

# 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  
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## 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

Aspinwall/Fox Chapel/O'Hara  
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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

### 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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# Feast of the Holy Family

## December 30, 2018

### Saint Joseph Parish

Administrative Center  
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9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Live Streamed Mass

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

### Parish Personnel

**Fr. Dale DeNinno** Pastor/Administrator

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### Weekend Masses: January 5-6

#### Saturday Vigil

4:00 pm

Fr. Dale DeNinno

Saint Joseph

4:30 pm

Fr. Paul Merkovsky

Madonna

5:00 pm

Fr. Phil Farrell

Saint Scholastica

#### Sunday

8:00 am

Fr. Mike Ackerman

Saint Francis

9:00 am

Fr. Dale DeNinno

Saint Joseph

9:30 am

Fr. Paul Merkovsky

Saint Scholastica

10:00 am

Fr. Mike Ackerman

Saint Edward

11:00 am

Fr. Dale DeNinno

Saint Joseph

11:30 am

Fr. Paul Merkovsky

Saint Mary

12:00 Noon

Fr. Mike Ackerman

Saint Scholastica

### Daily Mass: Week of December 31

8:00 am

Fr. Dale DeNinno

Saint Joseph

9:00 am

Fr. Paul Merkovsky

*Mon, Tues, Wed*

Madonna

*Thurs, Fri, Sat*

Saint Edward

10:00 am

Fr. Dale DeNinno

Saint Scholastica

### Scripture Readings for the Week

#### Sunday - December 30

Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14 Colossians 3: 12-21 Lk 2: 41-52

#### Monday - December 31

1 John 2: 18-21

Jn 1: 1-18

#### Tuesday - January 1

Numbers 6: 2-27 Galatians 4: 4-7

Lk 2: 16-21

#### Wednesday - January 2

1 John 2: 22-28

Jn 1: 19-28

#### Thursday - January 3

1 John 2: 29 - 3: 6

Jn 1: 29-34

#### Friday - January 4

1 John 3: 7-10

Jn 1: 35-42

#### Saturday - January 5

1 John 3: 11-21

Jn 1: 43-51

#### Sunday - January 6

Isaiah 60: 1-6

Ephesians 3: 2-6

Mt 2: 1-12



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Dear Parishioners,

What a year was 2018! Political and governmental turmoil, natural disasters claiming life and property, the horror and tragedy of a synagogue shooting, a diocesan church in transition beset by the scandal of a Grand Jury Report. Taken together, it's enough to make your head spin in wonder at the messiness of life. But then, isn't that the nature of FAMILY? The family of humankind ... the family of a nation ... the family of faith ... the family into which we were born.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph were a family and they knew the messiness of life. For them, it was not smooth, it was not easy. An unexpected pregnancy, no room at the inn, a hurried escape into Egypt, a son lost in the temple, and the human response of hatred, rejection and crucifixion to a message proclaimed.

Everyone reading these words can tell the story of their life in a parish family - not always easy, not always smooth. Sometimes messy. And then it becomes further complicated when four parishes in a geographic area named the Lower Allegheny Valley are grouped together. What are we to make of it all? A new Mass schedule, with new priests, and new ways of doing things. It may leave us feeling unsettled and off-balance.

My dear sisters and brothers, in whatever way we experienced the year 2018, we can be pretty sure that 2019 will likewise have more than its share of surprises and challenges. Please God, give us the grace to respond as men and women invested in our

Catholic faith who are open to a new way of defining and living the reality of what we may appropriately call an expanded understanding of parish family.

*Father Dale DeNinno*

**Schedule of Masses  
for December 31<sup>ST</sup> and January 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**Daily Mass on Monday, December 31<sup>ST</sup>:**

8:00 am	Saint Joseph Church
9:00 am	Madonna of Jerusalem Church
10:00 am	Saint Scholastica Church

**Holy Day of Obligation Masses  
for the Feast of Mary, Mother of God**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 31<sup>ST</sup></b>
4:00 pm	Saint Joseph Church
4:30 pm	Madonna of Jerusalem Church
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 1<sup>ST</sup></b>
9:00 am	Saint Edward Church
10:00 am	Saint Scholastica Church

**OTHER PARISH NEWS**

**Feast of the Holy Family: a Children's Nativity Play** will be performed on Saturday, December 29<sup>TH</sup>, before the start of the 4:00 pm Vigil Mass and again on Sunday morning, December 30<sup>TH</sup>, before the start of the 11:00 o'clock Mass. Mrs. Delia Barr, the Director of Faith Formation, is working with the children and their CCD teachers in preparing them for this presentation.

**Lighting Vigil Candles in Saint Joseph Church:** A donation of \$3 is requested for each candle you light. The money is to be placed in the new collection boxes that are now attached to the candle stands in front of the Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph. Remember: you are on the honor system in the House of God.

**Regular Schedule for Confessions:** The priests of our parish grouping are available to hear Confessions every Saturday from 9:30-10:15 am in Saint Edward Church, 11:30 am-Noon in Saint Joseph Church, 3:30-4:00 pm in Madonna of Jerusalem Church; and every Tuesday from 6:30-7:15 pm in Saint Scholastica Church.

## **Other News**

**The Holiday Train Display** in the Saint Joseph Church Cafeteria will continue through the weekend of January 5-6. Saturday and Sunday from Noon to 3:00 pm.

**Saint Joseph Parish Calendars for 2019** are now available for distribution. They are on the tables in the gathering space.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Please be sure to check your email for the information that was recently sent regarding your service at the altar in Saint Joseph Church. Also: the handrails leading to the sanctuary are a ready support for those who need some assistance when coming to the altar and leaving.

**The Annual March for Life in Washington, D.C.** will be held on Friday, January 18<sup>TH</sup>. Add your voice in showing your support for the sacredness of all life, from the moment of conception to the time of natural death. A bus has been chartered and will depart from Saint Scholastica Church at 12:30 am and return by 11:00 pm that night. The cost for adults is \$25 and students are free. For more information and to reserve a seat on the bus, contact Mary Catherine Scanlon at 412-781-6550.

### **Ten New Year's Resolutions You Might Actually Keep**

- 10 Trust Your Instincts**
- 9 Stop Procrastinating**
- 8 Learn to Take Risks**
- 7 Forgive Someone**
- 6 Tip Generously**
- 5 Learn One New Thing**
- 4 Live Longer, Watch Less TV**
- 3 Try a New Adventure**
- 2 Get to Know Your Neighbors**
- 1 Use Your Talents for a Good Cause**

# MASS<sup>es</sup> for the WEEK

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## Feast of the Holy Family

### Saturday December 29

4:00 pm †Dr. Kevin Sullivan (Dr. Richard Sullivan)

### Sunday December 30

9:00 am †Regis & Mary Kessler (M/M Gerard Aigner)

11:00 am †Jack Claus (Family)

### Monday December 31 - Saint Sylvester

8:00 am The people of Saint Joseph Parish

## Vigil Masses for the Holy Day

4:00 pm Mass in Saint Joseph Church

†Dec'd Family Members during 2018

4:30 pm Mass in Madonna of Jerusalem Church

### Tuesday January 1 - Feast of Mary, Mother of God

9:00 am Mass in Saint Edward Church

10:00 am Mass in Saint Scholastica Church

### Wednesday January 2 - Saints Basil & Gregory

8:00 am †Nina DeNinno (Family)

### Thursday January 3 - The Holy Name of Jesus

8:00 am No Intention Listed

### Friday January 4 - Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:00 am No Intention Listed

## Feast of the Epiphany

### Saturday January 5

4:00 pm The people of Saint Joseph Parish

### Sunday January 6

9:00 am No Intention Listed

11:00 am No Intention Listed

## Regular Offertory Collection

Weekend of December 15-16: \$7,576.00

*The collection total for December 23-24  
will be printed in next week's bulletin*

Your weekly donation is greatly appreciated. It helps to meet the expenses of our parish community, including utilities, maintenance, salaries & benefits, snow removal in the winter, and grass cutting in the summer.