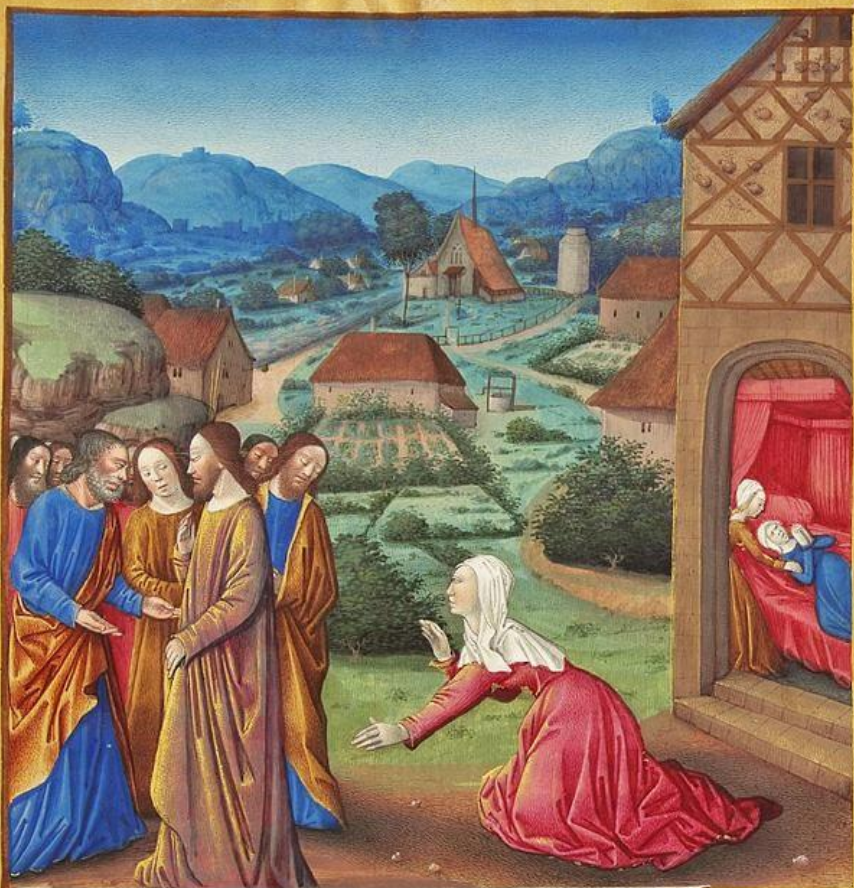


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August 20, 2023 | The 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)



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culo sunt ne unquam domi  
nentur minua nū libera  
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## Today's Gospel Reading: Matthew 15:21-28

At that time, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." But Jesus did not say a word in answer to her. Jesus' disciples came and asked him, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.

Jean Colombe, *Miracle of the Canaanite Woman*  
from Tres Riches Heures of the Duke of Berry  
Flemish, ca. 1485



Our audio hearing loop has been replaced by a new hearing assistance system which requires a smartphone to operate. Instructions including the needed QR symbols, Wi-Fi address, password, and required software app download can be found on the bulletin boards in the church entryways.

## This Week at Old St. Joseph's

Date	Mass Intention and Presider		Calendar Events	
Mon 21				
Tues 22	12:05 PM	<i>Old St Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	10:00 AM	FF&F Lunch (Barbelin)
Wed 23	12:05 PM	<i>Our FF&amp;F Guests (L)</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ		
Thurs 24	12:05 PM	<i>Old St Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	10:00 AM	FF&F Lunch (Barbelin)
Fri 25			5:00 PM	Wedding reh: Kent & Talecki
Sat 26	5:30 PM	<i>Old St Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	10:00 AM 4:00 PM	FF&F Lunch (Barbelin) Wedding: Kent & Talecki
Sun 27	7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	<i>Old St Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ Presider: Fr. Holland SJ Presider: Fr. Holland SJ	12:30 PM 5:00 PM	Reception for Fr. Holland Vespers (Zoom)

### OSJ PRAYER LIST

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

Paul Smith, Dennis Scott, Susanna Mazzoleni, Rosemarie Greco, Anne Morrissey, John Butts, Grazyna Kolondra, Richard Swift, Joseph Kahriger, Brendan Minihan, Helen Walsh, Julio Umberto Rivera, Paul Clement, Marilyn Davies, Nik Sizgorich, Bill Wilson, Anthony Pelle, John McKeown Jr, George Bernato, Beckett Quinn, 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 IN JESUIT HISTORY: Week of August 20

**History - August 22, 1872:** The Society of Jesus is expelled from Germany during Bismarck's Kulturkampf.

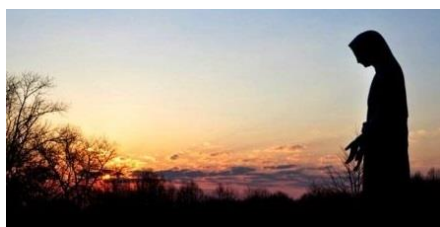
**Saint - Bl Michael Carvalho S.J. (1579-1624):** was a Portuguese missionary whose eagerness to begin his ministry landed him in prison not long after he finally arrived in Japan. It took him ten years to reach Japan, including being shipwrecked off Malacca. He landed at Nagasaki in 1621 disguised as a Portuguese soldier. The Great Persecution against Catholics was in force; missionaries had to exercise their priesthood in secret. Carvalho spent two years on an island near Nagasaki learning Japanese. He was banished from the island when he rashly confronted its governor and openly proclaimed his intentions to preach the Gospel and convert people. Along with a Dominican, two Franciscan priests and a catechist, Carvalho was imprisoned for 13 months in an outdoor enclosure under very harsh conditions. Finally, they were taken out to be burned at the stake, with wood carefully arranged so that it would not go up in flames all at once. Carvalho spoke to the onlookers, " You must understand that we are Christians and that we die of our own free and voluntary accord for the faith of Christ our Lord. " The martyrdom lasted almost two hours.

**Ignatian Spirituality: Universal Apostolic Preferences (seventh of nine installments)** Third UAP: Accompanying youth (continued) Meeting Jesus, young people can find the path to deepest fulfilment. "I have come that you may have life and have it to the full". (John 10:10) The 2018 Synod on Youth and Vocational discernment recognizes the importance of the perspectives of the young. We stand at their side. We glimpse the future with them. We walk with them in order to perceive and discern where the Spirit is leading our world and our Church.

"This is the heart of Ignatian youth work: helping people jettison the small dreams they have for themselves and realize that there is a much bigger dream. Faith can help us to do that and go beyond our own limited horizons," into a hope-filled future. (Fr. General Arturo Sosa SJ)



**For those interested in becoming Catholic,** or those who would like to complete their Christian initiation, please email your inquiry to [rcia@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:rcia@oldstjoseph.org). Our next RCIA program returns in early September.



**OSJ Sunday Vespers on**

**Zoom:** Every Sunday at 5PM, we offer a Zoom Vespers/Evening Prayer for anyone

interested. If you are not already an active participant and would like to be, please contact Stephen Paesani at [spaesani@gmail.com](mailto:spaesani@gmail.com) and he will send you the Zoom link.



**SAVE THE DATE!**

The Saint Maria Goretti Class of 1963's 60-year reunion being held on October 28, 2023 from 1-5 pm at Galdo's Catering in Philly. For more

information contact a committee member, JoAnne Belfatto ([jrmodonnell@verizon.net](mailto:jrmodonnell@verizon.net)); JoAnn Fiorentino ([joanntthomas@yahoo.com](mailto:joanntthomas@yahoo.com)); Lydia Carbone ([leelu740@verizon.net](mailto:leelu740@verizon.net)); or Joanne Tampanello ([jml22112000@yahoo.com](mailto:jml22112000@yahoo.com)).



**COMMUNION AT OSJ:** Just a reminder that the communion procession at Mass begins with the side pews from front to back, then the center pews from back to front. Please follow the directions of the Ushers. Thank you.

**MASS SCHEDULE ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Dear Parishioners and Friends:**

Summer greetings!

I write to update the OSJ community on two changes to our current Mass schedule. After conversation with the parish staff and the parish council I have decided that due to the departure of Father Holland at the end of August we need to adjust our present Mass offerings. These changes are necessary because there will be one full-time priest in residence at OSJ going forward.

First, we will need to discontinue offering the 5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass at the end of the summer. You may recall that we brought the 5:30pm Mass back on a trial basis as we came out of the Covid pandemic. Unfortunately, the attendance at this Mass has remained consistently low for some time. With Father Holland's upcoming departure from the parish and after consultation I have reached the decision that the parish will be unable to sustain this Mass going forward.

We will continue to offer the Saturday 5:30pm Mass through the month of August and it will conclude in our schedule on Saturday, August 26th. In the coming weeks I will personally be present at the 5:30pm Mass to speak about this change with those who regularly attend this liturgy. Our present Sunday morning Mass schedule (7:30, 9:30, 11:30) will continue as usual.

Second, during the summer months we have reduced the 12:05pm daily Mass to Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays only. Following consultation with the parish council and the parish staff, I have also decided to continue with this schedule on a permanent basis. This adjustment will enable OSJ to remain committed to offering daily Mass during the week but at a more manageable level.

While I know that these changes may be difficult for some of you, please know that these decisions have been made carefully to position our parish for the future. In the years ahead we will inevitably see a reduced Jesuit priest presence at OSJ and we need to prepare for this now. Fortunately, Jesuits from the Arrupe Hall Jesuit Community at SJU will continue to assist our community by presiding at Sunday Masses as they have in recent years.

Thank you for your presence and devotion to the OSJ parish community.

Prayers and good wishes,

Francis T. Hannafey, S.J.  
Pastor



## OSJ STAFF and COMMITTEE CHAIRS

### **Pastor**

Fr. Francis Hannafey SJ ([pastor@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:pastor@oldstjoseph.org))

### **Parochial Vicar**

Fr. Paul Holland SJ ([pholland@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:pholland@oldstjoseph.org))

**In Residence** Br. Robert Carson SJ

### **Business Manager**

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### **PREP & Baptism Coordinator**

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### **Faith, Food & Friends Director**

Deborah Hluchan ([faithandfriends@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:faithandfriends@oldstjoseph.org))

### **Parish Pastoral Council**

Pastor, Fr. Francis Hannafey; Chair, John Bitterman  
Secretary, Nina Vitullo ([osjpc@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:osjpc@oldstjoseph.org))

### **Parish Finance Council**

Paul Shay, chair

### **Historic Preservation Corporation Board**

Fr. Francis Hannafey SJ, president  
Barry Eiswerth, chair

### **Adult Education**

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### **Friendship Circle (former Eldership Committee)**

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### **Parish Life**

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### **Women, Faith and Fellowship**

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### **Young Adult Community**

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### **Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)**

Nina Vitullo ([clov@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:clov@oldstjoseph.org))

### **Faith, Food and Friends:**

Deborah Hluchan and Mary Freedman  
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### **Social Justice Committee**

Sarah Johnson & Bob Culleton  
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### **Care for Creation Committee**

Bill Stigliani ([careforcreation@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:careforcreation@oldstjoseph.org))

## 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 6:00 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](http://www.oldstjoseph.org).

### **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.

### **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.



## Farewell Reception for Fr. Holland

**Next Sunday after the 11:30 Mass**

**August 27, 2023**

Please join us in celebrating Fr. Holland and wishing him a bon voyage before he leaves for his new position as pastor of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Greenwich, Connecticut.

## FINANCIAL INFO

### Offertory for the week ending August 13, 2023

Daily Mass:	\$9.00
Mail-In Sunday Collection:	\$1,037.00
In-Pew Sunday Collection:	\$2,420.00
Online Giving Sunday Collection:	\$3,815.46
<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$7,281.46</b>

### Offertory for the week ending August 14, 2022

Daily Mass:	\$25.00
Mail-In Sunday Collection:	\$975.00
In-Pew Sunday Collection:	\$2,331.00
Online Giving Sunday Collection:	\$4,277.00
<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$7,608.50</b>

*Thank you*

### ONLINE GIVING & TEXT-TO-GIVE

The Catholic University and the Assumption collections are both active on the [ParishSOFT](#) and Text-to-Give (215-929-7151) sites.

For Text-to-Give, the fund names are **CatholicU** and **Assumption**



**The next coffee hours will take place TODAY, August 20<sup>th</sup>!**

The Parish Council will sponsor coffee hours

on the third Sunday of the month **after the 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Masses**. Any committee or ministry that wants to co-sponsor one of the coffee hours can email Nina Vitullo at [Vitullon@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:Vitullon@oldstjoseph.org). This is a good opportunity for groups that would like to share an upcoming project with the larger parish community or recruit new members. **Please note** that our regularly scheduled 1st of the month Parish Life Coffee Hours will remain the same.

## ST. IGNATIUS DAY THANKS!

Our thanks to our liturgical ministers and musicians and to the many volunteers who helped with set-up, preparing, and serving the food for this year's St. Ignatius Day Mass and Dinner. As always, a special thanks to Joe Casey and his dedicated group of volunteers. Thank you all.



## Old St. Joseph's Church NEW MASS SCHEDULE

**Beginning September 1, 2023**

**12:05 p.m. Daily Mass**  
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday

**Sunday Masses**  
7:30, 9:30, & 11:30 a.m.

**NOTE: August 26 will be our last  
5:30 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass**

**YOUNG  
adults**

**OSJ Young Adult Community  
Summer Book Club:**  
Wednesday, 8/30 - location can be received by emailing [osjyac@gmail.com](mailto:osjyac@gmail.com). "The Seven Story Mountain" by Thomas Merton. We'll discuss Parts 2 and 3 (279 pages).

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Thy kingdom come  
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On earth as it is in heaven.  
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And forgive us our trespasses  
As we forgive those who  
trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation  
But deliver us from evil.*



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