This Week at Old St. Joseph’s

Waldron Mercy Academy Job Posting
Waldron Mercy Academy is seeking a substitute nurse for its preschool to 8th grade students. Waldron Mercy offers compensation comparable to public schools. For more information, please contact Nancy Cahill at ncahill@waldronmercy.org.

Email Updates?
Haven’t heard from Old St. Joseph’s in the last month? Would you like to receive occasional notices of parish news and events? We may not have your current email address! Please send it to office@oldstjoseph.org to join the list.

Also, if you’d like to receive periodic emails with clickable opportunities to advocate for just public policies (from organizations like Bread for the World, Catholic Relief Services and the Ignatian Solidarity Network), please send your preferred email address to bjbrown@oldstjoseph.org.

Medical Mission Opportunity
The Mission Doctors Association will offer its 2019 Midwest Retreat/Seminar on September 13–15, 2019 for Catholic physicians, dentists, nurse practitioners and physician assistants, and their spouses who are considering short-term mission service in Africa or Latin America. The retreat will be held at Loyola Stritch Medical School, Chicago. Information about the retreat and accreditation are at MissionDoctors.org or by calling 213-368-1872.

One Parish, One Book
If I were pressed to reduce the entire meaning of religion to one word, that word would be gratitude. With these words, William Byron SJ’s begins the second chapter of our 2019 One Parish, One Book selection, Growing Old Gratefully. Copies will be on sale after all Masses this weekend for $10.00. Fr. Byron will visit OSJ on Saturday, October 26 to reflect on the practice of living from gratitude. Pick up a copy of his book now and allow the brief chapters to serve as prompts for summer meditation.

Mark Bani on the Wanamaker Organ
Old St. Joseph’s Music Director Dr. Mark Bani will be playing the Wanamaker Organ at Macy’s Department Store, 13th and Market Streets, on August 12, 16 and 30 at 12:00 PM and September 2 and 3 at both 12:00 PM and 5:30 PM. A highlight of Mark’s Labor Day performances will be his own arrangement of the hymn Come, Labor On, featuring the Major Chimes. The largest chime of this magnificent percussion rank, note C, is twelve feet long, and weighs just over 600 pounds. Its thunderous resonance transcends description! Mark will also feature the Tuba Magna from the Stentor division—a more recent addition to the organ—which is the loudest, most prominent stop on the organ. Come hear music you just can’t hear anywhere else but Philadelphia!

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.
INFORMATION

Pastor
Fr. Walter Modrys SJ (pastor@oldstjoseph.org)
Parochial Vicars
Fr. Fran Gillespie SJ (fgillespie@oldstjoseph.org)
Fr. Ed O’Donnell SJ
In Residence
Br. Robert Carson SJ
Fr. Edward Dougherty SJ (dougherty@oldstjoseph.org)
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Mark Bani (music@oldstjoseph.org)
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Christine Szczepanowski (prep@oldstjoseph.org)
Faith, Food & Friends Director
Deborah Hluchan (faithandfriends@oldstjoseph.org)

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

Hearing Enhancements
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Registration
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. They can be returned to the parish office by mail or in person.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
A priest is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation Monday through Saturday from 11:30 AM–12:00 PM or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism
If you want to arrange a baptism, please call Fr. Dougherty at the parish office at least two months before the desired date to arrange catechesis and the baptism celebration.

Eucharist for the Homebound
To arrange to receive Communion at home, please contact the parish offices.

The Sacrament of Anointing
The Sacrament of Anointing (the sacrament of the sick) is offered 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
If you want to be married at Old St. Joseph’s, please call the parish office at least nine months before your desired wedding date.

Rite of Christian Initiation
If you are an adult wishing to be baptized, or to receive First Eucharist and Confirmation, or are a baptized non-Catholic seeking full communion with Catholic Church, please call the parish office.

Mass of Christian Burial
To schedule a funeral or memorial Mass, ask your funeral director to call the parish office.

In your prayers, please remember our sick and homebound brothers and sisters and our ministry at Pennsylvania Hospital.


Names on the parish prayer list are updated quarterly. To add someone to the list, please call 215-923-1733 or email office@oldstjoseph.org.

12:05 Daily Mass Intentions & Presider
8/5   James & Katherine Henderson
     Presider: Fr. Gillespie
8/6   Theodore Tozzi (D)
     Presider: Fr. Modrys
8/7   Old St. Joseph’s Memorial Society
     Presider: Fr. Dougherty
8/8   Edward & Mary Britt Families (D)
     Presider: Fr. Dougherty
8/9   Old St. Joseph’s Memorial Society
     Presider: Fr. Gillespie
8/10  Old St. Joseph’s Memorial Society
     Presider: Fr. Modrys