

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear St. Joseph's Church Family,

The Holy Spirit has been active in our parish! My hope was that the renewal of the Church would be manifest at St. Joseph's— and it is. As you remember, last month us friars prostrated ourselves during the Adoration for Penance and Renewal. Just last week two bishops, Bishop Barry Knestout of Richmond and Bishop Frank Cagginao of Bridgeport, have done the same. Last month we also announced that the friars will observe the Ember Days of Fasting, the first of which were last week, and we invited the parish to join us. Just last week Bishop David Zubik of Pittsburgh announced that the clergy in his diocese would begin observing the Ember Days. Last month we also started reciting the Prayer to St. Michael after the daily Masses. Now multiple bishops have requested that their parishes also recite the Prayer to St. Michael after Masses.

These are all signs of the Church beginning the long process of penance and renewal. These are signs of the Holy Spirit at work. I'm overjoyed that St. Joseph's has been at the forefront of the Holy Spirit's work in His Church. Let us continue to stay at the front of the renewal— that our parish may be a place of light amidst darkness, a place of holiness where people encounter the Living God and are transformed by His grace into saints. There is of course much work to be done, but the signs so far are good!

On a more mundane level, I've been getting up to speed on all the construction projects underway and planned at St. Joseph's. There is a lot of delayed maintenance to take care of. My top priority is to (finally) get the new HVAC (air conditioning) system installed in the Church so that next summer it will be cool in the church. Next is the renovation of Casserly Hall so that we will have space for ministries in the parish. Also on the list are to repair the leaks in the Church roof and to restore the peeling paint on the exterior of the Church. There are many other smaller projects as well.

Thank you for all your support and prayers during my first month at St. Joseph. I have enjoyed all the brief conversations I've had on the church steps after Mass, and I look forward to continuing to get to know all of you. I will keep you in my prayers, and please continue to keep me and the other friars in yours as well. St. Joseph's Church is a great parish and I look forward to working with all of you to make it even better!

In Christ,

Fr. Boniface Endorf, O.P.

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Pastor

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Weekly Collection

September 8th & 9th, 2018

Masses Total-----	\$7,679
WeShare-----	\$450
Faith Street-----	\$3,404
Grand Total-----	\$11,533

FAITHSTREET

To give effortlessly online, just click the "**Give Online**" button on the home page of our website - www.stjosephgv.nyc

WESHARE

To create online giving account, please visit stjosephgv.churchgiving.com and click "**Give Online**".

PRAYER REQUESTS



Please pray for:

Victoria Ottomanelli
Barbara Rosenberg
Arthur Bifulco
William Jayne
Carol Gershkowitz
Irena Malashenkova
Brendon Burlich

If you would like to include someone on our prayer list, please call the church office to submit their names.

Names on the prayer list will be on for four (4) weeks. If you wish to leave them on longer, please call the church office, Weekdays 9AM - 5PM.

@Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

12:10 pm Lorraine Slingerland

5:30 pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

9:00 am People of the Parish

11:30 am Joseph Capici

6:00 pm Sister Kathryn Press, ASCJ (Living)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

12:10 am Antoinette Granello

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

12:10 pm Catherine Greene

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Saint Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

12:10 pm

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

12:10 pm

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

12:10 pm

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UPDATE PARISHIONER INFORMATION

If you have not updated your parishioner information in the last two years, please log onto our website and update your information. Please be sure to include your sacraments and family information as well.

We have a number of registered parishioners with outdated or no important information.

If you are not sure you have registered as a parishioner, please call the office or email secretary@stjosephgv.nyc to check your status.

FLOCKNOTES

Get important updates from our church in a timely and convenient way! This tool we're using lets you choose what info you'd like to receive – via email or text message – from the various ministries and groups in our church. You can unsubscribe any time. There are two easy ways to connect:

Visit our church at

www.flocknote.com/SJGV (or)

Text SJGV to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates.

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BASIC CATHOLICISM COURSE

October 2018 – April 2019
Tuesday Evenings at 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Casserly Hall

Father Scordo will be offering a course on "Basic Catholicism" beginning **Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 7:30 pm**. These classes will run each Tuesday evening - with some exceptions.

The subject matter will cover what Catholics believe starting with the existence of God and carrying through the History of Salvation to the present day.

This course is intended for adults who desire a stronger understanding of their Catholic faith; whether you are new to the faith or have been on this journey for some time.

Come and join your fellow parishioners, neighbors and friends as we grow in faith together!

41ST ANNUAL COLUMBUS DAY MASS

Monday, October 8th at 9:30 AM

Please join the **41st Annual Columbus Day Mass at Saint Patrick's Cathedral** with our Italian brothers and sisters. If you would like to reserve free tickets, please visit adnycolumbusday.eventbrite.com. The last day to request tickets is **Monday, September 17**.

MISSING ENVELOPES

We would like to extend apologies for those of you who have not received your donation envelopes. DP Murphy had a glitch in their system with us for our last envelope cycle. This will be corrected for the next cycle.

CONTEMPORARY MUSIC PROGRAM



Eliza Poehlman, Director, welcomes all who desire to serve in the Contemporary Music Program. *No auditions required*. Join us in the sanctuary for rehearsal at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday evenings before the 6:00 p.m. Mass. If you have any questions please E-mail me at: info@gsusband.com.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

Wicked people discuss their anger at the just one, because they do not like being reproached for their evil ways. They want to see if he is the Son of God, so they decide to torture him and see if God will come to defend him. They decide to condemn him to a shameful death and see if the claims are true that God will take care of him.

Second Reading: James 3:16—4:3

James discusses the importance of avoiding jealousy and strife. People should strive for peace and justice instead of concentrating on material pleasures which can tempt people to sin to obtain whatever they desire.

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

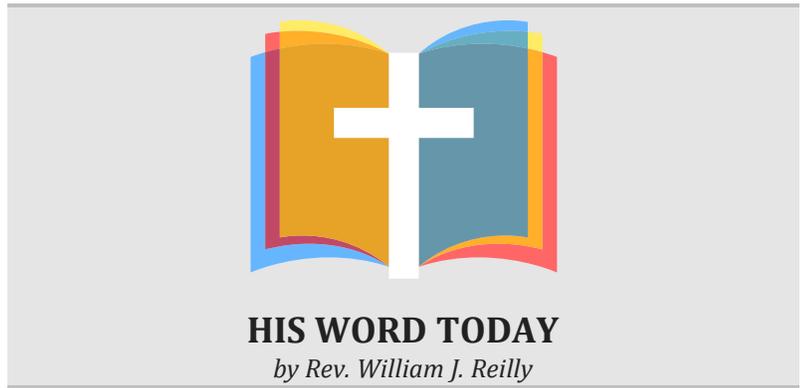
Jesus again attempts to prepare his disciples for his death and resurrection, although they do not yet fully understand. They had been arguing over who was the most important one, but Jesus tells them whoever wants to rank first must be willing to remain a servant to all. He also tells them that anyone who welcomes a child in his name welcomes both him and God.



**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
DAILY READINGS**

- Sunday**
Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16—4:3;
Mk 9:30-37
- Monday**
Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18
- Tuesday**
Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21
- Wednesday**
Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
- Thursday**
Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9
- Friday**
Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22
- Saturday**
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
Jn 1:47-51

**A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY
READINGS**



**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 23, 2018**

“They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, ‘What were you arguing about on the way?’ But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, ‘If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.’”

How can I serve? The path to holiness requires that we humbly reach out to see Christ in the faces of those around us. “In this call to recognize Him in the poor and the suffering, we see revealed the very heart of Christ, His deepest feelings and choices, which every saint seeks to attain.” These are the words of Pope Saint John Paul, as quoted by Pope Francis.

These are the demands of Jesus with no ‘ifs and buts.’ Holiness cannot be understood or lived apart from these demands, for mercy is ‘the beating heart of the gospel.’ When He washed the feet of the disciples, He spoke by His action, what a true disciple is to do. It is when we serve we receive not only Jesus, but the One who sent Him.

