

# Saint Joseph O'Hara/Fox Chapel

- part of the Lower Allegheny Valley grouping of parishes -

## Saint Joseph Parish

O'Hara/Fox Chapel  
342 Dorseyville Road  
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  
201 9<sup>TH</sup> Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15215  
412-784-8700  
saintjuandiegopgh@comcast.net  
www.saintjuandiegopgh.org

## Saint Pio of Pietrelcina Parish

Blawnox/Harmar  
Saint Edward Church  
Saint Francis of Assisi Church  
450 Walnut Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15238  
412-828-4066  
sted-fran@verizon.net

## Saint Scholastica Parish

Aspinwall/Fox Chapel/O'Hara  
309 Brilliant Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15215  
412-781-0186  
parish@saintscholastica.com  
www.saintscholastica.com

## 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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## Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 25, 2019

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412-963-8885

412-963-1945 (Fax)

www.stjosephohara.com

Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday - 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Live Streamed Mass

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

### Parish Personnel

<p><b>Fr. Dale DeNinno</b> 412-963-8885 x304</p> <p><b>Fr. Michael Decewicz</b> 412-784-8700</p> <p><b>Fr. William Siple</b> 412-781-0186</p> <p><b>Lori McKinniss</b> 412-963-8885 x303</p> <p><b>Kathi Sterling</b> 412-963-8885 x306</p> <p><b>Delia Barr</b> 412-963-8885 x301</p> <p><b>Marilyn Welsh</b></p> <p><b>Thomas Octave</b> 412-867-5032</p> <p><b>Meredith Troyan</b> 412-781-0186</p> <p><b>Nancy Whistler</b> 412-963-8885</p> <p><b>Terri Weir</b> 412-963-8885 x302</p>	<p><b>Pastor/Administrator</b></p> <p><b>Parochial Vicar</b></p> <p><b>Parochial Vicar</b></p> <p><b>Business Manager</b> bmgr@stjosephohara.com</p> <p><b>Parish Secretary</b> parishoffice@stjosephohara.com</p> <p><b>Director of Faith Formation</b> ccd@stjosephohara.com</p> <p><b>Faith Formation Office Assistant</b></p> <p><b>Director of Music Ministry</b> tomoctave@gmail.com</p> <p><b>Youth Ministry Leader</b> mtroyan412@gmail.com</p> <p><b>Preschool Director</b></p> <p><b>Administrative Assistant</b> terri@stjosephohara.com</p>
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### Did You Know . . . ?

Christ the Divine Teacher Catholic Academy will begin a new school year on Monday, August 26<sup>TH</sup>. CDTCA will have over 200 students this year. An excellent school with an excellent reputation. Catholic education is a gift given to our young people and the support of parishioners from all the parishes of the Lower Allegheny Valley is greatly appreciated.

**Collection for the Weekend of August 17-18:**

\$8,429.00

**Feast of The Assumption - August 15<sup>TH</sup>:**

\$1,296.00

## Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

<b>Saturday</b> 4:00 pm	<b>August 24</b> †Bob Kastelic (Pat Kastelic)
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 am 11:00 am	<b>August 25</b> †Marjorie Bopp (Sinnott Family) The people of Saint Joseph Parish
<b>Monday</b> 8:00 am	<b>August 26 - Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> 58 <sup>TH</sup> Wedding Anniversary: Anthony & Theresa Capone
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>August 27 - Saint Monica</b> †Debra Kosiarski (Zgurzynski Family)
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>August 28 - Saint Augustine</b> †Joseph Mertz (Family)
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 am	<b>August 29 - Martyrdom of John the Baptist</b> †Nancie Donelan (Loretta Lobes)
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 am	<b>August 30 - Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> †Rocco Volpe, Sr. (Barbara Volpe and John Dukovich)

## Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

<b>Saturday</b> 4:00 pm	<b>August 31</b> †Nicholas Gamer (Marlene Paulick)
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 am 11:00 am	<b>September 1</b> †Eugene Maloney (Mary Ita McGonigle) †Robert Ninehouser (Sons: Steven, Phil & Kevin)

### Scripture Readings for the Week

#### Sunday - August 25

Isaiah 66: 18-21    Hebrews 12" 5-13    Lk 13: 22-30

#### Monday - August 26

1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10    Mt 23: 13-22

#### Tuesday - August 27

1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8    Mt 23: 23-26

#### Wednesday - August 28

1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13    Mt 23: 27-32

#### Thursday - August 29

1 Thessalonians 3: 7-13    Mk 6: 17-29

#### Friday - August 30

1 Thessalonians 4: 1-8    Mt 25: 1-13

#### Saturday - August 31

1 Thessalonians 4: 9-11    Mt 25: 14-30

#### Sunday - September 1

Sirach 3: 17-29    Hebrews 12: 18-24    Lk 14: 7-14



My dear parishioners,

This message is intended for everyone but I am especially hopeful that parents with school age children - K thru the 8<sup>TH</sup> grade - will give it a careful reading.

Do you remember when you had your child(ren) baptized? At the very beginning of the rite of baptism a statement was made and a question was asked by the priest or deacon who officiated at the ceremony: *“You have asked to have your child baptized. In doing so you are accepting the responsibility of training him/her in the practice of the faith. It will be your duty to bring him/her up to keep God’s commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbor. Do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?”*

Some of the key words that stand out in that statement are these:

- accepting the responsibility
- training in the practice of the faith
- it will be your duty
- do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?

Those are not empty words nor is baptism a once-and-done ritual. Baptism marks what is the beginning of a journey of faith in our Catholic way of life. And if children are to learn what it means to be a Catholic, that learning must come first in the home, be supported in the weekly experience of Sunday worship at Mass, and benefit from a structured faith formation program.

What is it that we must teach our children about the faith? That to live in a personal relationship with Jesus Christ is to say “yes” to understanding what it means to be baptized. And that is a process of a lifetime. Faith formation never ends. Which explains the change from referring to CCD classes to the broader identification of ongoing faith formation. CCD somehow implies an end point. Sadly, many think that Confirmation marks the end of their faith learning (*Yea! No more CCD*). Nothing could be further from the truth. Education and growth in our Catholic faith must continue until the day we breathe our last in this life.

The newly structured Faith Formation Program for children in grades K thru 8 will begin on September 15-16-17. Delia Barr, who serves as the Director of Faith Formation and assisted by Marilyn Welsh, are both very busy getting ready. Information about location and times of classes as well as registration, which can be completed online, is available at the end of this letter.

To parents and grandparents, to parishioners and friends, reflecting on last Sunday’s gospel narrative I pointed to the words that Jesus spoke: *“I have come to set the earth on fire.”* As baptized members of the Catholic faith all of us have a part in the ignition. We should know and we must teach our children - the fire of Christ’s love must burn within us.

There is a good reason why we speak of ourselves as “practicing Catholics.” Because to know Jesus, to love Jesus and to live Jesus takes practice, practice, practice. A lifetime. Our children will learn when they see that we are faithful to the practice.

*Father Dale DeNinno*

**Faith Formation Registration:** Parents are reminded of the responsibility to their children in matters of the Catholic faith. Thus far, there are over 300 children registered for Religious Education classes (*formerly called CCD*). That number should grow to at least 400.

To register online go to: [www.stjosephohara.com](http://www.stjosephohara.com) or [www.saintscholastica.com](http://www.saintscholastica.com). Times and places for Faith Formation classes are as follows:

**SUNDAY CLASSES**

K thru 8<sup>TH</sup> grade from 10:30 to 11:45 am @ Saint Scholastica

**MONDAY CLASSES**

K thru 4<sup>TH</sup> grade from 4:30 to 6:00 pm @ Saint Joseph  
5<sup>TH</sup> thru 8<sup>TH</sup> grade from 6:15 to 7:45 pm @ Saint Joseph

**TUESDAY CLASSES**

K thru 8<sup>TH</sup> grade from 6:00 to 7:30 pm @ Saint Joseph

Registration cost is \$60 per child, \$200 maximum.

For additional information, contact Delia Barr, the Director of Faith Formation at [ccd@stjosephohara.com](mailto:ccd@stjosephohara.com) or call 412-963-8885 x301.

**LAV Parish News**

**A Meeting of the LAV Parish Finance Councils** will be held on Wednesday evening, August 28<sup>TH</sup> in order to discuss the upcoming verbal financial reports that will be made by Fr. Dale DeNinno before Mass over the course of three weekends in September. The council members are: Denis McCarthy, Elizabeth McCarthy, Fred O’Brien and Bob Sodini (*Saint Joseph*); Anthony Ferraro, Linda Harrity, Charles Szymanski and Rose Wega (*Saint Juan Diego*); Tom Bigley and Chris Wilson (*Saint Padre Pio*); Melissa Scheffler, Michael Sinnott, Adam Souply and Linn Swanson (*Saint Scholastica*).

**Parish Grouping Staff Meeting on August 13<sup>TH</sup>:** Topics of discussion included Eucharistic Days on each of the feast days of our parish patrons: Saint Padre Pio on September 23<sup>RD</sup>, Saint Juan Diego on December 9<sup>TH</sup>, Saint Scholastica on February 10<sup>TH</sup>, and Saint Joseph on March 19<sup>TH</sup>. Also, quarterly sacramental celebrations of the Anointing of the Sick to be held in the churches of Saint Edward, Saint Scholastica, Madonna of Jerusalem and Saint Joseph.

Time was spent scheduling dates for the sacrament of Reconciliation for the young people in the Faith Formation Program as well as First Holy Communion for the children in the second grade. Confirmation is beyond our scope. That date is always scheduled by the Office of the Bishop.

Other topics included baptism preparation class for parents of children to be baptized, remembering our beloved dead on All Souls Day and throughout November, the recruitment and training of altar servers, and a summary evaluation of the 2019 Appalachia Mission Trip and other youth ministry ideas.

Parish finances were discussed with the understanding that a spoken report will be made by Fr. Dale DeNinno to each of the four parishes of the Lower Allegheny Valley over the course of three weekends: September 7-8, September 14-15 and September 21-22.

The meeting ended with a staff review and recommendation of the proposed new LOGO that will appear on the parish website and the front of the One Parish Bulletin to be unveiled the weekend of October 12-13.

## **Other News**

**Cornhole Tournament**, sponsored by CDTCA, will be held on Saturday, September 28<sup>TH</sup>, from 6:00-11:00 pm in the Saint Scholastica Parish gymnasium. Cost is \$50 per team with 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2<sup>ND</sup> and 3<sup>RD</sup> place prizes of \$200, \$100 and \$50 awarded. You must be 21 years or older to attend. Contact the school office at 412-781-7927 for more information and to register.

**Beginning Experience:** The loss of a spouse through death, divorce or separation is a traumatic experience. Working through grief and moving forward takes time, patience and compassion. A weekend retreat will be held at the Martina Spiritual Renewal Center in West View (5244 Clarwin Avenue) on September 27-29. Widowed, divorced and separated individuals are welcome. For more information or to register go to: [BeginningExperiencePittsburgh.com](http://BeginningExperiencePittsburgh.com) or make a confidential call to Mary at 412-523-2405 or Rob at 412-584-5575.

**National Catholic Youth Conference**, to be held November 21-23, 2019 is an exciting biennial 3-day experience of prayer, community, and empowerment for Catholic teenagers. Meredith Troyan, the Youth Ministry Leader, will provide additional information upon request. Contact her at: 412-781-0186 or [mtroyan412@gmail.com](mailto:mtroyan412@gmail.com).

**Protecting God's Children Workshop** will be held at All Saints Parish in Etna on Saturday, October 5<sup>TH</sup>, from 9:00 am to Noon. There is no cost to attend. To register, call Anna at 412-781-0530.

**Glass Recycling “POP-UP” Collection Event:** Co-sponsored by O’Hara Township and Fox Chapel Borough. It will be held on Saturday, September 14<sup>TH</sup> at the O’Hara Township Building Parking Lot, 325 Fox Chapel Road from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. **Types of glass accepted:** all colors of glass bottles, jars and jugs only. **Not accepted:** window glass, drinking glasses, dishware, ceramics, mirrors, light bulbs, or TVs.

**Pittsburgh 40 Days for Life:** A Fall kick-off event will be held on Tuesday, September 10<sup>TH</sup> at 6:30 pm in Clairvaux Hall of Saint Bernard Church in Mount Lebanon, 311 Washington Road. Melissa Coles, a national pro-life speaker is the birth mother of a short documentary, *“I Lived on Parker Avenue.”* It is her story and the mother’s agony in choosing what is best, the joy of a couple starting a family, and a young man’s search for where his life began. Go to: [www.ilivedonparkerave.com](http://www.ilivedonparkerave.com).

**Our Lady of the Alleghenies Amtrak Adventure:** Presented by the Lower Allegheny Valley Grouping of Parishes on Wednesday, October 9<sup>TH</sup>. The cost of the one-day trip is just \$99. Depart from Saint Francis of Assisi Church on Freeport Road in Harmar at 6:15 am by motorcoach to Greensburg where you will board Amtrak’s “Pennsylvanian” for an exciting and scenic train ride to Altoona. Travel into the heart of the Alleghenies and around Horseshoe Curve. Upon arrival in Altoona, re-board the motorcoach and travel to the peaceful town of Loretto. There you will visit the Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel where Mass will be celebrated. Enjoy lunch at Saint Francis University, the oldest Franciscan college in the United States. Arrival home in Pittsburgh and Saint Francis of Assisi Church will be at approximately 6:00 pm.

Payment of the \$99 is due to secure your reservation - space is limited. Make checks payable to Wendt Touring and send to: Saint Padre Pio Parish, 450 Walnut Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15238. For more information, call Ruthie Gee at 412-828-4718.

**Daily Mass: Week of August 26**

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

**Weekend Masses: Aug 31- Sept 1**

**Saturday Vigil**

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

**Sunday**

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