

⌄ Old St. Mary's Catholic Church

Old St. Mary's welcomes and accompanies everyone on their faith journey. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, our diverse community encourages people to grow their relationship with Jesus Christ and one another through Eucharist, worship, prayer, education, and service.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

BULLETIN FOR THE WEEKEND
OF MAY 9 - 10

Established as Chicago's first Catholic Parish in 1833. Old St. Mary's Catholic School established in 2004. Served by the Paulist Fathers since 1903.

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PASTORAL MESSAGE

One recent holiday, I had the opportunity to visit the Basilica of St. Anne de Beaupre near Quebec City. It is a beautiful church decorated by incredible mosaics that tell of the life story of Saint Anne, the mother of the Virgin Mary. In the artwork, Anne is depicted in the common traditions of a young Jewish woman of the time. As Anne becomes a mother to Mary, the art frequently depicts Anne teaching Mary, truly serving as her spiritual foundation.

While I explored the church and admired the artwork, I was moved by the idea of the relationship between Anne and Mary. Anne must have known how special her daughter was to God. To become a woman who said yes to God's call, I believe that Mary must have had the strong foundation of faith, likely nurtured by her own mother. With her foundation and love of God, Mary could be a supportive and loving mother to Jesus, a role that called for selflessness.

On this Sunday, as we celebrate Mothers Day, I will pay particular attention to Mary and Anne in our faith tradition and how they serve as role models for us today. It was likely Anne who supported her daughter as a young mother. Did Anne reassure her daughter as Mary learned the challenges of raising a child? I imagine Anne telling Mary that she was doing a good job and telling her how proud she was of the mother she was becoming.

As we celebrate Mother's Day, let us reflect on the special love between Saint Anne and the Virgin Mary. We remember that families need support and encouragement. We remember that grandmothers often play a vital role in helping to shape the faith a child learns and love a child feels. And when we do not have family near us or they are unable to care for us, we pray that a strong community will support women and families as they need help and support.

As I walked around the Basilica inspired by Jesus' grandmother, I thought of my own grandmother, Mary Rice. My grandmother nurtured my mother's faith and my mother, in turn, nurtured my own faith. Now I get to see my mother as a grandmother to my own children and I see the love and faith passed through the generations.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.

Katie



Katie Ellis is a catechist with Sunday Faith Formation and a member of the Parish Pastoral Council. Katie and her husband, Josh, are the proud parents of Evelyn and Xavier.

OLD ST. MARY'S *Youth* MINISTRY

Grade 8-12

Collection Drive & Service Event!

Our OSM Youth Ministry is organizing a parish-wide collection of new, unopened underwear and socks of all sizes to support the important work of the St. James Food Pantry. These simple essentials are among the most requested items at food pantries, yet they are often in short supply.

Donations will be accepted through Sunday, May 10, and can be placed in the wicker baskets located in the Commons.

At this time, we are only able to accept new, in-package underwear and socks, as these are the items most needed and the ones we have the capacity to collect and distribute. We are not able to accept used clothing donations right now.

Thank you for helping our young people lead us in caring for our neighbors with dignity and compassion.



Final Meeting of the Season:

Mass and Service Event

at St. James Wabash

(2907 S Wabash Ave, Chicago, IL 60616)

Sunday, May 17 | 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

QUESTIONS? CONTACT

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The 2026 Old St. Mary's School Musical



Performances on Friday, May 15
and Saturday, May 16 at 7:00 PM

Tickets: \$16 Adults, \$12 Kids
& OSM School Alumni

Link to buy tickets coming soon!
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Loving and faithful God,
We give you thanks for the gift of mothers,
for the ways they have carried life, nurtured it,
and poured themselves out in love.

We remember with gratitude the women
who have guided us, encouraged us,
and shaped who we are,
often in quiet and unseen ways.



Happy
Mother's
Day

Bless all mothers this day,
those who rejoice in their families,
those who carry hidden burdens or heartache,
and those who are no longer with us
but live on in love.

Grant them strength when they are weary,
peace when they are anxious,
and joy in the goodness they have shared.

May your tender care surround them,
and may we, in turn, reflect that same love
to them and to one another.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PARISH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

For July 1, 2025 – March 31, 2026

CHURCH INCOME	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
Sunday/Holy Days Collection	\$ 680,199.16	\$627,200	\$52,999.16
Other Income	90,499.08	\$82,964	\$7,535.08
TOTAL INCOME	\$770,698.24	\$710,164	\$60, 534.24
CHURCH EXPENSES	\$727,509.97	\$740,179.13	(\$12,669.16)
CHURCH NET INCOME/(LOSS)	\$43,188.27	(\$30,015.13)	\$73,203.40

Expenses are slightly lower than budget because we had budgeted for, but have not filled our receptionist position. Increase in income is largely due to increased weekly contribution (up just under 9% over past nine months)

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 10

8:30 AM Colin McKenna (+)
11 AM Jennie Corritore (+)
4 PM People of the Parish

Monday, May 11

8:30 AM Mortimer Dillon (+)

Tuesday, May 12

8:30 AM Joe Murphy (+)

Wednesday, May 13

8:30 AM Mortimer Dillon (+)

Thursday, May 14

8:30 AM Timothy & Michael Sheerin

Friday, May 15

8:30 AM Rustico Joson (+)

Saturday, May 16

5 PM Encarnacion & Tranquilino
Daclan, Jr. (+)

New to Old St. Mary's?

Welcome! We're glad you're here. If you haven't yet registered as a parishioner, we invite you to do so—it's a great way to stay connected and get involved in our community.

Register at bit.ly/osm-registration or scan the QR Code



July
24-26
2026

The Paulist Fathers
Come & See
Discernment Retreat
at The Church
of Saint Paul the Apostle
in New York City

For more information and to register, contact:

Paulist Fr. Ed Nowak, C.S.P., Vocation Director

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PAULIST
FATHERS
VOCACTIONS



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*Happy Anniversary,
Pope Leo XIV!*

One year ago this month, the Church welcomed the election of our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV. Standing on the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica for the first time, his opening words to the world were simple and striking: *Peace be with you all*. In a world so often marked by division, violence, fear, and uncertainty, Pope Leo began his pontificate by reminding us that the peace of Christ is not weakness or passivity, but the deep conviction that every human person is worthy of dignity, mercy, and love.

Pope Leo has continued to advocate tirelessly for peace, calling for dialogue instead of hatred, encounter instead of polarization, and solidarity instead of indifference. Again and again, he has urged the world not to grow numb to suffering, particularly in places torn apart by war, displacement, and poverty.

As we mark this first anniversary of his pontificate, let us continue to pray for Pope Leo XIV and for the grace to become instruments of Christ's peace in our own time.



The Chicago Paulists will defray costs related to the come & see retreat for men seriously considering going. Please contact Fr. Rich or Fr. Dan!

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or give online at
<https://oldstmarys.com/donate/>

SACRAMENTS

MASS TIMES

Monday – Friday 8:30 AM

Saturday 5:00 PM Vigil

Sunday 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 4:00 PM

Holy Days *contact parish office*

BAPTISM

<http://oldstmarys.com/baptism/>

- To request a copy of your baptismal certificate, email baptisms@oldstmarys.com

MATRIMONY

<https://oldstmarys.com/weddings/>

Please contact Fr. Rich or Fr. Dan

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday from 4:00 – 4:30 PM,
or contact Fr. Rich or Fr. Dan

ANOIDING OF THE SICK

Every First Friday during the 8:30 AM Mass,
or contact Fr. Rich or Fr. Dan

CONFIRMATION

Inquire at <https://oldstmarys.com/confirmation/>

FUNERAL

Please contact Fr. Rich or Fr. Dan

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday after the 8:30 AM Mass

Signup for Our Email Newsletter!

We publish an email newsletter every Thursday that covers events going on for the weekend and following week at Old St. Mary's. Please note: if you've ever unsubscribed from our list, you'll have to give us your permission add you back!



COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Our Ministers of Care are available to bring the Eucharist to those who cannot attend Mass in person. To request a visit, please fill the form at bit.ly/osm-communionvisit or scan the QR code.

For urgent needs (Anointing of the Sick or Confession), please continue to call the parish office directly at 312-922-3444.

Want to help with our Ministry of Care?
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