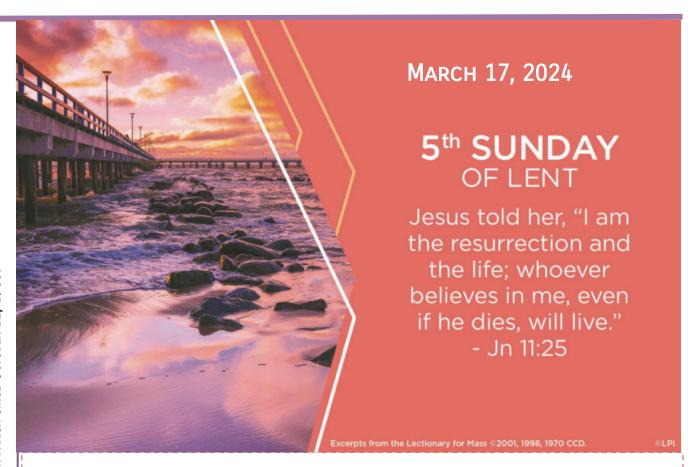
## OLD ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



### 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.

#### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION - MAR 23 - SAT. 5 PM, MAR. 24 SUN. 8 AM, 11 AM, 4 PM
HOLY THURSDAY - MARCH 28 - EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER - 7:30 PM
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT THE CONCLUSION OF MASS UNTIL 11 PM
GOOD FRIDAY - MARCH 29- STATIONS OF THE CROSS - 12 NOON
FOLLOWED BY CONFESSIONS UNTIL 2:30 PM

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION - 3 PM AND 7:30 PM
HOLY SATURDAY - MARCH 30 - THE GREAT VIGIL LITURGY OF EASTER - 8 PM
EASTER SUNDAY - MARCH 31 - 8 AM, 10 AM AND 12 PM (NO 4 PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY)

### SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the LORD. (Ez 37:14)

**Psalm:** With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. (Ps 130)

Second Reading: If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you. (Rom 8:11)

**Gospel:** "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." (Jn 11:25-26)

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11

**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

**Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Jn 8:31-42

**Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 8:51-59

**Friday:** Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a); Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39



THE CHOSEN WATCH PARTY

WEDNESDAYS FROM 9:30 AM TO 11:30 AM

March 20, and 27.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 16 - 5:00 pm Nyree Tankiang

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8:00 AM	+ Matt Schoeberle
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4:00 PM People of the Parish

MONDAY, MARCH 18 - 8:30 AM

TUESDAY, MARCH 19 - 8:30 AM + Joseph Rohr & Family

+ Lorenza Miranda Quilaton

Wednesday, March 20 - 8:30 AM + Fr. Charles Brunick CSP

THURSDAY, MARCH 21 - 8:30 AM + Fr. Charles Brunick, CSP

FRIDAY, MARCH 22 - 8:30 AM + Danilo Jose

We welcome new parishioners
Michael Lazarczyk & Meghan Gallagher



to the Old St. Mary's Parish Community.



At the 4 PM Mass on March 17, we will celebrate the last of three scrutinies, Rites for self-searching and strengthening for those preparing for Baptism at the Easter Vigil. The scrutinies

are meant to uncover and then heal all that is weak in the hearts of the elect, and strengthen all that is upright, strong and good. Let us pray for Allison Commons, Zachary Queijo, Lucas Van Eck, Morgan Frasher, and Quinten Frasher as they continue their faith journey toward the Easter sacraments.

### PASTOR'S MESSAGE

### Lazarus and the Mystery of Death

At our 4pm Mass this Sunday, the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent we will celebrate our 3<sup>rd</sup> scrutiny. The third scrutiny has at its heart, John's account of the raising of Lazarus from the dead. In other words, the final scrutiny for the elect and all of us is the constant interplay of life and death, and how God gives us new life even in death.

Those following <u>The Chosen</u> [sorry for the spoiler] know that season 4 episodes 6 and 7 deal with the intricacies of this story, its impact on the immediate family, the close friends, the Jewish religious rituals and leaders, and the Roman authorities.

To add one other layer, Fr. James Martin, SJ, has a new book called <u>Come Forth</u>, which is also about the Lazarus story, its characters, and its meaning. All of this to say, as we come to the scriptures on the last Sunday before Holy Week, we are called to reflect on life and death decisions, and called to reflect on what it means to have Christ as our source of life and guide to set the world on a more peaceful and loving path.

Given the struggles for peace in Ukraine, Gaza, Israel and so many other parts of the world, there is a tendency to say one side or the other should win. Someone deserves to win and someone deserves to lose. We say there are good guys and bad guys, sometimes. But as we reflect on losing a loved one, on grief, on why this person had to die (Lazarus), Jesus makes the mystery of dying both more complex and unsettling. He can restore to life. And what he hands on to us is the call to share life with one another and break down the divisions that lead to war.

Let us pray that as we come to Holy Week, the power of our faith and Jesus crushing blows against death, will help us and help the world come to an understanding that war, hatred and violence must end.

Fr. Brad

PS: Another way Jesus helps us have peace is by the sacred meal he has shared with us. Join with me and other parishioners, Holy Week Wednesday for a special potluck where we will share the connection of Eucharist and meal. Wednesday, March 27 at 6pm in the commons. Set up for the meal at 5:30 – look for more information in next week's bulletin.



Remember your loved ones at Easter with a gift of flowers for the altar.

you wish to make a donation of \$25, for a gift of flowers for the altar there is a special envelope in your parish envelope packet which you can use. If you do not receive parish envelopes, you can place your donation in a plain envelope with your name and the name(s) of those you wish to be remembered and drop it in the collection basket.

### FRIDAYS DURING LENT

- Evening Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - preceding Stations of the Cross from 4 to 6 PM
- Stations of the Cross 6 PM
- Soup Supper following Stations of the Cross

### CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: Which play, made into a television show, was written by Pope John Paul II in 1960?

Answer: The Jeweler's Shop

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### PAULISTS PRESENT – during Lent: Sundays 9:30am repeated on Mondays at 9:30am

MEET IN THE PARISH COMMONS

The Stories about Jesus' Dying: March 17 & 18 - Fr. Michael McGarry, CSP How are they the same and how are they different? Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John

Paulist Fr. Michael McGarry lived for eleven years in Jerusalem. He served as director of the Tantur Ecumenical Institute from 1999 to 2010. He studied at Hebrew University in Jerusalem and has been involved in Jewish-Christian relations for over forty years. He is the author of Christology After Auschwitz.

WE CONTINUE WITH THE INDIVIDUAL TESTIMONIES OF OUR RCIA CATECHUMENS & CANDIDATES.

PLEASE MEET, WELCOME,
GET KNOW AND PRAY FOR THEM.



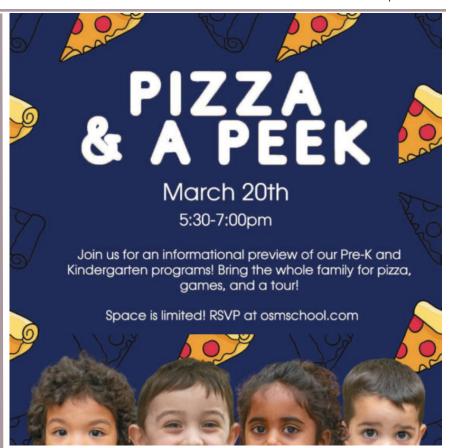
Why I am becoming a Catholic:

I was baptized at 10 years old at Liberty Baptist Church in Chicago, Illinois.

My faith has always been very strong in the Lord. I told my husband, Nathaniel that I would like to become a Catholic because I am looking for a deeper connection with God, community of faith, hope and charity.

My spiritual journey leads me to take RCIA classes at Old St. Mary's Church.

Patricia Ann Howse





Нарру Birthday to Fr. PJ on Monday, March 18th.





## CHILI COOK OFF SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 11 AM to 2 PM

The OSM Parish Council cordially invites you to the return of the Annual Chili Cook Off.

They also invite you to bring your brownies that everyone raves about. No contest for the brownies, just enjoyable munching.

If you wish to bring your delicious pot of chili, sign up on the clipboard in the Commons.

If you want to volunteer there is a place to sign up for that on the clipboard as well.

#### Volunteers are needed.

Please sign up or email your interests by March 20. The email address is <a href="mailto:chilibakebake@gmail.com">chilichilibakebake@gmail.com</a>.

You can also call or text Dr. Sonjia Barnes at 312-285-3321.

Gather and hang out with the OSM church and school community judging chili, eating chili, and devouring brownies.

ALL are welcome.

### Prayer of Bold Ask

God in heaven,

Hear me as I call to you! Pour new life into me! Renew my heart in Your word! Help me to know You! Help me to glorify You, worship You, and trust You. Amen.

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### SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Alphonsus Liguori, (1696-1787) was a prolific theologian and founder of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (The Redemptorists). Renowned for his profound devotion to the Eucharist and insightful theological teachings, he is the patron saint of moral theologians



Our Drop of Water to Ease Burning Immigration Issues in Chicago

In October 2022, Mercy Sisters Pat Murphy and JoAnn Persch were

asked by the Sanctuary Working Group to help an asylum-seeking mother and five children from Sierra Leone. They brought the need to the Chicago Mercy Justice Committee of sisters and associates who agreed to find funds, housing, and all else the family would need. They didn't realize that they were on the road to starting a non-profit, but they were.

Visions of the buses, tents, overflowing police stations and shelters impelled a small group to accept and help other asylum-seeking families, and Catherine's Caring Cause, named for Sisters of Mercy foundress Catherine McAuley, was founded. By the end of 2023, it was Catherine's Caring Cause, Inc NFP.

Since its inception, CCC has situated nine families in eight furnished homes on Chicago's southside. Each home has a mentor who helps with everything from enrolling kids in school to helping with medical and legal issues to explaining how washing machines work (Google Translate is a God-send for Venezuelan families) and everything in between. We are currently helping 13 adults and 23 children and are searching for two more homes.

We need YOUR help as we struggle to raise funds to pay rent, utilities, legal and medical fees. We also need mentors and others to help with such things as driving and teaching English.

Please check out our website at <a href="mailto:catherinecareschicago.org">catherinecareschicago.org</a> and contact Carol Conway, <a href="mailto:cairec49@yahoo.com">cairec49@yahoo.com</a> or 708-227-3560, for more information.

Thank you!

### **MASS TIMES**

#### MASSES ARE LIVESTREAMED

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
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YOU WILL BE CONTACTED.

CONFESSIONS:

4 PM SATURDAY

AND BY APPOINTMENT



# Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays from 9 AM to Noon.

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### BUDGET SCORECARD - FY 2024

thru 1/31/24

**Weekly Budget Amount** 

19,158.00

Fiscal YTD Budget

\$ 555,582.00

Receipts

Sunday/Christmas Collectic \$ 247,947.13

Online Giving \$ 242,487.93

Faith Formation Tuition \$ 17,454.00

Bank Acct Interest \$ 301.72

Candle boxes, Mass

Intentions, Baptism, \$ 15,036.11

Wedding, etc

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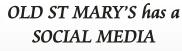
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