

**30 April 2017**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**



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📖 **TODAY'S READINGS** 📖

**First Reading** — God has raised the crucified Jesus, who now pours forth the Holy Spirit upon us (Acts 2:14, 22-33).

**Psalm** — Lord, you will show us the path of life (Psalm 16).

**Second Reading** — Our faith and hope are in God who raised Jesus from the dead (1 Peter 1:17-21).

**Gospel** — Through his words and in the breaking of the bread, the risen Christ made himself known to two disciples on their way to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35).

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📖 **READINGS FOR THE WEEK** 📖

- Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29 or, for the memorial, Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58
- Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
- Wed: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
- Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
- Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
- Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
- Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

Complete text of the daily lectionary readings can be found at [www.usccb.org/bible/readings](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings)

**† MASSES FOR THE WEEK †**

- Monday May 1  
12:05pm **Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society**  
Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.
- Tuesday May 2  
12:05pm **James & Katherine Henderson (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.
- Wed. May 3  
12:05pm **Edward & Mary Britt Family (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Philip Florio, S.J.
- Thursday May 4  
12:05pm **Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society**  
Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.
- Friday May 5  
12:05pm **Michelina Marino (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.
- Saturday May 6  
12:05pm **Rita Cardillo (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.  
5:30pm Presider: Fr. Stephen Surovick, S.J.
- Sunday May 7  
7:30am Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.  
9:30am Presider: Fr. Phil Florio, S.J.  
11:30am Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.  
6:30pm Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.

**† THIS WEEK AT OSJ †**

- Tues 12noon: Food, Faith and Friends (Barbelin)  
02 Al-Anon (Drexel)  
6:30p: CLC2 (Drexel)  
7:00p: YAC Spirituality Night (Barbelin)  
7:30p: Catholic Reading Group (Loyola)
- Wed 12:45p: Catholic Reading Group (Loyola)  
03 6:30p: Women's Group (Loyola)
- Thu 12noon: Food, Faith and Friends (Barbelin)  
04 7:00p: Schola Rehearsal (Church)
- Sat 12noon: Food, Faith and Friends (Barbelin)  
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- Sun 5:00p: Loyola Choir Rehearsal (Church)  
07 6:30p: YAC Pre-Mass Reflections (Drexel)

**Please remember our sick and homebound sisters and brothers:** Dr. Stephen Reznak, Eleanor De Meis, Sharon Sylvester, Katherine Downs, Avram Aumick, Jerry McAndrews SJ, Ed Tomezsko, Sara Orkline, Joanna Pearl, Lucy Pearl, Adeline Acerno, James McBride, Jerry McBride, Will Morrow, Kristin Morrow, Marie Malloy, Karen Lockyer, Fr. Nicholas Waseline

OSFS, April DeMatto, Mariella Carnovale, Thomas Hart, D. Minter, Jeanne Bradley, Peggy Curley, Jack Lees, Anna Marie Montone, Marjorie Heald, Marie Jacobs. Pray also for our ministry at Pennsylvania Hospital. **Names will be removed after 4 weeks unless request is renewed.**

**The Parish Home Ministry** is comprised of Eldership Community volunteers who are available to visit parishioners who are homebound. Volunteers are also Eucharistic Ministers who can bring communion to those who wish to receive. To request a home visit, call 267-457-2256 or e-mail joanslavin@aol.com

## † FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP †

**Offertory for the week ending April 23, 2017**

Collection	Regular	Online	Total
Daily Mass	\$240.00	n/a	<b>\$240.00</b>
Sunday Mass	\$4,618.00	\$4,195.00	<b>\$8,813.00</b>

*Percentage of online donations: 48%*

**NOTE: The Easter offertory** will be reported at the beginning of May to allow time for post-Easter donations.

**Online Givers** – Funds have been set up for the following special collections:

Holy Thursday	Through TODAY April 30
Good Friday – Holy Land	Through TODAY April 30
Easter	Now through May 7
Catholic Home Missions	Now through May 15
Ascension Thursday	Now through May 15

## † ONLINE GIVING †

**Old St. Joseph's provides Online Giving** – a convenient, flexible and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation to the fund of your choice (e.g., Sunday Offertory, FF&F, HPC, Ars Sacra). For Online Givers who are uneasy about not putting anything in the collection basket, "I gave online" cards are available at the back of the church. Simply put a card in the basket to represent your gift.

See the flyer at the back of the church for frequently asked questions about Online Giving and for instructions on how to sign up. To sign up for Online Giving, go to our website: [www.oldstjoseph.org](http://www.oldstjoseph.org) and click on the Online Giving tab underneath the Important Links column.

## † OFFERTORY APPEAL †

Reflecting on our recently completed Stewardship Appeal, it is clear to see that Old St. Joseph's Church is truly blessed. We are working together to create and sustain a community of belonging, where each individual's dignity and self-respect is strengthened by the solidarity of our shared faith, the respect and affection we have for one another, and our mutual dedication to our God-given mission. With God's help we will continue to grow in discipleship. The willingness of our members to enter into sacrificial giving of time, talent, and treasure in response to our Stewardship Appeal speaks of our continuing gratitude for God's gifts. May God continue to bless us as we share in His work!

## † SECOND COLLECTION †

**The Catholic Home Missions collection will take place next weekend, May 6 and 7.** Presently, over 40 percent of dioceses in the US are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

## † CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL †

The latest Archdiocesan report indicates that as of March 31, 2017, OSJ parishioners have contributed \$20,105.00 to this year's Catholic Charities Appeal, which is fifty-two (52) percent of our goal of \$38,800.00. The Archdiocese hopes to raise \$12.5 million during the 2017 campaign, and has received about a third of this amount (\$4.5 million) through the first quarter of this year. The appeal officially runs through the month of May, although contributions will continue to be tabulated through the remainder of 2017. If you have not already done so, please return your donation, along with the pledge card, directly to the Archdiocese in the return envelope provided in the mailing. If you are making your donation through a third party, such as the United Way, please make sure that OSJ receives credit for your donation. Dan Salvatore, a member of our Parish Council, is OSJ's coordinator for this year's Catholic Charities Appeal. Dan can be reached at 215.482.2662 or [dsalvatore@comcast.net](mailto:dsalvatore@comcast.net).

## † FROM THE PASTOR †

AMDG

Dear OSJ Family,

Today on this Third Sunday of Easter, the Gospel reading is the well-known passage known as the "Road to Emmaus." Emmaus, as we know, is a small town outside of Jerusalem. Today's gospel account from Luke reports that Jesus appeared there, after his death and resurrection, to two of his disciples while they were walking on the road and that it was only in the breaking and sharing of bread that they recognized him.

The fundamental Gospel message that the Emmaus story seeks to convey is that it is not one's destination so much as it is one's actual journey that is most crucial in life. Thus, Emmaus represents our journey to holiness, to the very heart of God.

As we all seek to travel to greater holiness, I commend to your consideration the possibility of making a spiritual retreat this spring or summer. Retreats are a great opportunity for reflection and renewal, and are an encouraging time to "taste and see the goodness of God" in our own lives and in the beauty of the world around us. Our Jesuit Founder, Saint Ignatius Loyola, because of his formation of the Spiritual Exercises, is honored by the Church as the "Patron Saint of retreats." So as members of the Ignatian and Jesuit Family, I invite you to give some serious thought and prayer to make a retreat and carve out some precious time to rest, renew, and to grow in your relationship with God.

Below are some Catholic Retreat Houses in the Philadelphia area that I highly recommend. Please visit their websites and again, consider visiting these holy places for an opportunity to grow closer to God, through Christ, in the Holy Spirit!

**SAINT RAPHAELA CENTER**-The Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Phone: 610-642-5715 Location: 616 Coopertown Road, Haverford, PA 19041

**MOTHER BONIFACE SPIRITUALITY CENTER**-The Sisters of the Most Blessed Trinity. Phone: 267-350-1831 Location: 3501 Solly Avenue Phila. PA 19136

**CRANALEITH SPIRITUAL CENTER**-The Sisters of Mercy. Phone: 215-934-6206 Location: 13475 Proctor Road, Phila. PA 19116

**DAYLESFORD ABBEY SPIRITUALITY CENTER**-The Norbertines. Phone: 610-647-2530 Location: 220 S. Valley Road, Paoli, PA 19301

**FRANCISCAN SPIRITUAL CENTER**-The Sisters of St. Francis. Phone: 610-558-6152 Location: 609 S. Convent Road, Aston, PA 19014

**MALVERN RETREAT HOUSE**-Catholic Lay Leadership. Phone: 610-644-0400 Location: 315 S Warren Avenue, Malvern, PA 19355

**THE JESUIT CENTER**-The Society of Jesus. Phone: 610-670-364 Location: 501 N Church Road, Wernersville, PA 1956

In the Lord,  
Fr Phil Florio, SJ  
Pastor

AMDG

Dear OSJ Family,

I am happy to inform you that with Archbishop Chaput's approval, the Very Rev. Robert Hussey, SJ, our Provincial, has missioned **Father Walter Modrys, SJ** to serve as the 60th pastor of Old Saint Joseph's, effective June 1, 2017.



Father Modrys graduated from the Jesuit-run Saint Peter's Prep School in Jersey City, New Jersey, in 1962 and from there entered the Society of Jesus. After professing vows as a Jesuit, he went on to study philosophy and theology and earned a Ph.D. in mathematics from the City University of New York. He was ordained to the priesthood in June, 1978.

Father is a seasoned and respected leader, having served for 19 years as pastor at Saint Ignatius Loyola Church on Park Avenue in Manhattan. After his pastoral work at St Ignatius, Father Modrys served as the treasurer of the New York Jesuits for over seven years. Additionally, he has served extensively in retreat ministry, as a teacher of mathematics at both the secondary and college level, and as a trustee and board member of numerous schools and foundations. Father Modrys' most recent assignment was in pastoral ministry at St Clare's Church, in Staten Island, which is one of the largest parishes in the Archdiocese of New York.

I know that Walter will be a welcome addition to our parish. When I was a scholastic (seminarian) studying in New York in the mid 90's, I was fortunate to attend liturgies at St. Ignatius when he was the celebrant and homilist. The experience was always spiritually

uplifting and those were moments I still cherish to this day.

Please join me in welcoming Father Modrys to OSJ. Please pray for me as well as I begin the transition to serve as the new Provincial Assistant for Vocations for the East Coast Jesuits.

In the Lord,  
Fr. Phil Florio, SJ  
Pastor

## † PARISH LIFE †

### Marcia Taylor Memorial Mass

A memorial Mass for long-standing Old St. Joseph's parishioner Marcia Taylor will be held at Old St. Joseph's **on Saturday May 6, 2017 at 10:00 AM.** Please join us to celebrate the life of Marcia as we continue to pray for her husband John and their friends and family.

### **Parish Pastoral Council Nomination forms are now available! Nominate Today!**

Forms are available in the back of the church and can be dropped off at the Parish Office, or can be emailed to [osjpc@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:osjpc@oldstjoseph.org).

Questions can be directed to [osjpc@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:osjpc@oldstjoseph.org), or to Tom Nailor, PPC co-chair, at (203) 940-2790, or in-person. The term is 3 years (Fall 2017-Spring 2020). Nominees should be a member of the parish, regularly practicing at the parish liturgically, interested in advising the Pastor, and should represent the voices of parishioners. Past accomplishments of the Parish Pastoral Council include our On-Line Giving Program, our Welcoming Committee, and the Parish Survey.



**Women Faith and Fellowship** will meet on Wednesday, May 3 from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. We are an informal group who read and discuss the Bible together. Also, we are gathering ideas to create more fellowship opportunities for women in the parish, for example a "Daughter's Party"—since we are all daughters. For more information, please contact Rana McNamara at [rmcnamara915@comcast.net](mailto:rmcnamara915@comcast.net)

**The OSJ Reading Group** now has two sections, one daytime, one evening. **The book for May will be *Dorothy Day: The World Will Be Saved by Beauty* by**

**Kate Hennessy.** Kate Hennessy is Dorothy Day's granddaughter. We got so involved in Dorothy Day's life and the Catholic Workers' Movement at our last session that we decided to continue our exploration through this newly published "beautifully written, deeply revealing" memoir. Meeting dates are Tuesday May 2, 7:30 pm and Wednesday May 3 at 12:45 pm. Both groups meet in the Loyola Room. **Contact:** [shlosscarol@gmail.com](mailto:shlosscarol@gmail.com).

### *Requiescant in pace*



OSJ longstanding parishioner **Irene Stone** passed away on Wednesday, April 19, 2017. Her funeral will be held on Monday, May 1, 2017 at the Slater Funeral Home, 1426 Fitzwater Street in Philadelphia. The viewing will be from 9:30 to 10:30 AM and the Service from 10:30 AM to noon. Irene's family ask that condolences be sent to Ms. Stone's residence—1300 Lombard Street, Apt 1207, Philadelphia, PA 19147. We extend our heartfelt condolences to her family and friends.

OSJ Parishioner **Linda Agger** passed away on Sunday, April 9, 2017 after a valiant five-year battle with breast cancer. She died peacefully and surrounded by her loving family. Her funeral Mass was celebrated on April 17, 2017 at St. Margaret Church in Narberth, PA. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Linda Agger Scholarship Fund for a student in need attending St. Margaret School at:

<https://www.youcaring.com/LindaAggerLovesSMS>. Please keep her husband James, and their friends and family in your prayers.

**Ernesto Dizon**, brother of OSJ parishioner Ed Dizon, passed away on Friday, April 19, 2017. Please keep Ed and his wife Marina in your thoughts and prayers.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them; may their soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

## † ELDERSHIP COMMUNITY †

### Join us for Happy Hour at

**Panorama:** All are invited to Happy Hour on **Wednesday, May 10 from 5-7 PM** at Panorama. Panorama is located in the Penn's View Hotel at 14 North Front Street.



in Old City, Philadelphia. Acclaimed as "Philadelphia's Premiere Wine Bar," Panorama boasts a unique custom-built wine dispensary that offers over 120 wines by the glass. Happy Hour prices include half-off appetizers, \$5 select wines, and more. We may have a surprise guest for this event!

**Home Ministers Investiture:** Home ministers from the Eldership Community Home Ministry will have a special investiture service during the 11:30 AM Mass on Sunday, May 14. Please support our ministers by joining us for Mass and the reception that follows.

**Prayer Group:** In May, members of the Eldership Community will pray before the 12:05 PM Mass on May 3. We will meet at 11:30 in the rear of the church and pray for special intentions submitted by parishioners.

## † YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY †

**Intro to Taizé Prayer:** Ever wondered what Taizé prayer is? Have you ever participated or tried Taizé and enjoyed it? Come join YAC on **Tuesday, May 2 from 7-9 PM** in Barbelin Hall as we explore this beautiful and unique prayer tradition.

Taizé is an adaptive style of meditative singing that focuses on the repetitive chanting of short phrases from the Bible, along with other texts and songs in a range of languages. There will be an introduction to the practice, followed by a small Taizé service led by members of the Young Adult Community. All are welcome and absolutely NO singing ability is needed.

Spirits will still start in Barbelin Hall at 7:00. Spirituality will begin at 7:30. Contact Jenn Lydic at [jennlydic@gmail.com](mailto:jennlydic@gmail.com) with any questions. We hope to see you there!

**YAC Semi-Annual Steering Committee Retreat:** The OSJ Young Adult Community is coming together to plan and organize for the next 6 months at our Semi-Annual Steering Committee Retreat on **Saturday, May 6 from 10 AM-4 PM in the Loyola Room.** We invite

you to participate and join us for as much of the day as your schedule permits. Our goals for the meeting are to discuss: **1.** Where YAC has been over the past 6 months to 1 year as well where it has been historically. **2.** What is going well with YAC and what needs improvement. **3.** Ways to make changes to reflect the needs recognized by the group. **4.** Who might feel called to take on a leadership role within specific events, projects or within leadership.

If you are unable to attend the meeting in person on May 6, please send any thoughts or recommendations to be brought up in discussion by May 5th to Megan at [mprilutski@gmail.com](mailto:mprilutski@gmail.com). Thank you for your participation and dedication to the OSJ Young Adult Community. We hope to see you there!

**Young Adult Pre-Mass Reflection Group, Sundays at 5:30pm, OSJ Courtyard or Drexel Parlor:** All young adults are invited to prepare and reflect as a group for the Sunday readings that will be heard at the 6:30 Mass. Prayer will begin at 5:30, end between 6:15/6:20, and materials will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact us at [osjyac@gmail.com](mailto:osjyac@gmail.com).

## † SOCIAL JUSTICE †

**"I was hungry and you fed me."** Please join the Social Justice Committee on **Sunday, May 21** for a day of Action and Advocacy. Please bring canned food items (such as beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta and pork and beans) which will be collected after each Mass for the Archdiocesan MANNA food Drive.

A representative from the Social Justice Committee will also be available with post cards to participate in the **Bread for the World** offering of letters. Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad. Post cards will be hand delivered to Congress by a parish representative on the Bread for the World Lobby Day in June.



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HAVE FAITH. END HUNGER.

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