

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.

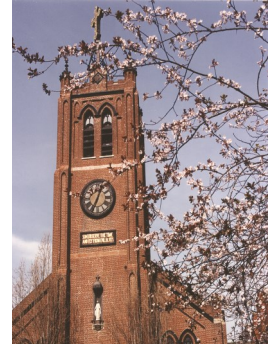


A MINISTRY OF THE PAULIST FATHERS



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

Fr. Steve Bossi, CSP

Parish Receptionist: Pia Lim

Admin. & Adult Faith Formation: Rachael Smit

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.



WELCOME TO OLD SAINT MARY'S CATHEDRAL

MARY MAGDALENE THE GREATEST OF SINNERS OR THE APOSTLE OF THE APOSTLES??

A REFLECTION BY PAULIST FR. JOE SCOTT

(PART ONE)

July 22 is the feast of Mary Magdalene. Pope Francis has, at last, given this feast the attention it deserves. Before this, the church calendar “honored” her with the smallest possible mention. To be completely honest, the Catholic Church was embarrassed by Mary Magdalene. The gospel tradition seemed to place her way closer to Jesus than a woman should be.



In 1896, an interesting document was discovered in a Coptic monastery in Egypt. It is titled the “Gospel of Mary Magdalene.” Every other copy of this writing had been trashed and burned by the male leaders of the Church many centuries ago.

It's a remnant from the Gnostic teachings, which were not accepted by the Catholic Church then or today. but one thing this ancient document reveals is very interesting. It talks of the male authorities of the Church, Peter and Andrew, as uncomfortable about Mary Magdalene as “especially beloved” by the Lord. These early leaders are also portrayed as dismissing the authority of Mary Magdalene to teach “in the Lord’s name.”

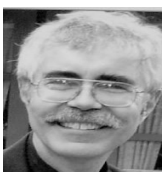
One of the mysteries of the early church is how a community in which Jesus expressed understanding and regard toward women, and St. Paul later made women leaders in his local communities, later became so deeply hostile to women, by the second century promoting almost universal virginity as a remedy for the temptations offered by the female sex.

Why did this happen? The answer is found perhaps in the many documents, like the Gospel of Mary, that were trashed and burned by male bishops, between the second and fourth centuries.

The reputation of St. Mary Magdalene, one so suspiciously close to Jesus of Nazareth, became the casualty of this. Pope Gregory the Great, in 591 C.E, went so far as to identify Mary Magdalene with the “sinful woman” who had washed the feet of Jesus in the Gospel of Luke, and then attribute to this Mary ALL seven of the “deadly” sins. That’s a lot of sinning! Who could possibly trust a woman like that!

No one in the 600 years before Pope Gregory’s words had regarded Mary Magdalene as a great sinner. But this image captured the imagination of the medieval church. More works of art have been created about Mary Magdalene as a repenting sinner than of any other saint of the New Testament except for the “other” Mary, the mother of Jesus. Magdalene’s tears of joy at witnessing the risen Lord in her midst somehow became her tears of transgression and shame. The words “the Magdalene” became shorthand in the Church for a female sinner deserving of punishment, as evidenced by the terrible “Magdalene” homes that imprisoned and neglected young unwed mothers in Ireland.

So, what is the truth about “the Magdalene?” Read it all in next week’s bulletin!



Fr. Joe Scott, CSP

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME, JULY 16, 2023

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2023

The funds given to the AAA support these services and ministries

Parish Ministry & Schools = 25% Universal Church & Communications = 19%
Social Ministry = 24% Clergy Support = 32%

**Old St. Mary's Cathedral & Chinese Mission
AAA 2023**

Campaign Goal : \$ 46,762.
Payments Received : \$ 11,689. (as of 7/05)
Less Payments Received : \$ 35,074.

THE CITY of ANGELS MASTER CHORALE MINI-CONCERT!

ON SUNDAY, JULY 23rd immediately following the 11:00AM Mass, the City of Angels Master Chorale (www.coacc.net) will present a FREE mini-concert entitled "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing." ALL Are WELCOME!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES CYO CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS NOW AVAILABLE

Catholic Charities CYO Camp is offering a limited number of scholarships for youth to attend a week of CCCYO Summer Camp, thanks to a one-time gift from a generous benefactor who wants to give youth of all backgrounds the joy of experiencing CCCYO Camp. Set among 217 acres of towering coastal redwoods in Occidental, CA, Catholic Charities CYO Camp is a place where campers form positive relationships with self, others, nature and GOD. Youth swim, play a variety of sports, sing campfire songs, participate in arts & crafts, and eat family style meals. Experience CCCYO Camp staff create a memorable experience for youth, helping them form lifelong friendships. **REGISTRATION is open for youths ages 7-18: Session: 3, July 11-17; Session 4, July 19-25; & Session 5, July 27-August 2.** For more information, contact Rick Garcia, Director of CYO Camp, at rgarcia@CatholicCharitiesSF.org, or 707-874-0203.

BIBLE STUDY with FR. TOM TAVELLA

Thursday, July 20, 5:00PM

READINGS for SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2023

WIS 12: 13, 16-19 | ROMANS 8:26-27 | MATTHEW 13: 24-43

JOIN ZOOM MEETING :

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81936410610?pwd=-SUpxZHVCOUU4dnZLV3dnVDh4C1J5QT09>

Meeting ID : 819 3641 0610 : Passcode : 016304



SATURDAY for ENGAGED COUPLES

Thinking of getting married in 2023? Take your pre-cana class with us. One Saturday from 8:30AM - 4:30PM. Dates: August 12, October 14, Dec. 09.

Website: www.oldsaintmarys.org ; Email : tomtavella@paulist.org

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Mass Intentions For The Week

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(JULY 15 - 22 2023)

SATURDAY, JULY 15 (St. Bonaventure)

5:00PM IN MEMORY of +Shirley Lo
For All the Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, JULY 16

9:00AM For the DECEASED Members - Choy Family
IN MEMORY of +Shirley Lo
+Father Jim Irwin

11:00AM FOR the PEOPLE / COMMUNITY
IN MEMORY of +Shirley Lo

TUESDAY, JULY 18 (St. Camillus de Lellis)

12:05PM BIRTHDAY - +Ma Zse Kee
FOR HEALING - Mian Gancayco

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

12:05PM WEDDING ANNIVERSARY - Gloria & Spouse

THURSDAY, JULY 20 (St. Apolinaris, Bishop & Martyr)

12:05PM FOR the DECEASED Members - Leung Family

FRIDAY, JULY 21 (St. Lawrence of Brindisi)

12:05PM IN MEMORY of +Shirley Lo

SATURDAY, JULY 22 (St. Mary Magdalene)

5:00PM IN MEMORY of +Shirley Lo
HEALING & RECOVERY - Trish Bui

Prayers for our Sick Parishioners,
Loved Ones, & Friends -

Fr. Thomas Foley, CSP, Fr. Daniel McCotter, CSP,
Fr. Steve Bossi, CSP, Milt Commons, Catalina &
Regina Bautista, Ida & Carolyn Hom, Johnson & Nina
Leu, Teresa Daniels, Stella Bielat, Mary Nham,
Arnold Low, Oscar Mendoza, Maria Tan, Frankie
Chios, Krystine Pagdayanan, Erlinda Cheng,
Florita Andolong & Family, Trish Bui, Mian Gangayco



We Welcome . .

*People of All Faiths & All Races
People of Diverse Cultures
Divorced or Separated Persons
Families with Children
Gays & Lesbians
Homeless Persons
Loving Relationships
Married Couples
Single Persons
Those in Recovery
Travelers: Far and Near
Widows & Widowers
Visitors*

We Seek . . .

*To Live the Gospel of Jesus Christ
To Gather the Community and tell the Story
To Break the Bread and Share the Cup*

We Celebrate...

*Diversity
A Spirit of Hospitality
The Unity that God Wills
Enlightening Those who Seek God
Forming Small Faith Communities
Reaching Out to Alienated Catholics
Reverencing the Dignity of Each Person
Caring for the Needs of the Less Fortunate
Empowering Christians to Realize their Call
Providing an Oasis in the Financial District
Honoring Understanding among All Faiths
Nurturing our Gifts and Sharing Them
Supporting the Arts through Concerts
Pursuing New Ways to Serve
Being a Good Neighbor*

We Treasure our Past

We Hope in the Future

