

ST. JOSEPH'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

&

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MISSION

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GIVING

Last Weekend's Collection

St. Joseph's:
12/11: \$1712.00

Our Lady of Guadalupe:
12/11: \$822.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.
God bless & keep you!

Parish DSA Goals for 2016

St. Joseph's
Goal: \$6647.00

Goal met! Thank you all you donated!

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Goal: \$5090.00
Raised: \$2982.03 (58%) as of 11/14

Help us reach our goals, donate at:
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Sunday of the 4th Week of Advent *December 18th, 2016*

Dear Parish Family,

As we draw towards the end of our Advent season, we enter into a special time of final preparations. The prayers and readings during the Mass & the Liturgy of the Hours are all directed towards this theme and, starting on December 17th, each day we sing a new "O Antiphon" which reflects on one of the titles for Christ: O Sapientia (O Wisdom), O Adonai (O Lord), O Radix Jesse (O Root of Jesse), O Clavis David (O Key of David), O Oriens (O Rising Sun), O Rex Gentium (O King of the Nations), and O Emmanuel (O God-with-us). Each of these titles serves to give a moment to recall some aspect of who Christ is and invites us into a deeper contemplation of our understanding of our Savior. If you'd like to pray the "O Antiphons" along with the Church, I recommend the reflections found at:

<http://www.catholiceducation.org/en/culture/catholic-contributions/what-are-the.html>

Additionally, I would ask for some prayers this week for my sister, Mary, her husband, Aaron, & her in-laws. Her father-in-law, John Joseph "Jay" Condon, passed away suddenly late Thursday. I will be attending the wake & funeral, being held at St. Mary's in Georgetown, South Carolina on Monday & Tuesday of this week. Please remember Jay's widow, Toni, and his sons, Pat & Aaron, and their families during this difficult time.

~Fr. Shaw

Christmas Mass Schedule:

12/24 - 5pm @ SJ, 7pm (Spanish) @ OLG; **12/25** - 12 Midnight @ SJ, 9am @ OLG, 11:15am @ SJ

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

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.

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

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Monday:	Late Advent Feria	Judg 13:2-7, 24-25	Ps 71:3-6, 16-17	Luke 1:5-25	
Tuesday:	Late Advent Feria	Isa 7:10-14	Ps 24:1-6	Luke 1:26-38	
Wednesday:	Late Advent Feria	Zeph 3:14-18	Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21	Luke 1:39-45	
Thursday:	Late Advent Feria	1 Sam 1:24-28	1 Sam 2:1, 4-8	Luke 1:46-56	
Friday:	Late Advent Feria	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24	Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14	Luke 1:57-66	
Saturday:	Christmas Vigil	Isa 62:1-5	Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29	Acts 13:16-17, 22-25	Matt 1:1-25

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

To arrange Mass intentions,
please call or email the office during the week.

SAINT JOSEPH'S MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

(12/17) **Saturday:** 5:00pm: †Ben Trigg
(requested by David & Ann Trigg)
Sunday: 11:15am: Pro Populo
(For the people of the Parish)

Monday:**Tuesday:****Wednesday:****Thursday:**

Friday: 10:30am: †Ralph Kepner
(requested by Joan Powers)

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(12/17) **Saturday:** 7:00pm: †Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sunday: 9:00am: †Clara Bushey
(requested by Joan Powers)

CONFESSIONS

St. Joseph's: Every Saturday from 4:15pm-4:45pm
and 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**

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

Monday, January 9th @ 6:30pm

in St. Joseph's Parish Hall.

Any man who is interested in learn more about this great
Catholic organization, should speak with
Grand Knight Bobby Bonnette.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS***Sunday of the 4th Week in Advent, December 18th:***

OLG 9:00am: Reader: G. Jarrett; EMHC: S. Pulte;

SJ 11:15am: Reader: C. DiLillo; EMHC: R. Nilges;

Usher: B. Bonnette

Solemnity of the Nativity of Lord, Jesus Christ, December 25th:

OLG 9:00am: Reader: H. Weichel; EMHC: G. Jarrett;

SJ 11:15am: Reader: D. Kearns; EMHC: W. Treadway;

Usher: B. Boxer

FELLOWSHIP**GOOD JOES****Upcoming Meeting: Next Spring**

The Good Joe's meet every 1st and 3rd 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 (rjbrns213@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.

SISTERS IN SPIRIT**Upcoming Meeting: January 9th, 2017**

Our parish's women group meets every month at St. Joseph's at 10:30am with Mass, followed by a light lunch & dessert served in the parish hall. All women are invited to participate.

Contact Rita Turner at (828)488-4854 for more information.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

WE WILL BEGIN A NEW CLASS SOON! DETAILS WILL SOON FOLLOW!

Spiritual Adoption

MONTHS SEVEN & EIGHT –

You are in the home stretch with your spiritually adopted baby. They are completely formed, and have been since 8 weeks. All they are doing now is gaining weight - - and making their mother uncomfortable with their size. But she is not worried. In a short time, her baby will be born. Your baby's mother appreciated the prayers you have said for her and her baby throughout the pregnancy. It has not been easy, but your prayers have given her the grace she needed to bring her baby to term.

25 Hour Marriage Getaway Weekend

February 4-5, 2017

Saturday 4 pm to Sunday 4 pm

Take off on a 25-hour retreat with your spouse at Kanuga Conference Center nestled in Hendersonville, NC. Nourish your relationship with practical & spiritual advice from an experienced team including Father Martin Connor, LC, and 3 married Catholic couples. Spend time in adoration, confession, and conversing with your spouse. For more information contact Cindy Burk (410) 868.7114. Registration information is available at rcgreatercharlotte.com at the retreats tab.