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# Old St. Joseph's Church

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Philadelphia's Jesuit Parish

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All are welcome and respected here.

August 27, 2017 | The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome!

Welcome new parishioners. Thank you for joining our parish community:  
**Julie Hansen, the Petner Family,  
and Thomas & Catherine Flaherty**

This Week at OSJ

**Tuesday, August 29**

12:00 PM - Al-Anon Meeting (Drexel Parlor);  
Faith, Food & Friends (Barbelin)

**Thursday, August 31**

12:00 PM - Faith, Food & Friends (Barbelin)

**Sunday, September 3**

5:00 PM - Loyola Choir Rehearsal (Church)  
5:30 PM - YAC Pre-Mass Reflections (Drexel)



Old St. Joseph's Maintenance, Bob, and Administrative Assistant, Eleanor, watch the August 21 solar eclipse from Willings Alley.

**Labor Day, Monday,  
September 4, 2017**

Confessions: 11:30 AM

Mass: 12:05 PM

Rectory office will be open from  
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM



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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;  
Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29

Wed: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17;  
Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12;  
Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2;  
Mt 16:21-27

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

## ✠ MASSES FOR THE WEEK ✠

Monday August 28  
12:05pm **Kenneth Dewayne Williams (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Walter Modrys, S.J.

Tuesday August 29  
**Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society**  
12:05pm Presider: Fr. Walter Modrys, S.J.

Wed. August 30  
12:05pm **Edward & Mary Britt Family (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Walter Modrys, S.J.

Thursday August 31  
12:05pm **Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society**  
Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.

Friday September 1  
12:05pm **Bob Lessing (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.

Saturday September 2  
12:05pm **James & Katherine Henderson (D)**  
Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.  
5:30pm Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.

Sunday September 3  
7:30am Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.  
9:30am Presider: Fr. Dan Ruff, S.J.  
11:30am Presider: Fr. Dan Ruff, S.J.  
6:30pm Presider: Fr. Ed O'Donnell, S.J.

**Please remember our sick and homebound sisters and brothers:** Ava Iezzi, Sharon Sylvester, Jack Lees, Roberto Pupo, Colleen Raymond, Sean Pearson, Lynda Blum-Kahn, Michael Sheston, Garry Moros, Patricia Yusko, Cynthia Locke, Brice Verdier, Mary Jacobs, Jerry McAndrews SJ, Sara Orkline, Joanna Pearl, Lucy Pearl, Marjorie Heald, Marie Jacobs. Pray also for our ministry at Pennsylvania Hospital. **Names will be removed after 4 weeks unless a 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 the



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## ✠ FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP ✠

Offertory Collection for the week ending  
August 20, 2017

Collection	Regular	Online	Total
Daily Mass	\$115.00	n/a	<b>\$115.00</b>
Sunday Mass	\$4,892.50	\$3,963.00	<b>\$8,855.00</b>

Percentage of online donations: 45%

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

Assumption Collection	Through TODAY Aug. 27
Catholic University	Now through Sept. 3

## ✠ 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.aldstjoseph.org](http://www.aldstjoseph.org) and click on the **Online Giving** tab underneath the Important Links column.



## ✝ PARISH LIFE ✝

**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 this year, they should be in the program for religious formation and sacramental preparation. Classes for grades 1 to 5 meet on Mondays from 6:00 to 7:00 pm beginning September 11. Registration forms are available at the entrance to the church, in the parish office, or can be downloaded from the OSJ website [www.oldstjoseph.org](http://www.oldstjoseph.org). If your child will be in 6th grade and hasn't been in the program or for more information, contact Christine Szczepanowski, Coordinator of Religious Education at 215-923-1733, 267-250-3049 (c), or [prep@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:prep@oldstjoseph.org).

### Notes from the Pastor:

**New Music Director:** We have engaged the services of a new music director on an interim basis. His name is Mark Bani and he comes to us with a wealth of talent and experience. We are delighted that Mark has come forward – a real blessing for the Parish. He will begin his ministry here in mid-September. Please welcome Mark to Old Saint Joseph.

**Restoration of Front Building Facade:** You may have noticed that scaffolding is in place in front of the Rectory. Work has begun restoring the masonry on the front of the building. Like the rest of us, buildings age too, and every few decades they need a face lift to straighten out the lines and wrinkles. Work should be completed in just a few weeks.

If you or anyone you know would like to become a Catholic, contact Father Ed O'Donnell at [eodonnell@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:eodonnell@oldstjoseph.org) or through the parish office. The process begins shortly.

We are looking for more parishioners to volunteer as Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, and Ushers. Scheduling is flexible and training will be provided! Sign up online at [www.oldstjoseph.org](http://www.oldstjoseph.org). (Click the orange Ministry Signup button under Important Links). Thank you for your faithful service to our parish!

## ✝ 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**. The book is available in multiple formats online at Barnes and Noble, Amazon, and Books-A-Million. Please contact the Adult Ed Committee at [adulded@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:adulded@oldstjoseph.org) with any questions.

## ✝ 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 proclaimed 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).

## ✝ A LITTLE HUMOR ✝



“Know what? That would make a good book!”

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## ✠ 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

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### 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](http://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 office 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 office 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.

### OSJ Staff

**Pastor: Fr. Walter Modrys, S.J.**

*(pastor@oldstjoseph.org)*

**Parochial Vicar: Fr. Edward O'Donnell, S.J.**

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**Fr. Edward Dougherty S.J.**

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**In Residence: Br Robert Carson, S.J.**

**Business Manager: Eric German**

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**Interim Director of Music: Marianne Lipson**

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**Liturgy Coordinator: Sr. Asunta Thanh, acj**

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**Administrative Assistant: Eleanor Margaret**

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**Faith, Food & Friends Director: Mary Freedman**

*(faithandfriends@oldstjoseph.org)*

**PREP Coordinator: Christine Szczepanowski**

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### OSJ Councils and Boards

**Parish Pastoral Council:** *(osjpc@oldstjoseph.org)*

Rana McNamara (co-chair), Richard Le (co-chair)

**Parish Finance Council:** Paul Shay (chair)

**Historic Preservation Corporation Board:** Fr. Walter Modrys, S.J. (President)

### Parish Committees and Chairpersons

**Adult Education:** Rita O'Brien and Jeanmarie Zippo *(adulted@oldstjoseph.org)*

**Parish Life:** Joe Casey

**Ignatian Spirituality and Formation:** John Bitterman *(osjspirituality@oldstjoseph.org)*

**Social Justice:** Bethany Welch  
*(socialjustice@oldstjoseph.org)*

### Ministry Leaders

**Altar Servers:** Maria Ramirez,  
*(mathra71@yahoo.com)*

**Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:** Bill Stewart *(wstewart@kaplaw.com)*

**Hospital Ministers:** Donna Frithsen  
*(donnagenevieve@gmail.com)*

**Lectors:** Lou Anne Bulik, *(labulik@yahoo.com)*

**Ushers:** Nikola Sizgorich, *(niksiz@icloud.com)*

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Peggy Connolly  
*(pmcon@comcast.net)*