

# 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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Pittsburgh, PA 15215  
412-963-8885  
parishoffice@stjosephohara.com  
www.stjosephohara.com

## Saint Juan Diego Parish

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

Blawnox/Harmar  
Saint Edward Church  
Saint Francis of Assisi Church  
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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 Thursday

6:30 - 7:15 pm	Saint Scholastica Church
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# Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 7, 2019

## Saint Joseph Parish

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Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday - 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Live Streamed Mass

www.stjosephohara.com/index.php/mass-videos

## Parish Personnel

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There is a special envelope in your monthly packet with an orange border that is marked "Saint Joseph Picnic Donation." With the annual summer picnic soon upon us (August 11<sup>th</sup>) and multiple preparations underway, all parishioners are asked to use that envelope. The generosity

of your donations will help to cover the expenses of the picnic, which include food, refreshments, games, and the rental of tables, chairs and tents. The envelope may be placed in the collection basket that is passed during Mass or delivered to the parish office.

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday**  
4:00 pm

**July 6**

†Joseph Mertz (Ken & Pat Latzy)

**Sunday**  
9:00 am  
11:00 am

**July 7**

†Mary Ellen Adams (Carol Freiland)

†Mary M. Kessler & Regis N. Kessler  
(M/M Gerard Aigner)

**Monday**  
8:00 am

**July 8 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

†Henry Dudek (Joe & Sandy Dudek)

**Tuesday**  
8:00 am

**July 9 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

†Nick Balestra (Tony & Lidia LeDonne)

**Wednesday**  
8:00 am

**July 10 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

The people of Saint Joseph Parish

**Thursday**  
8:00 am

**July 11 - Saint Benedict**

†Rocco Volpe, Sr. (Maria Ferraro)

**Friday**  
8:00 am

**July 12 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

†Anna Scharpf (Mary Klak)

## Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday**  
4:00 pm

**July 13**

†Loretta Maseth (G. Claus & Family)

**Sunday**  
9:00 am  
11:00 am

**July 14**

†Rocco Volpe, Sr. (Chuck & Alyce Rieger)

†Eugenio Cresta (Family)

## Scripture Readings for the Week

### Sunday - July 7

Isaiah 66: 10-14 Galatians 6: 14-18 Lk 10: 1-9

### Monday - July 8

Genesis 28: 10-22 Mt 9: 18-26

### Tuesday - July 9

Genesis 32: 23-33 Mt 9: 32-38

### Wednesday - July 10

Genesis 41: 55-57; 42: 5-7, 17-24 Mt 10: 1-7

### Thursday - July 11

Genesis 44: 18-29; 45: 1-5 Mt 10: 7-15

### Friday - July 12

Genesis 46: 1-7, 28-30 Mt 10: 16-23

### Saturday - July 13

Genesis 49: 29-32; 50: 15-26 Mt 10: 24-33

### Sunday - July 14

Dt 30: 10-14 Colossians 1: 15-20 Lk 10: 25-37

## Traveling the Road Together . . .

The international fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous began in 1935 when two men, Bill W. and Dr. Bob S., met in the home of a mutual friend in Akron, Ohio. Medical professionals, friends, family members, clergy and the men's spouses all described Bill and Dr. Bob as "hopeless cases," likely to die from alcoholism, a disease of the body, mind and spirit. The key for Dr. Bob was that he found in Bill, and many other alcoholics he would encounter during the rest of his days, a fellow traveler, someone who truly understood what it - alcoholism - was like. And Bill found in Dr. Bob, and countless alcoholics he would meet over the remainder of his life, someone whom he could help simply by sharing his own experiences, strength and hope.

The program of Alcoholics Anonymous, and the many 12-step fellowships that have been created over the years, are based on the principle that alcoholics and addicts stay clean and sober by reaching out to others and giving away what they have been given. It was through attraction, and not promotion, that the fellowship grew from two idealistic drunks into an organization with a presence in more than 180 countries around the globe.

In today's Gospel text, Jesus sends 72 disciples out into the world. It is, indeed, an unusually specific numeric reference. But, perhaps more important than the number 72 is the number two. The disciples were sent out to minister in pairs.

This is good news for sure. After all, it wasn't going to be an easy life. Lambs among wolves ... no money bag, no sandals or sack to carry anything of value with you. All that the disciples had was themselves, their faith in Jesus, and their ministry partner.

In the life of discipleship, the question is not what you need but who. We don't walk this journey alone. We need each other - for support, encouragement, a listening ear; perhaps even advice at times. We learn from the experience of others who have walked before us, and we share our own experience with those who walk with us.

In our current context, the harvest that is in need of reaping is the tremendous pain that so many carry around each day. Our opportunity, as followers of Jesus, is to go out into the world (from the comfort of our pews and homes) and bring with us open hearts, listening ears and a prayerful presence. With that presence, with those ears and with our hearts, we can harvest much that burdens our neighbors.

However, we will only be able to really help those who are hurting if we are authentic about the pain we carry ourselves. In sharing our own experiences of grief, mental illness, economic insecurity, addiction, strains on our families, and other challenges that cause us hurt, others can relate. And in relating, they are not only meeting us, but meeting Jesus, who has sent us out ahead of him.

People who are hurting - all of us - need to know that the kingdom of God is at hand. That should not instill further fear

and shame, but hope. For the kingdom of our God brings love, liberation, reconciliation and resurrection. Too often, and for too long, we have failed to share such a hope-filled message. And now, more than ever, we need to get it right.

And in so doing, by going out into the world two-by-two, we can bring hope to that hurting, bruised and broken world. Along the way, we, too, will be helped, for just as one alcoholic helping another alcoholic keeps both sober, one hurting child of God helping another will keep both in the loving arms of their Creator. The laborers will grow, not through promotion but through attraction, to the liberating, life-giving movement of discipleship that we call the Church.

**Editor's Note:** This reflection was written for CELEBRATION magazine by Eric S. Fought.

## LAV PARISH NEWS

### Staffing Changes

- **Father Bill Siple** is the new Parochial Vicar for the Lower Allegheny grouping of parishes, effective July 15<sup>TH</sup>. For the past 7 years he has served the grouping of parishes in New Castle. Ordained in 1992, Father Bill received his education for the priesthood at the Gregorian University in Rome, Italy. One of his previous assignments was to the parishes of Immaculate Conception and Saint Joseph in Bloomfield where he lived and worked with Father Dale DeNinno from July of 1996 to January of 2000. We welcome him to his new assignment. He will reside in the rectory of Saint Scholastica Parish.
- **David Volcheck** has been hired to serve as Music Minister for Saint Padre Pio Parish where he will be responsible for leading the congregation in music and song for the Sunday morning Mass in Saint Francis of Assisi Church and Saint Edward Church. He will also be responsible for providing music for funeral and wedding liturgies. David previously served as Music Minister at Incarnation of the Lord Parish on the North Side and was briefly part of the grouping of parishes of Saint Sebastian, Saint Teresa of Avila and Saint Athanasius.
- **Marilyn Welsh** who currently serves Saint Padre Pio Parish as the Administrative Secretary will take on additional responsibilities as the Office Assistant in the Faith Formation Program for our grouping of parishes. Marilyn's full-time staff employment of 40 hours per week will be evenly split. She will give 20 hours per week to the administrative duties of Saint Padre Pio Parish and 20 hours per week in the Faith Formation Office, working closely with Delia Barr, the Director of Faith Formation for the parishes of the Lower Allegheny Valley.

**A Free Ice Cream Social** is being held at Saint Joseph Church this weekend, July 6-7, following each of the Masses. Sponsored by the Saint Joseph Parish Women's Group, you can create your own sundae from a variety of ice cream flavors and toppings. The Parish Cookbook will also be available for sale.

**Youth Ministry Seeks CORE Team Members:** Meredith Troyan, the Youth Ministry Team Leader for our grouping of parishes, is recruiting 5-8 adults to be part of a new team to help with youth ministry on a weekly basis. The time commitment would be 2 hours per week in providing leadership for the lesson plan and activity for the night. Training will be required and offered. For more information please contact Meredith at: mtroyan412@gmail.com or call her at 412-352-7862.

**Mass Intention Availability:** Saint Joseph and Saint Scholastica have openings for Mass intentions at the 8:00 o'clock in Saint Joseph Church or the 10:00 o'clock in Saint Scholastica Church. You are encouraged to have a Mass offered for deceased loved ones or for other special intentions. Call the parish office at Saint Joseph Parish (412-963-8885) or Saint Scholastica Parish (412-781-0186).

**Eucharistic Ministers:** It is important to learn who is carrying the Holy Eucharist to the homebound in our parishes, to those in the hospital, or those who may be in a nursing home, assisted living facility, or under hospice care. We also want to compile a current list of those women and men who serve as a Eucharistic Minister during Mass in the six churches of our LAV grouping: Please contact Marilyn Welsh ASAP at 412-828-4066 or email her at: sted-fran@verizon.net.

#### Daily Mass: Week of July 8

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

#### Weekend Masses: July 13-14

##### Saturday Vigil

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

##### Sunday

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

## Weekly Offering



### Financial Reports and Parish Budgets

The Fiscal Year for each of the parishes of the Lower Allegheny Valley began on July 1, 2019 and concludes on June 30, 2020. The budgets for Saint Joseph Parish, Saint Juan Diego Parish, Saint Padre Pio Parish and Saint Scholastica Parish were prepared by the parish bookkeepers, reviewed by the pastor and members of the Finance Councils, and submitted to the Diocese of Pittsburgh for their approval.

In the preparation of the budgets, every effort was made to lower expenses. However, many expenses are beyond our control, e.g., maintenance, utilities, insurance, health care benefits, etc.

It is also important to be aware of the fact that the revenue in each of our parishes has dropped dramatically. Weekly collections at the offertory during Mass are down. Reasons include: fewer Masses with the new schedule; residual anger with the Church as it relates to last summer's release of the PA Grand Jury Report; lingering disappointment with clergy transfers and assignments; parishioners who have simply stopped attending Mass, decreased their weekly offering or haven't increased it in a long, long time. The result of these cumulative factors are budgets stretched to their limit and showing red. Black is the color we need to see!

Over the course of three consecutive weekends in September, Father Dale DeNinno will speak at each of the 10 Masses in our parish grouping so as to communicate the budget reality of each parish. His message will be accompanied by a bulletin insert with all of the pertinent information.

In the meantime, you are asked to prayerfully and carefully consider your weekly donation to your parish. In doing so you are also encouraged to ponder the message of Saint Paul in his letter to the Corinthian community: *"Consider this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. Moreover, God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things, always having all you need, you may have an abundance for every good work"* (2 Corinthians 9: 6-8).