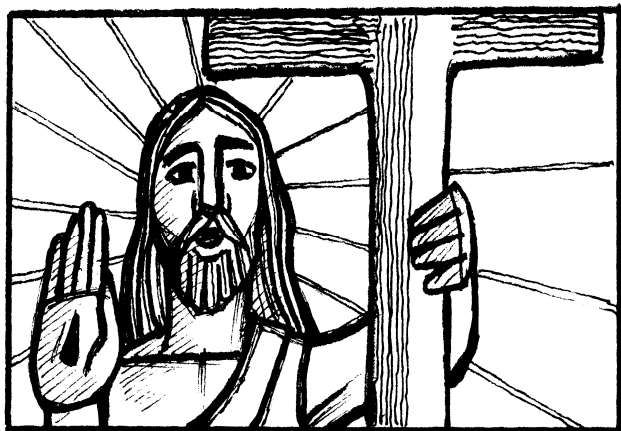


**7 May 2017**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**



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📖 **TODAY'S READINGS** 📖

**First Reading** — All peoples called by God will receive the gift of the Spirit if they repent and are baptized (Acts 2:14a, 36-41).

**Psalm** — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

**Second Reading** — Once we were like straying sheep; but now we have been returned to the shepherd, our guardian (1 Peter 2:20b-25).

**Gospel** — The shepherd leads the sheep out into pastures of abundant life (John 10:1-10).

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📖 **READINGS FOR THE WEEK** 📖

- Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18
- Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
- Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
- Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
- Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
- Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
- Sunday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

*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 8  
12:05pm **T.V. Whitefield (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.
- Tuesday May 9  
12:05pm **Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society**  
Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.
- Wed. May 10  
12:05pm **Angela Berger (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.
- Thursday May 11  
12:05pm **Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society**  
Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.
- Friday May 12  
12:05pm **Angela Berger (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Phil Florio, S.J.
- Saturday May 13  
12:05pm **Edward & Mary Britt Family (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.  
5:30pm Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.
- Sunday May 14  
7:30am Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.  
9:30am Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.  
11:30am Presider: Fr. Phil Florio, S.J.  
6:30pm Presider: Fr. John Kelly, S.J.

**† THIS WEEK AT OSJ †**

- Tues 9 12noon: Food, Faith and Friends (Barbelin)  
Al-Anon (Drexel)  
7:00p: Pre-Baptism Class (Drexel)
- Wed 10 7:30p: CLC1 (Drexel)
- Thu 11 12noon: Food, Faith and Friends (Barbelin)  
7:00p: Schola Rehearsal (Barbelin)  
7:30p: PIC Planning Mtg. (Drexel)
- Sat 13 12noon: Food, Faith and Friends (Barbelin)
- Sun 14 11:00a: Spirituality Formation Mtg. (Loyola)  
5:00p: Loyola Choir Rehearsal (Church)  
6:30p: YAC Pre-Mass Reflections (Drexel)  
7:30p: YAC Cookout (Courtyard)

**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 30, 2017**

Collection	Regular	Online	Total
Daily Mass	\$184.00	n/a	<b>\$184.00</b>
Sunday Mass	\$5,862.00	\$3,395.50	<b>\$9,257.50</b>

*Percentage of online donations: 37%*

**NOTE: The Easter offertory** will be reported at the next week's bulletin May 13/14.

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

Easter	Through TODAY May 7
Catholic Home Missions	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.

## † SECOND COLLECTION †

**This week, we will take up a second collection for the Catholic Home Missions.** Currently, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support funds programs—such as religious education, seminary formation, and lay ministry training—to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. 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, in a special way, we congratulate and offer thanks to our young people of the parish and PREP program that celebrate their First Communion. We are very proud of you and your love for Jesus. Together, with your family and friends, we pledge our support and prayers!

In today's Gospel on this 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, John the Evangelist writes: "But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the

shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.”

That shepherd, of course, is Jesus Christ who protects us, cares for us, and leads us to the Father. In turn, the Lord entrusted us, His Church, to our chief shepherd, our pope, who like Jesus leads us and us guides in holiness. We know that Jesus called himself the Good Shepherd (John 10:14). Throughout the Gospels the Lord talks about sheep, goats and shepherds, and He compares the people of God to the “flock of God.” In the image of Jesus, the Lord fulfills the prophecy from Ezekiel 34:23 where God himself promises to become the Good Shepherd who will judge His people with justice. Jesus fulfills this prophecy when He declares himself the Good Shepherd.

But who would lead the flock after Jesus returned to heaven? Jesus said there would be “one flock, one shepherd” (Jn 10:16). After His resurrection, in a moving and tender conversation with Peter, Jesus assigns His job as shepherd of the sheep to St. Peter, our first pope. Peter becomes the spiritual father of the people of God and the prime servant of Christ’s Kingdom with full authority in Jesus’ absence.

Today, as God’s flock, let us remember to pray for our earthly shepherd, Christ’s vicar on earth, Pope Francis, as well as for Pope Emeritus Benedict, and for all of our Church leaders who are charged with caring for us and leading us in holiness.

**A Prayer for the Pope:** Let us pray. O God, the Pastor and Ruler of all the faithful, look down, in your mercy, upon your servant, Pope Francis, whom you have appointed to preside over your Church; and grant, we beseech you, that both by word and example, he may edify all those in his care; so that, with the flock entrusted to him, he may arrive at length unto life everlasting. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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,

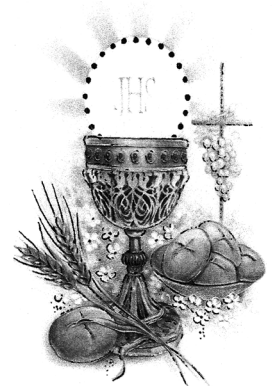
Fr. Phil Florio, SJ

Pastor

## † PARISH LIFE †

**Today 25 of our children are making their First Holy Communion at the 9:30 Mass.**

We welcome them as they join us at the Lord’s Table. Please pray for them and their families as they continue their initiation into the Catholic Church and become more responsible members of our parish community.



**Save the Date!** Please join us for a reception after the **9:30, 11:30 AM and 6:30 PM Masses on Sunday, May 28** as we bid farewell to our pastor, Fr. Phil Florio. The receptions will be held in the courtyard, weather permitting.

Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Hospital Ministers, Lectors, and Ushers are reminded to submit their updates for the June/July ministry schedule by May 15th at <http://www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/osj>. Thank you for your faithful service to your parish!

**The centering prayer group will meet on Wednesday, May 17 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM in the Drexel Parlor of the rectory.** The meeting will include a discussion on centering prayer, followed by evening prayer with a period of centering. Anyone interested in this contemplative prayer is welcome to join us. For further information, contact Christine Szczepanowski at 267-250-3049 or [christinesz52@gmail.com](mailto:christinesz52@gmail.com).

**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.



**All are invited** by the OSJ Young Adult Community to join in the parish monthly Sunday **Cook-In in Barbelin Hall, after the 6:30 PM Sunday Mass on May 14.** Come and enjoy good food and good company!

## † 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.



**breadfortheworld**  
HAVE FAITH. END HUNGER.

**Save the Date: Rebuilding Together Saturday, June 3, 8:30 AM-4:00 PM in West Oak Lane, Philadelphia.** Old St Joseph's invites parishioners to take part in Rebuilding Philly's "West Oak Lane Block Build." One row home in the West Oak Lane neighborhood will be transformed by our efforts! Working alongside the homeowner, we may be ripping out carpeting, installing tile flooring, fixing leaky faucets, installing smoke alarms, or possibly painting. The exact tasks will be decided closer to June 3. All skill levels are needed and instructions will be provided. We are hoping to gather a group of 10 volunteers. If you can only come for part of the time, that's OK, too.

If you cannot make it, please consider donating a Home Depot gift card which will be put to good use by Rebuilding Philly. Please put the gift card in an envelope, marked "Rebuilding Philly," and deposit the envelope in the collection basket during the Mass, or you can drop it off at the parish office. **Please respond to [socialjustice@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:socialjustice@oldstjoseph.org) if interested by May 21, 2017.**

## † 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.

## † YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY †

**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).

## † AROUND THE CORNER †



**IHM Nun Run:** Join us on **June 3** for the IHM Nun Run, a 5K run/walk at Villa Maria House of Studies, Immaculata, PA which is across the street from Immaculata University. **Start time is 8:30 AM.** Proceeds

benefit Camilla Hall, the retirement home for the aged and infirmed Sisters of IHM.

Registration information: [www.ihmnunrun.org](http://www.ihmnunrun.org). **May 30 is the last day to register. No race day registrations.**

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