

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.

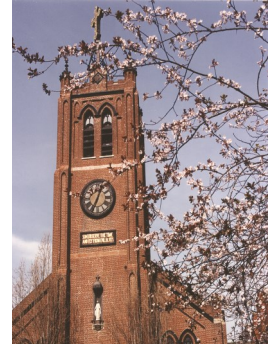


A MINISTRY OF THE PAULIST FATHERS



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

PLEASE JOIN ME IN PRAYING FOR OUR AMERICAN BISHOPS!

A REFLECTION BY PAULIST FATHER JOE SCOTT

I love Jesus and I love Pope Francis, but I'm worried about our American Catholic Bishops.

Let me explain why. Recently, Bishop Joseph Strickland of Tyler, Texas called Pope Francis "an idiot" and urged him to resign immediately. I find it difficult to follow the words of a Catholic Bishop who publicly (or even privately) refers to the leader of the Church as "an idiot!"

I was hoping that the entire body of American Bishops would raise up in protest against one of their number speaking about Pope Francis in such contemptuous language. But to date, I have heard not a word in the Pope's defense!

The sad truth is that Bishop Strickland is not unique among American Bishops in their disdain for Pope Francis. More than few of our Bishops have publicly urged that the Bishop of Rome resign. The United States Catholic Conference has been extraordinarily slow in supporting the leadership of the Pope, in some cases working against his objectives for a more merciful Church.

How would a Catholic Bishop, let alone ANY Catholic, find the words to call the Pope an "idiot?" Is it possible that with some American Bishops, the views of enormously rich donors with invitations to luxurious Institutes, carry more import than does the Bishop of Rome?

Perhaps Pope Francis is seen as too nice of a guy! Some Popes, in past history, were able to win the allegiance of their Bishops through the ancient tools of power and fear. Pope Francis stresses the mercy and the love of Christ and gently urges to his Bishops to conversion and reform.

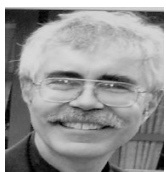
Perhaps it's easier for some Bishops to ignore, or in Bishop Strickland's case, to publicly ridicule the Pope, because they suspect that, as a good Christian, he will simply turn the other cheek, with no further consequences to them!

This October, Pope Francis will convene a Synod of the entire Church whose members will include lay men and women as well as Bishops, to make decisions will assist the pope in his responsibility to lead the Church. In 1962-965, the American Bishops made an enormous contribution to the work of the Second Vatican Council, in speaking for religious freedom and working to build bonds of friendship and love with the Jewish community. We, as the entire Church, are forever in their debt.

What contributions will our American Bishops make to the October Synod this year?

I wonder. And I worry.

And most especially, I'm trying to pray to the Holy Spirit each day, that our American Bishops may listen to that Holy Spirit of God's love and mercy and respond accordingly.



Perhaps you may join me in this prayer---

Fr. Joe Scott, CSP



TWENTIETH SUNDAY In ORDINARY TIME, AUGUST 20, 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	: \$ 13,178. <i>(as of 8/15)</i>
Less Payments Received	: \$ 33,584.

CONTEMPLATION : LEARN FROM THE PLANTS

With Fr. Terry Ryan, CSP

Plants grow in silence and solitude with a bit of attention and nourishment. Each plant seems to know what it wants to become and works to that end. It does not respond to advertising media messages that tries to make it want to be something it is not. Meditation keeps us in tune to that inner presence, voice, that directs us to blossom into our best self.

Wednesday, August 23, 2023, 11:00AM (Mountain Time)

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/5317136799?pwd=WNfD6bW228JMg3UOxqgCXqTQfEUTjv.1>

Meeting ID : 531 713 6799 Passcode : plants

FALL ZOOM TALK : A FALL SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

With Fr. Terry Ryan, CSP

As we enter the autumnal season of change we reflect on changes that may and will take place in us if we are faithful to the spiritual practice on a daily basis. Some changes are stormy and chilling, but some are full of light and warmth.

Saturday, September 30, 2023, 9:00 AM (Mountain Daylight Time)

Jubilee Hall, Sacred Heart of Jesus

14th Street and Mapleton Avenue

Boulder, CO 80304

Join Zoom Meeting -

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82335845901?pwd=V0tLQmNLSTRsdTRMSjhMM3IHd01NUT09>

Meeting ID: 823 3584 5901 | Passcode: 403982

There will be refreshments and the talk will be recorded. For more information, call 303-442-6158.

BIBLE STUDY with FR. TOM TAVELLA

Thursday, August 24, 5:00PM

READINGS for SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023

ISAIAH 22: 19-23; ROMANS 11: 33-36; MATTHEW 16: 13-20

JOIN ZOOM MEETING : Meeting ID: 819 3641 0610 : Passcode : 016304

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



NOONTIME CONCERTS San Francisco's Musical Lunch Break

LIVE! Weekly Noontime Concerts happen every Tuesday at 12:30PM at Old Saint Mary's Cathedral 660 California Street in San Francisco. For concert schedules visit www.noontimeconcerts.org, or call Robin Wirthlin at (415) 777-3211, (415) 637-6409.

Mass Intentions For The Week

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(AUGUST 19 - 26, 2023)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19 (St. John, Eudes, Priest)

5:00PM THANKSGIVING - The LAU & Extended Families

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

9:00AM IN MEMORY of +Shirley Lo

11:00AM FOR the PEOPLE / COMMUNITY
IN MEMORY of +Shirley Lo
THANKSGIVING - Melvin & Marcus Chan

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22 (Queenship of the BVM)

12:05PM THANKSGIVING - Juliana, Mabel, & Rachel Chan

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23 (St. Rose of Lima)

12:05PM IN MEMORY of +Peter Chan
IN MEMORY of +Margaret Yap

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24 (St. Bartholomew, Apostle)

12:05PM INTENTIONS - Jean, Dilan, Katherine, Peter Wong
THANKSGIVING - Aris dela Paz

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25 (SS Louis, Joseph Calasanz, Priest)

12:05PM INTENTIONS - Sitis & Calar
WITH SYMPATHY- +Charlene Bautista

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

5:00PM +Tomas Go
THANKSGIVING - Jamie Ong & Family

Prayers for our Sick Parishioners,
Loved Ones, & Friends - Fr. Thomas Foley, CSP,
Fr. Daniel McCotter, CSP, Fr. Steve Bossi, CSP,
Milt Commons, Cat & 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, Trish Bui, Mian Gancayco



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



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