

# 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.



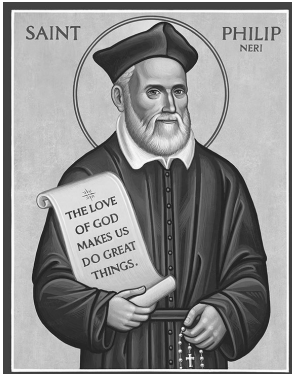
# WELCOME TO OLD SAINT MARY'S CATHEDRAL

## FIVE REASONS WHY I LIKE ST. PHILIP NERI —

A Reflection by Paulist Father Joe Scott



Ever heard of him? St. Philip Neri is one of the patron saints of the Paulist Fathers.



We Paulists like missionaries, and Philip Neri was a missionary. He wanted to bring the gospel of Jesus to Rome. In the 16<sup>th</sup> century this was a challenge. With respect to living the gospel of Jesus, the Church in Rome was a disgrace.

Philip had few supporters and lots of opposition. If you haven't heard of him, it may be because he wrote no books. Perhaps he was too busy. He slowly made converts, person to person, one day at a time. This is why I like him:

1. *He WASN'T about law and order, rules and regulations, hell and damnation. He WASN'T about fancy robes and awesome titles. The gospel he preached was a Word of love and joy.*
2. *He had a great sense of humor. He did tell jokes, and even play pranks, but the root of his humor was a sense of joy about being fully alive as a creature of God. He exhibited the kind of humor that grows with genuine humility. He could poke fun at himself and face the dust of death with an awareness that he was no better nor worse than anyone else on this earth.*
3. *He loved young people, and they loved him. Why? Young people were drawn to Philip Neri because they felt more alive in his presence. We don't see many young people in church anymore. Perhaps, we need a St. Philip Neri of modern time.*
4. *He was imaginative, and he knew that imagination and creativity are best shared with others. One of the most energetic experiences is to spend time with young people when they are creating a play or a dance from scratch—especially when they know their ideas and talents are valued. I remember watching the television coverage when Pope Francis went to Brazil for World Youth Day. The stars of the show were the young women and men who vied in creating skits and music to express and profess their faith as well as welcome the Holy Father. This was a taste of what it was like to walk the streets of Rome with St. Philip.*
5. *Perhaps most importantly, St. Philip was a person of prayer. He knew how to teach others to pray and like it. He was skilled at reading the souls of others because he had explored his own with honesty and courage.*

St. Philip Neri's feast day is May 26. Think of a young person you know who might relish a word of appreciation encouragement. In the spirit of St. Philip, reach out!

**FEAST of the ASCENSION of the LORD**  
May 21, 2023



The Ascension refers to the day celebrated 40 days after Easter when Catholics celebrate the fact that Jesus returns to God after being with his disciples after the resurrection. It is a central element of our tradition and is included in the creed recited at Mass each Sunday. In California, Catholics celebrate Ascension Sunday instead of exact 40 days after Easter. The scriptural basis comes from Acts 1: 9-11.

**THANKS THANKS THANKS!**

Dear members of the Old St. Mary's Cathedral faith community—My sincere and full thanks for all those who celebrated my 50th anniversary with me the weekend of April 30. A special thanks to ALL those who worked so hard preparing the reception, MY sister and brother in-law, who came up from Palmdale, were very impressed at the hospitality of our community, and so am I! GOD Bless you all!!  
Fr. Joe

**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.

Website : [www.oldsaintmarys.org](http://www.oldsaintmarys.org)

Email: [tomtavella@paulist.org](mailto:tomtavella@paulist.org)

**BIBLE STUDY with FR. TOM TAVELLA**  
**Thursday, May 25, 5:00PM**

**READINGS : Sunday, May 28 2023**

**GN 11:1-9 | ROMANS 8: 29-27 | JOHN 7: 37-39**

**Join ZOOM Meeting :**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81936410610?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81936410610?pwd=SUpxZHVCOUU4dnZLV3dnVDh4clJ5QT09)

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**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**"Thou Art a Priest Forever"**



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to**  
**Father Tom Tavella, CSP**  
**celebrating his 42nd**  
**ordination as a priest**  
**on May 16, 1981.**

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

Campaign Goal : \$ 46,762.

Payments Received : \$ 2,851.

Less Payments Received : \$ 43,911..

***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](http://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.*

# Mass Intentions For The Week

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( May 20 - 27, 2023 )

## SATURDAY, MAY 20

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

## SUNDAY, MAY 21

9:00AM IN MEMORY of +Dean Lavigne  
THANKSGIVING - Francis Wong & Family

11:00AM FOR the PEOPLE / COMMUNITY  
INTENTION - John & Christine Savetelle & Family  
+John Crawford

## TUESDAY, MAY 23

12:05PM THANKSGIVING - Francis Wong & Irene Xi  
+Robert Roche

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

12:05PM BIRTHDAY - Heidi Gong  
+Marian Schmidt

## THURSDAY, MAY 25

12:05PM +Joyce Risso  
+Lucille Schmidt

## FRIDAY, MAY 26 (St. Philip Neri)

12:05PM +Kong Kuan

## SATURDAY, MAY 27

5:00PM INTENTION for "BADONG"

### 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 Landa,  
Teresa Daniels, Stella Bielat, Mary Nham, Arnold Low,  
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**



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