

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.

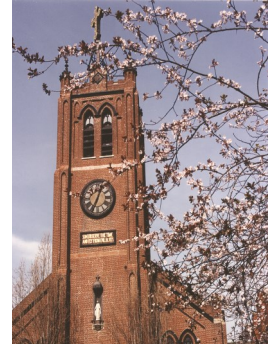


A MINISTRY OF THE PAULIST FATHERS



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

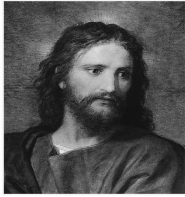
OFFICE HOURS

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



DID JESUS TAKE A SUMMER VACATION?

A REFLECTION BY FR. JOE SCOTT



Every summer I find myself remembering moments from those wonderful long weeks of school vacation during my growing up years in Southern California...swimming at the beach in Santa Monica, or at least splashing in the waves and eating our favorite picnic food of fried chicken with butter-and-sugar sandwiches on Wonder Bread....visiting San Francisco for the first time with my family and devouring ice cream at the Ghirardelli Chocolate Factory...seeing a black bear up close as he sniffed curiously around the edges of our tent in the valley below Yosemite's half dome. Summer was a time to forsake well-worn routines and hang out with my buddies and discover the excitement of new places.

We don't know whether Jesus ever took a summer vacation. The scriptures are disappointingly silent on this. But the gospels do show Jesus inviting his closest companions to take time off with him so they could all rest and replenish their energy.

If we read the gospels carefully, we notice three patterns of being in Jesus' life. There are times he spends at work, ministering to the crowds of people who appeal to him in their need, or announcing the kingdom of God in new towns and villages. Jesus also makes a point of spending special time with friends like Peter and John, Martha and Mary and Lazarus. We see him attending a wedding, relaxing, delighting in conversation, savoring good food and drink. Finally, we discover that Jesus takes time apart, in deserted places, to reflect on his mission and encounter his Father in quiet and solitude.

These three ways of being were not always perfectly balanced in Jesus' life. Sometimes he set aside plans for a well-earned rest to help someone who truly needed his compassion at just that moment. Yet it seems he made a real effort to open his life to moments of leisure and friendship as ways of relishing the richness of God's creation. Jesus' parables reveal his deep appreciation for nature. I have no doubt he often enjoyed the beauty of a sunset or the sound of the waves lapping against the shores of Gennesaret.

In this Jesus was much in tune with the ancient Jewish tradition of Sabbath time. Sabbath is not exactly a cherished word in our own day. If we think of it at all, we may regard Sabbath as a day when we must go to church while forbidden to do fun things like shopping. But in Jewish practice the Sabbath day was precisely set aside for experiencing joy and delight in the company of loved ones. True rest and leisure nourish our capacity for wonder, an essential step toward encountering the presence of God especially in the ordinary, everyday incidents of our lives.

Do you ever hear Jesus inviting you to "come apart....and rest a while." What's your response?

Summer, with its warmer, longer evenings and perhaps even some days of paid vacation can give us a chance to spend more time outdoors, to slow down a bit, to try something we've wanted to experience but haven't yet found the time. May these months create for you a time to discover a few quiet and restful moments outside and within, where God's presence waits ready to refresh your drooping spirits.

CELEBRATING 169 YEARS as CALIFORNIA'S FIRST CATHEDRAL

Corpus Christi

Last weekend we celebrated the Feast of Corpus Christi - our annual celebration of the meaning of the Eucharist in our Catholic faith. Each time we gather for Mass, we celebrate Christ present to us in the Scriptures we hear proclaimed, in the Eucharistic bread and wine we receive at communion, in the presence of the priest-presider, and in the community of faithful believers gathered for the celebration.

When we only experience Mass "on line", we miss two of those ways Christ becomes present to us at Mass in the church: in the gathered community of faithful believers and in receiving holy communion. Those of you who were there will remember we talked about the importance of these aspects of Christ's presence in the discussion led by Fr. Steve Bossi in the auditorium during our pancake breakfast.

The time to reflect on these meanings of "the Body of Christ" is this week as we move on into the season of Ordinary Time. Two questions the members of our Old St. Mary's Community might ask this week: Am I committed to attending Mass in person regularly as I live out my participation in the Body of Christ that is the Church, and am I willing to encourage others to join us weekly at Mass as we build up the Body of Christ here in our parish? This would be a good time to think about people you know who you might encourage to join you for Mass at Old St. Mary's in the coming weeks.

- Fr. John

SUNDAY, June 18th is FATHER'S DAY! On this day we honor and give thanks for our Fathers. Along with them we honor our Grandfathers, our God fathers, and all teachers, coaches, friends and relatives who have been father figures for us. Novena Mass Cards are available on the table at the rear of the church or at the rectory for a Novena of Masses to be offered after Father's Day both living and deceased. Please fill out the enclosed paper with the name of those to be remembered.



Suggested Offering \$10.00

BIBLE STUDY with FR. TOM TAVELLA

Thursday, June 22, 5:00PM



Reading for Sunday, June 25, 2023 :

JEREMIAH 20: 10-13 : ROMANS 5: 12-15; MATTHEW 10th: 26-33

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, & December 09.

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PARENTAL RIGHTS & RELIGIOUS FREEDOM TALK

June 22, 2023, 6:00PM, Mater Dolorosa, 307 Willow Avenue, South San Francisco, CA 94080

RSVP: <https://sfarchdiocese.org/event/parental-rights-and-religious-freedom-talk/>

The US Conference of Catholic Bishops designates June 22-29 as Religious Freedom Week, will be hosting a talk on Parental Rights and Religious Freedom. For questions & information please contact Valerie Schmalz at (415) 614-5571. Email: schmalzv@sfarch.org

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2023 (AAA)

Campaign Goal	: \$ 46,762
Payments Received	: \$ 3,313.
Less Payments Received	: \$ 43,449.

Mass Intentions For The Week

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(June 17—24 2023)

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

5:00PM +Alex Alcantara
Death Anniversary - +Antonio Aquino

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

9:00AM Wedding Anniv. - Alvin & Francine Silva
11:00AM FOR the PEOPLE / COMMUNITY
Death Anniversary - Ma,Fung Yuet Wan,
& Elaine Roberts

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

12:05PM +Marcelo Curridori
Death Anniversary - Marcelino Silva
+Ignatius Jess Yuan

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

12:05PM +Ignatius Jess Yuan

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

12:05PM INTENTION - Paulist Fathers

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

12:05PM +Lowell Peacock

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

5:00PM Birthday Blessings - Ludivina Silva

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



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

Fr. Thomas Foley, CSP, Fr. Daniel McCotter, CSP,
Milt Commons, Catalina & Regina Bautista, Ida &
Carolyn Hom, John Garcia, Johnson & Nina Leu,
Luis & Diana Landa, Teresa Daniels, Stella Bielat,
Mary Nham, Arnold Low, Oscar Mendoza,
Frankie Chios, Kit & Family

