

# Old Saint Mary's Cathedral & Chinese Mission

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

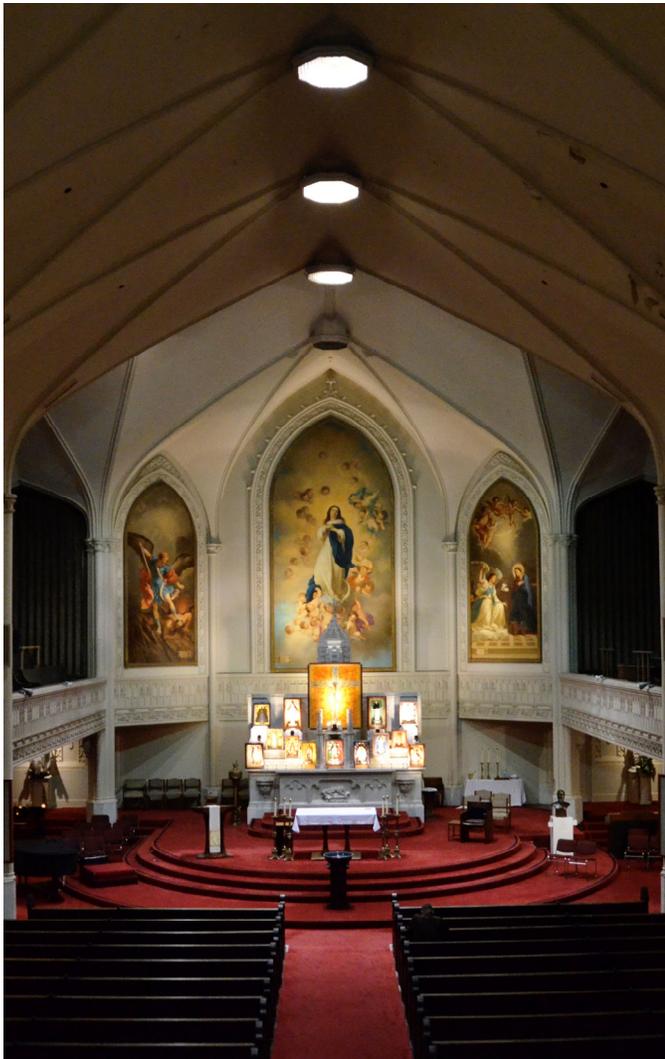
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## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

## 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

## “TO SAVE AND SEEK WHAT IS LOST” A REFLECTION ON ZACCHAEUS THE TAX COLLECTOR BY PAULIST FR. JOE SCOTT



**Luke's** gospel has a mood, and the mood is joy. To understand what Jesus is getting at in this gospel, we need to experience, or at least witness, joy.

One of the agreeable things about living in a church is that people lose things here. Wallets. Purses. Coats. Children. I often get to be the person who discovers or returns something lost. When I find a wallet lost in a pew, I eagerly search for an ID or phone number. I know the owner will be overjoyed to hear from me.

If someone phones me about a missing item that I have found, I know that the voice on the phone will turn from distress to relief, when they hear the good news.

Sometimes a person will feel so grateful to retrieve their missing object that they try to offer me a gift, just as Zacchaeus does in response to Jesus' invitation.

The San Francisco Chronicle recently reported the story about a drawing that the four Beatles, yes, John, Paul, George and Ringo, had created while performing their concert in Candlestick Park back in 1966. The owner had placed it in his storefront window, where it soon disappeared. A couple of weeks ago, some lucky person came into possession of this drawing and decided to try to return it to the original owner.

This was not easy to do. Everyone involved was long ago and far away. But he eventually located the grandson of the now deceased original owner, who gratefully received the now valuable drawing, on behalf of his family. It had been lost for sixty years.

The joy and excitement of both the restorer and the receiver was enough to rate nice story in the Chronicle, even though all the participants had long ago moved far away from San Francisco.

In Luke's gospel, Jesus talks about a lost sheep, a lost coin, and a lost son. In each instance someone recovers what is lost and is filled with joy. This feeling of joy is the punchline of these stories. If you can't enjoy what's happening, you won't have fun at the party.



In today's gospel, Zacchaeus is eager to meet Jesus. Jesus tells us that Zacchaeus is a descendent of Abraham, which means he's a Jew. Yet as a tax-collector, he's working for Rome, the enemy. Tax-collectors typically grew rich by using their job to extort money from their desperately poor fellow Jews.

If you were a tax-collector, and went to the Temple to pray, you would not be welcome there. You wouldn't be welcomed at the synagogue either, nor would your family. You were rich, but you were lost.

Jesus is the first fellow who smiles at Zacchaeus, the first to embrace him, and certainly the first to offer him a place to stay for the night. Zacchaeus is so surprised and grateful for Jesus' hospitality he wants to give half of his possessions to the poor, and being a tax collector, he has a lot to give.

***Luke tells us that when Jesus meets Zacchaeus, he's on his way to Jerusalem. This will be his last trip through Jericho. He will die on the cross within a week. Jesus tells the people of Jericho what scholars inform us is Jesus' Last Will and Testament, and the theme of Luke's entire gospel: "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what is lost."***

We talk about being saved by Jesus, so where is the joy in our lives? Where is the generosity? Do we go through our lives smiling or grumbling, blessing or cursing?

The news media recently reported that the most common feelings we Americans experience are anxiety and depression. What makes us sad? Who or what causes us to feel so lost in our world?

Going about the stresses and strains of our daily lives, rather than overcome by joy, so many of us may feel like a drowning person yearning for someone to save us!

***What does the story of Jesus truly offer us?***

To feel joy, we must give joy. If we are indeed loved into life by a loving God, it must be our nature to love in return. This is what Jesus teaches Zacchaeus in today's gospel. This is what Jesus teaches us. How can you give joy to another person? Start with the first person you meet!

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**  
**November 13, 2022**

Please join us for a memorial mass on Saturday November 19, 2022 at 11:00 am to remember all our departed members of the OSM family that died during the peak of Covid who's lives could not be commemorated due to restrictions.



~ **TERRY TALKS** ~

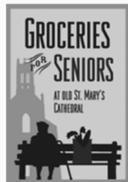
**With Fr. Terry Ryan, CSP**  
**Wednesday, November 23, 2022**

**2:00 PM Mountain Time On ZOOM 367 360 7803**  
**Or go to [snowmassbookstore.com](http://snowmassbookstore.com)**

Up here in the mountains, early November is "Mud Season" and then we move on to THANKSGIVING. So if you turned your clocks back to standard time you can zoom in to look at some of the messiness of deep prayer and how it can move us into a Thanksgiving of surprises. Our second Wednesday will be the day before Thanksgiving. The mud at this time of year comes from beautiful snowfall that turned to mud in November temperatures. It is a metaphor for some beginning meditations that seem beautiful but then become a bit bogged down. Eventually, we give thanks. GOD is at work.

**GROCERIES FOR SENIORS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS**

**NOVEMBER** is often considered a month of giving, and if giving of your time is something you've pondered, why not volunteer one morning with Grocery for Seniors. Grocery 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 - 11AM. Groceries for Seniors' team meets in Old Saint Mary's basement. **If you have a free morning, please email TIM THOMPSON at [ttgroc4sen@gmail.com](mailto:ttgroc4sen@gmail.com). We will be closed Thursday, November 24th in observance of THANKSGIVING!**



**MEMORIAL MASS & HEALING for MISCARRIAGE & INFANT LOSS.** St. Dominic Church, 2390 Bust St., San Francisco, CA. Saturday, November 19, 2022 @ 10:00 a.m. Fr. Vito Perrone, COSJ, will offer a Mass & Healing Service for all those who have experienced the loss of an infant whether miscarriage, still birth, or early infant death. Please register - [sfarch.org/event/miscarriage-mass-2022](http://sfarch.org/event/miscarriage-mass-2022)

**BIBLE STUDY with FR. TOM TAVELLA**  
**Thursday, November 17, 5:00PM**

**READINGS for SUNDAY, November 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**2 SM 5: 1-3; COL 1: 12-20;**  
**LUKE 23: 35-43**

Join ZOOM Meeting :  
Meeting ID: 819 3641 0610  
Passcode: 016304



**ALL ARE INVITED!**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**  
**(NOVEMBER 12 - 19, 2022)**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12**

5:00PM HEALING - Eva Mercado  
+James Hynen

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

9:00AM +James Hynen  
HEALING - Carmen Maneja  
11:00AM FOR the PEOPLE  
+Jimmie & Rita Kong

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

12:05PM +James Hynen  
+Francisco Aquino

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

12:05PM THANKSGIVING - Francis Wong & Family  
GIFT of LIFE - Mila Aquino

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

12:05PM +Elena Ho Goo  
+Faye & Albert Chan

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

12:05PM +Emil Siegfried Mendez  
THANKSGIVING - The WONG Family

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

5:00PM +Monica, Donald, & Angela Wong  
BIRTHDAY - Leticia de Leon

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

Fr. Thomas Foley, CSP, Fr. Dick Chilson, CSP, Fr. Daniel McCotter, CSP, Mary Nham, Catalina & Regina Bautista, John Garcia, Ida & Carolyn Hom, Daniel Kreps, Johnson & Nina Leu, Teresa Daniels, Stella Bielat, Oscar Mendoza, John & Kitty Pangilinan