

OLD SAINT MARY'S CATHEDRAL & CHINESE MISSION

THE OLD CATHEDRAL OF SAINT MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (1854)

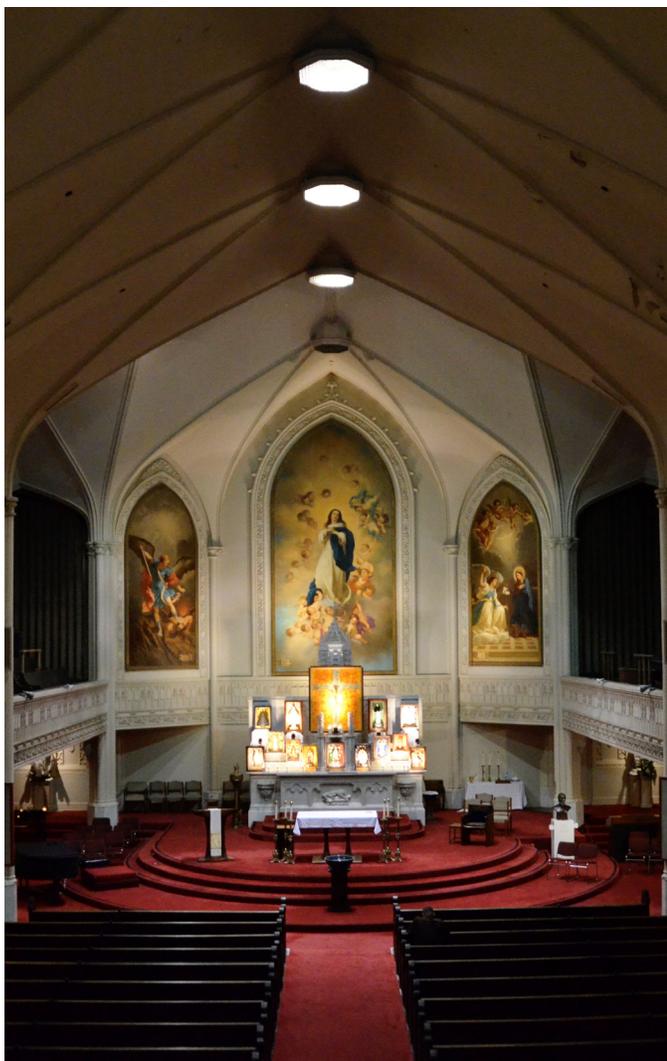
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Old Saint Mary's Cathedral & Chinese Mission is a culturally diverse Catholic community which seeks to evangelize in the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



A MINISTRY OF THE PAULIST FATHERS



OLD SAINT MARY'S, built in 1854 as California's first Cathedral, was the first Cathedral to be named in honor of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception. The Paulist Fathers were given Pastoral responsibilities of Old St. Mary's in 1894 and have faithfully ministered to the people of Chinatown, Nob Hill and the Financial District ever since. A Survivor of the 1906 earthquake and fire, this major historical landmark has been retrofitted to



meet new seismic codes; however, we must now comply with the American Disability Act and refurbish the interior of this beautiful old cathedral. Your prayer and financial support today will help save this beautiful landmark, preserve its rich history, and continue the welcoming presence of Old Saint Mary's Cathedral and Chinese Mission.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Tuesday - Friday : 12:05PM

Saturday : 5:00PM Vigil Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation -
(by appointment only)

Sunday : 9:00AM

11:00AM - Bilingual Mass*

(*Cantonese & English)

Livestreamed on YouTube*

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Fr. John Ardis, CSP
Deacon Simon Tsui

Senior Priests In Residence:

Fr. Joe Scott, CSP | Fr. Richard Chilson, CSP
Fr. Tom Tavella, CSP | Fr. Michael Evernden, CSP

Parish Receptionist: Pia Lim

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

For more information on the sacraments call the parish office at 415-288-3800.



All Are Welcome



Notes from the Paulist

PALM SUNDAY: THE PASSION OF JESUS IN THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

The world is full of tragedy. Some of it is nature-caused: floods, fires, earthquakes. Some of it is called by hatred: the mass shootings, the attacks against Asians and immigrants. Some of it caused by the powerful preying on the vulnerable—witness the Russian attack against the Ukraine. I'm always impressed by the heroes in these times—those who know how to organize a rescue, or who run toward the gunfire in order to save others. I often wonder: could I do that? Would I respond to such a crisis with courage and concern for others? The honest truth is, I don't know.

Jesus, in Luke's gospel, is a man equipped to respond to a crisis. In Mark's gospel, Jesus cries out in the midst of his very human anguish. In John's gospel, Jesus seems more Divine than human. He directs his trial and crucifixion as though he were managing a stage or conducting an orchestra.

Luke's gospel is different. The Greek word "agony", as the great scripture scholar Raymond Brown notes, is not a description of suffering as much as it is the kind of emotion an athlete would possess, having trained well and ready to begin a great contest.

Luke's gospel stresses the prayerfulness of Jesus. He prays before and after every major event. He frequently goes off by himself to pray. We can understand him as training for battle, confident that his preparation will bear fruit. Now for Luke, Jesus is very human, but he's also filled with a remarkable tranquility and composure.

Many years ago, I went to a sweat lodge conducted by a member of the Lakota nation. It meant sitting for over two hours in a small tent filled with intense heat. The heat would increase every 15 minutes. I discovered that the only way I could survive this was to pray. As soon as my mind wandered, I would start to panic. When I focused back on my prayer, I could bear the heat. It was only by prayer that I was able to survive the ordeal.

Luke's gospel also stresses the forgiveness of Jesus, which embodies and teaches the forgiveness of his heavenly Father. It is only in the account given in Luke's gospel that Jesus actually witnesses Peter's denial. Jesus sees with his own two eyes that Peter has abandoned him in his moment of need. And yet, with those same eyes, Jesus forgives him. Peter's own eyes are now blinded with tears of remorse.

Watch Jesus as he walks through his Passion. He always leads from a place of love. Not anger, not fear, not regret, not violence, only love. When Peter cuts off the ear of a soldier in the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus responds by healing the wound of the one who will march him to his death. When the "good thief" next to Jesus on the cross recognizes his innocence, Jesus welcomes him into paradise that very day. But notice, he doesn't condemn the "bad thief" either!

Luke is the only gospel to note Jews in the crowd who were not disciples, but were nevertheless sad to witness an innocent man's suffering. To those who condemn, revile and abuse Jesus, his response is: "Father, forgive them, they do not know what they are doing."

St. Paul understood the crucifixion of Jesus to be an atonement for all the sins of humanity, from Adam onward. In the 11th century, St. Anselm developed a theology of "atonement" that has had an enormous influence on our understanding of the meaning of Jesus' death ever since.

But **Luke** uses a different kind of language about the Passion of Jesus. In Luke's understanding, Jesus brings life NOT because he dies, but because he forgives. As Raymond Brown describes it, "**the crucifixion is a moment of GOD's forgiveness and healing grace, through and by Jesus.**"

We must ALL face the Passion of our own suffering and death. Training our hearts to lead from a place of love, prayer and forgiveness is a good way---perhaps the only way---to prepare for this contest.

Fr. Joe Scott, Paulist

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Holy Week Services 2022

Palm Sunday, April 10

5:00PM (Saturday Vigil Mass)
9:00AM | 11:00AM (Bilingual)

Monday, April 11

12:05PM Mass

Tuesday, April 12

12:05PM Mass

Wednesday, April 13

12:05PM Mass

Holy Thursday, April 14

6:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, April 15

3:00PM Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
6:00PM Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
in Cantonese

Easter Sunday, April 17

9:00AM Mass
11:00AM (Bilingual Mass)



**SUNDAY HAPPY HOUR with
FR. TOM TAVELLA, CSP**
SUNDAYS, 4PM (Pacific Time)
Join ZOOM Meeting -
Meeting ID: 854 9283 6513
Passcode: 003859

**EPIPHANY CENTER's 14th ANNUAL
CELEBRATING MOTHERS LUNCHEON**

Wednesday, May 4, 2022, 11:30AM, at The St. Francis Yacht Club in San Francisco. The inspiring afternoon will include a gourmet lunch overlooking the Bay, a spectacular orchid sale, an online silent auction, and an uplifting client testimonial. Join mothers, daughters, sisters, aunts, grandmothers, and friends old and new to celebrate those who have given love, hope, and transformation. Supporting holistic, life-changing services for San Francisco's most vulnerable children, women, and families. Tickets are \$150 per person. RESERVE ONLINE— at TheEpiphanyCenter.org or call (415) 351-4055.

**PAULIST PILGRIMAGES PRESENTS —
IGNATIUS in ROME. June 26 to July 02, 2022**

You are invited to join Frs. Julio Giulietti, SJ and Thomas A. Kane, CSP on a seven day Ignatian Pilgrimage into the heart of St. Ignatius Loyola in Rome. We invite our pilgrims to engage fully in the Spiritual Exercises to deepen their relationship with Christ. Retreat conferences will focus on the spirituality of St. Ignatius and Jesuit history. This will be a small group experience, land only. **For itinerary and information, visit the website -www.paulistpilgrimages.org**

**St. ANTHONY's needs Cantonese-English bilingual
volunteers to help at Senior's Farmer's Market,
Thursdays 2:30-4:15pm.**

Every Thursday, St. Anthony's Farmer's Market partners with the San Francisco-Marin Food Bank to provide healthy, fresh groceries to low-income neighborhood seniors facing food insecurity. A significant portion of our guests are primarily Cantonese speaking. We are hoping to find several volunteers who are bilingual in Cantonese and English to volunteer on Thursdays from 2:30-4:15pm, inside St. Anthony's dining room, located at 121 Golden Gate Ave. Volunteer duties include checking in guests and distributing food. All volunteers are asked to wear a mask and be able to show proof of vaccination. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact Eddy at 415-592-2726, or email volunteer@stanthonysf.org

SATURDAY FOR ENGAGED COUPLES

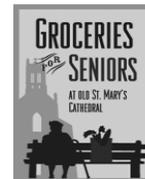
Thinking of getting married in 2022?
Take your pre-cana class with us. Sessions for 2022:
June 11, August 13, October 15, & December 10.
One Saturday from 9:00am to 4:30pm.
Visit our website : www.oldsaintmarys.org or email
Fr. Tom Tavella at tomtavella@paulist.org



**PALM SUNDAY
APRIL 10, 2022**

**GROCERIES FOR SENIORS LOOKING FOR
VOLUNTEERS. THIS APRIL,** if spring

has inspired you to help others, please consider volunteering with Groceries for Seniors. We are looking for volunteers to help us pack the grocery bags we deliver to over 1,000 low-income seniors each week. Monday - Thursday, 8:30 - 11:00AM. Groceries for Seniors team meets in Old Saint Mary's basement to create over 200 bags of nutritious food. If you have a free morning Monday-Thursday, we hope you'll consider joining us. For more information, please email Tim Thompson at ttgroc4sen@gmail.com



**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS
(APRIL 09 - 16, 2022)**

SATURDAY, APRIL 09

5:00PM HEALING - Luisa Rodriguez
HEALING - Xandy Alicante

SUNDAY, APRIL 10

9:00AM GOD HEALTH - Francis Wong & Family
11:00AM FOR THE PEOPLE
INTENTIONS - The Wong Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

12:05PM THANKSGIVING - Liam Jack Bautista
PRAY for Ukraine

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

12:05PM REPOSE OF THE SOUL - +May Chung

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

12:05PM DEATH ANNIVERSARY - Franklin Chinn
THANKSGIVING - Cesar Tinio

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

12:05PM HEALING - Luisa Rodriguez

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

5:00PM INTENTIONS - Garwai Bautista

Prayers for our Sick Parishioners, Loved Ones, and Friends -
Mary Nham, Frankie Chios, Catalina & Regina Bautista, John Garcia, Joshua Ruelas, Ronnie Verceles, Quincy Castillo, Ida & Carolyn Hom, Luis Landa & Family, Tolentino Family