

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.

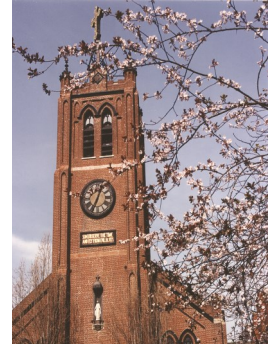


A MINISTRY OF THE PAULIST FATHERS



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

WHITE SUPREMACY AND WHITE CATHOLICS (Part 2)

A Reflection by Paulist Father Joe Scott

It's a fact that the American Catholic Bishops have NEVER addressed white supremacy as a serious concern for Catholics. Why not?

I ask this because, like ALL white Catholics in America, I AM a white supremacist. I've come by it naturally! Every student in my grades school, every student in my high school, every student in my college, was white. At Old St. Mary's Cathedral, we were blessed a few years back with Fr. Bart Landy, a black priest, as our pastor. But Fr. Bart is only one of a handful of Paulist priests, over our 150 years as the Paulist community, who were not white. Everything I learned about God and Jesus and about my Catholic faith came from white teachers.

Have I benefited from the privileges of being a white American? Of course, I have! Am I the only one? I suspect not! None of us can face Jesus with a clear conscience until we are honest about the way OUR benefits and privileges have been given to us at the expense of tremendous hurt and disadvantage experienced by black Americans because of the way our politics, education, culture, and attitudes are seemingly set in stone. I can drive a car or walk into a store without fear of hassle or injury or even death. A black man can't. Such things don't go away if we look the other way, or never talk about it.

This is a problem. White supremacy is a mortal sin. Racism is a mortal sin. These aren't minor transgressions. These are sins that can wither our souls and make them ineligible for heaven, which is the kingdom of God's love. White supremacy and racism are right up there with the taking of an innocent life.

Thomas Jefferson, an American white slave owner from his birth until his death, wrote: "Indeed, I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just, that His justice cannot sleep forever. Commerce between master and slave is despotism. Nothing is more certainly written in the book of fate than that these people are to be free."

Why did Jefferson, a great and good man, not do what he clearly realized God was asking him to do? Why did he not free his slaves? Why did he not advocate for the end of slavery (he did lead Congress to abolish the slave TRADE in 1808). Because his life was so clearly dependent on slavery, with all its comforts and benefits to him, because he probably told his conscience what we tell ourselves about racism and white supremacy: "maybe, someday, I'll do something to support black men and women in becoming free in every possible, because it's clearly what God wants. But not right now. Maybe someday."

Like Jefferson and all white Americans, I need conversion, if I want to go to heaven. I try, every day, to be honest about my own racism and own willingness to take advantage of my white privileges. And it's a struggle. Conversion is so hard without help. It's so much a part of our life experience. We are so intertwined with our culture of racism and white privileges that it can seem all encompassing.

It's so easy for us white people to support one another in excusing behavior so harmful to our black citizens. Isn't the purpose of a Christian community to encourage one another not in our sins, but in our struggle to be true followers of Jesus?

And we need leadership. We need bishops who will be as concerned about converting us from the cruelties of white supremacy, as they are validly concerned about the taking of innocent human life.

I will not feel supported in my fragile faith until I see Catholics, I mean white Catholics just as much as black Catholics, marching against racism and white supremacy just as we march for Pro Life.

White supremacy and racism are just as big a sin as the taking of an innocent life. No more, and no less!



Fr. Joe Scott, CSP

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY In ORDINARY TIME, NOVEMBER 12, 2023

**CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
SECOND COLLECTION Sunday, November 19, 2023**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd is THANKSGIVING DAY! There will be one MASS at 11:00AM. Church offices will be closed that day!
PEACE AND LOVE THIS THANKSGIVING!

After 16 years with OSM, *Pia Lim*, our receptionist will be retiring at the end of this year, 2023. The RECEPTIONIST supports the goal of ensuring efficient operation of the Parish Office and maintains an attitude of flexibility. Provide a welcoming presence for anyone who contacts the office, either in person or by phone. Support the pastoral staff through the proficient use of secretarial and administrative skills. **If interested, please contact Fr. John Ardis at 415-288-3804. or email resume to johnardis@paulist.org.**



**GIVING TUESDAY | NOVEMBER 28, 2023
HAVE YOU HEARD OF #GIVING Tuesday?**

It is an opportunity for people around the world to use their individual power of generosity to support their communities.

ON GIVING TUESDAY—November 28 - the whole world comes together to give back in many ways: through acts of kindness, gifts, time, talent, or treasure.

**BIBLE STUDY with FR. TOM TAVELLA
Thursday, November 16, 5:00PM**

**READINGS : Sunday, November 19, 2023
PRV 31:10-13,19-20, 30-31; 1THES 5:1-6;
MATTHEW 25:14-30**

Join ZOOM Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81936410610?pwd=SUpxZHVCOUU4dnZLV3dnVDh4C1J5QT09>

Meeting ID : 819 3641 0610

Passcode : 016304

ALL ARE WELCOME!



ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2023 (AAA)

**Campaign Goal : \$ 46,762.
Payments Received : \$ 15,711. (as of 11/06)
Needed to Reach our Goal : \$ 31,051.**

**UNDERSTANDING YOUR MEDICARE AND
COMMERCIAL HEALTH COVERAGE**

SUNDAY, November 26, 2023, AUDITORIUM
10AM – 11AM, after the 9AM Mass
12PM – 1PM after the 11AM Mass
Chinese Community Health Plan are full-service health plans that serve the Bay Area residents with quality, affordable health plan coverage.

COME MEET US & LEARN MORE!

For more information, call 1-888-371-3060.

www.CCHPHealthPlan.com;

www.BalancebyCCHP.com

**MEMORIAL MASS & HEALING LITURGY
For Miscarriage and Infant Loss**

SATURDAY, November 18, 10:00AM, St. Dominic Catholic Church, 2390 Bush St., San Francisco, CA. Celebrated by Fr. Vito Perrone, COSJ.

Please join us for a Mass and Healing Services for all those who have experienced the loss of an Infant whether by miscarriage, birth, or early Infant death.

RSVP: sfarch.org/event/miscarriage-mass-2023.

OR, Email questions to: prolife@sfarch.org

ST. ANNE'S HOME BIENNIAL HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

Saturday, November 18, Sunday, November 19
10:00AM – 4:00PM

300 Lake Street, San Francisco, CA

Join the Auxiliary of the Little Sisters of the Poor at St. Anne's Home for their biennial Holiday Boutique, Home for the Holidays, featuring a variety of hand-made holiday gifts, decor, accessories, gourmet goodies, gift baskets, silent auction, and much more. The boutique will be open to the public and free of charge, including a visit with Santa and cookie decorating for our young guests.

Saturday luncheon and Sunday brunch tickets will also be available for purchase. Proceeds will go directly to the RAISE US UP Elevator Modernization Campaign at St. Anne's Home. For tickets, email **2023LSPBoutique@gmail.com**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
NOVEMBER 11 - 18, 2023

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

5:00PM BIRTHDAY - Resurrection Sigua
THANKSGIVING - Rachel Telles
+Roxy Lim

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

9:00AM BIRTHDAY - Mary dela Pena
THANKSGIVING - Claire Teo

11:00AM FOR THE PEOPLE
+Peter Chan
+Lem Sek Wong

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

12:05PM +Pierre Becquet
INTENTION- Francisco Limjoco, Jr.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

12:05PM INTENTION - Babette Beach
+John Chmelik

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

12:05PM +Jose Remo
+William B. Cohen

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

12:05PM +Elena Ho Goo
+William Higgins

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

5:00PM INTENTION - Marilyn Aquino
INTENTION - Francisco Limjoco, Jr.
+Roxy Lim

Prayers for our Sick Parishioners, Loved Ones & Friends :

Fr. Thomas Foley, CSP, Fr. Daniel McCotter, CSP,
Fr. Steve Bossi, CSP, Milt Commons, Ida & Carolyn
Hom, Johnson & Nina Leu, Teresa Daniels, Stella
Bielat, Mary Nham, Arnold Low, Oscar Mendoza,
Maria Tan, Frankie Chios, Erlinda Cheng, Trish Bui,
Mian Gancayco,



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

