



Old Saint Mary's Cathedral & Chinese Mission



ASH WEDNESDAY

February 14, 2024

MASSES

7:30AM, 11:00AM, 12:05PM, 1:00PM
(Ashes distributed after all Masses)

Word Service with Ashes : 3:00PM

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, March 23 & 24

Passion (PALM) Sunday

5:00PM (Saturday Vigil Mass)

9:00AM Mass

11:00AM (Bilingual Mass English/Cantonese)

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

12:05PM Mass

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

12:05PM Mass

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28

6:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29

3:00PM Passion of the Lord in English

6:00PM Passion of the Lord in Cantonese

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30 (No Mass)

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31

9:00AM Mass

11:00AM Bilingual Mass in English/Cantonese)





WELCOME TO OLD SAINT MARY'S CATHEDRAL

KUNG HEI FAT CHOY! HONORING OUR ANCESTORS A Reflection by Paulist Father Joe Scott

If you live in our neighborhood of Chinatown, you know that a special time is at hand. The LUNAR NEW YEAR of the DRAGON begins today. We gather at Old St. Mary's Cathedral to remember, honor and pray for our ancestors! We know that Lunar New Year brings lighted lanterns to celebrate the rise of the full moon. It brings dancing dragons and firecrackers.

Some of the special foods feasted upon these days include oranges representing luck, pomegranates whose seeds promise fertility, chicken for gaining prosperity and fish evoking abundance. special wines and teas enhance the celebration.

Perhaps the most significant aspect of the Lunar New Year for us is that it's a time to honor our ancestors. The fourth of the Ten Commandments reminds to "honor your father and your mother." Today, we've discovered resources like Ancestry.com that tell us a lot more about our great-grandparents and great-great-great parents than we were once able to know. If you are like me, you are curious about your ancestors. What did they look like? Where did they live? What values did they hold dear? If they were on earth today, what would they think of me?

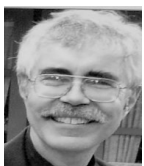
Family gives us a sense of connection, of belonging to something larger than ourselves. How do we honor our ancestors?

First, by remembering them, I delight in going through old family photos that my siblings and I have recently inherited from our parents. Some of the photos show grandparents, aunts, and uncles I remember with fading memory, but also with affection. Others are of ancestors I never met but I know them through the stories my living family talked about them. Then there are photos of family members from centuries past of whose lives I know nothing. They lived long ago and far away and spoke a language I would understand. I'm particularly curious about a fierce young man with an abundant black beard and piercing eyes whose face reminds me of my own!

Remember the stories of your ancestors and share them with younger members of your family. We also honor our ancestors by cherishing their values. Another favorite photo is of my Latvian-born grandfather dressed up in a gray suit and dark tie he never wore before or after. His hardened hands reveal the life of a farmer: they are at least twice the size of my own!

He had just sworn the oath that made him a citizen of the United States, and the pride and gratitude in his eyes is evident. Whenever I vote in an election, I'm imitating and honoring my beloved Pappy. Just as when I celebrate Mass, I honor my Irish Catholic Great-Aunt Margaret who attended Mass daily until she could no longer walk and who taught me how to make the Sign of the Cross when I was barely a toddler.

But perhaps the most important way we honor our ancestors is by praying for them. Prayer is the way we stay in relationship with those who have gone before us. They are praying for us in eternity—and if we pray for them, our love comes alive in our memories and warm in their spirits. KUNG HEI FAT CHOY!



Fr. Joe Scott, CSP

MASS INTENTIONS For The WEEK
FEBRUARY 10-17, 2024

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

5:00PM +Lily Belia & +Amparo McDaniel
Intentions-Ma, Gong, Fam. & Friends

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

9:00AM In Thanksgiving - Aris dela Paz
Intention - Mars Silva

11:00AM **FOR THE PEOPLE**

Birthday - Francine Silva

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

12:05PM In Memory of Deena Kaye
+Sanjay Galvin.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

7:30AM Intention - Michael Latt
11:00AM +Pierre Becquet
12:05PM +Ed Pong
+Nick Pineda Arenas
1:00PM +Francisco Aquino

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

12:05PM Intention - Reed Ryan
Intention - Reese Termulo

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

12:05PM Intention - Mark Gurrie
Intention - Sophie Geddes

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

5:00PM +Levy Tinio
Intention - Shane McGowan
+Janet Hawkins

**Prayers for our Sick Parishioners, Loved
Ones & Friends :** Fr. Thomas Foley, CSP,
Fr. Daniel McCotter, CSP, Ida & Carolyn Hom,
Johnson & Nina Leu, Stella Bielat, Mary Nham,
Arnold Low, Oscar Mendoza , Maria Tan,
Frankie Chios, Erlinda Cheng, Trish Bui



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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