

OLD SAINT MARY'S CATHEDRAL & CHINESE MISSION

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

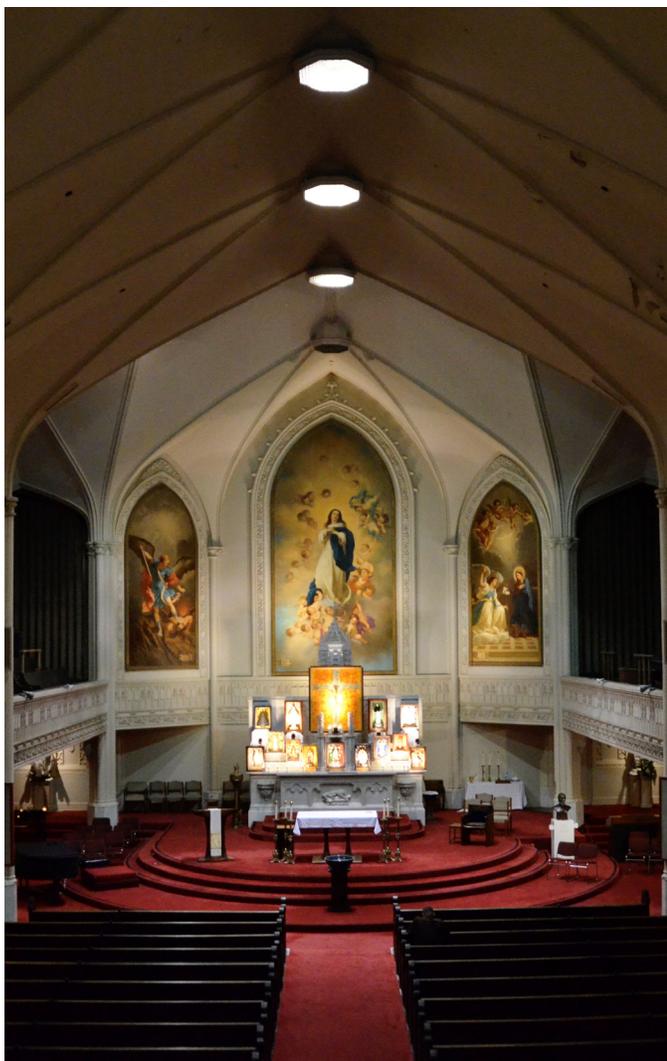
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

Parochial Vicars In Residence:

Fr. Joe Scott, CSP
Fr. Tom Tavella, 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



DELIVER US FROM THE BIBLE WARS

Jon and I became friends when I was twelve and he was a year older. We were neighbors. I don't remember all the details of our friendship, but since I went to a Catholic grade school, Jon was my only friend from a different Church. One day, Jon suggested that we study the Bible together. We had built a clubhouse out of cardboard that we used for special meetings.

As you might guess, Jon knew a lot more about the Bible than I did. Our time together descended quickly from a discussion to an argument and then to something of a fist fight. We grabbed our Bibles and stormed off in angry, opposite directions. Somehow, our friendship survived this moment. Our Bible Study did not.

I hope that I was thoughtful enough to wonder at the time, why is the Bible the ONLY thing that threatens our enjoyment of each other's companionship? Maybe not out loud, but I hope I murmured this in the inmost places of my 12 year old heart.

When I look back, I realize that our friendship was at its height from 1958 to 1960. While Jon and I were trying to learn God's will despite our differences, the Holy Spirit was also at work. John XXIII was elected bishop of Rome in 1958, and convened the Second Vatican Council in 1960. The Holy Spirit was quietly and gradually working to nudge along some healing of our misunderstandings.

January 18-25 is the week of prayer for Christian Unity.. This gives us a chance to give thanks for the friends of any religion or no religion at all who've shown signs of love and kindness and common sense that have helped us to grow. January 18-25 can also be a time for us to repent of the times when, due to our fear or discomfort, we've closed the door of friendship to anyone of another faith.

The late Krister Stendahl, a Lutheran bishop and scripture scholar, crated three simple rules for learning about a religion other than our own.

1. When you want to learn about a religion, ask its adherents.
My comment: "Adherents" don't have to be bishops or theologians, our next door neighbor may well have as much to share.
2. Don't compare your best to their worst..
My comment: We've all done bad things as individuals and as Catholics, things we're not proud of. The fact that we're ALL sinners can free us to learn from our mistakes, forgive ourselves and each other, and then, try to learn from the best of one another.

3. Leave room for "holy envy"—meaning leave room for true admiration of something in another person's tradition.

My comment. After the Second Vatican Council, Catholics began joining Bible Studies because we had holy envy for the love of scripture we observed in Protestants. In those same years, many Protestants rediscovered their love of the Eucharist and began a more frequent reception of Holy communion.

PRAYER FOR UNITY OF FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE:

Good and gracious God, who love humanity and calls us to live in unity, pour our your gifts of the Holy Spirit that we may live in one accord. We pray that we may live lives which bear witness of your truth to all people. Help us to work for a unity of faith, a communion of reconciliation and peace. We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Fr. Joe Scott, CSP

Participate in Pope Francis's Synod at Your Parish – Take the Disciple Maker Index Survey!

Pope Francis invites the whole Church to participate in the preparatory process for the upcoming Synod of Bishops on Synodality. This unprecedented opportunity will facilitate discussion and reflection to help shape the Church's understanding of herself and her mission of evangelization and forming disciples. The Archdiocese of San Francisco has kicked-off the local synodal process this month by asking every Catholic to participate in the Disciple Maker Index survey between now and February 15. The process will continue in February and March with engagement sessions offered throughout the Archdiocese. The Disciple Maker Index survey is a nationally recognized survey administered at parishes around the United States and Canada since 2013 by The Catholic Leadership Institute. The results from this survey will provide baseline feedback from which content for engagement sessions will be developed. To take the survey for your parish, go to www.sfarch.org/synod and click on your parish.

Be sure to participate by February 15!

ROSARY WEBINAR Against HUMAN TRAFFICKING
For the Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita
February 8, 2022, 6:30PM

Join us to pray the Rosary on the feast day of St. Josephine Bakhita, which is the International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking. Questions? Contact prolife@sfarch.org. Register at ... sfarch.org/event/bakhita2022

SUNDAY HAPPY HOUR
With FR. TOM TAVELLA
Sundays, 4PM (PT)

Join ZOOM Meeting -
 Meeting ID: 854 9283 6513
 Passcode: 003859



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS
(January 22 - 29, 2022)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

5:00PM **Repose of Soul - +May Chung**
Thanksgiving - Juliana Low

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

9:00AM **Thanksgiving - Aries dela Paz**
Thanksgiving - Mabel Chan
 11:00AM **FOR THE PEOPLE**
Thanksgiving - Yat Ping Wong & Family

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25

12:05PM **+Naty Munlwin**
Gift of Life - The Phyllis Family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

12:05PM **+Que Kim Kuan**
Healing - Camille Cutino

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27

12:05PM **+Bernadette Griffin**
+Que Kim Kuan

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

12:05PM **+Ann Burke**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29

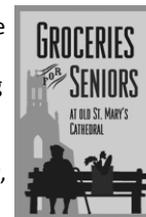
5:00PM **Reposed Soul of + May Chung**
Thanksgiving - Marcus Chan

Prayers for our Sick Parishioners, Loved Ones, and Friends -
 Xandy Alicante, Mary Nham, Frankie Chios, Catalina & Regina Bautista, John Garcia, Sorcy Apostol, Loida Marzan & Family

THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 23, 2022

GROCERIES FOR SENIORS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS.

Did you make a resolution to volunteer more in 2022? Let Groceries for Seniors help you keep that goal. Groceries for Seniors is looking for volunteers to help us pack the grocery bags we deliver to over 1,100 low-income seniors each week. Monday through 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**



We Welcome . . .

People of All Faiths & All Races
People of Diverse Cultures
Divorced or Separated Persons
Families with Children
Gays, Lesbians, & Transgenders
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

