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October 15, 2023 | The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)



Today's Gospel Reading: **Matthew 22:1-14**

*The Wedding Feast – Pieter Bruegel (1564-1638)*

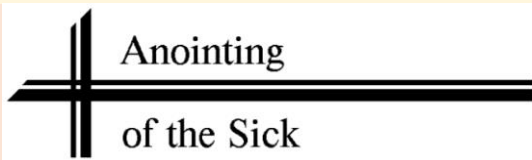
Brothers and Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come. A second time he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast.'" Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business. The rest laid hold of his servants mistreated them and killed them. The king was enraged and sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to meet the guests, he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?' But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants, 'Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.' Many are invited, but few are chosen."



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## This Week at Old St. Joseph's

Date	Mass Intention and Presider		Calendar Events	
Mon 16				
Tues 17	12:05 PM	<i>The Edward &amp; Mary Britt Family (D)</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	10:00 AM	FF&F Lunch (Barbelin)
Wed 18	12:05 PM	<i>Walter James Ashbrook (D)</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ		
Thurs 19	12:05 PM	<i>Giancarlo Mazzoleni (D)</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	10:00 AM 7:00 PM	FF&F Lunch (Barbelin) Choir Rehearsal (Barbelin) & RCIA (Drexel)
Fri 20			9:30 AM	St. Mary's School Mass
Sat 21			10:00 AM	FF&F Lunch (Barbelin)
Sun 22	7:30 AM	<i>Michael H. P. O'Brien (D)</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	10:40 AM	YAC Scripture Reading (Greaton)
	9:30 AM	<i>Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	5:00 PM	Vespers (Zoom)
	11:30 AM	Presider: Fr. Surovick SJ		



The **Anointing of the Sick** will take place at the **7:30 AM Mass on the FIRST SUNDAY of the month** beginning on Sunday, November 5.

### OSJ PRAYER LIST

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

Larry Carlin, Michael Nardi, Michael Paesani, Rosario Lamberto, Gina Hil, Mary Beggy, 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.*





## MUSIC at OSJ-2023-24 SEASON

✂ **All Souls' Requiem Mass**, The Schola Cantorum: Thursday, November 2, 2023, at 7:00 PM. Josef Rheinberger's divinely beautiful setting of his Requiem Mass in D minor will be sung by our choir in the context of a Mass, commemorating the faithful departed on All Souls' Day.

✂ **The Fairfield University Glee Club**: Sunday, November 5, 2023, singing at the 11:30 AM Mass with a Choral Concert following Mass. The Fairfield University Glee Club, under the direction of Dr. Carole Ann Maxwell will sing at the 11:30 AM Mass, and present a short concert following the Mass. A reception will follow in Barbelin Hall.

✂ **Lessons and Carols**, The Schola Cantorum: Sunday, December 17, 2023 (Gaudete Sunday) at 3:00 PM. A festive Advent tradition at Old St. Joseph's, the Schola Cantorum, under the direction of Dr. Bani, will present an Advent Service of Lessons and Carols proclaiming God's promise of salvation through sacred scripture, seasonal choral anthems, and favorite settings of familiar carols. A free will offering will be gratefully accepted. A reception will follow the service.

✂ **A Concert of Classical Guitar Music**: Sunday, April 21, 2024, at 3:00 PM. Students from the Curtis Institute of Music Performing Xingxing Yao and Muxin Li will perform solo and duo works for classical guitar in the lovely setting and superb acoustics of our church. Music by Fernando Sor and Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco. Free will offering.

**SAVE THE DATE:**  
**Liturgical Workshop**  
**and Day of**  
**Recollection on**  
**Saturday, October 28,**  
**2023: 9:00am-Noon.**

As part of the Parish Year of Eucharistic Revival which aims to foster Eucharistic devotion at the parish level by strengthening our liturgical life, OSJ will host a liturgical workshop focusing on "Why we do what we do" during our liturgical celebrations particularly surrounding the Eucharist.

The workshop will be led by Fr. Tom Scirghi, SJ, a liturgical theologian from Fordham University. **ALL ARE WELCOME**, please register by emailing office@oldstjoseph.org.



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**Children's Choir- Calling all singers!** Our children's choir under the direction of Dr. Mark Bani will sing at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on October 15th. Rehearsals began on September 10th immediately following the 9:30 AM Mass this weekend. For more info or to sign up please email Nina Vitullo at vitullon@oldstjoseph.org.



## YOUNG adults

**YAC Scripture Reflection Group on Sundays at 10:40AM**, OSJ Rectory: Greaton Parlor: All young adults are invited on Sundays to discuss and reflect as a group on 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. Materials will be provided, and all are welcome. The reflection group gathers in the Greaton (middle) Parlor of the rectory at 10:40am, between the 9:30 and 11:30 am Masses. Please enter through the sacristy or hall door at the front of the main church to the right of the altar. If you have any questions, please contact osjyac@gmail.com.

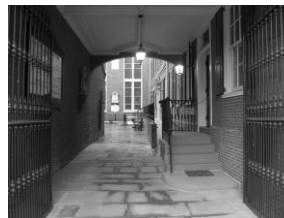
**YAC goes to the Philadelphia Museum of Art:** Friday, October 20 at 6:30pm. \*More details to be provided at a later date.

**YAC goes to the Maguire Museum (SJU)**, Saturday, October 28, 1:30 PM.

**St. Joe's vs. UPenn Basketball Game:** Friday, November 10 (time TBA). \*More details to be provided at a later date.

**Holiday Happy Hour:** Saturday, December 9 (time TBA), location TBD. \*More details to be provided at a later date.

**Christmas Potluck & White Elephant Event:** Sunday, December 17 (time TBA), Barbelin Hall, OSJ. \*More details to be provided at a later date.

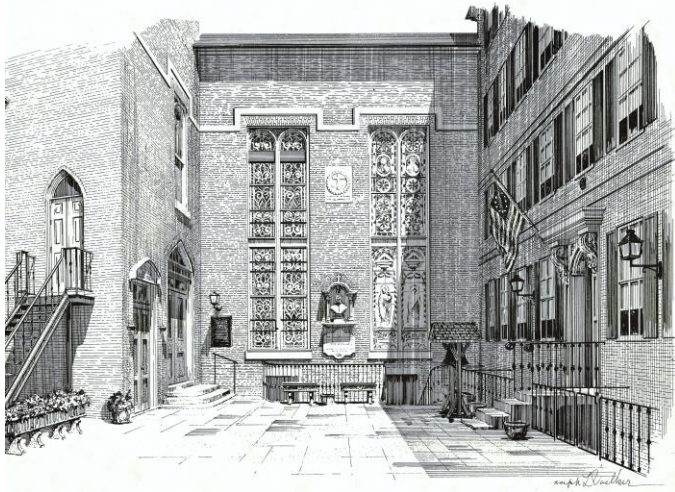


### Remembering OSJ in your Will:

It is an expense taking care of an historical structure. Please remember Old St. Joseph's in your will. Your legacy will continue!

**The OSJ Reading Group will meet on Tuesday, 7 November** at 7.30 p.m. in the Loyola Room. The book for the month is *Old God's Time* by Sebastian Barry. New members are welcome. Contact Carol Shloss: shlosscarol@gmail.com"





## INFORMATION

### Rectory Office Hours

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

### Mass Times

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 12:05 PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30 AM

Holy Days: 12:05 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

Tues., Wed., & Thurs: 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 will take place according to the schedule in the bulletin.

### 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.

## OSJ STAFF and COMMITTEE CHAIRS

### Pastor

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

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

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### Faith, Food and Friends:

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### Social Justice Committee

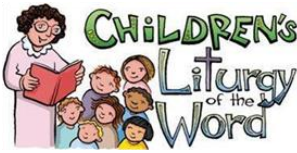
Sarah Johnson & Bob Culleton

([socialjustice@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:socialjustice@oldstjoseph.org))

### Care for Creation Committee

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





**Children's Liturgy of the Word & the Care for Creation Committee Present: A Prayer for the Earth Event for the Children TODAY!** October 15,

2023. Join us as we guide the children in writing their prayers, pinning them onto a large image of Earth, and displaying them prominently in the parish hall during the coffee hour after the 9:30 Mass. OSJ's Care for Creation Committee is co-sponsoring the coffee hours on Oct. 15!



Eric Clayton led a lively discussion and reflection on his book *Cannonball Moments* on Sat., Oct. 7 in Barbelin Hall.

**FINANCIAL INFO**

**Offertory for the week ending October 8, 2023**

Daily Mass:	\$17.00
Mail-In Sunday Collection:	\$563.00
In-Pew Sunday Collection:	\$3,374.00
Online Giving Sunday Collection:	\$4,686.46
<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$8,640.46</b>

**Offertory for the week ending October 9, 2022**

Daily Mass:	\$27.00
Mail-In Sunday Collection:	\$794.00
In-Pew Sunday Collection:	\$4,226.00
Online Giving Sunday Collection:	\$3,727.00
<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$8,774.00</b>

*Thank you*



**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.



If you are not currently on our email list and would like to receive our weekly bulletin and important updates, please send your request to [office@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:office@oldstjoseph.org).



**OSJ's Friendship Circle** welcomes all parishioners to get to know each other at various social, educational, spiritual, and volunteer events sponsored by the group. We will host coffee hours, trips to sporting events, walking tours around city neighborhoods, volunteer

activities and small group dinners at local restaurants and parishioner homes. All are welcome to join us and feel free to bring your friends. Contact us at [friendshipcircle@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:friendshipcircle@oldstjoseph.org). **Planned events:** PJ Clarke's on Wed., 10/25 from 4-6PM; 10/29 Pumpkin Carving after the 9:30 Mass; 60-Minute Walking Tour - Get to know our historic neighborhood in America's most historic square mile! after the 11:30 Mass on 10/29.

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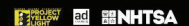
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