Old Saint Mary's Cathedral & Chinese Mission

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

HOLY FAMILY CHINESE MISSION (1903) AND ST. MARY'S SCHOOL & CHINESE CATHOLIC CENTER (1921)

660 California Street • San Francisco, California 94108-2566

Welcoming Missionary Communities of Faith Led by The Paulists for Over 118 Years.

ALL ARE WELCOME

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 charge of Old St. Mary's in 1894 and have faithfully ministered to the people of Chinatown, Nob Hill and the Financial District for over 109 years. 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 (ADA) and refurbish the interior of this beautiful old cathedral. Your prayerful 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 in the 21st Century.*

Parish Mission Statement

Old St. Mary's/Holy Family Chinese Mission is a unique Paulist Foundation which celebrates cultural diversity, continues the tradition of excellence in Catholic education, and seeks to evangelize in light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the teachings of the Catholic Church. We welcome all who seek to live the gospel while celebrating the generosity of God in Sacred liturgy.

St. Mary's School & Chinese Catholic Center
(St. Mary's Chinese Mission)

At the dawn of the 20th century, the Paulists encountered many challenges ministering to people on the edge of the infamous Barbary Coast. They recognized the need for social support and formal education to help the Chinese immigrants find better employment, integrate into society, and protect their future. Thus, in 1903 St. Mary's Chinese Mission was born to give the gospel a voice to those who had not yet heard it.

In 1921 a permanent home for the Chinese Mission was opened. The Paulist Fathers invited the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange to administer the school. St. Mary's School quickly became the premier educational institution in the Chinese community.

Visit us at http://www.OldSaintMarys.org
www.stmaryschoolsf.org

Visit the Paulist Center Bookstore
at 614 Grant Avenue

WELCOME TO OLD SAINT MARY'S CATHEDRAL

PASTOR's CORNER

Is there any merit in suffering?

SUFFERING: We have all eternity to enjoy, but only a few moments to suffer, to testify to our sincere and ardent love for our crucified Savior and our God.

The disciple is not greater than the Master. The one who has no cross is no follower of the crucified. It would be a miracle to find a Christian without a cross, except in heaven. If you avoid your cross or are unwilling to take it up and follow Jesus, you are not worthy to be a disciple.

Our destiny here on earth is this: to conquer the world and ourselves by suffering in imitation of Jesus Christ in order that we might be eternally happy with him forever. The only true success in this life comes from following Jesus Christ. If we for a moment seek success elsewhere, it matters not how high or useful it may appear to us, we are deceived and we live and act in vain for Jesus Christ is the only Way, the whole Truth and the true Life. Therefore, we walk astray when we act without Jesus.

A Response from Fr. Paul Robichaud CSP:

Today's reflection from Servant of God Isaac Hecker addresses a classic Lenten question; how do we as Christians understand human suffering? Father Hecker begins with the premise that everyone suffers. No matter how successful or secure you are, there is a basic unfairness that penetrates through all our lives as human beings. No one who lives in our world escapes from the reality of suffering. The brokenness of sin in the world seeks to dis-empower us even further. Because we do not want to suffer, in attempting to escape from it or deny it, we become more broken and needy. The Scriptures, the Church and most especially the sacraments of the Church seek to empower us. Instead of running from sin and brokenness, we call on the power of Christ within our souls. Awakening the spiritual side of ourselves is what Lent is all about. With and in Christ we take on the suffering found in our lives and go through it with the sure knowledge that Christ has already overcome it and that he carries us through these moments. The more we encounter suffering with faith, fear dissipates, hope replaces fear, and we can respond with love. In this sense our response as Christians to the suffering we encounter in our lives both reflects, mirrors and channels the paschal mystery of Christ which we celebrate in Easter.

Father Hecker says, "The disciple is not greater than the Master…. It would be a miracle to find a Christian without a cross…. If you avoid your cross or are unwilling to take it up and follow Jesus, you are not worthy to be a disciple."

Life is hard and uneven but as Father Hecker reminds us that while everyone experiences the hardness of life, Christians have a way of contexting and transforming their suffering by connecting it to the suffering and death of Christ. As the brothers and sisters of Jesus, our suffering becomes a part of Christ's suffering of Christ, and through Christ's suffering God has chosen to redeem the world. May your experience of Lent deepen your faith, strengthen your hope and support your loving response to others.

Fr. Bart Landry, CSP

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LENTEN ACTIVITIES AT OLD ST. MARY's

Taize Evening Prayer

Thursdays : February 18, 25, March 3, 10, & 17
DAYS of Lent at 6:30PM in the church. A meditative, candlelit prayer service centering around music, ecumenical form of prayer and silence. Come join us!

Stations of the Cross

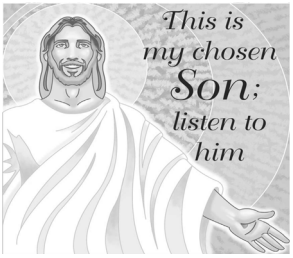
Fridays of Lent at 5:15PM
February 12, 19, 26, March 4 & 11.
All parishioners are invited to come and join in this Lenten prayer.

A Lenten Presentation

* **"Buddha Made Me a Better Christian"**
  Fr. Dick Chilson, CSP
  Sunday, February 14, 2016, 10:15 AM
  Paulist Center Bookstore
* **"Healing and Mercy"**
  Fr. Bart Landry, CSP
  Sunday, February 21, 2016, 10:15 AM
  Paulist Center Bookstore
* **"Three Pillars of Lent"**
  Fr. Tom Tavella, CSP
  Sunday, February 28, 2016, 10:15 AM
  Paulist Center Bookstore

Poverty and Spirit

A simple lunch of soup and bread
Sunday, March 20, 2016, 10:30 - 11:30 AM
All are welcome. Free will donations welcome.



Second Sunday of Lent
February 21, 2016
The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?
— Psalm 27:1

International Food Night ((Benefiting St. Mary's School)
Saturday, February 27, 2016, 6:00pm - 9:00pm at Old St. Mary's auditorium. For more information or questions, please call 415 929-4690; email: **ayeung@stmaryschoolsf.org**

"40 Days For Life" is a Peaceful prayer vigil that takes place from Ash Wednesday, Feb. 10 through Palm Sunday, March 20 by Planned Parenthood at 1650 Valencia Street in San Francisco. To learn more or schedule a vigil time, please contact Hunt at (408) 840-3297 or go to **http:www.40daysforlife.com/sanfrancisco/**

Reserve your Spot Now to Volunteer during LENT
Practicing Compassion with Catholic Charities
As the season of Lent approaches, Catholic Charities is offering one-time volunteer opportunities for you to put your faith into action during six weeks of Lent. Copies of the Catholic Charities Lenten Activities fliers are available in the back of the church or visit the website at: **http://catholiccharitiessf.org/all-opportunities.** To sign up or for more information contact Diana Contreras at 415-972-1297 or email: **volunteer@CatholicCharitiesSF.org;**

The Jubilee Year of Mercy
A Paulist Pilgrimage to Rome
March 3-11, 2016
Join the Paulists for an eight-day Pilgrimage in the Holy Year, as we journey on the path of mercy and compassion. Come to Rome for seven nights in a lovely four-star hotel on half board basis. Celebrate with the American community of Rome at the church of Santa Susanna for a wonderful week of prayer and inspiration, specially designed by Fr. Thomas A. Kane, CSP for Paulist friends, patrons, associates and collaborators. Register now. Space is limited to twenty pilgrims. Itinerary and registration materials are available on-line at paulist.org/jubilee

Vocation Retreat for Women
March 4-6, 2016
Have you ever thought about becoming a Sister? Single Catholic women ages 18-40 are invited to a prayerful and reflective ***Religious Vocation Discernment Weekend Retreat*** with the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, March 4-6, 2016, **Los Altos Hills, CA.** For reservations and more information contact **Sister Lisa Laguna, D.C.,** 650/949-8890, 213-210-9903, or email **srllaguna@doc1633.org** **www.Daughters-Of-Charity.com/retreats/**

NOONTIME CONCERTS AT OLD SAINT MARY'S
EVERY TUESDAY, 12:30 P.M.

February 02 | STROBE - STRINGS AND OBOE
February 09 | Sarah Wood, violin | Miles Graber, piano
February 16 | Jeremy Tai, cello
February 23 | Christina Mok, violin | Miles Graber, piano

WEBSITE: www.noontimeconcerts.org

SUGGESTED DONATION: $5.00

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Reflections On The Unknowable
With
Fr. Terry Ryan, CSP

Thomas Keating, OCSO, the founder of Contemplative Outreach, wrote a book recently, Reflections on the Unknowable. In these short chapters Keating reflects on various subjects having to do with the contemplative experience. Fr. Ryan will comment on these reflections and try to help us to deepen our own spiritual journey. Did you ever think of silence as quiet? They are not the same. Silence, in deep prayer, is consciousness without content. And so it goes. Lots more.

Saturday, April 16, 2016
9:00 AM to Noon
Old St. Mary's Paulist Center
614 Grant Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94108
Abbreviated Version on
Sunday Morning, April 17, after the 9:00 AM mass
Old St. Mary's Paulist Center

Join the OSM Choir TODAY!
Meet us after the Mass or call Satoko at 415-288-3828;
Email: music@oldsaintmarys.org

2016 Sunday Offertory Collection

February 14 : TBA - due to an early transmission of the Bulletin.

Prayers for our Sick Parishioners, Loved Ones, and Friends -
Tony Cahill, Gary Davila, Dino & Marie Ferrari, Alice Garcia, Camila Gonzales, Ida, Edward & Carolyn Hom, Polly Kelly, Oscar & Tirso Mendoza, Ronald Mendoza, Santiago Montoya, Annie Palumbo, Jonathan Phelps, Kim Reynolds, Alberto & Erika Rojas, Jane Samonte, Lourdes Soto, Jesse Quiming

BIBLE READINGS (February 22-27, 2016)

Monday	1Pt 5:1-4;	Matthew 16:13-19;
Tuesday	Is 1:10,16-20;	Matthew 23:1-12;
Wed.	Jer 18:18-20;	Matthew 20:17-28;
Thursday	Jer 17:5-10;	Luke 16:19-31;
Friday	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a;	Matthew 21:33-43;
Saturday	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20;	Matthew 15:1-3, 11-32

THIS WEEK'S READING :
Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17—41
Luke 9:28b-36 (Psalm 27)

NEXT WEEK's READING:
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; 1Cor 10:1-6, 10-12;
Luke 13:1-9

Mass Intentions for the Week

(February 21-27, 2016)

Saturday,	**February 20**
5:00PM	† May Oropesa (healing & recovery)
Sunday	**February 21**
9:00AM	† Daurene Uydingco (healing & recovery)
10:15AM	**FOR THE PEOPLE**
11:30AM	†Celia Epino
Monday	**February 22**
7:30AM	† Mariano Chua Yu King
12:05PM	† Diane Damante
Tuesday	**February 23**
7:30AM	† Delphine Zeuli
12:05PM	† Danilo Sambajon
Wed.	**February 24**
7:30AM	† Assunta, Anthony, Florence Pesiri, & Joseph Capobianco
12:05PM	† Melissa Citizen
Thursday	**February 25**
7:30AM	† Tammy Josi
12:05PM	† Madeline Josi
Friday	**February 26**
7:30AM	† The Paulist Fathers (Prayers & Thanksgiving)
12:05PM	† Ng Thiam Guan
Saturday	**February 27**
5:00PM	† Charlotte Stark

EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES (MASSES)

Monday through Friday 7:30AM 12:05PM
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM
10:15 AM (Cantonese & English) & 11:30 AM

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 12:35 till 1:00pm
or by appointment
Saturday 4 - 4:30PM

PLEASE CALL FOR INFORMATION THE FOLLOWING:

Infant Baptism	288-3800
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)	288-3800
Rite of Christian Marriage	288-3800
Sick & Homebound Visitation	288-3800
Living Landmark Campaign Office	288-3800
Landings	288-3800
Saturday for Engaged Couples	288-3866

PARISH STAFF TEL (415) 288-3800/ FAX (415) 288-3838

Bartholomew Landry, CSP, *Pastor*	288-3817
Thomas Tavella, CSP, *Parochial Vicar*	288-3820
Deacon Simon Tsui, *Parochial Associate*	288-3806
Timothy Keller, *Paulist Center Manager*	288-3845
Julie A. Todd, *Administrative Assistant*	288-3809
Pia T. Lim, *Receptionist*	288-3800
Satoko Fujiwara, *Music Director*	288-3828

ST. MARY's SCHOOL & CHINESE CATHOLIC CENTER

Tony Lescalett, Principal 415-929-4690

ST. MARY's CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL

Deacon Simon Tsui, Principal 415-929-4692

PAULISTS IN RESIDENCE

Richard Chilson, CSP **Ricky Manalo, CSP**
Thomas Foley, CSP **Terry Ryan, CSP**
John Hurley, CSP

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Monday through Friday, 11:00am ~ 6:00pm
Saturday, 9:00am ~ 6:30pm | Sunday, 10:00 am ~ 5:00pm

PARISH REGISTRATION (Drop in collection basket)

If you call Old Saint Mary's/Holy Family Chinese Mission your parish home, we invite you to become a registered parishioner. Should you have questions about registration, please call Julie Todd at 415-288-3809. Welcome to our community! We thank God for your presence.

Name(s)_____

Address_____

City/Zip_____

Telephone_____

E-mail_____

☐ **New parishioner** ☐ **Change of Address**
☐ **I am a visitor and want mailings**