



ST. JOSEPH'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH & OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MISSION



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GIVING

Offertory Collection

<u>St. Joseph's</u> 12/08	<u>Our Lady of Guadalupe</u> 12/08
Budgeted: \$1250.00	Budgeted: \$983.34
Received: \$414.00	Received: \$325.00
<u>Totals for 11/2019</u>	<u>Totals for 11/2019</u>
Budgeted: \$5000.00	Budgeted: \$3998.00
Received: \$3241.00	Received: \$2723.75

God bless & keep all our patrons & volunteers!

2019 Diocesan Support Appeal

<u>St. Joseph's</u>	<u>Our Lady of Guadalupe</u>
Goal: \$7016.00	Goal: \$2984.00
Received: \$4448.00 (63%)	Received: \$1375.00 (46%)

Help us reach our goals by donating at:
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Sunday of the 3rd Week in Advent *December 15th, 2019*

Dear Parish Family,

With the coming of Gaudete Sunday, we find ourselves almost halfway through the Advent season. This week, we are called to reflect on the reality that Christ calls us, even in the midst of waiting and penance, we are still called to have joy. Penance might seem like a burden for us to carry and waiting an exhausting practice in itself. Both are usually experiences make joy seem far off because we often associate the feeling of happiness. As we understand it in the light of Christ, we find that the Joy we are called to embrace is rooted in the awareness that no matter what might happen in this life, we know how all things end. That gives us the confidence to stay the course, no matter the trials of this life. The Joy of Christ gives us the abiding sense that we are united to Him and He does not fail or disappoint those who have placed their life, their hearts, their souls in His hands. For, Christ's mission is to hand over all to the Father, including those who have chosen to be united to Him through His Birth, Life, Passion, Death, & Resurrection. ~ Fr. Shaw

Upcoming Events

12/19 – Penance Service at St. Francis' (Franklin) starting at 5:30pm.

12/20 – Penance Service at St. John's (Waynesville) starting at 6:00pm.

12/24 – Christmas Vigil Mass at OLG (Cherokee) starting at 7:00pm.

12/25 – Christmas Day Masses: 12 Midnight at St. Joseph's, 9:00am at OLG, 11:15am at St. Joseph's

PRAYERS

Our Lady of Sorrows, intercede for all the Sick & Suffering, especially: Bob Burns, Nancy Thomason, Carol Badalucco, Pressie Raby, Barbara Hart, Bill & Joan Sutherland, Doris Kearns, Mary Brogan, & Donna Nelson.

St. Joseph, Patron of a Happy Death, intercede for the Souls of all the Faithful Departed, especially: John Arch, Everett Wilmot, Christina Tucker, Chuck Brogan, Donald Samson, Ted Raby, Phil Webb, Kristy Schumann, Steven Cramer, Kathryn Trull, Louis Gantnier, Angela DiLillo, Douglas Baker, Kim Samson, John Suttle, Dee Burns, Phil Anderson, Dan Pulte, & Walter Powers.

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, Gabriel LeBron, & Rev. Fr. Jason Burchell.

SUNDAY YEAR: A

DAILY MASS READINGS

WEEKDAY YEAR: 2

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Monday:	Advent Feria	Num 24:2-7, 15-17	Ps 25:4-9 Matt 21:23-27
Tuesday:	Late Advent Feria	Gen 49:2, 8-10	Ps 72:1-4, 7-8, 17 Matt 1:1-17
Wednesday:	Late Advent Feria	Jer 23:5-8	Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 Matt 1:18-24
Thursday:	Late Advent Feria	Judg 13:2-7, 24-25	Ps 71:3-6, 16-17 Luke 1:5-25
Friday:	Late Advent Feria	Isa 7:10-14	Ps 24:1-6 Luke 1:26-38
Saturday:	<i>St. Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor</i>	Zeph 3:14-18	Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 Luke 1:39-45

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

To arrange Mass intentions,
please contact the office at least two weeks prior to date desired.

SAINT JOSEPH'S MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

(12/14) <u>Saturday:</u>	5:00pm:	Faithful Departed of the Parish
<u>Sunday:</u>	11:15am:	Pro Populo (For the people of the Parish)
<u>Monday:</u>	12:00pm:	Dr. Joshua Pratt
<u>Tuesday:</u>	12:00pm:	Seminarians of the Diocese
<u>Wednesday:</u>	6:00pm:	Rev. Fr. George Byers
<u>Thursday:</u>	12:00pm:	Rev. Fr. Tien Duong
<u>Friday:</u>	12:00pm:	Rev. Fr. Alex Ayala

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MISSION

(12/14) <u>Saturday:</u>	7:00pm:	Patrons of the Parish
<u>Sunday:</u>	9:00am:	†Holy Souls in Purgatory

CONFESSIONS

St. Joseph's: Every Saturday from 4:15pm-4:45pm, available 30 minutes before each daily Mass, & upon request.

CONTACTS & MINISTRIES

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Hours: Wed.:10am-4pm, Thurs.: 10am-1pm,
Fri.: 10am-4pm, Sat.:10am-1pm

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday of the 3rd Week of Advent, December 15th:

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

SJ 11:15am: Reader: C. DiLillo; Usher: R. Lowman

Sunday of the 4th Week of Advent, December 22nd:

OLG 9:00am: Reader: D. Arch;

SJ 11:15am: Reader: D. Kearns; Usher: M. Breen

GOOD JOES

Upcoming Meeting: Recessed Until Spring

The Good Joe's meet on the 3rd week of the month. Meetings are usually on Tuesdays at 12 pm, with Mass and then lunch. Any man is welcome.

Parish Council Meeting

The next parish council meeting:

In the new year @ St. Joseph's in the Church Hall at 7pm.

Please submit reports & agenda items to

Lois Baker, Council Chair, at least one week in advance.

Women's Spirituality Group

Are you a woman seeking to understand more about the Faith?
On **Wednesday evenings at 4:30 PM in the Church Hall**,
the parish Woman's Spirituality Group meets.

Next Meeting: Delayed until construction is completed



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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

Wednesday, January 8th @ 7:00pm
in St. Joseph's Church Hall.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

The local court's next meeting is:

TBA

Contact: Glenda Jarrett
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Did you know that that you can make tax free distributions
to St. Joseph's & Our Lady of Guadalupe directly from your
IRA account if you're over 70½ years old?

These are free from federal & state income taxes,
can help avoid Medicare high income surcharges,
and can help reduce taxes on your social security benefits.
Distributions can be made directly to our parish and can be
restricted so that it can only be used for specific purposes
(building maintenance, DSA, grounds, etc.).

For more information, please contact
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