

THE RECTOR'S REFLECTION

Ite, Ad Joseph

When all the land of Egypt became hungry and the people cried to Pharaoh for food, Pharaoh said to all the Egyptians: "Go to Joseph and do whatever he tells you." Genesis 41:55

Go to Joseph. In Latin, Ite ad Joseph. It is an expression of encouragement for all to rest in the shade of the Protector of the Universal Church, and Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph. In addition, the March 19 feast of St. Joseph that is observed universally still today, decades ago the Church also celebrated the great saint on the Third Wednesday after Easter. This year, that Wednesday falls on April 22 and begins an octave in his honor. We are going to elevate the celebration of our usual Wednesday 6 PM Mass. Michael LaBarre will lead a group of other singers in a polyphonic Mass setting for the night. Following the Mass, all who wish will be invited to join in an act of consecration. Below is a prayer from Pope Leo XIII that I invite you to pray at least once over the upcoming week. Go to Joseph!

PRAYER

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also. Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness. As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid,

we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.

CALENDAR OF SPECIAL EVENTS

Thursday, April 23

7:00 PM – Dante Reading Group in Conference Room (Canto 26)

Wednesday, April 22

6:00 PM – Polyphonic Sung Mass in Honor of St. Joseph followed by Consecration to St. Joseph

Sunday, April 26

1:30 - St. Joseph Potluck Luncheon

OFFERTORY

- **April 11 & 12**
 - **Sunday Offertory** \$2,681.00
 - **Online Giving** \$575.72
 - **Second Collection** \$952.50
 - **Total** \$4,209.22



QR Code for online giving

MASS INTENTIONS

April 18 – April 26

Saturday, April 18

8:30 AM – Int. of Lora Brown

4:00 PM – Gearoid O’Clerigh +

Sunday, April 19

9:00 AM – Ralph G. Okenquist +

10:30 AM – Int. of Santiago & Daniel Calderon

12:00 PM – Jankowski Family +

Tuesday, April 21

8:30 AM – No Intention

Wednesday, April 22

6:00 PM – Int. of Lora Brown

Thursday, April 23

6:00 PM – Timothy Burns +

Friday, April 24

8:30 AM – Int. of Joseph Weaver

Saturday, April 25

8:30 AM – Int. of Quatela Family

4:00 PM – Pietro Pagano +

Sunday, April 26

9:00 AM – Marion Denegre +

10:30 AM – Int. of Jean Feige

12:00 PM – Antoni Wygnalski +

PRAYER INTENTIONS - Each week in the Oratory Bulletin we include the names of those who need our particular prayers. Please contact the office if you would like to add someone to our prayer list.

Kathy Romano, Joe & Lucille Faugno, Anna DeLuca, Susan Brown, Elise Burns, Emily Dexter, Jorge Chiavirria, Matthew Krakowiak, Michael Majoris, David Knapp, Brian O’Donnell, Ralph Nilson, Michael Jansen, Andrew B. Slagle, Jim Jagodinski, David Whitehead, Sr., Gina & Matthew Bouvier, Tom Kelly, Ligia Monsalve, Henry Banks Bourtin

Rest of the souls of Nancy Define, Michael Peloso, Ryan Yannalfo, Lucy Procaccini, Gabriella Patterson, Michelle Leigh Gray, Edith Wald, Michael Rossi, Michael Tejada, Madeline Hanusovsky, Nikolaos Soukeras, James Crawford Grace, Michael Marushak, James Lomuscio, Monsignor Joseph W. Pekar, Theresa Truffini, Timothy Burns

ORATORY NEWS

EASTER HOME BLESSING

Fr. Novajosky is available for home blessings for those who have yet to have their home blessed this year. It can be a time for the blessing alone or a time for fellowship, conversation and even a meal (choice left to the family). Please consult the website for more information and the link to request a day and time. You can also go directly to:

<https://calendly.com/frnovajosky-diobpt/house-blessing>

If the options do not work, you are free to contact Fr. Novajosky directly to schedule a time.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL IN PEW COLLECTION

For the first time in its existence, the Georgetown Oratory will be participating in the Annual Bishop's Appeal with its own goal. Next weekend, April 25 & 26, we will conduct the in-pew collection. You can also give online at any time by going to our website or ABA website. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

CONSECRATION TO SAINT JOSEPH

It is not too late to conduct your preparation for an act of consecration to St. Joseph, which will be done on Wednesday, April 22 after the 6:00PM Sung Latin Mass. It can also be for those who wish to renew their consecration.

POTLUCK LUNCHEON IN HONOR OF ST JOSEPH

We will be celebrating St. Joseph on Sunday, April 26 at 1:30PM in Pryor – Hubbard Hall with a special potluck luncheon. Sign up in the Parish Office, vestibule of the Oratory or Hall or on the oratory website to bring an ethnic dish to share. All are most welcome.

GEORGETOWN COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Thank you for your donations. When canned goods are donated self-opening cans are preferred. Items that are needed on a regular basis: 1lb bags of rice, peanut butter, tuna fish, cans of beans, both red and black, sardines, cans of fruit, boxes of pasta, 8FL oz of cardboard containers of whole milk, tomato sauce, Macaroni and Cheese, and small containers of cooking oil.

PROCESSIONAL

- 1 THE strife is o'er, the battle done;
Now is the victor's triumph won;
O let the song of praise be sung.
Alleluya!**
- 2 Death's mightiest powers have done their worst
And Jesus hath his foes dispersed;
Let shouts of praise and joy outburst.
Alleluya!**
- 3 On the third morn he rose again
Glorious in majesty to reign;
O Let shouts of praise and joy outburst.
Alleluya!**
- 4 He brake the age-bound chains of hell;
The bars from heaven's high portals fell;
Let hymns of praise his triumph tell.
Alleluya!**
- 5 Lord, by stripes which wounded thee
From death's dread sting thy servants free,
That we may live, and sing to thee.
Alleluya!**

Latin, 17th cent or earlier *tr* FRANCIS POTT 1832-1999

Tune: Victory 888 with Alleluya

Mass Readings:

Glory & Praise #829 (Year A)

RCDM pg. 631

The Sacred Heart Votive candle burns for the intentions of Martha Kanapaux requested by Marge Hansen.



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**Dominica II Post Pascha
/ Third Sunday of Easter
April 19, 2026**

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

4 PM (Saturday Vigil) 9 AM 10:30 AM 12 Noon (1962)

Tuesday & Thursday

8:30 AM

Wednesday

6 PM (1962)

Friday & Saturday

8:30 AM (1962)

ADORATION

First Friday 9 AM – 8 PM

CONFESSIONS (in the oratory)

Wednesday 5:15 – 5:45 PM

Saturday 7:00 – 8:15 AM

By request at any convenient time

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Friday 9 AM – 1 PM

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