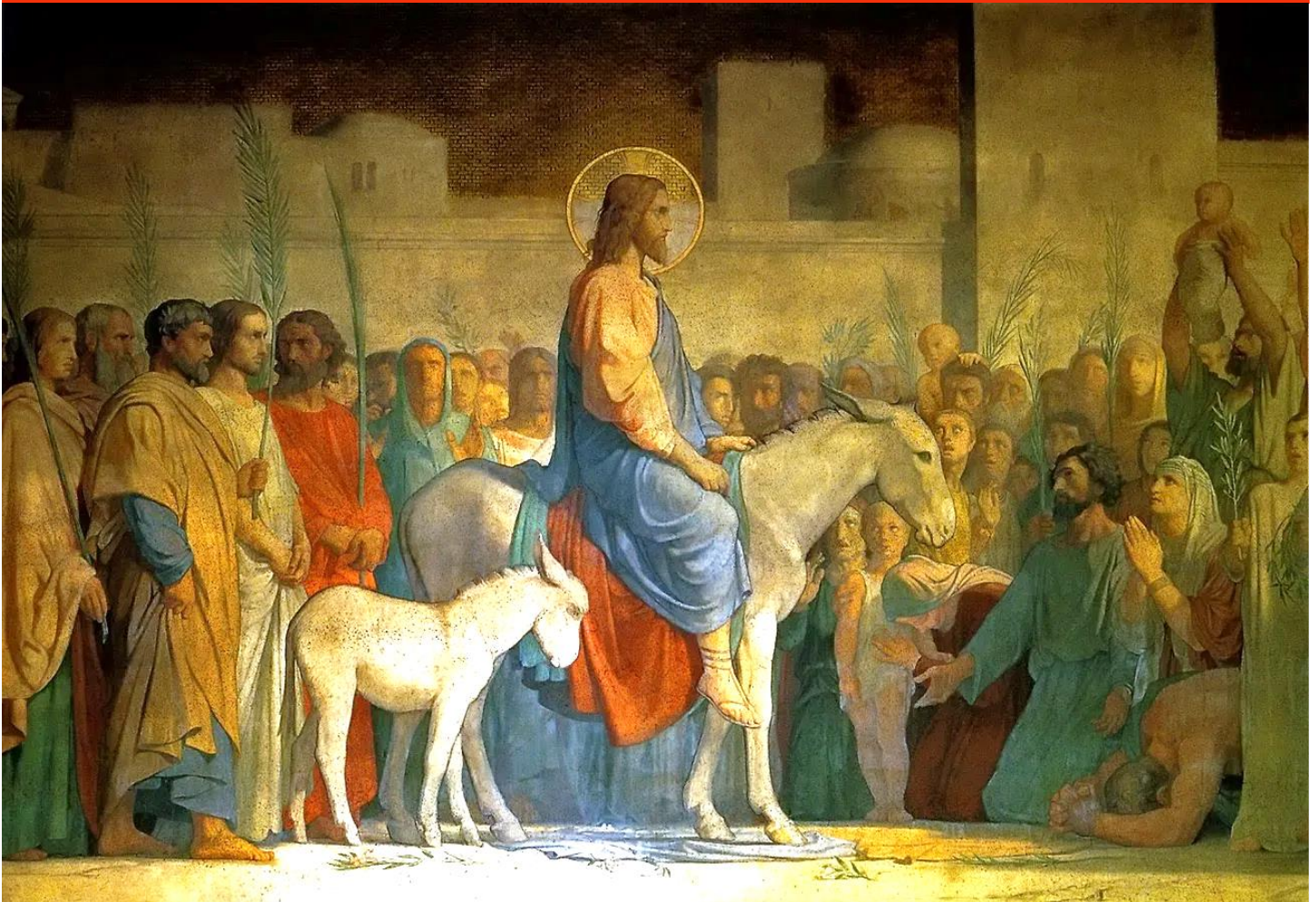


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March 24, 2024 | Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (B)



*Jesus Riding into Jerusalem, fresco (1842-48) – Jean-Hippolyte Flandrin*

**Introit for Palm Sunday:** Matthew 21:9

Hosanna filio David: benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini, Rex Israel:  
Hosanna in excelsis.

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed who comes in the name of the Lord, King of Israel.  
Hosanna in the highest.



We have a 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 entryway bulletin boards.

## This Week at Old St. Joseph's

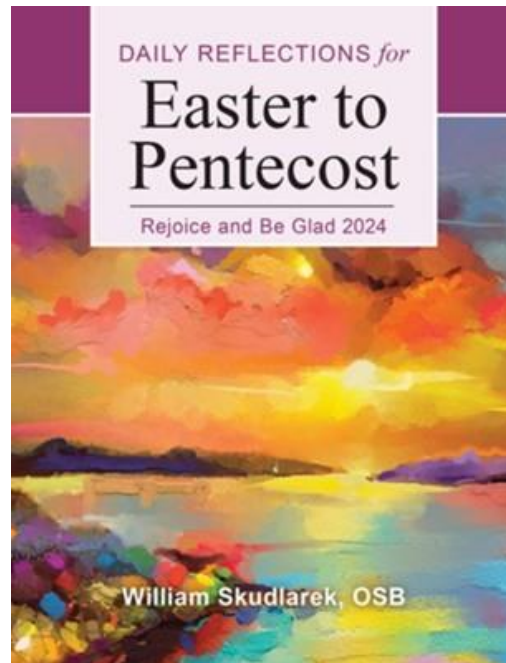
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Mon	25				
Tues	26	12:05 PM	<i>Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	10:00 AM	Faith, Food & Friends (Barbelin Hall)
		6:00 PM	Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ		
Wed	27	12:05 PM	<i>Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	10:15 AM	St. Mary's School Mass
Thurs	28	12:05 PM	Confessions until 1:00 PM	6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal (Barbelin)
		7:30 PM	Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ		
		9:30 PM	Compline		
Fri	29	12:05 PM	Presider: Br. Robert Carson SJ	12:05 PM	Stations of the Cross
		3:00 PM	Presider: Fr. Geinzer SJ	2:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
				3:00 PM	Celebration of the Lord's Passions
Sat	30	8:00 PM	Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	10:00 AM	Faith, Food & Friends (Barbelin Hall)
				7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal (Barbelin)
Sun	31	7:30 AM	<i>Joseph Doyle (D)</i> Presider: Fr. Donaldson SJ	5:00 PM	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> Zoom Vespers
		9:30 AM	<i>Al Geary (D)</i> Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ		
		11:30 AM	Presider: Fr. Geinzer SJ		

### OSJ PRAYER LIST

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

Fran DeRe, Darla Himles, Glenn Malek, Aurelia Bond, Denise Domitrovic, Wayne Franks, Fr. Jerry McAndrews SJ, Sr. Maria Christi Drysdale GNSH, Greg Alexander, Howard Magen, Bob Moore, Janice Moore, Gail Williams, Michael Nardi, Michael Paesani, Rosario Lamberto, Gina Hil, Mary Beggy, Paul Smith, Susanna Mazzoleni, Rosemarie Greco, Anne Morrissey, John Butts, Grazyna Kolondra, Richard Swift, Joseph Kahriger, Helen Walsh, Julio Umberto Rivera, 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

*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.*



### Daily Reflections for Easter to Pentecost

The OSJ Ignatian Spirituality Committee invites all parishioners to set aside a few minutes a day during the Easter season to pray at home with **Daily Reflections for Easter to Pentecost**. This year's book of reflections, based on the daily Scripture readings, is written by William Skudlarek, OSB. Subtitled "Rejoice and Be Glad," each entry includes suggestions for applying the passages to your own life. **Copies will be available in the back of the church on Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday.**

## Children's Liturgy of the Word March/April 2024



### "The Way of the Cross for Children" on Palm Sunday, March 24, 9:30am

**Mass:** All children, PREP students and family members are invited to attend this special children's liturgy of the word. We will present the stations of the cross with visual aids and music. After each station there will be a reflection on our Lord's passion relatable to children. This program is especially meaningful for children in pre-school through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Whether you are a regular at CLOW or new to the program, we encourage you to come share in this once yearly tradition. NOTE: Highschoolers interested in being a lector at the program can email Nina Vitullo at [vitullon@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:vitullon@oldstjoseph.org).



**OSJ Children's Choir-** Rehearsals began on March 10<sup>th</sup>. The children will sing on Sunday April 21 at 9:30 AM Mass. All children are welcome to join the choir. To register please email Nina Vitullo at [vitullon@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:vitullon@oldstjoseph.org).

Please consider donating through our parish online giving site or by picking up a "bowl" at the back of church. Please return all donations by Palm Sunday.



Thank you for your generosity and commitment to OSJ's children's programming!

Questions? Email Nina Vitullo: [vitullon@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:vitullon@oldstjoseph.org).

**The OSJ Reading Group** will meet next on Tuesday, 2 April at 7.30 via Zoom. Our book for the month is *Tinkers*, by Paul Harding. New members are welcome. Contact Carol Shloss at [shlosscarol@gmail.com](mailto:shlosscarol@gmail.com) to be added to the group.



**Calling Writers:** Want to give back to Old Saint Joseph's Community? Like to write? Want to tell the world about your personal Ignatian journey? We need two or three writers to do short news items for the Jesuit newsletter and longer magazine style pieces about what's happening "on the Alley". So, remove that bushel basket and let your light shine! Contact us at [osjpc@oldstjoseph.org](mailto:osjpc@oldstjoseph.org) or call Bill Culleton at 215.284.2860!



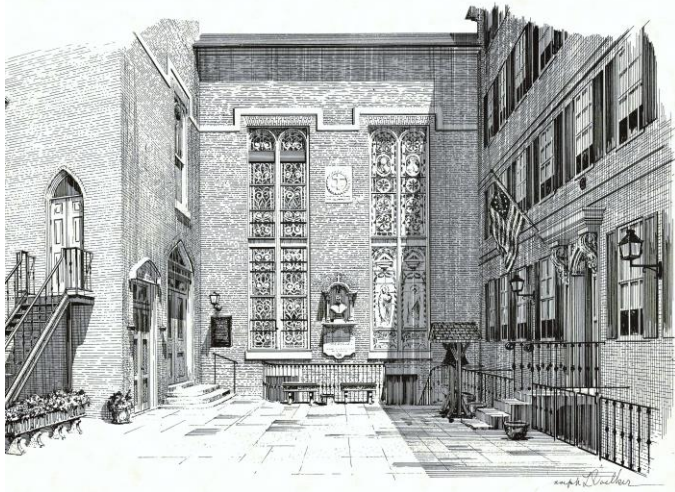
**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!** For Your Charity That Allows our Faith, Food & Friends Ministry to Flourish! Three days a week, FF&F serves a freshly cooked hot lunch to up to 70 guests in Barbelin Hall as we strive to live out our commitment to the Ignatian values promoting solidarity, compassion and service to the marginalized and those in need. And thanks to the generous support of OSJ parishioners, FF&F is able to distribute essential personal care items to our guests weekly.

We thought you might enjoy these snapshots of volunteer activity in Barbelin Hall on a recent Thursday morning during the meal service and distribution of toiletries.



To enable us to meet our guests' basic needs through the coming months, our spring list of most needed items includes donations of the following: Bar soap, deodorant, double-edge razors, and body lotion. We also have short supplies of toothpaste and toothbrushes. Please visit the Faith, Food & Friends Amazon wish list [\[click here\]](#) where you can find a listing of these essentials and other items that would be appreciated by our guests. We ask that you consider making a gift to FF&F of one or more of these items, by ordering through Amazon or a retailer of your choice or by delivering the items directly to OSJ. We thank you again for your support.

We have one final favor to ask. Are you a Costco or other big box store customer? An item frequently requested by our guests is a roll of toilet paper. If, on your next visit to a big box store, you could purchase a large size package of toilet paper for FF&F, it would be greatly appreciated. You may drop off a package of toilet paper (or any other wish list donation) any time that the rectory is open, or at FF&F on Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday, or after Mass on Sunday. Many thanks!



## 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

Please see the bottom of the front page of the bulletin for information on our hearing assistance system.

### 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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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

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



## OSJ'S 2024 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### Palm Sunday ~ March 24

Masses at 7:30, 9:30, & 11:30am

### Holy Thursday ~ March 28

**Confessions: 11:30am - 12:30pm**

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:30pm

Compline: 9:30pm

### Good Friday ~ March 29

Stations of the Cross: 12:05pm

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion: 3:00pm

### Easter Vigil ~ Saturday, March 30

(No 5:30pm Vigil)

Mass at 8:00pm

### Easter Sunday ~ March 31

Masses at 7:30am, 9:30am (w/CLOW),  
& 11:30am

Note: We have relaxed parking for each service.

## FINANCIAL INFO

### Offertory for the week ending March 17, 2024

Daily Mass Collection	\$35.00
Mail-In Sunday Collection:	\$120.00
Online Giving Sunday Collection:	\$5,042.00
In-Pew Sunday Collection:	\$4,434.00
<b>Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$9,631.00</b>

Thank you for your support of  
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**The Collection on Good Friday on March 29 will  
support Christian efforts in the Holy Land.  
Please give generously.**

### February Collection Comparison

February 2023: \$34,471

February 2024: \$38,393

**NOTE:** February 2024 shows an increase of \$3,922  
or 11.38% over February 2023.

Fiscal Year to Date:

Our collections are up \$23,920 or 8.63% over  
FY2023.

**Thank you for your continued support of OSJ!**

### The following collections are active on our Online Giving and Text-to-Give sites:

Operation Rice Bowl  
Church in Latin America,  
Easter Flowers and Music Memorials,  
Holy Thursday, Good Friday/Holy Land,  
Easter Sunday, Catholic Charities Appeal

For Text-to-Give (215-929-7151) the keywords are  
RiceBowl, LatinAmer, EasterFlowers, EasterMusic,  
HolyThur, GoodFri, and Easter



### Elections for Parish

**Pastoral Council:** This year, three seats on our Parish Pastoral Council will be open

due to resignations, and one seat will be listed for reelection. Nominations will be received after Easter, beginning on April 7 and closing on April 21. Voting will begin on May 5 and end on May 19. Council will provide the complete details in the Parish Bulletin for April 7 and on the parish website. This information will include Council's role in the parish, the role description for Council members, and details on nomination and voting procedures. Please give some prayerful thought to nominating someone whom you believe could help our parish community by serving on this advisory body. PRIOR to nominating an individual, please confirm with that person that they are willing to participate in the election and are available to serve the three-year term if elected.



### OSJ Annual Easter Egg Hunt:

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place immediately after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday in the North Park area next to the church. Children may bring a small basket to collect the eggs. Donations of plastic eggs with treats inside would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off in the basket located in the back of church on Sunday mornings. Thank you!

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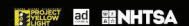
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## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father who art in Heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name;  
Thy kingdom come  
Thy will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
And forgive us our trespasses  
As we forgive those who  
trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation  
But deliver us from evil.*

