

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK 

Monday, February 26th

6:30AM Adamek Family

8:30AM John Tenaro

Tuesday, February 27th

6:30AM Joseph S. Glowacki

8:30AM Gloria McFadden

Wednesday, February 28th

6:30AM Jane Marth

8:30AM Gloria McFadden

Thursday, March 1st

6:30AM Carol Greenhaugh

8:30AM Michael Gomer

Friday, March 2nd

6:30AM Patrick Mason Clark

8:30AM Barbara & Angelo Sicura

Saturday, March 3rd

8:30AM Myrtle Weatherly

5:00PM Saturday Evening Vigil

Sunday, March 4th

Sunday Masses: 6:30, 9:30 and 11:30AM

Saturday, March 3rd & Sunday, March 4th

5:00PM Fr. Pawelko

6:30AM Fr. Pawlko

9:30AM Msgr. Vogan

11:30AM Fr. Pawelko



Please remember in your prayers all our sick:

Brian Allison, Anne Arner, Leon Arnold, Bob Belczyk, Kevin BeVier, Tom Boden, Jack Boyette, Dominic Branca, Theresa Bucella, Paul Bufano, Sophia Bufano, Virginia Burbage, Greyson Burke, Susan Crowley, Anne Davis, Neil Davis, Thomas Duggan, Greg Dulaney, Amanda Durkholder, Kelly Eberz, Sylvester Jenifer, Rosemarie Johnson, Regina Johnson, Jennifer Kelly, Lizzy Kelly, Shyla Kelly, Robert Kester, Ralph King, Tim Lamanna, Danielle Lever, Audris Lichota, Thomas Luke, Debra Mallon, Bob Magolon, Brenda Magolon, Barbara Magozzi, Margaret Mahoney, Robert Malin, Ann Manco, Patricia Marconi, Tom Marley, Bob Marriotti, Thomas Marshall, Mary Mascioli, Cameron McCarthy, Nan McGroary, Dan McKenna, Joey McLaughlin, Leonard Middleton, Gina Miller, James Moran, Susan Mullen, Phyllis Myers, Julia Newell, Anthony Oswald, Louisa Pacubas, Richard Parker, Charles Piecara, Jr., Eileen Posner, Anne Powers, Claire Powers, Ann Pyne, Helen Raftovich, Mary Ellen Remaize, Loretta Ricciardi, Paul Riggs, Bob Robertson, Sharon Rowles, Christine Samuels, Candy Santos, Patricia Schmidt, Diane Shaefer, Kathy Shiels, John Smith, Rosemary Smith, Thomas Smith, Kathleen Stacklass, Patricia Starkey, Jerry Sullivan, Kayla Taylor, Robert Taylor, Jose Tavaréz, Lauren Thomas, Virginia Tracy, John Tully, Diane Weverling, Cheryl Allison-Webber, Lynn Weber, Nancy Williams, Hana Yago, Michelle & Robert Yanuzzi, Angie Zuccarino

Please pray for our beloved deceased especially:

**Larry Bacon, Joan Davis,
Margaret Flasinski and Monica O'Connor**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, February 26th

10:00AM - Marion Movement of Priests - Mary's Chapel

6:00PM - CYO Varsity Basketball - Hall

6:00PM - Confirmation Interviews - Donnelly Hall
Neumann Room

Tuesday, February 27th

9:00AM -5:00PM - Adoration - Mary's Chapel

10:00AM - Flame of Love - Mary's Chapel

1:00PM - Holy Hour of Reparation- Mary's Chapel

4:00PM - PREP- School

6:00PM - CYO Varsity Basketball - Hall

6:30PM - Discovering Christ - Neumann Room

Wednesday, February 28th

2:30PM - HFR School Drama - Donnelly Hall

4:00PM - PREP - School

6:00PM - PREP - School

7:00PM - Pack 225 Committee - Cabrini Room

8:00PM - CYO Varsity Basketball - Hall

Thursday, March 1st

1:00PM - Marion Movement of Priests - Mary's Chapel

1:30PM - HFR School Stations of the Cross - Church

4:00PM - Music Ministry - Church

6:30PM - Boy Scouts - Hall

Friday, March 2nd

5:30PM - Music Ministry - Church

6:00PM - Lenten Simple Supper - Donnelly Hall

7:00PM - Stations of the Cross - Church

Sunday, March 4th

10:30AM - CYO Adult Board - Neumann Room

12:30PM - Ladies Guild - Neumann Room

1:00PM - Baptism - Church

1:30PM - Scouts Crossover - Hall

6:30PM - Mom's Group - Neumann Room

7:00PM - Ad Altare Dei - Neumann Room

7:00PM - Pope Pius XII - Neumann Room

7:00PM - CYO HS Gathering - Hall

SUNDAY COLLECTION

The collection for last Sunday, totaled: \$15,416.

Thank you for your generosity.

The SECOND COLLECTION next weekend will be for



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

60 Years of Giving Hope to all!

Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide support needed to tens of thousands of people through countless organization, programs and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Including: Education, Social Services, Evangelization, Parish and Spiritual Life, Clergy and Local Mission Activities.

Envelopes and pledge cards are available in the gathering space. 107-1



INTERNATIONAL PARISH SURVEY

The Disciple Maker Index Survey

Please help us participate by completing a 10-15 minute survey as soon as possible.

Go to www.disciplemakerindex.com to complete the survey.

The survey will only be available until February 26, 2018 and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on what efforts the parish is doing to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as whole.

We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to Msgr. Vogan and our various ministries as we plan ahead and try to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this spring/summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish. Thank you for helping with this important project!



In the Gospel reading from St. Matthew, Jesus reminds us that the Lord said, *"The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."* Jesus was truly the greatest among them, **but He always spoke of Himself and viewed Himself as a servant.** The basic issue for us as His followers is, *"Are we more like the Pharisees or more like the Lord?"* We are called to imitate Him and to pursue His philosophy and style. His kingdom is different. In the Lord's kingdom we are measured by how we serve and honor others, not by how we may be served. *Do we serve and honor others at all times?*



Anyone requesting the transportation services of H.O.P.E. Tuesday, February 26th through Friday, March 2nd should call team captain: Team 8: D J Venuti 610-494-7157 or Mary Lou Sweeney 610-485-3292.

This number is for **THIS WEEK ONLY.**

Please give 24-48 hours notice!

ONE ride per week .

FLU SEASON and *the sign of peace*

With Flu Epidemic so widespread in our area, many are concerned about the shaking of hands at the sign of peace. **The shaking of hands is not necessary – actually unhealthy.** Simply smiling and nodding at those around you will suffice at the Sign of Peace.



PHILLYMAN UP PHILLY MARCH 3, 2018

NEUMANN UNIVERSITY from 7:30AM to 5:00PM

Register online at: www.manupphilly.com

Many inspirational speakers. Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap. will celebrate the closing mass.



ABSTINENCE AND OTHER ACTS OF PENANCE FOR LENT

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that **all persons who are fourteen years of age or older are bound to abstain from eating meat all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.** Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single meal on Good Friday, while the other two meals on that day are to be light.

All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended. All are encouraged to make some material sacrifices during Lent and give that money to the poor. Please use our poor boxes.



St. Joseph Stewardship Committee will be hosting the Lenten Simple Supper each Friday, beginning at **6pm** in Donnelly Hall. We thank all the following Parish Ministries for sponsoring the following meals during Lent.

March 2 nd	CYO	Pizza
March 9 th	Christmas Bazaar	Mac & Cheese
March 16 th	Bereavement	Ziti
March 23 rd	Ladies Guild	Salad

ADULT VOLLEYBALL

Adult Volleyball games 2/25, 3/18, 3/25, 4/22 and 5/6 at 5:00PM in the hall. Anyone 18 or older are welcome. All skill levels welcome!



BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

In February 1999, the parish Bereavement Ministry was started. The ministry is an effort to comfort, visit, listen to and pray with those who have suffered the loss of someone they love. In the 19 years since its inception, nearly 50 dedicated individuals have ministered to more than 700 families. Each November, we celebrate a Mass of Remembrance. And a November "Coping with the Holidays" program and a spring lunch offer those who are mourning the opportunity to meet with professional grief counselors and to share their stories with others who are grieving. If you feel called to be a part of this ministry, we greatly welcome you. Perhaps you have come through a loss of your own and feel you have some consolation to share with others. Perhaps you're a sympathetic listener, have good people skills, or would enjoy helping at our annual events. Please consider joining us. For more information, call Marge at 610-485-8213.



EASTER will soon be here!

We carry gift cards for all things EASTER

Walmart – Target – Kohl’s – TJ Maxx and more!

For Easter Gifts – Decorations – Candy - Clothes

Rectory closes at 11:30AM on Sundays

Check out the full list of gift cards on the parish website:
www.stjosephaston.org.



EASTER DINNERS

We will be collecting money/gift cards to help defray the cost for Easter dinners provided by the Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity, please send your donation to the rectory in an envelope marked "Easter Dinner Drive", checks made payable to St. Joseph Church. **Please send your donation in by Wednesday, March 27th.**

Stop by the rectory and purchase your **Giant, Acme, or Shop Rite gift cards** and support your parish and help the Missionaries of Charity!

Aid For Friends



Please if you are able to make an extra portion of your evening meal for our shut-ins. Trays and soup containers are available in the lower church kitchen. If you have any questions, please call Ralph at 610-494-4428. **St. Joe’s number is 42, please note on all meals.**



SPRING SPORTS

**REGISTRATIONS FOR SPRING SPORTS
CYO Spring Sports is going on NOW!**

To be eligible to register all students must be a member of St. Joseph Parish and attend an Archdiocesan Regional school or have been enrolled and attending PREP or the Youth Group program since September 2017.

Unless recently moved into St. Joseph Parish.

**Girls Softball & Boys Baseball (Grades 5-8th)
Track & Field (Grades 4-8th)
Co-Ed High School Volleyball**

Please send the following information: Student’s Name, Sport, Student’s Grade, Student’s School, Student’s Parish, Parent’s Email, Parent’s Home Phone #, Parent’s Cell Phone to # to Mike Flaherty @ mflaherty20@verizon.net Craig Smith by at csmith1321@comcast.net

Please reach out to Craig if you are interested in coaching. **Please print and complete all forms from CYO website - <http://www.stjosephaston.org/cyo> and give to your coach at first practice.**

**SAVE THE DATE
BRITISH INVASION BAND
SATURDAY, APRIL 14TH**



**Holy Family Regional Catholic School:
Academic Excellence Rooted in Faith**

www.holyfamilyaston.org

Honors Math with Mrs. Patrizio

The Honors Math students have been busy working on many fun math challenges. The fifth grade is tackling fractions and the sixth grade ratios and proportions, but they also will be looking for geometry shapes in nature and the world around them. The fifth graders are going a step further by making their own geometry study book. The sixth graders are applying their knowledge of proportions by doing a project on a scale drawing of their favorite character. Indirect measurement and partitive proportions are keeping the seventh graders very challenged and solving intricate Algebra problems is making the eighth graders feel like geniuses! The eighth grade is also getting excited because they are presently in 2nd place in the Catholic Math League Contest, within one point of first place, with one more test to go!

Here is a fun math problem for you: Can you solve this famous sequence? 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8. Find the answer on Mrs. Patrizio’s Holy Family website: <http://holyfamilyaston.org/teachers/>. While you are there, check out all the wonderful things that are happening at Holy Family!



2018 SPRING PRE-CANA CLASS

Classes are on Monday nights:

April 9, 16, 23 and 30th 7:00PM-8: 45PM.

(Couples must attend all four classes.)

Cost is \$75.00 per couple.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: March 9th

FOCCUS SURVEY

All couples must complete this survey on-line prior to Pre-Cana Classes. Contact the rectory if you are taking the Pre-Cana class at another location. If the Pre-Cana class you registered for does not include the FOCCUS survey you will have to make arrangements to take the survey when you register for Pre-Cana. Cost is \$15.00. **FOCCUS survey MUST be complete by March 9th.** Please contact the rectory to register: 610-497-3340 or email stjoseph256@comcast.net



First Communion Candidates

will be present THIS weekend.

During this weeks’ liturgies, the Rite of Presentation of Communion candidates will be celebrated with the children preparing for First Communion. This brief ceremony allows the children the opportunity to come before the priest and the parish community and ask for their blessing and support. This also allows the congregation to think of their own Communion and how their relationship with the Lord has grown. We also invite you to take one of the prayer cards from the gathering space and pray for that child until their communion day in May. 107-3