



St. Joseph Church



Limeport-Coopersburg

A Parish Family - Living the Word, Loving Through Christ

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God so loved the world
that He gave His only Son,



so everyone who believes in
Him might have eternal life.

Fourth Sunday of Lent *Laetare Sunday* March 9 & 10, 2024

Saturday, March 9 – Vigil Mass – 5:15PM

Gretel Ruppert

Greeters: R. & M. Carlin

Altar Servers: S. & C. Krupka; M. Arruda

Commentator/Lector: M. Glavin; E. Petrash

Eucharistic Minister: A. & L. Sumner

Sunday, March 10 – 9:00AM

Don Lees

Greeters: S. Bartholomew; C. Ehresman

Altar Servers: M. Stolzer; A. & A. Zabinski

Commentator/Lector: T. Yaeger; P. Moreira

Eucharistic Ministers: T. Lynch; J. & P. Patterson

Sunday, March 10 – 11:00AM

Frank D'Angelo

Greeters: B. Busfield; Wenner Family

Altar Servers: E. Calaba; M. & J. Zientara

Commentator/Lector: B. & M. Michalerya

Eucharistic Ministers: K. & P. Metzler; G. Schultz

Today's Readings

First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

Responsorial: Psalms 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

"Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!"

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel Acclamation: "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life."

Gospel: John 3:14-21

Upcoming Mass Schedule

Monday, March 11 - 8AM Mass

Living & Deceased of St. Joseph Parish

Stations of the Cross w/ St. Mike's - 9AM

Tuesday, March 12 - 8AM Mass

Rev. William Seifert

Wednesday, March 13 - 8AM Mass

Fred Lanshe, Jr.

Thursday, March 14 - 8AM Mass

Julia Schuster

Friday, March 15 - 9AM School Mass

Mary Kelleogy

Stations of the Cross - 7PM

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed after the morning Mass on Fridays, with the church open for private adoration throughout the day. Benediction will conclude at Stations on Friday evenings.

Saturday, March 16 - 8AM Mass

Seamus Lafferty

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 16 – Vigil Mass – 5:15PM

Victoria Calantoni

Sunday, March 17 – 9:00AM

Mary Roesch

Sunday, March 17 – 11:00AM

John Bodisch





WELCOME TO THE ST. JOSEPH PARISH FAMILY

We are a faith-filled community that rejoices in, grows in, and spreads the Love of God the Father as revealed through the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit, and the Teachings of the Holy Roman Catholic Church through Word, Sacrament and Service.

Mass & Confessions Schedule

Weekday Mass - 8:00AM

Saturday Evening Vigil - 5:15PM

Sunday Morning - 9:00AM and 11:00AM

Confessions are held Saturday afternoons from
4:30pm to 5:00pm.

Our parish is a Sacrificial Giving Parish committed to serving the Lord with God-given time, talents and treasures.

Pastor: Rev. Thomas R. Buckley, M. Div.

Deacon: Conrad Paulus

Parish Administration:

Rosemarie Lanning

Janessa O'Donnell

All wage earners should be receiving and using their envelopes regularly. Active parish membership of no less than six months duration is required to be a sponsor, to be married in the parish, and/or to have a child baptized. Contact the Rectory for more information.

New members are asked to register at the church following the 5:15 PM or 9:00 AM Masses on weekends. Please notify the parish office of a change of address or phone number. Information regarding Anointing of the Sick, Baptism, Marriage, Prayer Requests, Parish Religious Education, and more, is available on our website.

Stay up-to-date on our Parish News by joining our e-newsletter mailing list! Join via the link on our webpage, or email: janessa.odonnell@stjoescoopersburg.org.

Parish Bulletin & Newsletter Submissions & Deadlines - All copy for the bulletin & newsletter must be submitted no later than 10:00 A.M. Monday. Print advertisements are on a set schedule. See website for more info.

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Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A., NCC, LPC
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For information regarding the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People adopted by the USCCB, please visit the USCCB Website. To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy and Code of Conduct, please visit the Diocesan website. Please view the Volunteers page of our parish website for Pennsylvania & Diocesan Volunteer Requirements at St. Joseph Church.

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 1-800-276-1562.



The Disciple Maker Index

Survey is LIVE!

February 14 through March 27

The Disciple Maker Index Survey is LIVE! Please help us participate by completing a 10-15 minute survey as soon as possible. There are also opportunities to complete the survey after daily and Sunday Mass and you can obtain a paper copy in the vestibule of the church or by contacting the rectory at 610-965-2877. The survey will only be available from February 14 to March 27 and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts 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 Father Buckley and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive 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.

Scan the QR code with your phone to take the survey now!
Thank you for helping with this important project!



*Our Parish & Community Calendar
- at a glance -*

- 3/11 - Stations of the Cross for Children w/ St. Mike's - 9AM in the church
- 3/13 - KOC Monthly Meetings - 6:15PM
- 3/15 - Stations of the Cross - 7PM in the church
- 3/18 - Stations of the Cross for Children w/ St. Mike's - 9AM in the church
- 3/18 - First Eucharist Parent Meeting - 6:30PM
- 3/19 - SVdP Meeting - 7PM
- 3/22 - Stations of the Cross - 7PM in the church
- 3/23-3/24 - Palm Sunday - Regular Mass Schedule
- 3/23 - Fr. Buckley's Annual Egg Hunt - 11AM - See flyer below!
- 3/23 - Holy Week Confessions - 4-5PM
- 3/24 - KOC Palm Sunday Breakfast
- 3/25 - Holy Week Confessions 6-7PM

✠ **PRAYER LIST** ✠

Please remember in your prayers all of the sick and homebound of our parish family, especially:

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| • Joseph Allison | • Elaine Haas | • Alyssa Morrissey, sister of Briana Davis |
| • James Busfield | • Jack Hankee | • April Nauroth |
| • Dottie Brehm, sister of Susan Zola | • Keith Heffelfinger | • Margaret J. Perez |
| • Dolores Brown | • Thomas and Claire Hoban | • Ron Reinhardt, father of Tara Tobin |
| • June Campbell | • Barbara Huber | • Cathy Ricciuto, sister of Phil Isabella |
| • Joseph Chase | • Jack Klinges, father of Sarah Klinges Shultz | • Miriam Rohrbach, sister-in-law of Janessa O'Donnell |
| • Richard DeFiore | • Dennis & Maureen Krasnai | • Lily Tapler |
| • Sherry Ellenberger, sister-in-law of Anna Ellenberger | • Jackie Lanning, daughter-in-law of Roe Lanning | • Janet Vannatta |
| • John Flok, father of Joe Flok | • Roe Lanning | • Anonymous Special Intention |
| • Tracy Flok | • Martin Leposa | |
| • James Frankenfield, husband of Carol Frankenfield & father of Andrea Hinkel | • Kevin Maucere, nephew of Pam & Kurt Metzler | |

LAST YEAR'S PALMS may be placed in the basket in the vestibule of the church. NO PALMS can be accepted after the 5th Sunday of Lent, March 17th .

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Best Bet Based on Inflation - 2023-2024 Budget

Last Week	Fiscal Year To Date
03/03/24	07/01/23-06/30/24
Operating Expenses	Operating Expenses
\$11,682.	\$429,602.
Sunday/Holy Day Collections	Sunday/Holy Day Collections
\$13,350.	\$394,562.
Over/(Under) Budget	Over/(Under) Budget
\$1,668.	(\$ 35,040.)

Thank you!



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CRS Operation Rice Bowl -- Operation Rice Bowl, an annual giving program that began in the Diocese of Allentown almost 50 years ago, is a great way to answer the

Church's call for almsgiving during Lent. Operation Rice Bowl has grown into a national and international effort that combines prayer, fasting and almsgiving to help those in need in our Diocese, and around the world. **OPERATION RICE BOWL DONATIONS** may be placed in the rice bowl in the sanctuary to the right of the altar, or you can pick one up at the exits of the church to take home.



CYO UPDATE -- Rosters have been set up for Track & Field, Co-ed Volleyball, and our play, "The Wonderful World of Oz"! To register or check on a registration, email Colleen Fitzpatrick at Colfitzpat@gmail.com.

Grades for participation:
Play (2nd-8th)
Track & Field (3rd-8th)
Co-ed volleyball (4th-8th)

Help support St. Michael the Archangel School at our Night of Knights Event, our biggest fundraiser of the year!

Did you know the average cost to educate a student at St. Mike's is \$10,000? This means tuition alone only covers 50% of the cost.

How can you help support our students and our school!?

*Sponsor our Event
Buy tickets to our LIVE Event*

Donate an item for our Virtual Auction

Learn more by visiting
www.NOK2024.givesmart.com

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NIGHT OF KNIGHTS LIVE EVENT

SATURDAY APRIL 20TH 5PM-10PM
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Palm Sunday Breakfast

When: Sunday March 24th, 2024
7:30AM-11:00AM

Where: St. Joseph Church Parish Center
5050 St. Joseph Road Coopersburg, PA



Serving: An assortment of breakfast foods including omelets, pancakes, bacon, sausage, and hash browns.

Cost: \$12 per person.
Children 10 and under are free.

For Reservations and Tickets you can:

- Make reservations online - see church website for more info!
- Pickup mail-in flyers after all Masses in March.
- Venmo your payment. (include name and number of guests)
- Pay cash or Venmo at the door.

Questions: contact Joe Malarkey by
email: joe.malarkey@gmail.com
call/text: 610-751-5948

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EASTER EGG HUNT SATURDAY

MARCH 23, 2024

11:00AM SHARP!

Hunt for All Kids ages 0-14!

Special Prize Eggs & Goody Bags for all
(while supplies last!)

RAIN, SNOW, SUNSHINE - DRESS FOR THE WEATHER!
WE'LL BE INSIDE THE GYM IF NECESSARY.
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