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All are welcome and respected here.

June 11, 2017 | The Most Holy Trinity



Welcome to Philly!

My name is Walter Modrys, S.J. and I'm the new pastor.

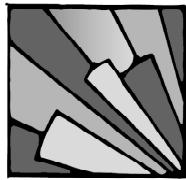
A few weeks ago I tried to "sneak" into Sunday mass at OSJ, incognito, on a scouting mission, just to see how things are done here. I was surprised how many people spotted me, I guess from my picture that Father Florio ran in the bulletin a few weeks previous. "Boy," I thought to myself, "these people really read that bulletin!" So for those who know me already, hello again, and for those I haven't met, I look forward very much to greeting you.

When the Provincial asked me to come to Old Saint Joe's, he told me that it was here that he had celebrated his first mass after ordination. "That Church means a great deal to me," he said. Maybe it was just his way of encouraging me to do a good job, though I took it as a subtle hint that he was keeping a close eye on me. Since then I have heard the same sentiments expressed by many of my brother Jesuits – about their fondness for OSJ. And as I have met more parishioners, they, too, have been speaking of their great affection and loyalty for Old St. Joe's. This Church means a great deal to you – that's clear.

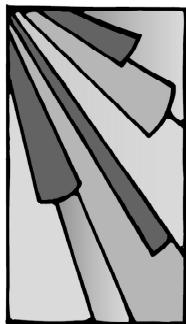
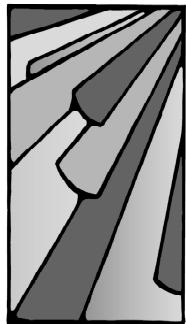
As an outsider, I am being welcomed into a very warm and mutually supportive family. But I'm being welcomed not just as a new member, but even more as a leader. Of course, leadership here is within the Christian community. What does that leadership mean? It means service first of all. "Do no harm" is the medical motto. "Preach the word when convenient and inconvenient," St Paul admonished his close friend Timothy. Administer the sacraments in union with the Bishop, Canon Law requires. Foster sharing and relationship building, the psychologists counsel.

All these thoughts were going through my mind when Father Ed Dougherty dropped into my office a few days ago. Out of the blue, he urged me to keep in mind John 10. "The Good Shepherd," I said, trying to impress him with my knowledge of the Bible. "Yes," he said, "you're the pastor, the root meaning of which is that you feed the sheep." That's a tall order. It will take a lot of grace from the Lord and patience from you for me to do that. Fortunately, the Pentecost feast we just celebrated reminds us that it's the Holy Spirit that inspires the whole Church and all of us in it. On this feast of the Blessed Trinity, let us remind ourselves that the Father sent his Son so that the Spirit could fill our hearts and share with us God's own life.

Father Walter F. Modrys, S.J.



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD, merciful and gracious, rich in kindness and faithfulness (Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9).

Psalm — Glory and praise for ever! (Daniel 3).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters, rejoice. Live with one another in peace, and the God of peace will be with you (2 Corinthians 13:11-13).

Gospel — God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but to give it abundant life (John 3:16-18).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-9; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129-133, 135;
Mt 5:13-16

Wed: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;
Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-18;
Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;
Mt 5:33-37

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;
1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

Complete text of the daily lectionary readings can be found at www.usccb.org/bible/readings

† MASSES FOR THE WEEK †

Monday June 12

12:05pm **Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society**
Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.

Tuesday June 13

12:05pm **Edward & Mary Britt Family (D)**
Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.

Wed June 14

12:05pm **Benefactors of the Maryland Province**
Presider: Fr. Walter Modrys, S.J.

Thursday June 15

12:05pm **Joan Foxx (D)**
Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.

Friday June 16

12:05pm **Gerladine Marren & Family (D)**
Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.

Saturday June 17

12:05pm **Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society**
Presider: Fr. Walter Modrys, S.J.

5:30pm Presider: Fr. Walter Modrys, S.J.

Sunday June 18

7:30am Presider: Fr. Ed Dougherty, S.J.

9:30am Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.

11:30am Presider: Fr. Walter Modrys, S.J.

6:30pm Presider: Fr. Walter Modrys, S.J.

† THIS WEEK AT OSJ †

Tues 13	12noon: Food, Faith and Friends (Barbelin) Al-Anon (Drexel) 7:00p: Pre-Baptism Class (Drexel)
Wed 14	6:30p: Women Fellowship Grp. (Loyola) 7:30p: CLC1 (Drexel)
Thu 15	12noon: Food, Faith and Friends (Barbelin) 7:00p: Schola Choir Rehearsal (Church) 7:30p: PIC Planning Mtg. (Drexel)
Sat 17	12noon: Food, Faith and Friends (Barbelin)
Sun 18	5:00p: Loyola Choir Rehearsal (Church) 6:30p: YAC Pre-Mass Reflections (Drexel)

Please remember our sick and homebound sisters and brothers: John Chisholm, Steven May, April DiGiovanni, Margery Covello, Richard Polosky, Dr. Stephen Reznak, Eleanor De Meis, Sharon Sylvester, Katherine Downs, Avram Aumick, Jerry McAndrews SJ, Ed Tomezko, Sara Orkline, Joanna Pearl, Lucy Pearl, Adeline Acerino, James McBride, Jerry McBride, Kristin

Morrow, Marie Malloy, Karen Lockyer, Fr. Nicholas Waseline OSFS, April DeMatto, Mariella Carnovale, Thomas Hart, D. Minter, 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 homebound parishioners. Volunteers are also Eucharistic Ministers who bring communion to the homebound. To request a home visit, call 267-457-2256 or e-mail joanslavin@aol.com

† FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP †

Offertory Collection for the week ending June 5, 2017

Collection	Regular	Online	Total
Daily Mass	\$270.00	n/a	\$270.00
Sunday Mass	\$5,772.00	\$8,051.50	\$13,823.50

Percentage of online donations: 58%

NOTE: The Online Giving total this week includes monthly donations

† 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).

To sign up for Online Giving go to our website: www.oldstjoseph.org and click on the Online Giving tab underneath the Important Links column.

† WELCOME †

Welcome new parishioners. Thank you for joining our parish community!

Elizabeth McFadden & Paul Campbell

† PARISH LIFE †

Women Faith and Fellowship will meet on **Saturday, June 17 for the 5:30 Vigil Mass**. After, we will have dinner at City Tavern (138 S 2nd St). If you are interested in joining us and meeting other

parishioners, please contact Rana McNamara at rmcnamara915@comcast.net by June 13th.

Our faith sharing will be on Wednesday, June 14, at 6:30 PM in the Loyola Room in the rectory. Please drop by – we read and discuss the daily readings and will begin discussing ways to build our prayer life.

The centering prayer group will meet on Wednesday, June 21 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.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: We will take a summer recess of celebrating CLOW after **June 18**. We will resume on **September 10**. The CLOW Leaders wish all our children a summer blessed with joy.

† PREP †

Volunteer opportunity:

Our parish PREP program (formerly CCD) is in need of a fifth-grade teacher for next year. Classes meet on Mondays from 6:00 to 7:00 PM, September through May. All materials, support, and a small stipend are provided. This is a great opportunity to share your faith with our kids and help form the next generation of Catholics. If you're interested or would like more information, contact Christine Szczepanowski, Coordinator of Religious Education at 215-923-1733 x 123, 267-250-3049 (cell), or prep@oldstjoseph.org.

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Attention Parents: Registration for PREP (formerly CCD) is in process. If your child will be in 1st through 6th grades in a non-Catholic school next year, he or she should be enrolled in the program for religious formation and sacramental preparation. Classes meet on Mondays from 6:00 to 7:00 PM beginning September 11. Registration forms are available at the entrance to the church, or in the parish office. You can

also download a copy from the OSJ website www.oldstjoseph.org. Contact Christine Szczepanowski, Coordinator of Religious Education at 215-923-1733 x123, 267-250-3049 (cell), or prep@oldstjoseph.org for more information.

† ELDERSHIP COMMUNITY †

Trip to Fishtown on Wednesday, June 21, 11:00 AM: We are planning to meet at Old St. Joe's and will travel together north



to the Fishtown neighborhood for a private tour of a former hospital that has been transformed into a senior citizen housing complex. Parishioner Ted Robb, who was the force behind this project, will join us. Following the tour, we will break for lunch, either in the park or at a local restaurant. Roundtrip transportation will be provided by the Eldership Community. Contact Joan Slavin at joanslavin@aol.com reserve your spot on this trip.

On Wednesday, June 14, Eldership will meet following Mass for a short prayer session for members of our parish community. Please join us following the 12:05 Mass in the church.



Old St. Joe's Eldership Community and Penn's Village are collaborating to bring you information on a topic of critical interest to older adults and to those who care about them. Many of us wonder whether **converting a portion of our home equity into cash** is a safe and wise option for ourselves and our parents. Greg McDermott, now with Trident Mortgage Company, has worked for twelve years with seniors evaluating this option for more comfortable retirement. He will help us understand what a Home Equity Conversion Mortgage really is, how we can protect ourselves by selecting government-regulated and insured programs, and compare these mortgages

with alternatives such as reverse mortgages and lines of credit.

Marie Scarpulla, long-standing OSJ parishioner, and Schola member, with Berkshire Hathaway Realtors, will discuss downsizing, "right-sizing," "aging in place," and the financial advantages of homeownership for retirees. Marie has a Seniors Real Estate Specialist (SRES) designation and has helped seniors with retirement planning, real estate portfolio planning, and estate sales for ten years. We will meet in **Barbelin Hall at Old St. Joseph's, July 12 from 5-7 PM**. All are welcome. Please RSVP by scarpulla.phillrealtor@gmail.com, or 484-478-3481.

† YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY †

Game Night + Emmaus Walk:

Come enjoy the start of summer with YAC!

We head to

Washington Square on **Tuesday, June 13, from 7 - 9 PM**. We'll start the night with a short Emmaus walk-YAC style: Get to know someone new in YAC by going for a short walk around the park. We'll return to our meeting spot (the east side on 6th Street between Walnut and Spruce) and continue to enjoy a night of outdoor games and good company. In case of rain, cold, or other inclement weather, we'll head to Barbelin Hall below the Church for a night of board games instead.



Summer YAC Welcome! Come welcome the start of summer with YAC on **Sunday**,

June 25. Young adults from all churches are invited to join YAC at **Independence Beer Garden after the 6:30 Mass** at Old St. Joseph's Church. We'll enjoy drinks, snacks, and great fellowship outside while we also welcome the newest ACESJU (Alliance for Catholic Education at St. Joseph's University) cohort. Rain site will be 2nd Story Brewing Company (117 Chestnut St at 2nd). Have questions? Email osjyac@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!

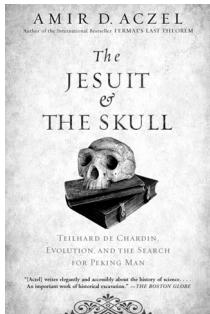
Young Adult Pre-Mass Reflection Group, Sundays at 5:30pm, OSJ Courtyard or Drexel Parlor: All young adults are invited to prepare and reflect as a group for

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.

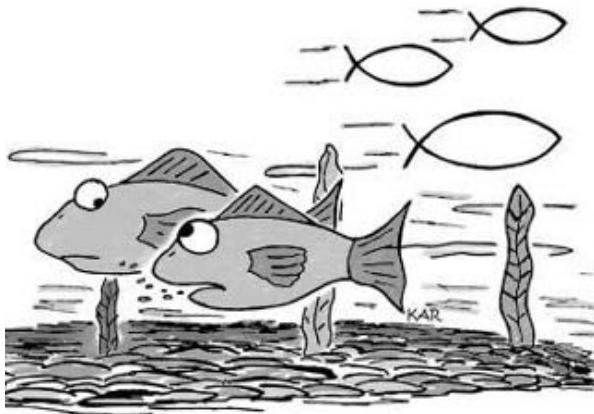
† ADULT ED †

Adult Ed Summer Reading: *The Jesuit and the Skull: Teilhard de Chardin, the Evolution and the Search for the Peking Man* by Amir D. Aczel. Please join the Adult Ed Committee for a discussion in Barbelin Hall on **Sunday, September 17, at 1:00 PM**. Book is available in multiple formats online at Barnes and Noble, Amazon, and Books-A-Million. Please contact the Adult Ed Committee at adulted@oldstjoseph.org with any questions.

Overview of *The Jesuit and the Skull*: In 1929, French Jesuit priest Pierre Teilhard de Chardin was a part of a group of scientists that uncovered a skull that became known as Peking Man, a key evolutionary link that left Teilhard torn between science and his ancient faith, and would leave him ostracized by his beloved Catholic Church. His struggle is at the heart of *The Jesuit and the Skull*, which takes readers across continents and cultures in a fascinating exploration of one of the twentieth century's most important discoveries, and one of the world's most provocative pieces of evidence in the roiling debate between creationism and evolution.



† A LITTLE HUMOR †



"Must be missionaries!"

Prayer for the Most Holy

Trinity

An Act of Oblation

By St. Francis de Sales

I vow and consecrate to God
all that is in me:
my memory and my actions to God
the Father;
my understanding and my words to
God the Son;
my will and my thoughts to God the
Holy Spirit.

I consecrate my heart, my body,
my tongue, my senses and all my
sorrows
to the sacred Humanity of Jesus
Christ,
who consented to be betrayed
into the hands of wicked men
and to suffer the torment of the
Cross for me.



† INFORMATION †

Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Friday: 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Mass Times

Monday through Saturday: 12:05 PM

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM and 6:30 PM

Holy Days: 12:05 and 7:30 PM

Medical Emergency

In the event of a medical emergency when the need for a priest is urgent, please call the rectory.

Hearing Enhancements

Old St. Joseph's is equipped with an audio hearing loop. Switch on the T-coil function of your device to use the loop. Booklets with the Sunday readings are in the rear of the church.

Registration

Persons who want to register as parishioners should complete a parish registration form and return it to the rectory office by mail or in person. Registration forms are available in the rectory office during normal office hours, in the pamphlet racks in the church vestibules and online at www.oldstjoseph.org.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday through Saturday: 11:30 AM to noon and by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Persons wanting to arrange for a baptism should call Fr. Dougherty at the parish offices at least two months before the desired date to arrange catechesis and the baptism celebration.

Sacrament of Anointing

The Sacrament of Anointing (the sacrament of the sick) is administered during the 12:05 PM Mass on the first Saturday of each month. Homebound or hospitalized persons wanting to receive the Sacrament of Anointing should call the parish office.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Persons wanting to be married in the parish should call Fr. O'Donnell at the parish offices at least nine months before the desired date.

Rite of Christian Initiation

Unbaptized adults who are considering baptism into the Catholic Church, baptized Catholics who have received no other sacraments and who want to be confirmed and to receive First Eucharist, and baptized non-Catholics who are considering full communion in the Catholic Church should call Fr. O'Donnell at the parish office.

To arrange Mass of Christian Burial, the funeral director should call the parish office.

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