



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

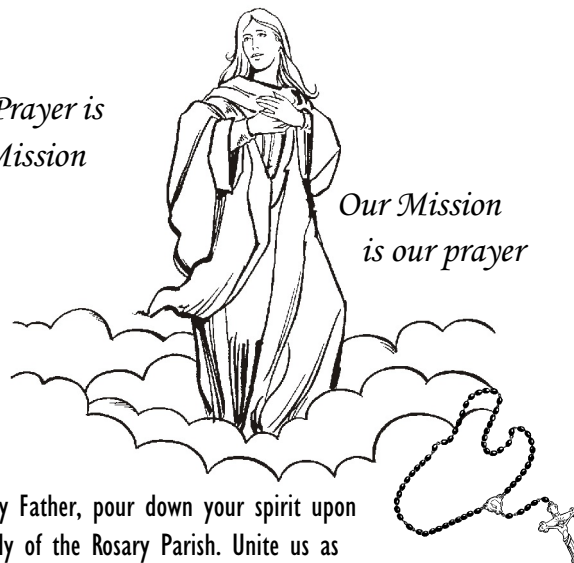
- ✘ Morning Prayer: 6:45 before morning Mass.
- ✘ Daily Mass: M, T, T, F, S: 7 AM; Wed. 6 PM
- ✘ Weekend Mass : Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:30, 10:45 AM
- ✘ Holy Day Mass: Will be posted for each Holy Day
- ✘ Reconciliation: Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM

- ✘ 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*



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

This Thursday May 10 we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord into Heaven. This day is a Holy Day with the obligation for Catholics to attend Mass. Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 AM and 6:00 PM.

With Mary's help, may we grow in our appreciation for the Glory of God present in our lives.



Alleluia,

Alleluia,

Alleluia

May 6, 2018

Sixth Sunday of Easter

I have called you friends!

CHRIST IS RISEN !

HE IS RISEN, INDEED!

PARISH NEWS

SUNDAY FLOWERS

Both bouquets at the Main Altar were donated in honor of the children who made First Holy Communion. The bouquet at the BVM Shrine was donated in memory of Peggy Madrigale by Elsie Turczyn. The bouquet at the St. Joseph Shrine was donated in memory of Sara Scully by her family.

MARY'S TEA

What a wonderful afternoon!!! A round of applause to the Sodality!!

MONDAY ROSARY

The next Monday Rosary will be held tomorrow, Monday, May 7th at 7:00 p.m. to pray the *Glorious Mysteries*. All are welcome to join in the prayer.

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 Monday, July 2nd 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.

TEEN MUSIC GROUP

The Teen Music Group will have a rehearsal right after the May Procession today and Sunday, May 13th from 11:45 to 1:00 p.m. The Teen Music Group will sing at the 10:45 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 20th.

YOUR SERVICE OF SUPPORT

Sunday Collection, April 29, 2018

Envelopes Offered: 312

Donations: \$7,635.00

There will be a second collection at all the Masses this weekend for the Catholic Home Missions. Please be generous with your prayers and financial support.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Mary Baxter, Beverly Brown, Peyton Byer, Dolly Carnuccio, Dolores Ann Carroll, Nina Cordaro, Jean Engle, Heather Fullmer, Charles Hadley, Gail D. Hammon, Michael Hepner, Jr., Joe Hess, Nancy Hibbits, JoAnn Hill, Skip Hill, Michael Holmes, Mya Hostutler, Richard Humphreys, Cindy Kerr, Ava Lamb, Cloe Lamb, Nathan Lamb, Gene Lambert, Julia Lavin, Jena Leary, Angela Lyons, Idele McCaffrey, Nick Madonna, James Mascherino, Tim McConnell, Jeff McCoy, Teagan McDonnell, Michael Mullin, Alma Osenbach, Robin Palmer, Mark Quinn, Mary Riley, Rita Rockwell, Charles Ruffing, Wayne Sallurday, Judy Sampson, Sam Schroder, Angie Simeone, Angela Tekely, Roseanna Terriman, Kathy Turpin, Horace Wright, Frank Yannetti and Joann Zazo.

COFFEE & DONUTS

The Holy Name Society will host Coffee and Doughnuts after all the Masses next Sunday, May 13th to celebrate Mother's Day. All are welcome!

NOW AVAILABLE

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 are invited to complete a form and return it to Father Brennan.

THANK YOU

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul celebrated their founder, Frederic Ozanam, last Sunday April 29th and thanks all of you at OLR parish for your generous giving for the work of helping those who are poor or have come across serious unexpected needs. If you would like to help and share in this fabulous mission of "seeing the face of Christ" in others, please contact Tim Irwin at 610-730-0422 or tirwin1213@aol.com.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the children who received First Holy Communion yesterday! May God continue to help them grow in the ways of the faith and help them to remain close to Jesus every day of their lives.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

People say the older you get, the wiser you become. If that's the case then Father Ferrence is probably one of the smartest! We would like to wish Father Ferrence a Happy 92nd Birthday on his upcoming big day this Tuesday, May 8th!! Our prayers and best wishes are for him!! Father can be reached at 610-519-3810 or St. Thomas Monastery, 800 Lancaster Avenue, Villanova, PA 19085-1687.

PREP

Our **PREP** program will end this year's session with the May Procession today.

This year's program has been a smooth and terrific year. If anyone is interested in volunteering for our next year's program, please call our PREP directors, Paul Friel (610-857-9091) or Jackie Townsley (610-384-4482).

Registration forms for next year's classes (2018 – 2019) are now available on the tables at the church entrance ways. Early registration (before the end of June) is appreciated and strongly recommended. Your help enables us to order books and supplies early enough not to have to pay a higher fee. If you choose to delay in registering your child(ren), we will pass on our late fees to you. Early registration deadline is July 1st. Again, your cooperation is appreciated.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Parents who are anticipating their children receiving First Penance or First Communion this coming year (2019), please mark your calendar NOW with the following date:

Thursday, September 13th
7:00 p.m.
Parish Hall

Information on how to enroll in the Sacrament Program along with important dates will be presented at this meeting.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Little Saints Academy Childcare Center at Pope John Paul II School is looking for qualified candidates to fill the director, teacher and teacher assistant positions. The Childcare Center will open in the 2018-2019 school year and will provide full time, year-round care. Interested candidates may contact Vice Principle Patricia Tarquinio at ptarquinio@popejohnpaul2sch.org.

SODALITY

The Sodality will have their "End of Year" dinner at the Coatesville Country Club on Sunday, June 3rd at 4:30 p.m. Details to follow – keep your eye on the bulletin.

LOTTERY CALENDAR

04/24/18	360	<i>Just miss it!</i>
04/25/18	167	<i>Should have had it!</i>
04/26/18	151	<i>Wish it were you!</i>
04/27/18	422	Cass & Lou Liberato
04/28/18	781	Eric Wasman
04/29/18	347	William Englerth, III
04/30/18	169	<i>Number still available!</i>

It's not too late to get in on the fun! Order forms can be found on all the bulletin boards in church or call the rectory.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Dennis Back; Lt. Sara Ann Bennett, Navy; Joseph Cavuto, USN; SSG Charles Ciliberti, Army; Cpt. Robert Cuthie; A.J. Foster, USMC; Brandyn Henry, Army; Sean Kaspar; Barry Lusby; Emily Mancuso, USAF; Jesse Mancuso, Spec. Army; Sergeant Paul Mancuso, USMC; SPC Sarah Mancuso; Brien Mann, Airforce; Private Brendan James Raysor, Jeremy Solnosky, USMC; Bobby Stewart, USMC; CPL Jonathan R. Stuckel; and Joshua Thompson, Army.

To add your loved ones' names to our prayer list, email thewczuk@yahoo.com or call the rectory.

GOLF OUTING

Pope John Paul II Catholic Regional Elementary School will host their 7th Annual Scholarship Fund Golf Outing at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 15th at the Ron Jaworski's Downingtown Country Club. All proceeds will benefit the tuition assistance program for PJPII students. For registration, sponsorship and advertising opportunities, please contact Michele Carpenter at 610-389-4800 or visit www.popejohnpaul2sch.org/golfouting. Brochures are also available on the entrance tables in church.

REGISTRATION

Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School is now taking registration for 2018/2019. For more information or to tour the school, please visit www.popejohnpaul2sch.org or call 610-384-5961.

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May 2018

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

One Minute Meditations

St. Joseph the Worker

As Jesus' father on Earth, protector of the Holy

Family, and the spouse of the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph was

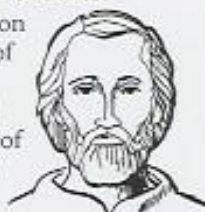
an example of obedience. He was also a carpenter who used the work of his hands to serve his family and community.

Jesus, too, was a carpenter. He learned the trade from St. Joseph, working side-by-side in his carpentry shop. Jesus learned dedication, integrity, and the dignity of work from the example of his earthly father.

Turn to Mary

This month, we honor Mary, the Mother of God (and ours, too). Trust her for guidance and protection: "Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided."

"I command you: be strong and steadfast! Do not fear nor be dismayed, for the Lord, your God, is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9)



"Lord, grant me serenity."

Stress can result from feeling powerless in difficulties, yet change isn't always up to us. Knowing when to step back and surrender can actually bring peace. When faced with what we cannot change, try these tips for increasing feelings of serenity and peace.

"My peace I give you" (John 14:27). Remember, Jesus does not want us to be troubled by worldly concerns. When you feel yourself starting to worry or stew about a difficult situation (or person), act out your belief that your prayer for resolution will be answered. Substitute positive, cheerful thoughts for negative ones. God is in control. *"Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it*

again: Rejoice!" (Philippians 4:4).

"... Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). While we hope to be strong witnesses of our faith, not everyone will see us that way. Sometimes sharp words or critical comments from others can disturb our peace. Feedback can be helpful, but if anyone gets to you for more than day or two, consult a fellow Christian whom you trust for a better perspective.

"I can do all things in him who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13). Take every opportunity

to appreciate your place in God's kingdom. Relish the tasks you have been given, for a job well done brings satisfaction and increased contentment.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do we ask the saints to pray for us?

The saints' prayers for us are called "intercessory prayers." Asking the saints to pray for us is "good and pleasing to God" and is encouraged in Scripture: *"I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered"* (1 Timothy 2:1).



Intercessory prayer is powerful: by it, the saints help us on earth and we help those in Purgatory. Our prayers are joined to the prayers of Christ, who "never ceases to intercede for us" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #2741).

Three ways to share God's love

Christians know that our most important task is to share God's love with others. Finding ways to communicate love in a fallen world can be tricky, however. Try these strategies:

"And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kindly to everyone, an apt teacher, forbearing," (2 Timothy 2:24). Does someone have a need you can meet? Can others benefit from your knowledge or talents? Show love by cheerfully jumping to help those around you.

"The ill-tempered stir up strife, but the patient settle



disputes" (Proverbs 15:18). It's hard to show love for others if we are fighting with them. When tempted to get involved in a spat, ask if winning will strengthen a relationship, lead to a better outcome, and if the issue is meaningful or important. If not, try to compromise or walk away.

"Bless the Lord, my soul; and do not forget all his gifts" (Psalm 103:2). When we are constantly aware of God's love, our natural response is to offer up our voices to praise him.

from **S**cripture

Matthew 28:16-20, The Holy Trinity

Jesus appeared to the Apostles on the mountain top in Galilee, so they could receive their final instructions. They were to go forth, baptize, and make disciples, and to teach what they had been taught. These are our instructions, too. Once we meet Jesus and experience his love for us, we can't keep him to ourselves. We must share him.

Jesus also revealed to the Apostles, and to the crowd gathered with them, that God is a Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—three Divine Persons united in love. The

belief that God is three, yet one, is distinct to Christianity. When we became members of the Church, we were baptized in the name of the Trinity.



The Trinity is a mystery we may not fully understand, but we can still live in its love and power. We proclaim our faith in it whenever we make the Sign of the Cross: "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Our ultimate goal is to follow Christ into the eternal life of the Trinity.

Q Why are & **A** Christians asked to evangelize?

Before Jesus ascended to Heaven, he instructed his disciples, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to

every creature" (Mark 16:15). The Gospel, or "good news," to which Jesus referred is his



Resurrection and victory over death. God became man and died for our sins, then rose from the dead. Thanks to Jesus, we have hope for a new life on Earth and eternal life in Heaven if we follow him. "There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved" (Acts 4:12).

Think of it another way: If you discovered a way to eliminate hunger in the world or found a medicine to cure all diseases, you would want to share what you know with everyone who will listen. Jesus' death and Resurrection offers something more amazing: eternal life. Once we have heard and believed the Good News, we can't keep it to ourselves. We must tell everyone about it.

Feasts & Celebrations

May 3 – Saints Philip and James (1st Century). St. Philip was born in Bethsaida and followed John the Baptist before he followed Christ. After the Ascension, St. Philip preached in Asia Minor, where he was martyred. St. James, son of Alphaeus, was also one of the twelve apostles. He is often confused with St. James, Brother of the Lord, who helped St. Peter in leading the early Church.

May 10 – Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord (1st Century). This solemnity marks the completion of Jesus' mission of salvation and his

triumphant entry into Heaven.

Note: In many dioceses, observance of Ascension has been moved to the following Sunday.

May 18 – St. Felix of Cantalice (1587). Born to poor, pious parents in Italy, St. Felix was called "Brother Deogratias" because he was always thanking God. As a young man, he joined the Capuchins, who sent him to Rome to be the friary's official beggar. He was also friends with Saints Philip Neri and Charles Borromeo.



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