

Old Saint Mary's Cathedral & Chinese Mission

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

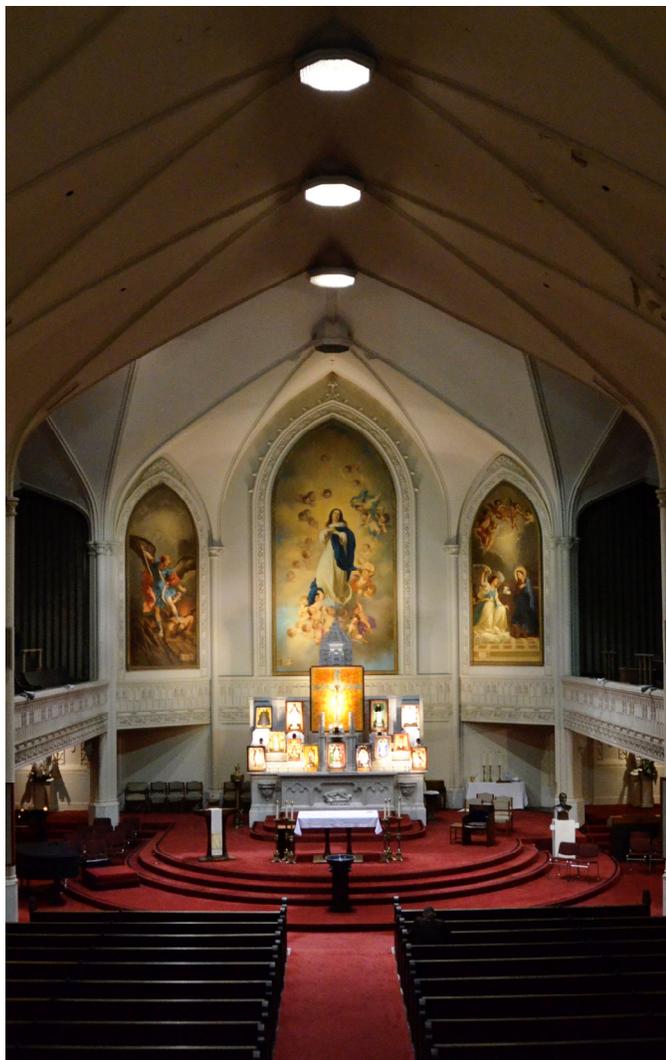
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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.



ALL ARE WELCOME



WHY ARE WE SO SAD?

A Reflection on Matthew 5:21-26

By Paulist Fr. Joe Scott

In the gospels, Jesus says nothing about abortion. He says nothing about birth control. Perhaps even more astonishing to this graduate of Catholic schools, he says nothing about masturbation!

What Jesus does talk a lot about is anger.

Jesus was human, so Jesus got angry. In a way, he models good anger for us. Jesus was angry that the wealthy officials in the Temple were taking advantage of the poorest of the poor who came to offer their prayers and sacrifices. The scripture doesn't say that he beat up any of the money changers or called them names that insulted their mothers. But Jesus does make it clear that their unloving behavior angered him, and even more importantly, angered God.

One way to deal with our own anger is to ask the question: in this situation in which I find myself, what would GOD be angry about? Jesus teaches us to acknowledge our anger, figure out its source, and do something that makes things better rather than worse!

It would be inhuman for Jesus to say that we must never feel angry. There is a merit in a righteous anger, especially when it works to overcome an injustice. But what Jesus warns against in today's gospel from Matthew is: don't nurture your anger. Don't fan the flames of your anger, when you don't have a fire extinguisher nearby. Anger that we let build up into rage leads to death, of the body and of the spirit.

In a place I once lived, the local newspaper carried a story about road rage. Two men were on the freeway, going to wherever, when one cut the other off. The second man pulled up alongside the first. They began arguing while driving.

They obviously couldn't continue this easily on a crowded freeway, so they both took an exit to a nearby strip mall. Both parked their cars. One got out of the car intending to give the other a piece of his mind. The other man was waiting for him with his gun.

The newspaper account noted that neither of these men had any prior convictions. Both were men with wives and children. They wanted to go home that night to a good supper with their families. Instead, one was dead and the other went to prison.

Why do we Americans get so angry at each other? Surveys reveal that a good many of us feel sad and/or lonely. Sadness and loneliness are probably the hardest feelings for us to endure. Getting angry can perhaps make the sadness seem more bearable.

Apart from the outrageous ease with which we can lay our hands on almost any kind of a weapon, I sometimes wonder if so many Americans believe that if we can use our guns to force some other person or persons to share in our misery, we will somehow feel less lonely and less miserable.

If Jesus came to visit you or me today, I don't think he would scold us about our sexual lives, or many of the other things that we as a church can get so excited about.

I think he would ask us: why are you so sad? Why are you so angry? Is there anything I can do to help? "Is there anything I can do to ease your pain?"

But--I don't expect that Jesus is coming any time soon. Not until we allow him to become alive in our hearts, in such a way that we begin to ask these very same questions of one another.

Why are you so sad?

Why are you so angry?

Is there anything I can do to help?

Is there anything I can do to ease your pain?



FIRST SUNDAY of LENT
February 26, 2023

Old Saint Mary's Cathedral & Chinese Mission
ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2023 (AAA)
Campaign Goal : \$46,762.

The theme for this year's Annual Appeal is
"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light for my path."
Your GIFT makes a real difference!

FRIDAYS of LENT at 6:15PM (PST)

Fr. Tom is inviting you to Stations of
the Cross for Lent.
(February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31)



Join ZOOM Meeting :
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Meeting ID : 867 0391 3987

SUNDAY HAPPY HOUR with FR. TOM TAVELLA
SUNDAYS, 4PM (Pacific Time)
Join ZOOM Meeting -
Meeting ID: 836 9895 6318
Passcode: 809416



FR. TERRY RYAN TEACHING

Wednesdays, March 1, 15, 22, April 5, 2023
2:00 PM Mountain Time
(remember Daylight Savings Time, March 12)

stbenedictsretreathouse.com
OR, Zoom 367 360 7803 | Password : Lent

The contemplative and others who are trying to let go of things can find Lent to be a good time for LESS. Some people fast, or go to special worship services, or do special good works to help others. This is all good, but it can also add to what may already be a too busy life. Then you might be glad when Lent is over. How about trying for less noise, chaos, constant efforts to accomplish things that are not as necessary as you might otherwise think. God creates time. We use it. Lent can be a time of more stillness, silence and solitude. It is only for 40 days. Try it on and see how it fits.

BIBLE STUDY with FR. TOM TAVELLA
Thursday, March 02nd, 5:00PM

READINGS : Sunday, March 05, 2023
GN 12: 1-4a | 2Tim 1:8b-10 | MT 17: 1-9

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Mass Intentions
For The Week



FEBRUARY 25 - MARCH 04, 2023

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

5:00PM DEATH ANNIVERSARY - Nicolas Chavez
THANKSGIVING - Marcus Chan

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

9:00AM INTENTION - Marilyn Aquino
PRAYER for Richard Galvan, Jr

11:00AM FOR the PEOPLE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

12:05PM BIRTHDAY - Nancy Ma
HEALING - Ferdinand Aquino

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 01

12:05PM BIRTHDAY - Alvin Silva

THURSDAY, MARCH 02

12:05PM DEATH ANNIVERSARY - +Cecilia Ma
HEALING - Ferdinand Aquino

FRIDAY, MARCH 03

12:05PM MEMBERS of MEMORIAL SOCIETY
INTENTION - Marilyn Aquino

SATURDAY, MARCH 04

5:00PM THANKSGIVING - Carmelita Montalban
For All Souls Mass Offering

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

Fr. Thomas Foley, CSP, Mary Nham, Catalina & Regina Bautista, John Garcia, Johnson & Nina Leu, Teresa Daniels, Stella Bielat, Oscar Mendoza, Christian Bocobo, Frankie Chios, Richard Galvan, Jr.