

Old St. Mary's Catholic Church
October 15, 2023

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

FEAST



“Come to the feast.”

MATTHEW 22:4BC

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary

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The Mission to Build the Kingdom

This week our Gospel concerns the feast of the Kingdom of God – and the call to all of us to be part of it. Next week, the Gospel concerns what we owe to God. Next week is also World Mission Sunday. When you put all this together, it invites us to look within ourselves and evaluate whether what we do together every Sunday and what we live on our own during the week reflect a faith that we truly believe.

In the Archdiocese, we are still united in bringing about the renewal of the Church. The archdiocese has moved from the systemic organizational process of reorganization of the parish communities, to the more complex reorganization of living the faith and sharing that with others.

Last year, I was reflecting on our involvement in parish and Paulist mission. The questions remain: Are you a disciple of Jesus Christ? What does it mean to be His disciple? Is there anything holding you back from following Him more closely, or from introducing others to Him? What is your relationship with the parish community? How do you strengthen the larger Catholic community? Approaching World Mission Sunday always brings us back to looking in our hearts as we look to how we impact the world.

It is important to prayerfully discern our own efforts to renew our faith lives and our active participation in the life of the Church. In order to strengthen our larger Catholic community, there are three mission imperatives that guide us forward. Always remember, we are called:

To Make Disciples - We must reflect on how each of us invites others into a personal encounter and lifelong relationship with Jesus Christ as disciples in His Church.

To Build Community - Our parish and school community today faces obstacles to vitality—getting to know one another, overcoming the fears that plague our city and area, and caring for our human resources in the community who have not yet joined the parish. We all face significant challenges because of the changes in society. That is why spiritual renewal is at the foundation of all we do.

To Inspire Witness - In keeping with the urgings of the Second Vatican Council, and in cooperation with the workings of the Synod for a Synodal Church, Pope Francis calls the Church to go out into the world as a field hospital to bring healing to a world torn by division, violence, racism, poverty and to promote respect for human dignity and life.

What does all this have to do with our personal roles in faith at Old St. Marys? Take that question to prayer and ask Jesus to show us all (and each of us in our hearts) what we are to do. He will give us a clear role in the renewal of His Church. We can do this. Let's get to work in even more earnest.

Fr. Brad

OUR PARISH MISSION

Founded 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.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face. (Is 25:8)

Psalm: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. (Ps 23)

Second Reading: I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me. (Phil 4:12-13)

Gospel: "Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find." (Mt 22:9)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (6cd); Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12

Next Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 (7b); 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 14 - 5:00 pm
+ A. Fraok Dsouza

Sunday, October 15

8:00 am + Antonio Nodarse

11:00 am - John Buckley

4:00 pm - People of the Parish

Monday, October 16 - 8:30 am
+ Antonio Nodarse

Tuesday, October 17 - 8:30 am
Migrants

Wednesday, October 18 - 8:30 am
Old St. Mary's School

Thursday, October 19 - 8:30 am
Paulist Fathers

Friday, October 20 - 8:30 am
Arsenio Bebo Garcia

Baptisms

We welcomed the following into the community of the faithful through the sacrament of Baptism on Saturday, October 7, 2023.

Jakub Wojciech Gajewski

Rufino Jeyan Madariaga Shanmugargajah



SHOES AND WARM OUTERWEAR NEEDED

*Centro
Comunitario Juan
Diego (CCID)*

is serving a growing influx of migrants to Chicago arriving from warmer climates—many with only light jackets and flipflops.

As cooler Chicago temperatures set in, there's a need for warm coats and footwear.

The Old St. Mary's Church and School communities are collecting used winter coats, jackets, and sweaters for men, women, and children of all ages. **AND gently used shoes** for men (sizes 8-11), women (sizes 6-10), and children of all ages.



Donations may be brought to the School reception area, the Church Commons, or Church Receptionist through Monday, October 30th.

Thank you for your thoughtfulness to our brothers and sisters in need.

We welcome the following new parishioners
Renee Joligan
Marilynn Parker
to the Old St. Mary's parish community.



POPE FRANCIS ISSUES NEW STATEMENT ON CLIMATE CHANGE

On October 4th, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Pope Francis issued a follow-up letter to his 2015 encyclical concerning the environment, *Laudato Si*. Titled *Laudate Deum* (Praise God), the Pope says that with the passage of time since his encyclical regarding our “common home” he has “realized that our responses have not been adequate”. It's important that all of us—the entire Church—read, reflect, and act on the Pope's short and very readable ten-page letter. You can find it here:

<https://oldstmarys.com/10/october/pope-francis-message-on-climate-change>

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.

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

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The goodness and mercy of God are gifts He wants to share with each one of us, but we have to be ready to receive them. Let's be prepared for whatever the Lord will ask of us this week.

BUDGET SCORECARD - FY 2024	
thru Sept 30	
Weekly Budget Amount	19,158.00
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$ 229,896.00
Receipts	
Sunday Collection	\$ 67,599.62
Special Donation	\$ 10,000.00
Online Giving	\$ 91,294.34
Faith Formation Tuition	\$ 15,478.00
Bank Acct Interest	\$ 131.47
Candle boxes, Mass Intentions, Baptism, Wedding, etc	\$ 5,295.79
Total Received	\$ 189,799.22
Surplus/Deficit	\$ (40,096.78)
Through Sept, our parish took in \$40,096.78 less than we needed to break even.	



Are you, or someone you know, widowed?

If you have been recently widowed and are still struggling with the loss, or if you have been widowed for some time and need something to get you "over the hump" because you seem stuck in one spot, this program is designed to help you move on with life while still treasuring your past and its precious memories.

This unique retreat/workshop will be held at **Nazareth Retreat House, Batavia, Illinois**. The Joyful Again! program is for both men and women (all ages) who have been widowed and are still trying to find hope and new joy in life.

All are welcome.

What: Retreat/workshop for

Widowed Men & Women

When: November 4 & 5 (2-day program – overnight only)

Where: NAZARETH Retreat House, Batavia, Illinois

For further information,

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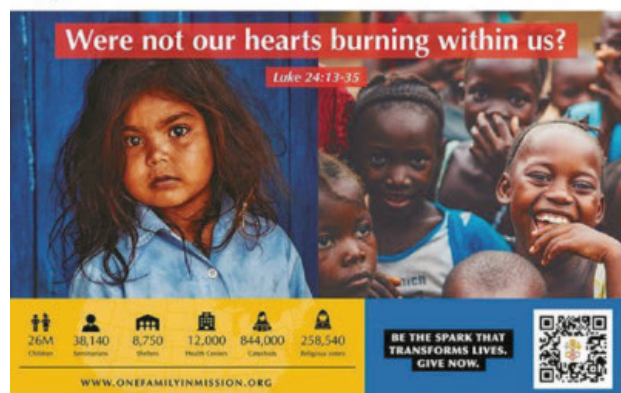
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World Mission Sunday 2023

October 22nd



There will be a **special collection** the weekend of **October 21/22 for World Mission Sunday**.

World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support to help continue the life-giving work overseas missionaries.

This year the theme is "Hearts on fire, feet on the move". It is based on the story of the two disciples that were confused and downtrodden following the death of Jesus when they encounter Him on the road to Emmanus.

HAPPINESS

Happiness will never be ours if we do not recognize to some degree that God's blessings were given us for the well-being of all.

—Anonymous

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Prayer for Joy

Dear Lord,
Fill us with your joy today.
Let our hearts overflow with
thanks and praise for your good-
ness and grace in our lives.
Increase our trust in your
providence, our assurance of your
love, our awareness of your
blessings. Amen.— ©LPi

CATHOLIC TRIVIA — JUST FOR FUN

Question: Which clergymen are
called by the ecclesiastical title
"His Holiness"?

Answer: Popes only.

Observances for the week of October 15, 2023

Sunday: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Hedwig, Religious;
St. Margaret Mary Alacoque,
Virgin
Tuesday: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop
and Martyr
Wednesday: St. Luke, Evangelist
Thursday: Sts. John de Brébeuf and
Isaac Jogues, Priests, and
Companions, Martyrs
Friday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest
Saturday:
Next Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary
Time; World Mission Sunday

MASS TIMES

MASSES 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:

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YOU WILL BE CONTACTED.

CONFESSIONS:

4 PM SATURDAY
AND BY APPOINTMENT



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Use email address give@oldstmarys.com

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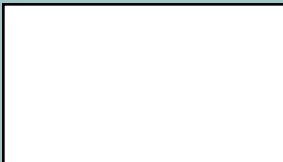
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