Rosetta Rambo
Wednesday March 4	Readings: 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Mass 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	<i>Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4,12-13,18-19; Lk 11:29-32</i> Bible Study in hall classroom Butch Franciscus by Eileen & Joe Devine Jean Martilik by Pat Trolio Adult Choir practice in church
Thursday March 5	Readings: 7:00 a.m. Mass 6:30 – 7:15 p.m.	<i>Est C:12,14-16,23-25; Ps 138:1-3,7c-8; Mt 7:7-12</i> Special Intention Grace Notes rehearsal in church
Friday March 6	Readings: 7:00 a.m. Mass 6:00 p.m. Mass 6:30 p.m.	<i>Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26</i> Sante Piscoglio by Geri Rozelsky Helen Filoromo by Ruth Cavuto Eucharist Ministers: Diane Mascuilli Lector: Tom Leicht Altar Server: Ben Staub & Anthony Watson Stations of the Cross
Saturday March 7	Readings: 7:00 a.m. Mass 10:00 a.m. 4:00 – 4:45 p.m. 5:00 p.m. Mass	<i>Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2,4-5,7-8; Mt 5:43-48</i> Tom Kubala by the Family First Penance in church Confession Hank Cacciamani by the Family James Trolio, Sr. (9 th anniversary) by wife Pat & Sons Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Mascuilli, Jaime Torchiana & Pat Trolio Lector: Mary Kay Hennessy & Tim Irwin Altar Servers: Jackson Jonik & Dominic Sano
Sunday March 8 <i>2nd Sunday of Lent</i>	Readings: 8:30 a.m. Mass 10:45 a.m. Mass	<i>Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5,18-20,22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9</i> Pietro Gulli by Vince & Dona Gulli Thaddeus Kowalczyk by George & Mary Catherine Tandarich Eucharistic Ministers: Dwight Bohm, Kathy Esposito & Mike Walker Lectors: Marietta Mann & Ann Nagle Altar Servers: Stephen Schubert & Jacob Viljoen Joseph Batten by Tim & Audrey Vanderslice Joseph Pomorski by Janice & Damian Miller Eucharistic Ministers: Stephen Brown, Joanne Reagan & Justin Staub Lector: Charley Hepner Altar Servers: Tyler Hershey & Sofia Trader

If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts!

PARISH NEWS

MASS OF THE ANOINTING

The Holy Name Society is sponsoring the annual Mass of the Anointing today, Sunday, March 1st at the 10:45 a.m. Mass. Any member of the parish facing illness is welcome to celebrate in this wonderful Sacrament. The Holy Name Society will be providing the music.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Frank Balisteri, Susan Bothe, Joan Brinton, Karen Brienbaugh, Sandy Carnuccio, Dolores Carroll, John Coombe, Filomena del Mundo, Rick Dietz, Edward Ducrest, Cookie Evans, Vivian Gibson, Evelyn Graham, Joe Henderson, Millie Hoffa, Edward Horn, Mya Hostutler, Cindy Kerr, Debbie Klien, Ava Lamb, Chloe Lamb, Nathan Lamb, Nathaniel Lease, Michael McCormack, Jean Mullen, Scott Mullen, Franklin Nash, Sara Nash, Fred Orrell, Joseph Pisano, Chase Pointek, Fay Powell, Lou Powell, Janet Rambo, Chloe Rubert, Carlos Sanz, Michael Sofranko, Norman Stier, Julia Taylor, Anne Valentini, John Verploegh, Bernadette Vevasis, Christine Welsch, Fred Weller, Jasper Wilson, Frank Yannetti and Theresa Zampello.

LOTTERY

02/18/20	885	<i>So close!</i>
02/19/20	258	<i>Better luck next time!</i>
02/20/20	106	Jean Jones
02/21/20	289	<i>Just missed it!</i>
02/22/20	676	Dan Laverty
02/23/20	745	<i>Missed a biggie!</i>
02/24/20	297	<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.

We express our sincere thanks to everyone who has been a supporting participant in our parish Lottery Calendar.

COMING UP

Daylight Savings Time will begin next Sunday, March 8th. Don't forget to set your clocks an hour ahead.

FIRST PENANCE

The Sacrament of *First Penance* will be held on Saturday, March 7th at 10:00 a.m.

PAINTING WITH A TWIST

This fun event will be held on Sunday, March 15th beginning at noon in the parish hall. The cost of a ticket is \$40 and includes all supplies, wine, water soda and light appetizers. If you can finger paint, you will have a blast. There is definitely no art experience necessary. For tickets, call the rectory at 610-384-1415. Deadline to register is March 8th.

NOW AVAILABLE

Registration forms for new *Altar Servers* are available on the bulletin boards at the church entrances. Any parish child (4th grade or above), who would like to offer their service to God and our parish in this special ministry are invited to take one of the forms, fill in the necessary information and return it to Father Brennan no later than March 29th.

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, March 30th. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed after the 7:00 a.m. Mass and will remain exposed for adoration until 6:00 p.m. The Rosary, St. Jude Novena and Benediction will be prayed at 6:30 p.m. Come and spend some time with the Lord!

YOUR SERVICE OF SUPPORT

Sunday Collection, February 23, 2020

Envelopes Offered:	259
Donations:	\$8,368.00

A second collection will be taken up at all the Masses next weekend for *Operation Rice Bowl*. Please be generous with your prayers and financial support.

Thank you so much for your loyal support and generosity.

SODALITY

The next Sodality meeting will be held on Sunday, March 22nd beginning at 9:15 in the parish hall.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD

Eternal rest grant unto Nick Fantanarosa and Sante Piscoglio, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

LENTEN SEASON

Mass will be celebrated during Lent at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. *Mass* will be celebrated at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays. *Stations of the Cross* will follow after the 6:00 p.m. *Mass* on Fridays.

EASTER FLOWERS

If you wish to donate flowers for our Easter Sunday decorations, please call the rectory. If possible, a donation of \$20 would be appreciated.

EASTER DECORATING

Your help will be needed after the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 10th. Stations of the Cross will be held at 6:00 p.m. Anyone who wishes to help, please mark your calendars.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will be held every Wednesday from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the hall classroom (last room on the left). If interested in attending, please call Joseph Hould at 610-384-2112.

DEVOTIONS

The next Monday Rosary will be held tomorrow, Monday, March 2nd at 6:00 p.m. We will pray the *Sorrowful Mysteries*. All are welcome to join in the prayer.

All are welcome to join the Sodality each Saturday evening at 4:30 p.m. before *Mass* for the recitation of the Rosary.

ROSARY CAFE

Rosary Café will be serving coffee, tea and conversation on Sunday, March 29th from 9:00 to 11:15 a.m. in the church hall. All are invited to take advantage of this great opportunity to mingle, chat and enjoy a cup before heading home.

**PRAY FOR OUR
MILITARY!**

BAKE SALE

The Sodality will host a Bake Sale on the weekend of April 4/5. All are invited to stop in the hall after *Mass* to pick up delicious baked “goodies” before heading home.

MARY’S TEA

The Sodality will host a *Mary’s Tea* on Sunday, April 26th at noon in the parish hall. It is a day for all women to honor our Blessed Mother. Tea sandwiches, salad, home-made desserts and tea will be served amid prayer and music. We are encouraging participants to wear spring or summer hats as well as bringing your own tea cup. Tickets are \$10 for adults; \$5 for girls under the age of 12. Keep your eyes on the bulletin for ticket sale dates.

SAVE THE DATE

A bus trip is planned for Thursday, August 6th to the Sights and Sound Theatre in Lancaster to see the fabulous play “Queen Esther”. The bus will leave our parking lot at 11:15 a.m. and return around 6:30 p.m. The cost of the trip will include transportation, tickets to the show and lunch at Shady Maple. Keep your eyes on the bulletin for more information. For questions, call Nancy Stoffey at 610-857-3523.

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. Please register for class by calling Mrs. Eileen 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.

MEN’S SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE

Saturday, March 7th

An inspiring day of faith & fellowship for all men!

Guest speakers: Brent Celek
Immaculee Ilibagiza
Steve Bollman
Mark Forrest
Archbishop Charles Chaput

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March 2020

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

One Minute Meditations

St. Toribio de Mogrovejo

Born in Mayorga, Spain, St. Toribio was educated in law and became the Professor of Law at Salamanca University. His work and his holiness earned him the notice of the king, who named him to be the next Archbishop of Lima. Despite his arguments, Toribio was ordained a priest, consecrated, and sent to Peru. He spent his office reforming the then-corrupt diocese, catechizing the native Peruvians, and defending them from the abuses of the Spanish conquistadors.



Sunday rest

Rather than a day to catch up on errands and chores, God intends Sunday to be a day of contemplation and of rest. Sunday is the day we set aside for God and moments of praise and worship.

"I would like everyone to feel loved by the God who gave his Son for us and showed us his boundless love. I want everyone to feel the joy of being Christian" (Pope Benedict XVI).



Dealing with difficult people Jesus' way

People who argue, fight, or refuse to cooperate can make our lives downright miserable. Yet, Jesus was masterful at dealing with difficult people. Following his example can save our sanity and our relationships.

Know when to ignore. When Jesus made his Nazareth friends and neighbors so mad that they wanted to throw him off a cliff, he knew there was no reasoning with them. "Passing through the midst of them he went away" (Luke 4:30). When people speak harshly or offensively, the best response can be to disengage and walk away.

Know when to say "no." Sometimes others demand more from us than we

are able or willing to give, yet we give in out of guilt or fear of displeasure.

Two of his best friends, James and John, said to Jesus, "we want you to do whatever we ask of you" (Mark 10:35). In response to this stunning breach of boundaries, Jesus was calm and firm. He said "no" and didn't second-guess himself when he didn't make his loved ones happy.

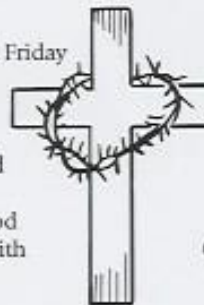
Know when to stay calm. When Jesus took a Sabbath stroll with his friends (Matthew 12), Pharisees barged in and accused him of breaking the Sabbath. He remained calm and answered them peacefully. He wasn't afraid of being tripped up or trapped because he was unconcerned about others' opinions.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics call Good Friday "good"?

Although a sad day, Good Friday actually is "good" because it is the day when Jesus saved us from our sins, reconciled us with God, and reopened Heaven. Out of what seemed like defeat, God brought a greater victory. With



his sacrifice, Jesus conquered sin and death. On Good Friday, we see more clearly God's goodness, justice, wisdom, power, and love. "God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

3 ingredients for powerful prayer

A close, loving relationship with God depends on a rich prayer life. It is through prayer that God guides, consoles, strengthens, challenges, and transforms us. Ingredients of a strong prayer life can include a Scripture reading, quiet meditation, and expectation.

Meditate on Scripture each day: The Bible contains everything God wants us to know. Start each morning with a verse, a chapter, or a phrase that speaks to you and carry it with you



throughout the day.

Listen in silence: Listening is as important as talking. Spend 15 minutes in silence each day to listen to what God wants your heart to know.

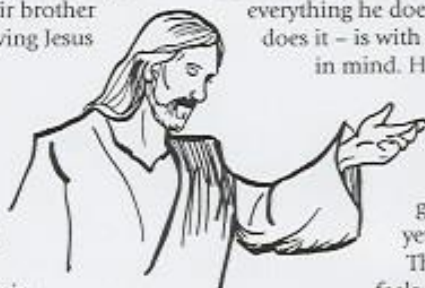
Wait in positive expectation. When we have faith that God personally loves us and wants what is best, we eagerly await the plans he has for us. "...faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1). The conviction that God hears and answers us makes our prayer truly powerful.

from Scripture

John 11:1-45, Trust, and you shall be rewarded

God's ways can be puzzling. In this Gospel passage, Martha and Mary sent word to Jesus that their brother was seriously ill, believing Jesus could help. Yet, Jesus delayed in coming to them and Lazarus died. Despite this, Martha showed great faith: "Even now I know that whatever you ask of God he will give you." For her firm faith in God, she was rewarded generously.

God never leaves us in our troubles but draws closer to us. When the situation was at its bleakest for his friends, Jesus was with them. He wept,



he wasn't insensitive to their pain. God's timing is not ours, yet everything he does - even when he does it - is with our best interests in mind. He was not too

late for Lazarus, but right on time and worked his greatest miracle yet.

The next time it feels like God isn't listening, remember Jesus' own words: "Father I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me." We can trust his response, while perhaps not what we want, will work for good.

Feasts & Celebrations

March 3 - St. Katharine Drexel (1955). A Philadelphia heiress, Katharine Drexel became a nun and used her inheritance to establish the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for African and Native American peoples. She founded missions for Native Americans and Xavier University in New Orleans, the first to admit African American students.

March 4 - St. Casimir of Poland (1483). When his father sent him to conquer Hungary, Casimir assessed the odds against winning the war and

turned back out of concern for his troops. He resolved never to be involved in war again.

March 19 - St. Joseph, husband of Mary (1st Century). Jesus' earthly father and husband to the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph is a model of fatherhood and a protector of families.

March 27 - St. John of Egypt (c.394). Born in modern Assiut, Egypt, St. John became a hermit when he was twenty. He lived an ascetic life but preached publicly on weekends. Also a prophet, he made two accurate predictions for Emperor Theodosius I.



Q & A Can you suggest a meaningful sacrifice for Lent?

The point of Lent is not to greet Easter a few pounds lighter but to be transformed. Try something new this Lent:



Make extra time for him each day. Read the Bible, attend daily Mass, pray a Rosary, or visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Avoid the mirror. Take the focus off your appearance or looks. Refuse to compare yourself to others or accept others' view of you. Remember, your worth isn't in how others see you, but in God's infinite, unchanging love for you.

Give up one thing at every meal. Offer up a little something every time you eat - forego sugar in coffee, honey on cereal - to keep the idea, "it's Lent," in the forefront.

Offer the heroic minute. St. Josemaría Escrivá suggested jumping out of bed - no snooze button - as soon as the alarm goes off, "without granting a single minute to laziness. If, with the help of God, you conquer yourself in that moment, you'll have accomplished a great deal for the rest of the day."

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