



# 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> 12/15: \$1642.00	<u>Our Lady of Guadalupe</u> 12/15: \$1153.00
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God bless & keep all our benefactors & volunteers!

### 2018 Diocesan Support Appeal

<u>St. Joseph's</u> Goal: \$6667.00 Collected: \$5452.02 (81.8%) <i>as of 12/22/18</i>	<u>Our Lady of Guadalupe</u> Goal: \$3998.00 Collected: \$2710.00 (67.8%) <i>as of 12/22/18</i>
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Help us reach our goals by donating at:  
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## Sunday of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent

December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

Dear Parish Family,

During this season of joy, charity, & good will, I would like to thank the many who help to keep this parish going. First, I would be remiss if I didn't thank Deacon Bill, my father. For the past 20 months, he has quietly helped to keep things going by help with some of the administrative tasks of the parish, assisting our visiting priests during the summers and if I am away for an extended period, serving as the parish & vicariate Advocate for the Marriage Tribunal, and as a person from whom I can receive council, drawing from is almost 40 years of ordained ministry. Additionally, I am grateful to Joe & Lisa Kamarata, Lois Baker, Tom Wilmot, and all who help with our Parish & Finance Councils. Also, thank you to the readers & ushers

who help to make our Masses as dignified & smooth flowing as possible! Also, Lois Baker & Maggie Weichel for providing us with music at our Sunday & Holy Day Masses, as well as the choir members at St. Joseph's. We are also blessed to have a wonderful Respect Life Committee, Knights of Columbus council, & the many others who help with the parish life activities. A heartfelt thanks to Kathy Posey for helping with the Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation for the children in our parish. Finally, particular thanks are especially owed to John Ross, Wally Treadway, & Sylva Pulte. Each of them quietly does so much for our parish, that we'd be lost without them. To all of you who help me and the parishioners of our parish, please know you have my appreciation from the depths of my heart. I hope all have a blessed, safe, & very Merry Christmas. As always, you're in my prayers everyday! ~ Fr. Shaw

### \*\*\*\*\*Schedule of Upcoming Masses\*\*\*\*\*

#### Christmas Masses

12/24 (Vigil) – 7pm @ OLG

12/25 – 12 Midnight @ St. Joseph's, 9:00am @ OLG, 11:15am @ St. Joseph's

#### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

01/01 - 12 Noon @ St. Joseph's

## PRAYERS

**Our Lady of Sorrows, intercede for all the Sick & Suffering, especially:** Bob & Dee Burns, Nancy Thomason, Carol Badalucco, Pressie Raby, RuthAnn Nilges, Barbara Hart, Tom Reidmiller, Bill & Joan Sutherland, Kim Samson, Doris Kearns, Mary Brogan, Dan Pulte, & 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, Jack Canane, Jim Smith, Ted Raby, Phil Webb, Kristy Schumann, Tom Guertin, Steven Cramer, & Kathryn Trull.

**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: C

### DAILY MASS READINGS

WEEKDAY YEAR: 1

Monday:	Christmas Eve	2 Sam 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16	Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29	Luke 1:67-79
Tuesday:	<b>SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD</b>	Isa 9:1-6	Ps 96:1-3, 11-13	Titus 2:11-14
Wednesday:	ST. STEPHAN, PROTOMARTYR	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59	Ps 31:3c4, 6, 8, 16-17	Matt 10:17-22
Thursday:	ST. JOHN THE BELOVED, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST	1 John 1:1-4	Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12	John 20:1, 2-8
Friday:	THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS	1 John 1:5-2:2	Ps 124:2-5, 7-8	Matt 2:13-18
Saturday:	5 <sup>TH</sup> DAY OF THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD	1 John 2:3-11	Ps 96:1-3, 5-6	Luke 2:22-35

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

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

### SAINT JOSEPH'S MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

(12/22) Saturday: 5:00pm: For the Ill & Convalescing  
Sunday: 11:15am: Warren Straniere  
(requested by Mary L. Woods)  
Monday: **NO DAILY MASS**  
Christmas Day: 12:00am: Most Rev. Fr. Peter J. Jugis  
11:15am: Pro Populo  
(For the people of the Parish)  
Wednesday: 6:00pm: †Sr. Mary Bernadine Ondrus  
(requested by Sr. Paulanne Munch)  
Thursday: 12:00pm: †Jeannine Martin  
(requested by Sr. Paulanne Munch)  
Friday: 12:00pm: Joseph Patarak  
(requested by Sr. Paulanne Munch)

### OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MISSION

(12/22) Saturday: 7:00pm: Joseph Anthony Alaniz  
(requested by Joseph & Maria Alaniz)  
Sunday: 9:00am: Pro Populo  
(For the people of the Parish)  
Christmas Eve: 7:00pm: Dennis Grover  
(requested by Marvin & Sharon Frasier)  
Christmas Day: 9:00am: †Karra Deines  
(requested by Palma Selufsky)

### CONFESSIONS

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

### CONTACTS & MINISTRIES

**Parish Office: (828) 488-6766**

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### ST. JOSEPH'S THRIFT STORE

(828) 488-2266

#### Hours:

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

Saturday: 10:00am-1:00pm

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

*Sunday of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent, December 23<sup>rd</sup>:*

**OLG 9:00am:** Reader: S. Pulte;

**SJ 11:15am:** Reader: C. DiLillo; Usher: J. Thomason

*Solemnity of the Holy Family, December 30<sup>th</sup>:*

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

**SJ 11:15am:** Reader: J. Ross; Usher: R. Lowman

### GOOD JOES

**Upcoming Meeting: Recessed until the Spring**

The Good Joe's meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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:

January 26<sup>th</sup> @ St. Joseph's in the Church Hall at 9:30am.

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: January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**Topic: Holy Land Pilgrimage**

### They'll feed you, help us feed others!

Each 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, our Knights will be cooking up a **free**  
pancake breakfast and collecting food for needy children &  
families in our community. Please contribute non-perishable  
food that will go to help needy families in our community.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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

**Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm**

in St. Joseph's Parish Hall.



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 Bob Burns (rjbns213@gmail.com).