

# OLD ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

October 1, 2023 - Twenty-six Sunday in Ordinary Time

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PSALM 25

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CHICAGO'S FIRST CATHOLIC PARISH ESTABLISH IN 1833—THE PAULIST FATHERS SERVING OUR PARISH SINCE OCTOBER 12, 1903.

**PASTOR'S WHITE BOARD****COMING TO FULL COMMUNION**

Many years back, I was working with a young woman who was in the RCIA and wished to become Catholic. She had been baptized as an infant in another Christian Church but was finding the Catholic Church fascinating. She had been with us for several months, asking many questions.

After she went through the Rite of Welcome, where a candidate is formally introduced to the community and asks for prayers and receives blessings, she clearly decided to become Catholic. After a few months she asked to talk to me about something that was weighing on her heart. She came to church semi-regularly, liking to attend our early Sunday Mass (6:30a.m.).

Her question for me was, "Am I supposed to be going to Mass every Sunday?" My answer, "Catholics are called to go to Mass every Sunday." She went on to explain that she noticed some of the same people were there every time she came and she knew many did not come all the time. I told her this was true. Not every Catholic comes every week to Mass.

But my question back to her, "you have publicly said you are seeking to come into full communion with the Catholic Church. And it sounds like your heart is leading you to embrace it fully. Do you want to be like others, or do you wish to live the faith life of the Church fully?" I think that was the question she already had her own answer to but needed my input to affirm it.

I don't think I ever saw her miss Mass again, even though it was no longer always at 6:30. And she loved talking about and sharing her faith, and continued as she moved and went into a new parish.

Her story leaves us with the question we all need to ask, whether priest, candidate, fully initiated Catholic, "am I living the faith as fully as I am called to by God?" What does it truly mean to live our faith and explore it regularly? Do people see us live our faith and know us as active Christians?

The answer is up to each of us.  
Fr. Brad



**This coming Saturday morning, October 7<sup>th</sup>, in commemoration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, there will be the traditional blessing of pets. This will take place at 11 am in the Wabash parking lot.**

## OUR PARISH MISSION

**F**ounded in 1833, Old St. Mary's Parish is the first Catholic parish in the Chicago area. Guided for more than a century by the vision of the Paulist Fathers, we are a diverse and welcoming community dedicated to serving the spiritual needs of the Loop, South Loop and the greater Chicago area. As a unified Church and School community, Old St. Mary's Parish promotes the mission of the Paulist Fathers to welcome those who have been away from the church, to build bridges of respect and collaboration with people of diverse backgrounds and religions, and to promote justice and healing in our society.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 - 5:00 PM**  
+ VELIA RODRIGUEZ

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1**

**8:00 AM** + MERV SIMS

**11:00 AM** + DORIS DUETTNER

**4:00 PM** - PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 2 - 8:30 AM**

+ MATTHEW NGUYEN

+ JAMES NGUYEN

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3 - 8:30 AM**

+ GEORGIA DOMINSKI MCQUADE

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4 - 8:30 AM**

+ COLIN MCKENNA

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5 - 8:30 AM**

+ GENEROSA LARANANG

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6 - 8:30 AM**

+ LILIAN GARCIA



We welcome the  
following new parishioners to  
the Old St. Mary's  
Parish Community.

Lauren Huelster & John Frasher and  
children Morgan and Quinten

Deanna Luzzo

Christianne Montgomery  
and children

Julianne, Joshua and Joseph

Joel Nicholas

Emma Sandboth

### SUNDAY READINGS

**First Reading:** But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life. (Ez 18:27)

**Psalm:** Remember your mercies, O Lord. (Ps 25)

**Second Reading:** Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus. (Phil 2:5)

**Gospel:** Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." (Mt 21:31)

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9, (6a);  
Phil 2:1-11

**Monday:** Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and  
22-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10

**Tuesday:** Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 9:51-56

**Wednesday:** Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6;  
Lk 9:57-62

**Thursday:** Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11;  
Lk 10:1-12

**Friday:** Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Lk 10:13-16

**Saturday:** Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-35, 36-37;  
Lk 10:17-24

**Next Sunday:** Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16,  
19-20 (Isaiah 5:7a); Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43



We welcomed **Bo Althea Jackson** into the community of the faithful through the sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, September 24, at the 11 AM Mass.

<b>BUDGET SCORECARD - FY 2024</b>	
Aug - 8 weeks	
<b>Weekly Budget Amount</b>	<b>19,158.00</b>
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$ 153,264.00
Receipts	
Sunday Collection	\$ 46,513.42
Online Giving	\$ 60,204.76
Faith Formation Tuition	\$ 13,303.00
Bank Acct Interest	\$ 90.09
Candle boxes, Mass Intentions, Baptism, Wedding, etc	\$ 3,663.04
<b>Total Received</b>	<b>\$ 123,774.31</b>
<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>\$ (29,489.69)</b>
Through August, our parish took in \$29,489.69 less than we needed to break even.	



**Parish Offices Closed**  
**Monday, October 8**  
**Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 AM**

### PERPETUAL NOVENA TO ST. RITA OF CASCIA

"Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for me."

The month of October is dedicated to



the holy Rosary and is a reminder of the promises for those who pray this contemplative prayer with Our Lady.

**Join us for the**  
**monthly Perpetual Novena to**  
**St. Rita of Cascia on**  
**Thursday, October 5, 2023 at 7:00p.m.**

All are invited to the Novena Mass at the St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel, 7740 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL. Confession is available at 6:00 p.m. Mass and novena prayers will begin at 7:00p.m.

Stay after Mass to enjoy a slice of the famous Racine Danish Kringle and socialize with new friends.

Secure and ample parking is available.

Visit our website at  
[stritashrinechicago.com](http://stritashrinechicago.com)  
 for more information

## **Extended Day Program**

Old St. Mary's School is looking for individuals to staff the Extended Day Program.

The program meets Monday through Friday from 3pm to 6pm.

Individuals can work 1 day or more each week.

The pay is \$20 per hour.

Schedules are flexible.

If you are interested in this job opportunity please contact

Stephanie Hagerman at

[shagerman@osmschool.com](mailto:shagerman@osmschool.com).

She will reply with the forms and other compliance documents needed for you to start as soon as possible.





## OSM Music Ministry Open House

### CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!

If you like to sing, play an instrument, or enjoy making music in any capacity, you're invited to join our OSM Music Ministry Open House over the next month, it's an opportunity to sit in on rehearsals and Masses and learn more about the

music ministry community by participating.

Our OSM choir rehearses on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. All are welcome to join any of the rehearsals on 10/4, and 10/11 at 7 p.m.

The choir sings at the Sunday 11 a.m. Masses, feel free to sit in and join any of the 11 a.m. Masses on 10/8, and 10/15.

All ages and skill/experience levels are encouraged to attend.

Contact Scott Williams at [swilliams@oldstmarys.com](mailto:swilliams@oldstmarys.com) with any thoughts/questions. Thanks!

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The previously called Family Open Gym is now under the label of **Parish and School Open Gym**.

The Parish and School Open Gym will be on Sundays from 1:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. It is available for children in 8<sup>th</sup> grade and younger who are children of parishioners or school-parent families. Children in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult.



Please sign up to participate on the OSM Parish App. Tap on the **MORE** tab and select **PARISH and SCHOOL OPEN GYM SIGN UP FORM**. This lets us know who will be participating in the Open Gym and the ages of the children.

Equipment for activities will be provided. Outside equipment WILL NOT be allowed.

There will be volunteers who are Virtus compliant monitoring the activities of the children.

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**A reminder: the Chicago Marathon is next Sunday morning, October 8th.**

Michigan Avenue will be closed to all vehicular traffic.

You will still be able to access both parking lots via the alley or Wabash Street.

Below is a link to the street closure brochure.

<https://assets-chicagomarathon-com.s3.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Bank-of-America-Chicago-Marathon-Street-Closure-Brochure.pdf>



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## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God invites each of us to work in His vineyard, but it's our choice whether we "clock in" or stay home. Let's never fail to show up. It's the most important job we will ever have.

## CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

**Question:** A pontifical college is known by what other common name?

**Answer:** A seminary.

## Observances for the week of October 1, 2023

**Sunday:** 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Respect Life Sunday

**Monday:** The Holy Guardian Angels

**Tuesday:**

**Wednesday:** St. Francis of Assisi

**Thursday:** Saint Faustina Kowalska,  
Virgin; Bl. Francis Xavier  
Seelos, Priest

**Friday:** St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie  
Rose Durocher, Virgin

**Saturday:** Our Lady of the Rosary

## MASS TIMES

MASSSES ARE LIVESTREAMED

## PARISH/SCHOOL

## PHONE/WEBSITE INFO

### SATURDAY:

5:00 pm

### SUNDAY:

8:00 am, 11:00 am & 4:00 pm

### DAILY MASS:

8:30 am

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

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## SACRAMENTS

### BAPTISMS:

PLEASE GO TO OUR  
WEBSITE TO REGISTER  
YOUR CHILD(REN) FOR  
BAPTISM.  
YOU WILL BE CONTACTED.

### CONFESSIONS:

4 PM SATURDAY  
AND BY APPOINTMENT



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**BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:** Items are due by **5PM on Mondays**.  
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