

# Saint Joseph O'Hara/Fox Chapel

- part of the Lower Allegheny Valley grouping of parishes -

## Saint Joseph Parish

O'Hara/Fox Chapel  
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## Saint Juan Diego Parish

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Saint John Cantius Church  
Madonna of Jerusalem Church  
Saint Mary Church  
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## Saint Pio of Pietrelcina Parish

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## Saint Scholastica Parish

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## Lower Allegheny Valley Mass Schedule

### Saturday Vigil Masses

4:00 pm	Saint Joseph Church
4:30 pm	Madonna of Jerusalem Church
5:00 pm	Saint Scholastica Church

### Sunday Masses

8:00 am	Saint Francis of Assisi Church
9:00 am	Saint Joseph Church
9:30 am	Saint Scholastica Church
10:00 am	Saint Edward Church
11:00 am	Saint Joseph Church
11:00 am	Saint John Cantius Church (Korean Mass)
11:30 am	Saint Mary Church
12:00 Noon	Saint Scholastica Church

### Weekday Masses

8:00 am	Saint Joseph Church <i>Monday thru Friday</i>
9:00 am	Madonna of Jerusalem Church <i>Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday</i> Saint Edward Church <i>Thursday, Friday, Saturday</i>
10:00 am	Saint Scholastica Church <i>Monday thru Friday</i>

## Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confessions -

### Every Saturday

9:30 - 10:15 am	Saint Edward Church
11:30 am - Noon	Saint Joseph Church
3:30 - 4:00 pm	Madonna of Jerusalem Church

### Every Tuesday

6:30 - 7:15 pm	Saint Scholastica Church
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# 5<sup>TH</sup> Sunday of Lent

## April 7, 2019



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### Parish Personnel

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### DID YOU KNOW . . . ?

Ninety-eight of our young people from the Lower Allegheny Valley grouping of parishes received the sacrament of Confirmation on Monday, April 1<sup>ST</sup> in Saint Joseph Church. Bishop David Zubik presided over a wonderful celebration that was standing-room-only and included the beautiful voices of a combined choir (*under the direction of Tom Octave and Shari Whitico*) from our four parishes of Saint Joseph, Saint Juan Diego, Saint Padre Pio and Saint Scholastica.

### Fifth Sunday of Lent

<b>Saturday</b> 4:00 pm	<b>April 6</b> †Raymond & Anna Ordakowski (Lawrence & Mary Ann Slagel)
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 am 11:00 am	<b>April 7</b> †Dorothy Wirth (Susan Wirth-Pontier) †Alice Stuart (Susan Stuart and Rich Pietroski)
<b>Monday</b> 8:00 am	<b>April 8 - Lenten Weekday</b> †Lillian Reese (Family)
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>April 9 - Lenten Weekday</b> †Joseph & Ann Kastelic (Pat Kastelic)
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>April 10 - Lenten Weekday</b> No Intention Listed
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 am	<b>April 11 - Lenten Weekday</b> The people of Saint Joseph Parish
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 am 7:00 pm	<b>April 12 - Lenten Weekday</b> †Richard DeNinno (Family) <i>Stations of the Cross</i>

### Palm Sunday

<b>Saturday</b> 4:00 pm	<b>April 13</b> †Alexander Moore (Leah Moore)
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 am 11:00 am	<b>April 14</b> †Andrew Krivi (Krivi & Cilenti Families) †Ed & Janet Banachoski (Claus Family)

### Scripture Readings for the Week

<b>Sunday - April 7</b>		
Isaiah 43: 16-20	Philippians 3: 8-14	Jn 8: 1-11
<b>Monday - April 8</b>		
Daniel 13: 41-62		Jn 8: 12-20
<b>Tuesday - April 9</b>		
Numbers 21: 4-9		Jn 8: 21-30
<b>Wednesday - April 10</b>		
Daniel 3: 14-20, 91-95		Jn 8: 31-42
<b>Thursday - April 11</b>		
Genesis 17: 3-9		Jn 8: 51-59
<b>Friday - April 12</b>		
Jeremiah 20: 10-13		Jn 10: 31-42
<b>Saturday - April 13</b>		
Ezechiel 37: 21-28		Jn 11: 45-56
<b>Sunday - April 14</b>		
Isaiah 50: 4-7	Philippians 2: 6-11	Lk 22: 1-49

### Weekly Offertory Collection

<b>Weekend of March 30-31:</b>	\$9,119.00
<b>Campaign for Human Development:</b>	\$1,294.00

**Easter Flower Memorial Envelope Donations** to Saint Joseph Church are due by Sunday, April 7<sup>TH</sup> in order to be published in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

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**PASTOR'S  
LETTER**

Dear Parishioner,

A son is estranged from his father ... another is angry and resentful ... a woman is caught in a public act of sin ... and the self-righteous are definitely very sure of themselves. Oh the scope of the human condition. How fragile. How broken. How much in need of patience and understanding and compassion and forgiveness. Directed not just to sons in a parable or an adulterous woman in real life or scribes and Pharisees who taunt and test, 21<sup>ST</sup> century followers of Jesus Christ have their own need for that kindness and mercy of God, experienced as patience and understanding and compassion and forgiveness.

In the tradition and practice of our Catholic faith we confess our sins before the Lord and to the person of the priest as a humble acknowledgment of how much we need and rely on the Divine Mercy of God. If we are to be reconciled, if we are to make right that which is wrong, if we are to live in a right relationship with God and each other, then a strong dose of humility is needed in order to admit to the truth of our brokenness ... a willingness to name our sins.

When on Ash Wednesday we were marked with the sign of repentance and admonished to *"turn away from sin and believe in the Gospel,"* we began the 40 day journey of Lent intended to bring a conversion of heart.

As Easter draws closer I invite all parishioners to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation in the individual confession of sin. Scheduled times and places are as follows:

**Every Saturday**

9:30-10:15 am Saint Edward Church in Blawnox  
11:30 - Noon Saint Joseph Church in O'Hara  
3:30 - 4:00 pm Madonna Church in Sharpsburg

**Every Tuesday**

6:30 - 7:15 pm Saint Scholastica Church in Aspinwall

**Wednesday, April 10<sup>TH</sup>**  
***"The Light Is On for You"***

6:00 - 8:00 pm Saint Joseph Church  
6:00 - 8:00 pm Madonna Church  
6:00 - 8:00 pm Saint Scholastica Church

May the Lord bless your week ahead. Hopefully you will heed the message of this letter and avail yourselves of the grace of a good Confession.

*Father Dale DeNinno*

**Schedule for Holy Week**

**Tenebrae - A Service of Darkness**  
- Monday of Holy Week - April 15<sup>TH</sup> -

**7:30 pm Saint Mary Church**

The Service of Tenebrae has a rich tradition in the church, dating back to the 8<sup>TH</sup> century. *Tenebrae* is a word derived from the Latin meaning "darkness." Through word and music, this service dramatizes the suffering, death and burial of Jesus Christ.

As the service moves from light into darkness, the diminishing light symbolizes the fading devotion of the apostles as well as the gradual dying of our Lord. At the end of the service, the sanctuary will be in darkness.

**Holy Thursday - April 18<sup>TH</sup>**

- Mass of the Lord's Last Supper -

**6:00 pm Madonna of Jerusalem Church**

*Fr. Mike Decewicz*

**7:30 pm Saint Edward Church**

*Fr. Paul Merkovsky*

**7:30 pm Saint Joseph Church**

*Fr. Dale DeNinno*

**Good Friday - April 19<sup>TH</sup>**

- Proclamation of the Passion Narrative -
- Prayers for the Church and the World -
- Veneration of the Cross -
- Distribution of Holy Communion -

**1:30 pm Madonna of Jerusalem Church**

*Fr. Mike Decewicz*

**3:00 pm Saint Scholastica Church**

*Fr. Paul Merkovsky*

**7:30 pm Saint Joseph Church**

*Fr. Dale DeNinno*

**Holy Saturday - April 20<sup>TH</sup>**

- Blessing of Easter Food Baskets -

**12:00 Noon Saint John Cantius Church**

*Fr. Mike Decewicz*

**12:00 Noon Saint Scholastica Church**

*Fr. Paul Merkovsky*

**Easter Vigil Masses - April 20<sup>TH</sup>**

**7:30 pm Saint Joseph Church**

*Fr. Dale DeNinno*

**7:30 pm Saint Scholastica Church**

*Fr. Paul Merkovsky*

## Easter Sunday Masses - April 21<sup>ST</sup>

8:00 am	<b>Saint Francis of Assisi Church</b> <i>Fr. Paul Merkovsky</i>
9:00 am	<b>Saint Joseph Church</b> <i>Fr. Dale DeNinno</i>
9:00 am	<b>Madonna of Jerusalem Church</b> <i>Fr. John Mark Ogu</i>
9:30 am	<b>Saint Scholastica Church</b> <i>Fr. Mike Decewicz</i>
10:00 am	<b>Saint Edward Church</b> <i>Fr. Paul Merkovsky</i>
11:00 am	<b>Saint Joseph Church</b> <i>Fr. Dale DeNinno</i>
11:30 am	<b>Saint Mary Church</b> <i>Fr. Mike Decewicz</i>
12:00 Noon	<b>Saint Scholastica Church</b> <i>Fr. Paul Merkovsky</i>

### Friday Stations of the Cross in Lent

- walk the Way of the Lord in His suffering and death -

12:00 Noon	Saint Scholastica Church
2:15 pm	Saint Scholastica Church <i>- school children -</i>
4:30 pm	Madonna of Jerusalem Church
4:30 pm	Saint Edward Church
7:00 pm	Saint Joseph Church

## LAV PARISH NEWS

**Living Stations of the Cross**, led by high school and elementary school students of the Lower Allegheny Valley grouping of parishes, will be presented in Saint Joseph Church on Friday, April 12<sup>TH</sup> at 7:00 pm. The young people in grades 6 thru 12 are welcome to participate. If interested, please contact Delia Barr, at [ccd@stjosephohara.com](mailto:ccd@stjosephohara.com) or Meredith Troyan at [mtroyan412@gmail.com](mailto:mtroyan412@gmail.com). Rehearsals will be on Thursday, April 11<sup>TH</sup> from 5:30-7:00 pm and Friday, April 12<sup>TH</sup> from 4:30-6:30 pm.

**An Early Notice:** A Vacation Bible School will be held at Saint Joseph Parish the days of June 24-28 from 9:00 am to Noon. **"VBS 2019 Roar: Life Is Wild, God Is Good!"** is our theme. Campers ages: 4 years old (*by June 1*) to 5<sup>TH</sup> grade (*Fall of 2019*). Counselors-in-Training (CIT): 6<sup>TH</sup> grade (*Fall of 2019*). Counselors: 7<sup>TH</sup> grade thru high school (*service hour opportunity*). Watch and listen for more announcements and registration information.

**Run for the Roses Race Night**, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be held on Saturday, May 4<sup>TH</sup> in the John Paul Hall of Saint Joseph Church. Tickets are \$20 and include a buffet and beverages. Proceeds will benefit Birthright of Pittsburgh, Addiction Recovery Ministry (A.R.M.) and the Lower Allegheny Valley Faith Formation Programs. Tickets are available on site each Sunday in Saint Joseph Church after all Masses; Saint Juan Diego Parish in the parish office, April 6-7; and in Saint Edward Church on Sunday, April 28<sup>TH</sup>.

## Youth Ministry "House" Fundraiser

Fifty high school students and twenty adult chaperones from the four parishes in the Lower Allegheny Valley will be in Elkview, West Virginia in late June to participate in a mission trip of service to help provide much needed home repairs for some of the residents.

Throughout April, a "house" will be located in the vestibule of each of our six churches in the parish grouping. Attached to the roof of the "house" are envelopes with a dollar amount request, ranging from \$1 to \$144. Kindly take an envelope of your choosing, place the suggested amount inside, seal the envelope, and return it in the collection basket at Mass the following weekend. If all of the envelopes are taken and returned, this fundraising effort will amount to \$10,000.

## Other News

**Christ Child Society of Pittsburgh** will hold a benefit, *Red Wagon Fare*, on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am at the Pittsburgh Field Club. The event supports their mission of meeting the needs of under-served children in the area. Projects include: delivering layettes to hospitals for at-risk newborns and providing "My Stuff" bags for children brought to women's shelters. For reservations, call 412-795-5810. The cost is \$40.

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Weekend** is offered to any woman or man who is struggling with emotional and spiritual pain in the aftermath of an abortion. The next weekend will be held May 17-19, 2019 at The Ark and the Dove Center, 10745 Babcock Boulevard, Gibsonia, PA. For more information, contact the retreat co-ordinator, Toni Jester at: toniafj1@comcast.net or call 412-352-5348.

**School Registration** continues for CDTCA for pre-school thru the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Call the school office at 412-781-7927 for additional information and to arrange for a tour of the school.

### Daily Mass: Week of April 8

8:00 am	Fr. Dale DeNinno	Saint Joseph
9:00 am	Fr. Mike Decewicz	
	<i>Mon, Tues, Wed</i>	Madonna
	<i>Thurs, Fri, Sat</i>	Saint Edward
10:00 am	Fr. Paul Merkovsky	Saint Scholastica

### Weekend Masses: April 13-14

#### Saturday Vigil

4:00 pm	Fr. Paul Merkovsky	Saint Joseph
4:30 pm	Fr. Mike Decewicz	Madonna
5:00 pm	Fr. Dale DeNinno	Saint Scholastica

#### Sunday

8:00 am	Fr. Dale DeNinno	Saint Francis
9:00 am	Fr. Paul Merkovsky	Saint Joseph
9:30 am	Fr. Mike Decewicz	Saint Scholastica
10:00 am	Fr. Dale DeNinno	Saint Edward
11:00 am	Fr. Paul Merkovsky	Saint Joseph
11:30 am	Fr. Mike Decewicz	Saint Mary
12:00 Noon	Fr. Dale DeNinno	Saint Scholastica