

ST. JOSEPH'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

&

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MISSION

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GIVING

Last weekend's Collection

St. Joseph's:

04/10 - Parishioners: \$875.75; Guests: \$70.00

Our Lady of Guadalupe:

04/10 - Parishioners: \$448.75; Guests: \$107.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

God bless & keep you!

Sunday of the 4th Week of Easter

April 17th, 2016

Dearest Parish Family,

Recently, the Holy Father released his Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*. This document is his personal reflections on the last two meetings of the Synod of Bishops. Each of those meetings sought to discuss and present ideas to the Holy Father for how the Church can better assist the world in understanding the nature of the Sacrament of Marriage and the realities of family life in the current age. Drawing from those, Pope

Francis has given to the Church a document that has much beauty and offers suggestions for how we, both clerics and laity, can foster renewed hope and zeal in our own lives and the lives of those to whom the Lord sends us. As is often the case, some are trying to present this document as changing the way the Church approaches both marriage and the family, but this is not the case. In fact, Pope Francis is offering us the opportunity to revisit what the Church teaches (for example, that marriage can only be between a man & woman and is a lifelong commitment between the spouses) and to reinvigorate our efforts to live out the command from God to love our neighbors, no matter the situations that they are in. In this, we must also be reminded that loving our neighbor does not mean condoning sinful behaviors that they might be engaging in. The love of Christ we are called to emulate and offer to them should first express our sincere care for them and lead us to instruct them if they are unknowing about the Faith or encourage them to turn away from sin if they are knowledgeable about the Faith. As our Lord did with the woman caught in adultery, affirm their dignity as a son or daughter whom the Father created and loves. Then, show them the way that leads to true and lasting life & happiness, rather than allowing them to continue to drink the poison, that is sin, which will lead them to only fleeting happiness and everlasting death. We must do this with the upmost humility, always recalling that we, too, are sinners who are striving for the kingdom of Heaven. That each of us need the grace which comes to us from on High so that we can battle sin. That in everyone we meet, no matter what struggle they have in their life, there go I, but for the grace of God. So, let us receive the "Joy of Love" (the title of the document in English) with clear minds and open hearts, remembering that in all things we must hold them in union with teachings of Christ, handed down to us throughout the centuries in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition, so that we might know God, love Him, and be his Faithful servants in this life and for eternity in the life to come!

~Fr. Shaw

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

Our Lady of Sorrows, intercede for all the Sick & Suffering, especially: Bob & Dee Burns, Marice 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, RuthAnn Nilges, Barbara Hart, Tom Reidmiller, Ted Klug, Mary & Chuck Brogan, Bill & Joan Sutherland.

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.

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: 2

Monday:	Easter Feria	Acts 11:1-18	Ps 42:2-3; 42:3-4	John 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Easter Feria	Acts 11:19-26	Ps 87:1-7	John 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Easter Feria	Acts 12:24-13:5	Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8	John 12:44-50
Thursday:	St. Anselm, Bishop & Doctor	Acts 13:13-25	Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27	John 13:16-20
Friday:	Easter Feria	Acts 13:26-33	Ps 2:6-11	John 14:1-6
Saturday:	St. George, Martyr	Acts 13:44-52	Ps 98:1-4	John 14:7-14

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

SAINT JOSEPH'S MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

(04/16) Saturday: 5:00pm: Special Intention
Sunday: 11:15am: Pro Populo
(For the People of the Parish)

Monday: 10:30am: Special Intention

Tuesday:

Wednesday: **MASSES CANCELLED**
Thursday: (DUE TO CONSTRUCTION)

Friday: 10:30am: Special Intention

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MISSION

(04/16) Saturday: 7:00pm: Special Intention
Sunday: 9:00am: Seminarians of the Diocese

CONFESSIONS

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

CONTACTS & MINISTRIES

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Position Vacant

ST. JOSEPH'S THRIFT STORE

(828) 488-2266

Winter Hours:

Wednesday-Friday: 10:30am-3:30pm

Saturday: 10am-1pm

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday of 4th Week of Easter, April 17th:

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

SJ 11:15am: Reader: C. DiLillo; EMHC: B. Burns;
Usher: C. Carr

Sunday of 5th Week of Easter, April 24th:

OLG 9:00am: Reader: S. Pulte; EMHC: M. Brogan;
Ushers: The Antalicks

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

FELLOWSHIP**GOOD JOES**

Upcoming Meeting: May 3rd, 2016

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: April 11th, 2016

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

NEXT MEETING: 6:30pm, May 4th, 2016

WHERE: Parish Hall, St. Joseph's

TOPIC: The Divine Comedy, Inferno, Cantos 23-27
Join us as we read this powerful, beautiful, & spiritual work of literature!

Mercy & Mary Weekend Retreat

Featuring speaker: Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC

Conferences, Daily Mass, Adoration, Confession, & Devotions

April 29, 30 & May 1st, 2016

YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly

84 Blue Ridge Circle, Black Mountain, NC 28711

All Rooms Booked, Commuter Rates still available

To Register and for more information:

Events.MarianMissionaries.org or (413)944-8500

