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August 11, 2024 | The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)



Elijah in the Desert – Washington Allston (1779-1843)

Today's First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

Elijah went a day's journey into the desert, until he came to a broom tree and sat beneath it. He prayed for death saying: "This is enough, O LORD! Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers." He lay down and fell asleep under the broom tree, but then an angel touched him and ordered him to get up and eat. Elijah looked and there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water. After he ate and drank, he lay down again, but the angel of the LORD came back a second time, touched him, and ordered, "Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!" He got up, ate, and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb.



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

Date					
Mon	12				
Tues	12:05 PM	<i>Old St. Joseph's Memorial Society</i>	10:00 AM	Faith, Food & Friends (Barbelin)	
13		Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ			
Wed	12:05 PM	<i>Kyle Clanton (D)</i>			
14		Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ			
Thurs	12:05 PM	<i>Holyday – No Announced Mass</i>	10:00 AM	Faith, Food & Friends (Barbelin)	
15		Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ	12:05 PM	MASS OF THE ASSUMPTION	
Fri			5:00 PM	Wedding reh: Shinn & Harvey	
16					
Sat			10:00 AM	Faith, Food & Friends (Barbelin)	
17			1:00 PM	Wedding: Shinn & Harvey	
Sun	7:30 AM	<i>Giancarlo Mazzoleni (D)</i>	Coffee Hrs	After All Masses	
18		Presider: Fr. Donaldson SJ	1:30 PM	Group Baptisms (Church)	
	9:30 AM	<i>Mary Convery (D)</i>	5:00 PM	Zoom Vespers	
		Presider: Fr. Donaldson SJ			
	11:30 AM	Presider: Fr. Hannafey SJ			

OSJ PRAYER LIST

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

Mary Lou Crompton, Joseph Kahriger Jr, Richard Swift, Grazyna Kolondra, Linda Piantoni, Larry Carlin, George Westby, Gloria Brull, Fran DelRe, Darla Himles, Aurelia Bond, Denise Domitrovic, Wayne Franks, Fr. Jerry McAndrews SJ, Sr. Maria Christi Drysdale GNSH, Greg Alexander, Howard Magen, Bob Moore, Janice Moore, Michael Nardi, Rosario Lamberto, Gina Hil, Mary Beggy, Paul Smith, Susanna Mazzoleni, Rosemarie Greco, Anne Morrissey, John Butts, Allen May

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.



The Ignatian Spirituality & Formation Committee Invites You to a Parish Ignatian Directed Retreat Weekend:

“COME AND YOU WILL SEE.” —John 1:39

What: *Silent Retreat with Individual Spiritual Direction* Daily meeting with Director, Mass, Sacrament of Reconciliation; Private Individual Rooms, Gardens for outdoor walking and prayer. Although this is a silent directed retreat to allow you to tune in more deeply to the voice of God, our group will have a welcoming meeting upon arrival and a talking dinner as well as a talking lunch on Sunday with a room for us to meet afterward and discuss our experiences, if desired.

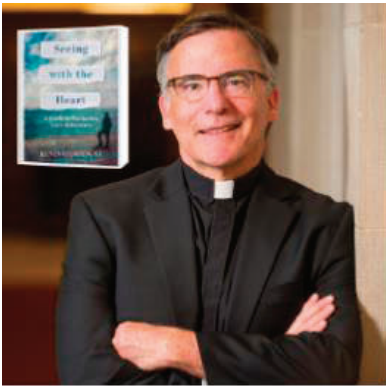
When and Where: Friday, October 25 (4:00 PM) to Sunday, Oct. 27 (Lunch) at Saint Raphaela Center, 616 Coopertown Road, Haverford, PA

Price: \$250 (includes lodging and meals and private individual rooms)

Transportation: Car (Parking Available), Train

For more information and to reserve your space, email us at osjspirituality@oldstjoseph.org

NOTE: This is a popular retreat, and it fills up fast so please get back to us with questions or reservations as soon as you can. We hope you will consider joining us! AMDG



ONE BOOK, ONE PARISH BOOK TALK & DISCUSSION

With Fr. Kevin
O'Brien, SJ, author
of *Seeing with the
Heart*

The Ignatian Spirituality Committee invites all to attend a Book Talk & Discussion with Fr. Kevin O'Brien, SJ, author of this year's One Book, One Parish selection *Seeing with the Heart*. Fr. O'Brien will lead the discussion of his book, explore major themes, and allow for Q & A.

A few copies of the book are still available for purchase for \$15.00

Date: Sunday, September 8

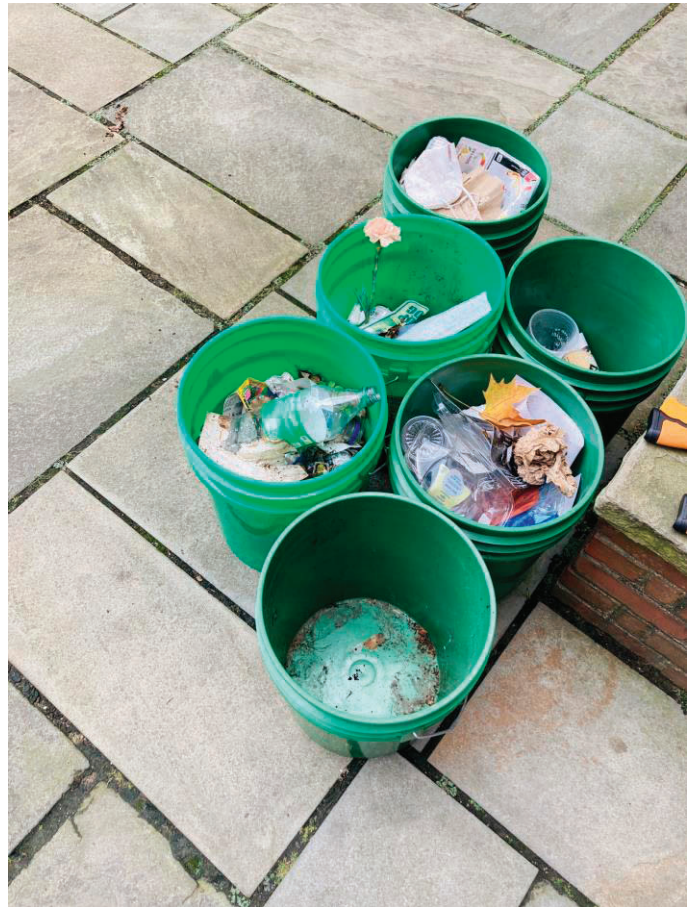
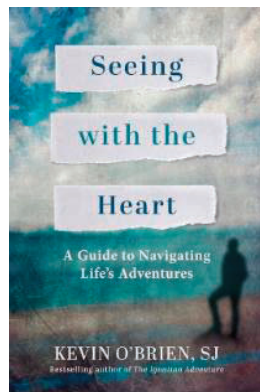
Location: OSJ, Barbelin Hall

Time: 12:30pm, immediately following 11:30 Mass

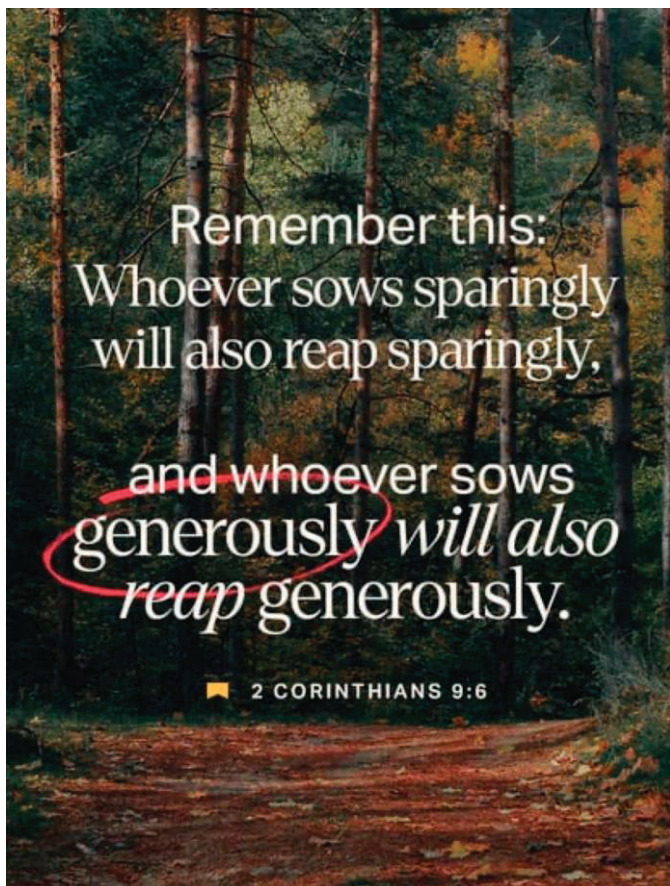
Cost: Free, a goodwill offering is appreciated

Please RSVP by September 1 for the event by emailing:

osjspirituality@oldstjoseph.org



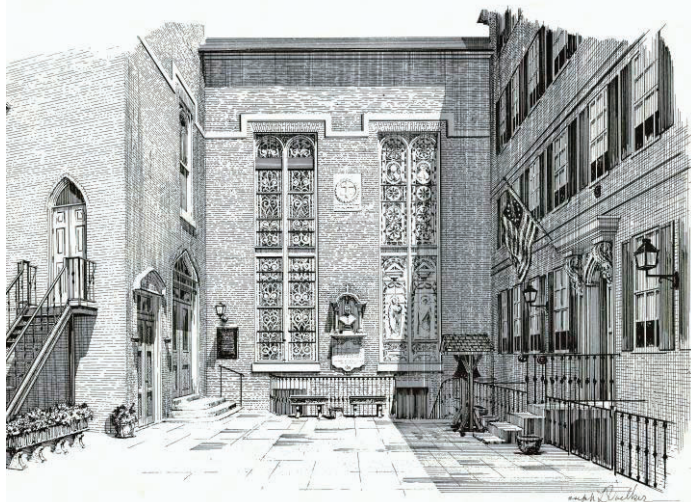
Congratulations to the guests of the Faith, Food, and Friends program, who have picked up nearly 300 buckets of trash in the neighborhood since October 2023. Three days a week, rain or shine, the guests pick up trash in the parks surrounding the church before joining the FF&F lunch. This project has been co-sponsored by FF&F and the parish's Care for Creation committee. Parishioners interested in becoming involved can reach out to faithandfriends@oldstjoseph.org



If you need assistance to modify a recurring donation or add a one-time donation (holyday or second collection) in your ParishSoft online giving account, please contact our business manager, Eric German, at germane@oldstjoseph.org or call 215-923-1733, ext 101 and Eric will be happy to assist 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 and he will send you the Zoom link.



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.

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.

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The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 A Holyday of Obligation
Thursday, August 15, 2024
 Mass at 12:05 PM only



ST. IGNATIUS DAY

THANKS! Our thanks to our liturgical ministers and to the many volunteers who helped with set-up, preparing and serving the food for the post-Mass dinner and to our music director Mark Bani. And

last, but not least, a special thanks to Joe Casey and his dedicated group of volunteers. Thank you all.



LGBTQ Prayer Group – All are invited to join a monthly prayer group. Our next meeting is on August 18. The group meets every third Sunday after the 11:30 AM Mass and coffee hour. Please find Robert Lord-Schell at coffee hour who will lead the

group to the Drexel room at 1:30 PM. The meetings will consist of prayer, scripture reading and discussion. Contact Robert Lord-Schell at Robert.lord.schell@icloud.com for more details. We hope you will join us.

FINANCIAL INFO

Offertory for the week ending August 4, 2024

Daily Mass Collection	\$25.00
Mail-In Sunday Collection:	\$448.00
Online Giving Sunday Collection:	\$4,938.00
In-Pew Sunday Collection:	\$1,808.00
Total Collection:	\$7,219.00

Thank you for supporting Old St. Joseph's Church.

Second Collection This Weekend
August 11
Catholic University

Please give as generously as you are able.

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**

JULY COLLECTION COMPARISON

July 2023: \$36,676 (Five Sunday collections)

July 2024: \$39,101 (Four Sunday collections)

Since July 2023 had 5 Sundays and July 2024 had 4 Sundays, we took a weekly average for the July comparison:

July 2024 shows an average weekly increase of \$2,440.05 or 24.96% over July 2023.

Thank you for your continued support of OSJ!



WOMEN
FAITH & FELLOWSHIP

Please Join Us! The Women, Faith and Fellowship Committee invites women of the parish and female guests to gather for "Coffee and Conversation" on Sunday, August 25 from 10 AM to 11:15 AM in the Drexel Parlor in the Rectory. Looking forward to seeing you. Please RSVP to wff@oldstjoseph.org.

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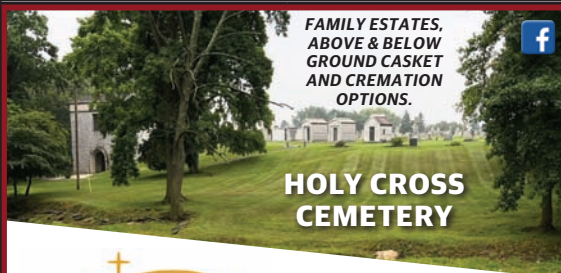
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THE LORD'S PRAYER

*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.*

