

ST. JOSEPH'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

&

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MISSION

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GIVING

Last Weekend's Collection

<u>St. Joseph's</u> 11/26: \$1737.00	<u>Our Lady of Guadalupe</u> 11/26: \$454.00
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God bless & keep all our benefactors & volunteers!

Parish DSA Goals for 2017

<u>St. Joseph's</u> Goal Met! Raised: \$6001.75	<u>Our Lady of Guadalupe</u> Goal Met! Raised: \$4359.00
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Thank you for helping us reach our goals!

1st Sunday of Advent December 2nd, 2017

Dear Parish Family,

One of the questions that I have been encountering frequently as of late is "Do I have to go to Mass twice to fulfill the obligation for the 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas?" The short answer is "Yes". The law behind this centers on the fact that we only fulfill one obligation that we might have when attending a Mass. As a practical matter, here are the options for fulfilling both obligations:

- 1) Go to a Saturday evening Mass (Sunday obligation) & a Sunday evening Mass (Christmas obligation)
- 2) Go to a Saturday evening Mass (Sunday obligation) & a Monday Mass (Christmas obligation)
- 3) Go to a Sunday Mass (Sunday obligation) & a Sunday evening Mass (Christmas obligation)
- 4) Go to a Sunday Mass (Sunday obligation) & a Monday Mass (Christmas obligation)

It should also be noted that the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (January 1st) will not be a Holy Day of Obligation in 2018 since it falls on a Monday. I hope this clears up any confusion and helps you plan your appropriately for the coming celebrations of our Lord's Nativity!

~Fr. Shaw

Mass Schedule for Holidays

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION – 12PM @ OLG, 6PM @ ST. JOSEPH'S
FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE – 12PM @ OLG, 7PM (SPANISH) @ OLG
CHRISTMAS – VIGIL (12/24) 6PM @ OLG, 12 MIDNIGHT @ ST. JOSEPH'S,
9:00AM @ OLG, & 11:15AM @ ST. JOSEPH'S

PRAYERS

Our Lady of Sorrows, intercede for all the Sick & Suffering, especially: Bob & Dee Burns, Maurice Williams, Louis Gantner, Nancy Thomason, Carol Badalucco, Carolyn Burns, Roseann Harris, Wayne Whipple, Kathy Weise, Maksim Rippe, Connie DiLillo, Ardith & Tom Coughlin, Pressie & Ted Raby, Arleen Newlon, Dennis Antalick, Ruth Ann Nilges, Barbara Hart, Tom Reidmiller, Ted Klug, Bill & Joan Sutherland, Iretta Wang, Kim Samson, John Ross, Doris Kearns, & Mary Brogan.

St. Joseph, Patron of a Happy Death, intercede for the Souls of all the Faithful Departed, especially: Phil Burns, Joseph Bushey, Robert Berlin, Virginia Treadway, Marie Antalick, Ruby Hornbuckle, John Arch, Trudy Klug, Alan Pickering, Nila Arroyo, Everett Wilmot, Marian Holley, Dr. Tom Krizek, Virginia Goodwyn, Jim Fogarty, Jerry Antalick, Carol Helsen, Ellen Klug, Christina Tucker, Chuck Brogan, Patricia Swan, Jerry Newlon, Donald Samson, LeWanda Myers, Phil Balin, & Jack Canane.

St. Michael the Archangel, protect & intercede for our Armed Forces Personnel, especially: Ryan Carr, Richard Fischer III, Gunnar Hale, Christopher Jones, David Spalding, Larry Studer, & Peter Young.

SUNDAY YEAR: A

DAILY MASS READINGS

WEEKDAY YEAR: 1

Monday:	<i>St. John of Damascus, Religious Priest & Doctor</i>	Isa 2:1-5	Ps 122:1-9	Matt 8:5-11	
Tuesday:	Advent Feria	Isa 11:1-10	Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17	Luke 10:21-24	
Wednesday:	<i>St. Nicholas, Bishop</i>	Isa 25:6-10	Ps 23:1-6	Matt 15:29-37	
Thursday:	St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor	Isa 26:1-6	Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27	Matt 7:21, 24-27	
Friday:	SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	Gen 3:9-15, 20	Ps 98:1-4	Eph 1:3-6, 11-12	Luke 1:26-38
Saturday:	<i>St. Juan Diego Cuaubtlatoatzin, Confessor</i>	Isa 30:19-21, 23-26	Ps 147:1-6	Matt 9:35-10:1, 5-8	

Regular = Feria/Obligatory Memorial, *Italic* = Optional Memorial, ALL CAPITAL = Feast, **BOLD CAPITAL** = Solemnity

To arrange Mass intentions, please contact the office during the week.

SAINT JOSEPH'S MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

(12/02) **Saturday:** 5:00pm: †Lee Holt
(requested by Sonia Holt)
Sunday: 11:15am: Pro Populo
(For the people of the Parish)
Monday: 12:00pm: Joseph Russell Studer
(requested by Maxine Studer)
Tuesday: MASS CANCELLED
Wednesday: 6:00pm: Very Rev. Fr. W. Thomas, VF
Thursday: 12:00pm: †Catherine Studer Kiener
(requested by Maxine Studer)
Friday: 6:00pm: Pro Populo
(For the people of the Parish)

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MISSION

(12/02) **Saturday:** 7:00pm: For Those Battling Addictions
Sunday: 9:00am: †Poor Souls in Purgatory
(requested by Maxine Studer)
Friday 12:00pm All People in the United States

CONFESSIONS

St. Joseph's: Every Saturday from 4:15pm-4:45pm
and available after each daily Mass.

CONTACTS & MINISTRIES

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ST. JOSEPH'S THRIFT STORE

(828) 488-2266

Hours:

Wednesday-Friday: 10:00am-4:00pm
Saturday: 10:00am-1:00pm



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our Knights of Columbus Council #16543 will
be having their monthly business meeting:

Monday, December 11th @ 6:30pm
in St. Joseph's Parish Hall.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday of the 1st Week in Advent, December 3rd:

OLG 9:00am: Reader: G. Jarrett;

SJ 11:15am: Reader: TBD; Usher: TBD

Sunday of the 2nd Week in Advent, December 10th:

OLG 9:00am: Reader: H. Weichel;

SJ 11:15am: Reader: TBD; Usher: TBD

GOOD JOES

Upcoming Meeting: Recessed until Spring

The Good Joe's meet every 2nd and 4th week of the month. Meetings are usually on Tuesdays at 11:30am, with Mass and then lunch. Any man is welcome. Contact either Bob Burns (rbjbs213@gmail.com) or Tom McCarty (TomWPB@aol.com) if you plan to attend so that we can make sure that you are on the mailing list and have enough food.

Parish Council Meeting

The next parish council meeting will be held on
December 15th, 2017 at 5:30pm at the Rectory.
All members of the council are expected to be in
attendance. Also, Coordinators should submit
reports beforehand.

New Women's Spirituality Group!

Are you a woman seeking to understand more about the Faith?
On **Tuesday evenings at 6 PM in the Church Hall**, the
parish Woman's Spirituality Group meets.

**Next Meeting: December 5th with
Session #4 of the Lectio Series**

Join us in our Spiritual Adoption program!

**Development of the Unborn Baby
Second Month**

Your baby is growing very quickly. They are now 1 and 1/4
inches long and weighs 1/30 of an ounce. But if they were to
keep growing all 9 months as fast as he grows during this
second month, they would be 14 tons at birth! Luckily, the
growth rate slows dramatically so that they will probably weigh
somewhere between 7-8 pounds at birth. All internal organs,
their heart, stomach, liver, and kidneys, are present and
beginning to work. Brain waves have been recorded at 40 days.
Your baby's fingerprints are formed and will never change
except for size.