

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.

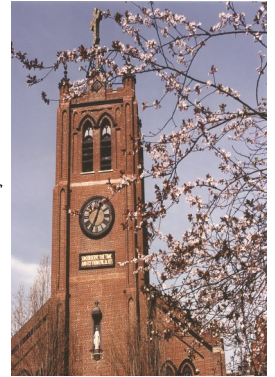


A MINISTRY OF THE PAULIST FATHERS



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

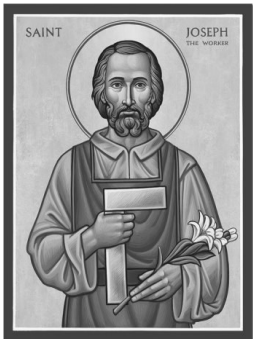
OFFICE HOURS

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



ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER A Reflection by Paulist Father Joe Scott



ST. JOSEPH is one of the few saints who rates more than one feast day. On March 19, we celebrate his family life with Mary and Jesus. On May 1, we honor Joseph as a worker. This feast has a meaning for both men and women, who share so completely in the world's work force these days. Perhaps we should observe a similar day for Mary, or perhaps for the Martha of Luke's gospel, whose hard work prepared the meal and whatever for Jesus, her sister and other guests. But Joseph can be a great model for any worker of whatever sex.

During the first century Palestine, carpenters worked with the more plentiful stone as well with wood. I have a photograph of a stone manger, which might have been carved by someone like Joseph. Joseph's being a worker and being a father were closely tied together. In those days, professions were passed on from father to son. A child was raised almost totally by his or her mother until that child became old enough to work. For the male child, the father then took over. Much of the day was spent in the workshop. But for a young male Jew, learning how to live out the Torah was even more important than learning how to use a chisel. Matthew's gospel stresses that Joseph was a just man, which meant that he was faithful to all the Jewish laws. I believe his religious teaching took place right alongside, and along with, the chisels and saws.

Remember the story about Jesus confounding the Scribes in the Temple with his understanding of the Law when he was only twelve years old. Where did he get this? Was it some Divine infusion? Was it the Holy Spirit? Undoubtedly so, but we Catholics have always believed that grace builds on nature. I have no doubt that Joseph did a great job teaching the Torah to this young boy in his charge. Would that his contemporaries had preserved some example of the Savior's carpentry skills!

Fr. Isaac Hecker (1819-1888), the founder of the Paulist Fathers, would have understood the relationship of Joseph and Jesus. Hecker was born into a family of bakers (**you can still purchase Hecker Flour**). Hecker learned his trade at the hands of his older brothers and practiced his skills in the Concord commune Brook Farm. When he was deciding whether to become a Catholic, and whether to enter religious life, he told a friend, "if all else fails, I can always bake bread!"

Hecker wrote this one of his favorite saints: "St. Joseph was not a flower of the desert, or a plant of the cloister. He found his means of perfection in the world."

"Our age is not an age of martyrdom, nor an age of hermits, nor a monastic age." Although it has its martyrs, its recluses, and its monastic communities, these are not, and are not likely to be, its prevailing types of Christian perfection. Our age lives in its busy marts, in counting rooms, in homes, and in the varied relations that form human society, and it is into these that sanctity is to be introduced. **ST. JOSEPH** stands forth as an unsurpassed model of this kind of perfection."

Although he died six years before the Paulist Fathers came to Old St. Mary's, I believe Servant of God Isaac Hecker would be proud that we live and work here in the heart of San Francisco's busy community of workers of every race and origin!

FIFTH SUNDAY of EASTER
May 07, 2023

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.



**REMEMBER your MOTHER on
MOTHER'S DAY on MAY 14th**

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 11, 5:00PM

READINGS : Sunday, May 14, 2023

Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17 | 1Pt 3:15-18 | John 14: 15-21

Join ZOOM Meeting :

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Meeting ID: 819 3641 0610

Passcode: 016304

ALL ARE WELCOME!



**"Take a Break and Enjoy a Cup of
Coffee this SPRING".**

Coffee Hour with Fr. Tom Tavella, CSP will be taking a short break. Stay connected for the next Bulletin Announcement!
See You Soon!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUNDAY—

MAY 13-14, 2023. This second collection is an annual opportunity for parishioners in the Archdiocese of San Francisco to support mothers and their families in San Francisco, San Mateo, and Marin counties. Everyday, low-income mothers are struggling to make ends meet. Many in our community have no option but to move money around, choosing between paying rent and utilities, buying food, and medicine, living from emergency to emergency. With your help, Catholic Charities provides life-affirming services so mothers and their families can flourish, without difficult choices. Please give generously and dedicate your Mother's Day donation to at-risk mothers that need hope and resources.

**Easter Season Vocation Retreat for Single
Adult Catholic Women.**

Is GOD calling You to be a Sister?

Join the Daughters of Charity SEARCH & SERVE

RETREAT - a religious vocation discernment week in San Francisco, May 24-29, 2023! **SEARCH** your heart for answers. **SERVE** those living in Poverty side-by-side with Sisters. Contact Sr. Lisa Laguna, D.C. at 650-949-8890.

Email Srllaguna@doc1633.org.



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Mass Intentions For The Week

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May 06 - 13, 2023

SATURDAY, MAY 06

5:00PM 40th Day - +Primitiva Macaraeg
PRAYERS For All Souls

SUNDAY, MAY 07

9:00AM LOVE OFFERING - Francis Wong & Family
THANKSGIVING OFFERING - Joseph Escobar

11:00AM FOR the PEOPLE / COMMUNITY
+Wah M. Hom & A. Hong Hom

TUESDAY, MAY 09

12:05PM +Maureen Soriano & Jessica Flores
THANKSGIVING Offering - Aris dela Paz

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

12:05PM +Rosario & Orlando Yap
+Amy Amamou

THURSDAY, MAY 11

12:05PM +Sharen, Mattison, Joel & Sheenan
+Annie Burke

FRIDAY, MAY 12

12:05PM INTENTION - Luis Consing Locsin
INTENTION - Arsenio & Evelyn del Rosario

SATURDAY, MAY 13

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

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



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**