

Old St. Joseph's Church

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“Father, I don't know what you see in me.”

Isaiah, a sophomore at Arrupe College, said those words to me a few months ago. I'm the dean at Arrupe, a college within Loyola University Chicago that enrolled its first class in 2015. Arrupe is a junior college; our students commute, qualify for federal and state aid, and are generally the first in their families to attend college. Our inaugural class graduated with their associates' degrees in August 2017.

Arrupe College is named after Pedro Arrupe, who served as the General Superior of the Jesuits from 1965 until 1983. Father Arrupe encouraged the Jesuits to make their colleges and universities and other apostolates more focused on the needs of the poor. In founding Arrupe College, Loyola University, the Jesuit university in Chicago, was responding to Father Arrupe's legacy.

Isaiah, as a member of the Class of 2018, is too young to remember Father Arrupe. He struggles academically. And he struggles under the burden of what my colleagues at Arrupe call the deficit narrative. For first generation, marginalized students of color like Isaiah, the deficit narrative portrays him as needy, broken, vulnerable, a product of past failures. At Arrupe, we emphasize the asset narrative: our students' strengths and possibilities, their successes, and their abilities to navigate a variety of situations that for other undergrads would be unimaginable. In short, we want our students to believe they contribute positively to Jesuit higher education, because they do.

In the Gospel for the 4th Sunday of Lent, the story of the a man born blind, John the Evangelist repeats the word "believe" five times. For John, unbelief is a sin. Whoever believes will have eternal life; whoever does not believe will be condemned.

The deficit narrative is sinful at Arrupe College because it prevents students like Isaiah from believing that they bring assets to our community. So perhaps without being aware of it, they are in fact very much in the spirit of Pedro Arrupe, co-pioneering a new way of creating access to Jesuit higher education.

John tells us in the Gospel that God did not send Jesus to condemn the world. I am reminded here of another inspiration behind the founding of Arrupe College, Saint Ignatius, the founder of the Society of Jesus. Ignatius espoused a world-affirming theology that calls us to find God in all things. God is active in our communities and contexts. As a Jesuit priest, I can easily find God present in the students and in the ways my colleagues and I accompany them during their first post-secondary educational experiences.

God was certainly present the other day when Isaiah appeared in my office. "Check this out, Father," he said, and offered a paper for my review from his Shakespeare class. An A. Isaiah's professor is demanding; this grade was no gift. Isaiah was over the moon. We celebrated his success, and he described how he had written the paper, a

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process I suggested he might want to repeat if applicable. We had moved a bit from Isaiah's statement: "Father, I don't know what you see in me." I believe God sees everything in Isaiah, a student who is beginning to believe what God knows—Isaiah is an asset to the Arrupe College community. Father Arrupe would be very pleased.

—Father Stephen N. Katsouros, SJ
Dean and Executive Director
Arrupe College of Loyola University Chicago

*Please join us in Barbelin Hall on **Monday, April 9 at 7:30 PM**. Father Katsouros will speak about the mission of Arrupe College, a two-year college of Loyola University Chicago that continues the Jesuit tradition of offering a rigorous liberal arts education to a diverse population, many of whom are the first in their family to pursue higher education. Using an innovative model that ensures affordability while providing care for the whole person—intellectually, morally, and spiritually—Arrupe prepares its graduates to continue on to a bachelor's program or move into meaningful employment. Heeding the call of its namesake, renowned Jesuit leader Pedro Arrupe, SJ, the college inspires its students to strive for excellence, work for justice, and become "persons for others."*

All are invited to hear Fr. Katsouros' account of a truly creative effort to combat urban poverty and enhance the lives of countless young people in our inner cities through Jesuit education.

Announcements

A New Setting of the Mass Ordinary

For the Sundays of Easter we will be gradually learning a new setting of the Ordinary of the Mass: the Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus, Memorial Acclamation, Great Amen, and Agnus Dei. Randall DeBruyn has composed a wonderful setting to the 2011 translation of the Mass, entitled *Mass of the Resurrection*. Most fitting for these Sundays of Eastertide, it is an outstanding Mass setting. We will introduce a movement or two at time, while maintaining our familiar Mass settings as well. Randall DeBruyn is an accomplished composer, arranger and pianist. He worked for Oregon Catholic Press for more than 30 years, as executive editor of English-language missals and hymnals.

—Mark Bani
Director of Music

Half Day Retreat:

“The Sinner Loved by God”

On **May 5th** from 10:00am to 2:00pm in Barbelin Hall, Fr. Dan Ruff SJ will lead us in exploring a central theme of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, ***“The Sinner Loved by God”***. Following-up from Fr. Modrys' Lenten lecture series on reconciliation, the half day retreat will discuss the relationship we share with God and His love for us.

There is no cost for the retreat, but a **free will offering** is appreciated. Please RSVP by Monday, April 30th to: osjspirituality@oldstjoseph.org

Sponsored by the Ignatian Spirituality Committee at OSJ

Young Adults' April Happy Hour

On **Friday, April 13th**, we're heading to one of Center City West's best bars: **Pub & Kitchen**, at the corner of Lombard and 20th. This cozy, English-style pub has an excellently curated draft list (including Old Speckled Hen and Anderson Valley IPA) and a menu of delicious comfort food, with a burger that's made it on to Philly Mag's "Best Of" list. The 4-6pm Happy Hour includes \$4 beers. **We will be there starting at 5:30pm.** Contact Christopher Ross (g.chris.ross@gmail.com, 610-952-7317) with any questions or to find us at the bar. Hope to see you there!

Adult Education—Mark Your Calendars!

On Monday, April 23 at 7:30 PM in Barbelin Hall, the Adult Education committee will welcome Dr. William Madges, Professor of Historical Theology at St. Joseph University. Dr. Madges will speak *about Five Hundred Years Since the Protestant Reformation: What Ecumenical Progress Has Been Made?* All are welcome to attend!

Rededication of Christ of North Philadelphia

In 1968, the "Christ of North Philadelphia" tableau was created and installed in the Church of the Gesu on 18th Street in North Philadelphia. Considered controversial at the time for its depiction of Christ as African-American crucified on a telephone pole, its intention was to "help black parishioners identify with Christ in a white man's church." The tableau's centerpiece, its black Jesus, went missing for a time and the tableau was put away. Now the tableau has been restored to its original form and returned to the Gesu Church. To celebrate, St. Joseph's Prep will host a rededication on **Thursday April 19 from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**. Please RSVP to St. Joseph's Prep, 215-978-1950.

Catholic History Lecture

Dr. Daniel Moran of Rutgers University will speak on his book "Creating Flannery O'Connor" **on Tuesday, April 17** at the American Catholic History Society at 263 S. 4th Street. Dinner is at 6:00 PM, followed by the talk at 7:00 PM. Reservations are required; RSVP by Wednesday, April 11 at amchs.org.

Summer Iconography Workshop

St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church in Flemington NJ is hosting a **six-day iconography class** Monday July 30 through Saturday August 4. The class is open to anyone who wants to learn the fundamentals of Byzantine style iconography, and no previous artistic experience is necessary. Each student will complete an icon of Christ Pantocrator ("Ruler of All") on a 13.5" x 10" wooden panel using the traditional egg tempera medium (powdered pigments mixed with egg yolk and vinegar). The class will be taught in English by professional iconographer Theodoros Papadopoulos. The workshop fee is \$680, which includes most supplies. For additional information, contact Gerard A. Pelletier at 609-917-0990 or gerardpelletier108@gmail.com.

Hail, Mary: A Lecture on Marian Art

On Tuesday, **May 1 from 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM** Chesley Turner, director of the National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia, will speak on the art and iconography of the Blessed Mother. The evening will include beautiful imagery, art history, church history, compelling music, and time for reflection and prayer. Come celebrate the true May queen! Learn more at www.saintritashrine.org/calendar or call 215-546-8333.

The National Shrine of St. Rita of Cascia will also host its **Annual Peace Banquet** on **May 4 from 6:30 – 9:30 PM** at the late Ballroom. Honorees of the evening will include St. Francis Inn Ministries and Mr. Joseph Bradley. For more information, contact www.saintritashrine.org/peace-award.

Please remember our sick and homebound sisters and brothers

Karen Lockyer
 Rick Bravo
 Joseph Burke
 Christine Mari-Mazzola
 Pat Farris
 Debbie Brooks
 James McBride
 Allen May

Ed Tomezsko
 Mary Jacobs
 Jerry McAndrews SJ
 Lydia Staley
 Charlotte Croce
 Hannah Poole
 Jerry McBride
 Adeline Acerno

Tony Corvaia
 JoAnna Pearl
 Lucy Pearl
 Mary Lou Jennings
 Jack Lees
 Patricia Yusko
 Angelo Miczza
 Fr. Mike Hricko SJ

Please pray also for our ministry at Pennsylvania Hospital

Note from the Pastor

Bringing Communion to the Homebound

When people are ill or indisposed and confined to home, they can remain connected to our shared worship by receiving Communion at home. If you or a family member, friend or neighbor (with their approval of course), would like to receive Communion at home, contact the Parish Rectory so that we can arrange for a parish Eucharistic Minister to visit.

Date	Mass Intention and Presider	Calendar Events
Mon 9	12:05 PM: <i>Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Dougherty SJ	6:00 PM: PREP First Reconciliation Rehearsal (Church) 7:30 PM: Fr. Katsouros' Talk (Barbelin Hall)
Tues 10	12:05 PM: <i>Edward & Mary Britt Family</i> Presider: Fr. Modrys SJ	12 Noon: Food, Faith, and Friends (Barbelin) 7:00 PM: Parish Council (Loyola) 7:30 PM: CLC 1 (Faber)
Wed 11	12:05 PM: <i>Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Modrys SJ	7:00 PM: PREP First Reconciliation
Thurs 12	12:05 PM: <i>Alfred John Campanella</i> Presider: Fr. O'Donnell SJ	12 Noon: Food, Faith, and Friends (Barbelin)
Fri 13	12:05 PM: <i>Old St. Joseph Memorial Society (D)</i> Presider: Fr. Dougherty SJ	
Sat 14	12:05 PM: <i>Benefactors of the Maryland Province</i> Presider: Fr. O'Donnell SJ 5:30 PM: Presider: Fr. Modrys SJ	12 Noon: Food, Faith, and Friends (Barbelin)
Sun 15	7:30 AM: Presider: Fr. O'Donnell SJ 9:30 AM: Presider: Fr. Modrys SJ 11:30 AM: Presider: Fr. O'Donnell SJ 6:30 PM: Presider: Fr. Frederico SJ	5:30 PM: Loyola Choir Rehearsal (Church) 5:30 PM: YAC Pre-Mass Reflection (Greaton)

Financial Stewardship

Offertory Collection for the week ending March 25
Percent of online giving: 42%

Collection	Regular	Online	Total
Daily Mass	\$425.00	n/a	\$425.00
Sunday Mass	\$7625.00	\$5515.50	\$13,140.50

The following collections are now active on the Online Giving Website:

- Easter Flower Memorials** through April 8
- Easter Music Memorials** through April 8
- Holy Thursday Collection** through April 15
- Good Friday Collection** through April 15
- Easter Collection** through April 22

Catholic Charities Update

If you are a registered parishioner, you should have already received your Catholic Charities mailing from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. If not, there are forms and envelopes in the back of the church for you to use to make your pledge. Old St. Joseph's has been asked to contribute \$38,800. To date, we have donated \$18,035 or 46% of our assessment. Thank you for your generous support of the Archdiocese's social ministries!

Old St. Joseph's provides Online Giving, a convenient, safe, and flexible way to make one time or recurring donations to the fund of your choice—Sunday Offering, FF&F, and so on. Sign up on our parish website on the Online Giving tab under Important Links



Many thanks to long-time parishioner and funeral director Ron Rex Piselli who beautified our high holy days by loaning his repository, antique ciborium, risen Christ statue and the repository floral arrangement of imported calla lilies.

Weekly Readings

The daily readings are posted online in English and Spanish by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops at usccb.org. Click on the calendar on the right side of the home page or click on Bible in the green header and you will find text and audio as well as links to daily video reflections. While there, you can subscribe to daily emails of the readings by clicking on RSS Feed.

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, on the bookcases in the back of the church 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 office at least two months before the desired date to arrange catechesis and the baptism celebration.

The 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.

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