

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.

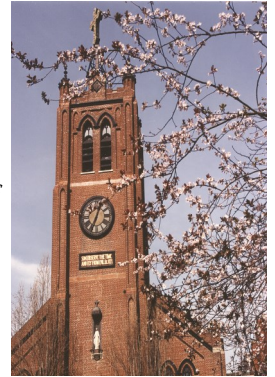


A MINISTRY OF THE PAULIST FATHERS



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



WHO IS A GOOD SHEPHERD?

A Reflection By Paulist Fr. Joe Scott

Jesus did not want to be a king. WE want him to be a King, but the only title he claims for himself is the “good shepherd.”

Queen Elizabeth was a monarch for over sixty years. I'm sure many of her subjects saw an image of her on television, or even heard her voice. But I would imagine only a handful of them shook hands with her on a receiving line or exchanged a bit of small talk. Among that small number, did the Queen ever say, “*John, it's good to see you again*” or “*Mary, I've missed you.*” Probably not. It doesn't say that Elizabeth was a failure at what she did. It does say that being a Monarch is different than being a good shepherd.

We don't see many sheep around, but many of us have taken charge of a pet dog. Children can be great friends of a dog, but they're often not the best care givers. Frequently a parent ends up doing that job, perhaps reluctantly. But dogs can grow on you, if you feed and walk them every day. You get to know that Fido likes some people, but not others. You get to know that Fido will drag you to places you might not want to go. Above all, you learn that when you come home tired after a long day, Fido may be the only one whose leaping big smile says “Boy, am I glad to see you.”

When Fido goes to heaven, as all dogs do, you might be surprised at how sad you feel. You may even shed a few tears. The crowd were astonished at how deeply Jesus wept at the death of Lazarus. But Lazarus was his friend, whom he loved. He knew his NAME! We know our dog's name, and our dog recognizes our voice over all others.

Believe it or not, there are flesh and blood shepherds still wondering with their sheep and goats throughout the Holy Land. I've seen this with my own eyes! Just as Jesus told us, the good ones take care of their animals with as much attention and even affection as we take care of our pets.

In our own time and place, we may not look for a good shepherd, but we do fancy a good friend. We're only able to be a true friend if we're willing and able to shed tears at our friend's deathbed. True love means someday sadness. Good friends hang in there for the fun times and the sad. So do good shepherds.

St. John XXIII was the Pope in 1962 when at age 16, I met a Paulist priest for the first time, Fr. John Doyle who was the vocation director. Francis is our pope today, and I feel blessed to have lived through the times of these two good shepherds. I will never forget Pope Francis' words, “*Communion is not a reward for the perfect, but food for those (like me) who are sinners.*”

But you never forget your first love, so I want to end with a story about Pope John. In October 1962, a crowd of over five hundred thousand men and women gathered in St. Peter's Square to celebrate opening of the Second Vatican Council. As he spoke to the crowd, a full moon rose above the sky like a blessing. Pope John was very tired that night. He knew what no one else in the crowd realized, that a stomach cancer was killing him. He knew he would never see the fulfillment of what he had just begun.

That night, Pope John gave the greatest speech of his life. And at its very end, he told the crowd, “*Look up at this beautiful full moon.*” Tonight, when you go home, bring your children together. Look up at the moon and give your children a kiss from Pope John. And if they have been crying, then embrace them, dry their tears and tell them this good word, the Pope is with you!”

Over 60 years have passed since that moonlit night. The people who were in that Square are with Pope John in heaven. I can't prove this as a fact, but I'm told that those little Italian children, now grown old, still gather with THEIR children and grandchildren under the October full moon to pass on that hug and kiss. Italian Catholics name this custom “*Il Abbraccio di Papa Giovanni, the embrace of Papa John.*”

If you want to know what a good shepherd is, Pope John and Pope Francis are it. And that's what our church must be, not a place of rules and condemnations, but a home alive with shepherding on, from one to another, the love of Jesus.

SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTER
May 14, 2023



Old Saint Mary's Cathedral & Chinese Mission would like to wish all MOTHERS and those who filled a motherly role a very blessed and joy-filled day. Every day is a labor of Love for all of you. MANY BLESSINGS!

MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA CARDS

NOVENA CARDS are available in the back of the church, and the church office for a Novena of Masses to be offered after Mother's Day for mothers both living and deceased. Please fill out the enclosed paper with the name of those to be remembered. Suggested offering : \$10.00

SATURDAY FOR ENGAGED COUPLES.

Thinking of getting married in 2023?

Take your pre-cana class with us.

June 10 | August 12

October 14 | December 09

One Saturday from 9:00am to 4:30pm.

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BIBLE STUDY with FR. TOM TAVELLA
Thursday, May 18, 5:00PM

READINGS : Sunday, May 21 2023

Acts 1: 3-11 | Eph 1: 17-23 | Matthew 28: 16-20

Join ZOOM Meeting :

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ALL ARE WELCOME!

Old Saint Mary's Cathedral & Chinese Mission
ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2023 (AAA)

Campaign Goal : \$ 46,762.

Payments Received : \$ 2,351.

Less Payments Received : \$ 44,412.

CORPUS CHRISTI

The Extraordinary in the Ordinary

Fr. Terry Ryan, CSP

Saturday, June 10, 2023

9:00 AM, Mountain Time

Jubilee Hall, Sacred Heart of Jesus

14th Street & Mapleton Avenue

Boulder, CO 80304

ZOOM #876 3271 6755 : PASSCODE 156872

The Catholic Church celebrates a special occasion on this weekend. It is called "*Corpus Christi.*" It celebrates that in ordinary looking bread or wafer, lives the Risen Christ. The extraordinary lives in the appearance of the ordinary. A person who pursues a contemplative life of prayer can look quite ordinary, but their developing union with the Divine, energizes them to lead a life that reflects this extraordinary presence. As well, Catholics who receive Holy Communion, are graced to reflect the Risen Christ in their everyday life. How? Come and listen.

The Talk will be recorded and can be found on paulist.org and then look for "Things to Know." Refreshments provided. Talk is free but donations are welcome. Call 303-442-6158 for more information.



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Mass Intentions For The Week

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May 13 - 20, 2023

SATURDAY, MAY 13

5:00PM INTENTION - Gilda Vanier
+Nickolas Kekoa Barela

SUNDAY, MAY 14

9:00AM +Concepcion Espejon
PEACE & LOVE - Francis Wong & Family

11:00AM FOR the PEOPLE / COMMUNITY
+Amparo McDaniel

TUESDAY, MAY 16

12:05PM +Luisa Consing Locsin

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

12:05PM THANKSGIVING OFFERING – Aris dela Paz
THANKSGIVING OFFERING - Joseph Escobar

THURSDAY, MAY 18

12:05PM INTENTION - Haley Rose Bautista

FRIDAY, MAY 19

12:05PM +Jo-Anne Lavioltte
+Mr. & Mrs. Law

SATURDAY, MAY 20

5:00PM 93RD BIRTHDAY - +Helen Lee
IN MEMORY OF +Dean Lavigne

**Prayers for our Sick Parishioners, Loved Ones,
and Friends :** Fr. Thomas Foley, CSP, Mary Nham,
Fr. Daniel McCotter, CSP, Milt Commons, Catalina &
Regina Bautista, Ida & Carolyn Hom, John Garcia,
Johnson & Nina Leu, Luis Landa, Teresa Daniels,
Stella Bielat, Oscar Mendoza, Frankie Chios,
Kit & Family,



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



**PAULIST
FATHERS**