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January 22, 2023 | The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)



Christ of the Breadlines (detail) - Fritz Eichenberg

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY AT OSJ

10:30 a.m. Mass – January 22, 2023

Please join Fr. Frank Hannafey SJ, Fr. Paul Holland SJ and your Parish Pastoral Council after this weekend's 10:30 AM Mass for a parish-wide prayer for discernment. The primary question for which we will seek guidance is:

“How do we as a parish live the call to social justice?”

Immediately after the 10:30 AM Mass, we will gather in Barbelin Hall to convene to pray together about the way forward in our social justice ministry. We expect to convene for about one hour. A light lunch will be served after we gather for prayer.

The Society of Jesus has opted for a “universal apostolic preference” calling all Jesuits and all of their ministries to “walk with the poor, the outcasts of the world, those whose dignity has been violated, in a mission of reconciliation and justice”. As a Jesuit parish, how are we called to respond to this invitation? Council now invites everyone in our community to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in finding our calling in this way of Christian discipleship.

Based upon the spirituality of St. Ignatius, the Jesuits utilize a process of "group discernment" that differs fundamentally from the usual business meeting. It is a form of group prayer, and it emphasizes careful listening to every participant. We pray that you will join us in deliberating together in this way, in the presence of the Holy Spirit!

If you haven't RSVPed already, you are still welcome to join us if the spirit moves you at the last minute!



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Attention all parishioners and friends of OSJ

PARISH CENSUS – Be Counted!

Our parish is conducting a parish-wide census and we want you to be counted. There are two ways for parishioners to participate in this important initiative. Visit our website at oldstjoseph.org and click on the **COMPLETE THE PARISH CENSUS FORM** button ([or click here](#)) and fill out the electronic form. You can also complete a paper form that will be distributed by our ushers during our weekend masses on January 14-15 and 21-22 and return it to them at the end of mass. If you are submitting a new registration, please also use the process listed above.

Over the next few weeks, we will be able to know how many parishioners more precisely are in our parish. This information will help greatly to plan our initiatives moving forward. Thank you in advance for being a part of this worthwhile endeavor. We look forward to 2023 as a parish community.



OSJ PRAYER LIST

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

Julio Umberto Rivera, Paul Clement, Donna Soultoukis, Marilyn Davies, Barbara Hebal, Joan & Pete Slavin, Marie Wojcik, Joanne Nicholson, Nik Sizgorich, Bill Wilson, Reed, Anthony Pelle, John McKeown Jr, George Bernato, Beckett Quinn, Susan Friend, Roberta Parker, Frances Banchi, Doug Raymond, Anna Krachman, Margaret Incerto, Maggie G., Sharon Winge, Stefania Crum, Eleanor Bravo, Allen May, Anthony Pelle Jr, Betty Farris Pfeiffer, Fr. Jerry McAndrews SJ.

Updating our Prayer List: Once a quarter, OSJ updates our parish prayer list. If you would like someone's name to remain on the prayer list, or to add a name, please call 215-923-1733.

This Week at Old St. Joseph's

Date	Mass Intention and Presider	Calendar Events
Mon 23	<i>William DeCara (D)</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	
Tues 24	<i>Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	10:00 AM FF&F Lunch (Barbelin)
Wed 25	<i>Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Holland SJ	
Thurs 26	<i>Amy Koller (D)</i> Presider: Fr. Holland SJ	10:00 AM FF&F Lunch (Barbelin) 7:00 PM Choir rehearsal
Fri 27	<i>Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Holland SJ	
Sat 28	Presider: Fr. Hannafey	10:00 AM FF&F Lunch (Barbelin)
Sun 29	Presider: Fr. Hannafey Presider: Fr. Holland Presider: Fr. Holland	10:15 AM RCIA (Drexel) 10:30 AM YAC Scripture Reading (Greaton) 5:00 PM Vespers (Zoom)



You are invited on a Lenten Journey with Jesus

The Adult Education, Ignatian Spirituality and Care for Creation Committees of Old St. Joseph Church have collaborated on a program focused on Social Justice.

Included will be a discussion on the Social Justice aspects of the Encyclical *Laudato si'* by David Wallace, professor at University of Pennsylvania. We will read and discuss the book, *Living Justice* by Fr. Thomas Massaro, S.J. professor of Moral Theology at Fordham. And we will culminate with a visit by Fr. Massaro on April 1st to discuss his book, (books will be available at a greatly reduced price). Additional information will be available in the coming weeks. Please plan to join us!

THIS WEEK IN JESUIT HISTORY: January 22-31

History: January 23, 1789. Bishop John Carroll, a self-styled member of the “Catholic gentlemen of Maryland because the Society of Jesus had been suppressed, acquired the deed of land for the site and origin of Georgetown University.

Saints: On January 24, 1679, Blessed William Ireland, S.J. along with lay assistant John Grove, were hanged, drawn and quartered at the Tyburn. They were falsely accused of conspiring to kill King Charles II in the infamous “Titus Oates” plot. Ireland's final words were “I beg God almighty to shower down 1000 and 1000 blessings upon His Majesty... and all the royal family, and also on the whole Kingdom. As for the Catholics here, we desire their prayers for a happy passage into a better world, and that God would be merciful to all Christian souls... and so I beseech all good people to pray for us and with us.” Ireland was 43 years old and had been a Jesuit for twenty-four years.

Do you speak Ignatian? *Communal discernment element 2 personal conversion*

The First Week of the Spiritual Exercises intend to help an individual dive deep into the human longing for union with God, to be known and loved intimately by the Lord. The exercises then help the individual uncover the places where “disordered attachments” skew those desires and hinders a relationship with God. The exercises then open the person’s heart to a conversion, a shift from focusing on self-absorption to focusing on God’s deep desires for friendship, and a growth in interior freedom to give oneself to that relationship with the Lord. The exercises help the individual recognize which interior movements are of God (repentance, courage, generosity, increase in faith, hope and love) and which are from one’s own egoism or even from evil spirits (settling for mediocrity, fear, embrace of comfort and spurning of self-sacrifice, desolation). This interior freedom and reordering of desires is essential to any genuine discernment, individual or communal.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2023 – 1:00 pm – Barbelin Hall

Discussion on Laudato Si', Social Justice, and the Natural Environment

Sponsored by OSJ’s Care for Creation Committee

David Wallace, Judith Rodin Professor of English, Italian & Comparative Literature at the University of Pennsylvania, and a new OSJ parishioner, will lead the discussion. *Laudato Si'* is the encyclical by Pope Francis that invites us to reflect upon “care for our common home,” the natural environment, and social justice. Now seems a good moment for us to ponder “what happens next,” given the recent conclusion of the United Nations Biodiversity Conference in Montreal. The encyclical may be [downloaded free of charge from this site.](#)



INFORMATION

Rectory Office Hours

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

Mass Times

Monday through Friday: 12:05 PM

Saturday: 5:30 PM Vigil; Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30 AM

Holy Days: 12:05 and 5:30 PM

Medical Emergency

In a medical emergency when the need for a priest is urgent, please call 267-438-7266

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 and online at www.oldstjoseph.org.

Hearing Enhancements

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday through Friday: Please approach the presiding priest directly after the 12:05 Mass to request reconciliation.

Sacrament of Baptism

Persons wanting to arrange a baptism should call Christine Szczepanowski at the parish office at least two months before the desired date to arrange catechesis and the baptism celebration.

Anointing of the Sick

The anointing of the sick takes place during the 5:30 pm Vigil Mass on the first Saturday of each month.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Persons wanting to be married in the parish should call the front 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 Christine Szczepanowski at the parish office.

Mass of Christian Burial

The funeral director should call the parish office.

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The OSJ Reading Group will meet on Tuesday 7 February 2023 at 7.30 p.m. via Zoom. Our book for the month is Annie Ernaux: A Girl's Story. If you would like to join, please contact Carol Shloss: shlosscarol@gmail.com.

OSJ YAC goes to the PMA: Friday, January 20, 6:00pm. All Young Adults are invited to join the OSJ Young Adult Community at 6pm on Friday, 1/20/23 to see the Matisse exhibit at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Timed tickets will be purchased individually online and cost \$15. We will meet at 6pm inside the North Entrance. Purchasing instructions are available on Facebook and on our newsletter. To receive the weekly newsletter, email osjyac@gmail.com.

YOUNG adults

All young adults are invited on Sundays to discuss and reflect as a group the weekend's readings. The structure will include a reading of the scripture for that day, followed by a short bit of quiet prayer before an opportunity for sharing and discussion. The reflection group will gather at 10:40am between the 9:30 and 10:30 am Masses. The group will gather in the middle parlor of the rectory. Please enter through the sacristy or hall door at the front of the main church. Materials will be provided, and all are welcome. If you have any questions or if you would like to sign up to facilitate, please contact Danielle at osjyac@gmail.com.



The Women, Faith and Fellowship Committee invites women of Old St. Joseph's parish to stop by Frieda's Cafe at 10:30 AM on

January 29th for a cup of coffee or breakfast. Join us to meet and enjoy conversation with other women from the parish. Let us know if you plan to make it by sending an email to wff@oldstjoseph.org Frieda's is located at 320 Walnut Street, just around the corner from the Church.



Catholic History Exhibit and Lecture: All are invited to the American Catholic Historical Society (263 S. 4th Street) on Sunday, January 22 for the opening of their new exhibit: **That '70s Catholicism.** Focusing on developments in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the exhibit

explores the fascinating decade shaped by the currents of Vatican II and capped by the election of Pope John Paul II. The exhibit will open at 1:00pm with a talk by exhibit curator, Dr. Thomas Rzesnik, at 2:00pm (in-person and on Zoom). The event is free and open to the public. [For more info, click here.](#)

FINANCIAL INFO

Offertory for the week ending January 8, 2023

Daily Mass:	\$36.00
In-Pew Sunday Collection:	\$3,496.00
Mail-In Sunday Collection:	\$444.00
Online Giving Sunday Collection:	\$4,858.00
Total Collection:	\$8,834.00

Offertory for the week ending January 9, 2022

Daily Mass:	\$7.00
In-Pew Sunday Collection:	\$2,027.00
Mail-In Sunday Collection:	\$4,625.00
Online Giving Sunday Collection:	\$3,619.00
Total Collection:	\$10,278.00

2022 Christmas Collections 2022

Christmas Flowers:	\$1,658.00
Christmas Music:	\$2,578.00
Christmas Collection:	\$36,988.00
Total Collection:	\$41,224.00

2021 Christmas Collections 2021

Christmas Flowers:	\$1,135.00
Christmas Music:	\$3,760.00
Christmas Collection:	\$36,177.00
Total Collection:	\$41,072.00

Thank You!

The following collections are active on ParishSOFT Giving and Text-to-Give:

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