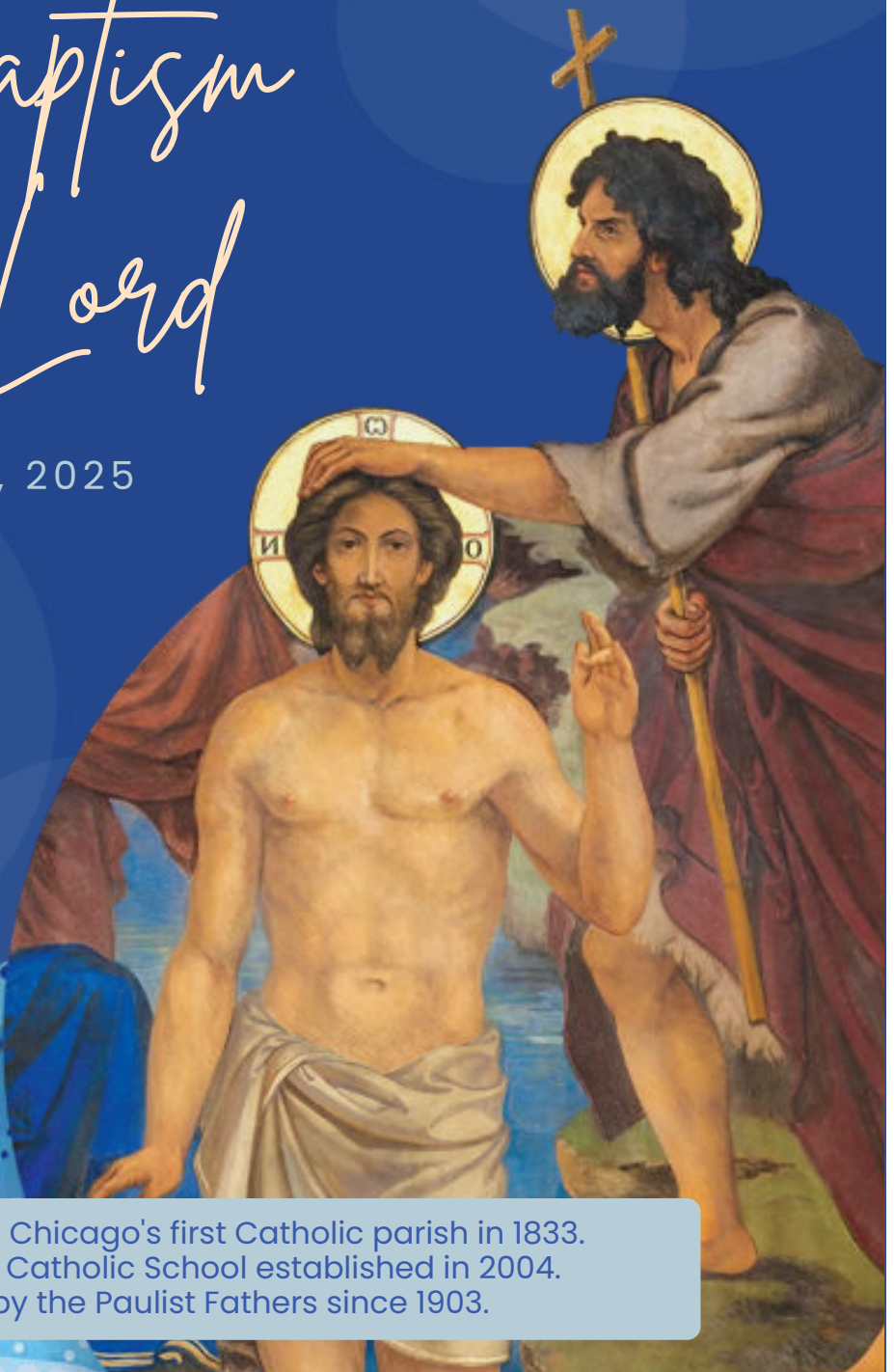


⊕ Old St. Mary's Catholic Church

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.

The Baptism of the Lord

JANUARY 12, 2025



Established as Chicago's first Catholic parish in 1833.
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PASTORAL MESSAGE

Dear sisters and brothers in faith,

The time of anticipation is over. Emmanuel has come, the word has become flesh, the faithful have come to adore him in the manger, and every nation on earth has rejoiced this Christmastide. In today's Gospel, Jesus, now an adult, begins his public ministry as he presents himself to John to be baptized, declaring his commitment to teaching and living the ways of our God who is full of love and mercy.

The scripture offers many of us an opportunity to remember our own baptism, how it unites us with Christ, and to seek our own ways of being his hands and feet here in the church and in our lives beyond its walls. Each time we remember, we have an opportunity for a new beginning, to refocus and recommit to a life of serving God and one another. Let us, through prayer and discernment, seek out our own unique path toward living out this calling in real and concrete ways. And let us do so with the reverence and humility of John the Baptist who accepted no glory for himself, leaving it all to Christ alone.

As I begin my tenure as your Director of Liturgy and Music here at Old St. Mary, I look forward to getting to know you, your needs, desires, and dreams as they pertain to our communal worship. Let us remember that liturgy is "the work of the people"—you and I, and all who gather to pray and give praise to God each and every day. Together, we can continue to foster an environment that inspires, uplifts, and challenges us—one that is clearly reflective of who we are and hope to be as God's faithful servants. I am grateful to have been welcomed into your midst and to be joining you on this journey.

Christ, the one for whom we have longed, is here among us, inviting us to follow his lead by putting faith into action. His time—and our time—is now. May the Holy Spirit descend upon us and remain with us through these times of transition, and may we always strive to live as beloved children, pleasing in the eyes of God.

Many blessings,

Ace Gangoso
Director of Liturgy and Music



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 12

8 AM Christina Leik (+)
11 AM Keith Lamarr
4 PM People of the Parish

Monday, January 13

8:30 AM June Pitt (+)

Tuesday, January 14

8:30 AM Jim Pitt

Wednesday, January 15

8:30 AM Nora T. Posa (+)

Thursday, January 16

8:30 AM Nichole Bennett (+)

Friday, January 17

8:30 AM Sesenia Josen

Saturday, January 18

5:00 PM Napoleon Batease (+)



We are excited to bring back OSM's
KNIGHTS AROUND THE WORLD

Come witness the showcase of colorful diversities from our student body! Travel with us around the world to learn about culture, taste exotic foods, and enjoy cultural performances.

If your young one is interested in participating in any way, scan the QR code below to complete the Google form. Opportunities include booths and posters, cultural performances, and bringing foods.

Questions? Please email:
Jazel (familysugay@gmail.com)
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

The readings for the week can be found on the US Catholic Bishops Conference website at: <https://bible.usccb.org/>

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE BIBLE

St. Austin Catholic Church, with Fr. Rich, has created an online guide to explore Bible readings from Mass.

Visit staustin.org/lectionary-guide.

In the first four weeks of Ordinary Time, we hear from "The Letter of St. Paul to the Hebrews." Though not a letter or authored by Paul, it's a profound treatise in refined Greek, explaining Christ as our high priest to those familiar with Jewish rituals. Learn more at staustin.org/weeks-1-4-in-ordinary-time-year-i.



MLK Day Holiday

Monday, January 20

In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Old St. Mary's Church and School will be closed on Monday, January 20, except for the 8:30 AM daily Mass.

GIVEAWAY

There are tables in the Commons filled with books and other items that the Chicago Paulists and the parish staff are giving away. Please take as much as you like, and consider making a financial donation, if possible. All proceeds will go towards the parish general offertory.

Why is this happening? The Chicago Paulists are downsizing their residence, which will provide significant savings for both Old St. Mary's Parish and the Paulist Fathers. On the parish side, we've found that we're no longer using some perfectly good books that have been left behind by former staff.

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SACRAMENTS

MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM
Wednesday School Mass during School Year

Saturday 5:00 PM Vigil

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

Holy Days *contact parish office*

BAPTISM

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

- to request a copy of your baptismal certificate, email fr.dan@oldstmarys.com

MATRIMONY

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

Please contact Fr. Rich or Fr. Dan

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday from 4:00 - 4:30 PM,
and by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Every First Friday during the 8:30 AM Mass,
and by appointment

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
(9:00 AM - 11:30 AM)

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome!
To register,
scan the QR code
or go to
bit.ly/osm-registration



OLD ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 8
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Join our Altar Server Ministry!



Next Training Dates:

**Wednesday, January 15
at 6:00 PM**

**Wednesday, January 22
after the school mass**

Please RSVP at altarservers@oldstmarys.com



Calling all young people in High School to join our new Parish Youth Council!

We want to hear from YOU about what the Youth Council can look like at OSM! Bring your ideas for FUN, faith, and fellowship on January 31 @ 7:00 PM to help shape our community's next steps! There will be food!

Adult Faith Formation at OSM

Adult Faith Formation offers opportunities for adults to deepen their faith through prayer, worship, classes, and discipleship. Our weekly group meets Wednesdays at 9:30 AM after the 8:30 AM Mass.

To learn more:

Oblate James Holzhauer-Chuckas, ObSB
obl.james@oldstmarys.com.

Interested in being Catholic?

The Order of Christian Initiation (OCI) is a process for those discerning becoming Catholic outside the typical timeline of initiation. At Old St. Mary's, we offer three tracks: one for children, one for teens, and one for adults.

To learn more:

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2024 TAX STATEMENTS

Tax statements for 2024 will be available the week of January 13, 2025, via the OSM Parish App. Download the app by searching "OSM Parish" in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. You'll receive an email from Pushpay when your statement is ready. If we don't have your email, a statement will be mailed. To update your address, contact the parish office, use the collection basket, or mail your information.

Youth Service Opportunity

HYGIENE KIT PACKING

FRIDAY, JAN. 17
6:00 - 7:00 PM •
DONOVAN HALL

DONATIONS NEEDED!



We are seeking donations of the following travel-sized or small items: Ziploc Bags (Quart Size), Body Wash, Bars of Soap, Lotion, Razor & Shaving Cream, Hand Sanitizer, Hand Towels, Toothbrush & Toothpaste, Deodorant, Tampons, Small Bottles of Water, Snacks (Small Chips, Granola Bars, etc.).

Donations can be dropped off anytime in the commons or the parish office. Thank you for your generosity!

Young Adults at OSM

For those in their 20s and 30s



We're restarting our young adult ministry in 2025! Scan the QR code below and sign up to be included in our mailing list.

Bulletin Submissions

Looking to put something in the bulletin?
Email bulletin@oldstmarys.com

First Communion Parent Meeting

Wednesday, January 22
6:30 PM | Church



Parents of children preparing for First Communion are invited to attend this important meeting. For any questions, please contact Oblate James at obl.james@oldstmarys.com.

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

The **Sunday Faith Formation** program welcomes students from kindergarten through 5th grade and meets on Sundays from 9:30 to 10:30 AM. Second graders begin preparation for Reconciliation, followed by First Eucharist in 2025, with completion in third grade (2025 - 2026). For more information, contact LFF@oldstmarys.com.

Our **Confirmation program** is a three-year faith journey for youth in 6th-8th grade. Students in 6th and 7th grade prepare for the sacrament, receive Confirmation in 7th grade, and then engage in a pastoral year during 8th grade to live out the graces of the sacrament. To learn more about our Confirmation program and middle school youth ministry, contact us at confirmation@oldstmarys.com.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is offered during most 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM Sunday Masses for young children and elementary students, helping them engage with God's Word in a meaningful way. To learn more or inquire about becoming a CLW catechist, contact Sonjia Waxmonsky at CLW@oldstmarys.com.

Low Gluten Hosts at Mass

Low Gluten Hosts are available at mass for those with a gluten sensitivity. For a low-gluten host, arrive at least 5 minutes before Mass, visit the sacristy to request one, and receive it from the presider during Communion.

Giving at Old St. Mary's

Every contribution at Old St. Mary's nurtures our faith community and supports those in need. Your generosity: through donations, volunteering, or outreach, makes a difference.

Give online at
<https://oldstmarys.com/donate/>

We also have a contactless giving kiosk in the commons, which accepts any tap-enabled credit card or mobile device. Thank you for supporting OSM's mission!

Adult Open Gym



Adults are invited to Open Gym Sundays at 6:30 PM. New participants can join by downloading the OSM Parish App, selecting "Adult Open Gym" under the MORE tab, and completing the signup form.



SCAM

ALERT

Beware of Email Scams!

Several parishioners recently received an email titled "NEW DEVELOPMENTS ON STAFF WELFARE," appearing to be from Fr. Rich but actually sent from pastormailonline@gmail.com.

The message asks for a discreet favor and urges a quick response.

Do not reply! This is a spear phishing scam, where scammers find public information linking you to our parish or school and use it to impersonate trusted figures.

Old St. Mary's has not experienced a data breach. While we cannot prevent these scams, you can protect yourself by verifying that any staff emails come from an official oldstmarys.com address.