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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.

PENTECOST *and* TRINITY SUNDAY



**BULLETIN FOR THE WEEKENDS
OF MAY 23 - 24 & MAY 30 - 31**

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PASTORAL MESSAGE

Where the Spirit is Stirring!

Dear Friends,

As we head into these early days of “summer mode,” I find myself feeling a little bit of separation from the parish community these next few weekends! This weekend, I will be at Wesleyan University to celebrate the 45th anniversary of my college *a cappella* group, The Wesleyan Spirits (no pun intended)! The following weekend, I will be celebrating the presbyteral ordination of a good friend who is a member of the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales. Then over the first two weeks of June, I will be with a number of my Paulist brothers for our General Assembly in upstate New York, a gathering that happens every four years, marked by prayerful discernment about where the Spirit is animating us as Paulists in living out our mission.

In all of this, the perennial refrain of Pentecost feels especially apt: **Come, Holy Spirit!**

And Come, Holy Spirit, in a special way as we pray for our 8th graders, who graduate this coming week - congratulations to them, and to their families! May you continue to grow in wisdom and confidence, discover new gifts within yourselves, build friendships that bring out the best in you, and remember that you will always have a home and a community cheering you on here at Old St. Mary's. We are so proud of you.

Over these past few months, we have been trying, in different ways, to live and unpack what it means to be a community of missionary disciples, a phrase that became especially prominent through Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*. At its heart, missionary discipleship is not about adding one more religious thing to an already full life. It is about **allowing the life of the Gospel to animate us from within** - letting the joy of Christ shape how we speak, how we serve, how we forgive, how we welcome, how we listen, and how we love.

Last weekend, Elise Flick spoke at all of our Masses, inviting us to consider how the Spirit might be stirring in us to become more involved in the growing faith formation ministry of our parish. Our liturgical and music ministries are growing as well, thanks to the leadership of Ace and the generosity of so many parishioners who already share their gifts. We are also looking ahead to the coming school year, with opportunities to support and volunteer in our parish school, helping strengthen the bonds between our church and school communities. As we celebrate Pentecost, perhaps this is a good time for each of us to ask: Is the Spirit stirring in me to say yes? Is there some gift, some time, some willingness, some part of my heart that God may be inviting me to offer for the life of this community?

Pentecost reminds us that the Holy Spirit doesn't leave the disciples behind locked doors - the Spirit sends them out. The fire that rests upon them becomes a fire that moves through them. It turns their fear into witness, isolation into communion, and uncertainty into mission.

So as summer begins, perhaps the invitation is not simply to slow down, though I hope we all find some rest! Maybe the invitation is also to notice how the Spirit is working through each one of us, and where it might be encouraging us to say **yes**.

May we continue to examine the ways we are being called and challenged to live the Gospel in our homes, our parish, our city, and beyond. Come, Holy Spirit, and set our hearts on fire!

With my prayers,

Dan Martin, CSP

Fr. Dan

YOUNG Adults

For those 18-39!



SAVE THE DATE

Young adults are invited to connect with others at Old St. Mary's this summer through a series of gatherings for prayer, community, conversation, and fun. More details will be shared soon, but for now, mark your calendars:

Sunday, June 21

Social after the 4:00 PM Mass

Wednesday, July 1 | 6:00 PM

Evening Mass followed by dinner

Thursday, July 23 | TBD

Outdoor gathering, possibly a concert at Grant Park

Friday, July 31 | 6:00 PM

Evening Social (location TBD)

Wednesday, August 5 | 6:00 PM

Evening Adoration and Talk

Scan the QR code to sign up for the Young Adult mailing list and stay in the loop. We hope to see you this summer!



Congratulations

Old St. Mary's School



Class of 2026!

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Max Serpico
Griffin Sinkovich
Declan Steinmetz
Oliver Thurston
Samantha Tokarz
Benjamin Waller
Makenzie Ward
Lyla Wilson
Kevin Woodard

Is the Spirit Stirring in You?

Last week's bulletin shared more details about the many ways parishioners can support our growing Faith Formation program at Old St. Mary's. Elise Flick also spoke at each of our weekend Masses to personally invite parishioners to consider how the Holy Spirit may be stirring in them to share their gifts with our community.

As a reminder, opportunities include:

- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- Baptism Ministry
- Sunday Faith Formation Catechists and Assistants
- Youth Ministry Team
- Young Adults Group
- Adult Faith Formation Programming
- OCIA

We can only support these programs if we have parishioners willing to step forward and help. If you're reading this, it could very well be you!

For more information, please scan the QR code to visit our website or contact Elise Flick at elise@oldstmarys.com.



Welcome, Paula and Marvin!

We are happy to welcome **Paula Buckley** as one of our receptionists here at Old St. Mary's. Paula will be with us on Thursdays and will also provide coverage on other days as needed. Some of you may already know her as the mom of Mr. Danny DiFoggio, one of our OSM school teachers. We are also grateful to welcome **Marvin Ruano**, a Paulist student who will be spending the summer with us. Marvin will share more about himself in the next parish bulletin. Please join us in giving both Paula and Marvin a warm welcome!

Pope Leo XIV to Release First Encyclical



On May 25, Pope Leo XIV will release his first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas*, or Magnificent Humanity, reflecting on the dignity of the human person in the age of artificial intelligence.

The encyclical was signed on May 15, the anniversary of Pope Leo XIII's landmark 1891 encyclical *Rerum Novarum*, which addressed the rights of workers during the Industrial Revolution and became a foundational text of modern Catholic Social Teaching.

In *Magnifica Humanitas*, Pope Leo XIV is expected to speak to the hopes and challenges of our own technological age, especially how artificial intelligence can shape our understanding of work, human dignity, and the common good. As the Church has done throughout history, this new encyclical invites us to look at the signs of the times through the light of the Gospel and the dignity of every human person.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 24

8:30 AM Mary Vaughan (+)
11 AM Ana Burian
4 PM People of the Parish

Monday, May 25

8:30 AM Robert Brauer (+)

Tuesday, May 26

8:30 AM Loreto & Jesus Joson (+)

Wednesday, May 27

8:30 AM Loreto & Jesus Joson (+)

Thursday, May 28

8:30 AM Victor Garcia (+)

Friday, May 29

8:30 AM Rustico Joson (+)

Saturday, May 30

5 PM Helen Dixon

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 31

8:30 AM Fr. William O'Shea (+)
11 AM Colin McKenna (+)
4 PM People of the Parish

Monday, June 1

8:30 AM Rosita Navarro (+)

Tuesday, June 2

8:30 AM Edward & Victor Taylo

Wednesday, June 3

8:30 AM Mortimer Dillon (+)

Thursday, June 4

8:30 AM Arlene & Franklin Joson (+)

Friday, June 5

8:30 AM Apolonio Q. Agujo (+)

Saturday, June 6

5 PM Salud Rubalcava

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



BELOVED

Praying with LGBTQ+ Catholics

Thursday, June 25 | Mass at 7:00 pm
Old St. Patrick's Church
700 W Adams St.

Join us in the church for a night to pray with LGBTQ+ Catholics. Through music, scripture, and reflection, we will offer a space for shared prayer during this special time. No matter where you are in your journey of faith, know that you are invited and welcome here as beloved children of God.



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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

✉ vocations@paulist.org

📞 (917) 763-7899

🌐 beapaulist.org/comeandsee



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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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

ANOIDTING 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?
Email careministry@oldstmarys.com



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