

St. Joseph Pre-Jordan Program

Congratulations on the new addition to your family! Children are born into a family, and in baptism, they are reborn into the Body of Christ's Church.

St. Joseph's baptism preparation program focuses on: 1. *Marriage* as a sign of God's love to your child. 2. *Parenthood* – the radical changes that children bring into a home, what parents want for their children, and what the Sacrament of Baptism is all about. 3. *The gift of faith* – nurturing discipleship and the Christian life in your child.



Parents in our parish facilitate our baptism program and for your convenience, classes are offered monthly.

2016 Classes

September 17 (Saturday, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.)

October 15 (Saturday, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.)

October 18 and 25 (Tuesdays, 7–8:30 p.m.)

December 3 (Saturday, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.)

2017 Classes

January 10 and 17 (Tuesdays, 7–8:30 p.m.)

January 14 (Saturday, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.)

February 4 (Saturday, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.)

March 11 (Saturday, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.)

April 1 (Saturday, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.)

May 13 (Saturday, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.)

To Register...

Sign up online, at <http://stjosephrc.org/sacraments/baptism/>

Or fill out a registration form (on reverse) and return it to Karen Dawson, Parish Services Director:

Email: karend@stjosephrc.org Fax: 610-269-2487

Mail: St. Joseph Church, 460 Manor Avenue, Downingtown, PA 19335

Frequently Asked Questions

I took Pre-Jordan in a previous parish. Do I need to take it again here at St. Joseph?

Yes, in most cases. Pre-Jordan programs vary from parish to parish and we want to ensure you have received the information and instruction that is covered in our parish program.

I have taken Pre-Jordan at St. Joseph and now have another child. Do I take Pre-Jordan again?

If you have taken Pre-Jordan here, there is no need to take it again. Your next step is to contact Jeannine Zack (jzack@stjosephrc.org) and ask for a Baptism Registration Form.

How do I schedule my child's baptism?

You will receive a Baptism Registration Form during Pre-Jordan. Return this form to the parish office (Attention: Jeannine Zack) in order for your Baptism to be scheduled and confirmed. You will be contacted upon receipt of this form. Baptisms are held every Sunday (with a few exceptions) at 1:15 p.m. Please be in the church by 1 p.m.

Do I need to be registered in the parish prior to Pre-Jordan and/or Baptism?

You need to be registered prior to your child's Baptism. We hold parish registration monthly (10 a.m. on Sunday in the church meeting room; watch the bulletin for dates) or you may stop in the office any time and register.

St. Joseph Pre-Jordan Registration Form

Father's Name: _____ Father's Religion: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Mother's Religion: _____

Maiden Name: _____

Are you married? Yes _____ No _____

Are you a registered member of Saint Joseph? Yes _____ No _____

Child's date of birth: _____

or

Expected delivery date: _____

Address: _____

Phone number(s): _____

E-mail address: _____

Month/Date(s) attending: _____

Please return this form by mail, by fax, or in person to our parish office.
Address it to the attention of Karen Dawson, Parish Services Director.

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