

⊕ 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 RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 20, 2025



Established as Chicago's first Catholic Parish in 1833. Old St. Mary's Catholic School established in 2004. Served by the Paulist Fathers since 1903.

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PASTORAL MESSAGE

Reaching Out, with a Festive "Alleluia!"

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Whether this is your first time or your four-thousandth time worshipping with us at Old St. Mary's Catholic Church, we're glad that you're here today. On Easter Sunday, more than on any other day of the year, we are vividly reminded that the Body of Christ is present in our gathering. Your presence today makes us more fully who we profess to be. Welcome!

If any of us react to Christ's resurrection with questions or doubts, we're in good company. In John's gospel, none of the disciples – not Mary Magdalene, nor Peter, nor the beloved disciple, nor Thomas – initially understand what is going on. Nevertheless, they stay in relationship with Jesus and one another as they work through their uncertainties.

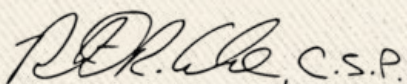
All are welcome at Old St. Mary's Catholic Church and School, not only devout Catholics committed to the work of justice, but also those who question some of the Church's teachings and those who are unfamiliar with the teachings. Our community is constantly, dynamically renewed by people moving into our neighborhood, making friends here, enrolling in our school, receiving their sacraments, and growing in faith. We journey together, living out Francis' vision of the Church, as articulated in a speech he gave shortly before being elected pope:

We need to avoid the spiritual sickness of a church that is wrapped up in its own world: when a church becomes like this, it grows sick. It is true that going out on to the street implies the risk of accidents happening, as they would to any ordinary man or woman. But if the church stays wrapped up in itself, it will age. And if I had to choose between a wounded church that goes out on to the streets and a sick, withdrawn church, I would definitely choose the first one.

For 192 years, the people of Old St. Mary's have gone out on to the streets of the Loop and the South Loop neighborhoods to make the Catholic faith relevant and vibrant. Through various media, we have reached out much further – engaging in service projects in metro Chicago and beyond, inspiring the movies *Going My Way* (Academy Award for Best Picture in 1944) and *The Bells of St. Mary's* (the world's highest-grossing movie of 1945), and producing international tours and recordings. The diversity of our community speaks to our genuine welcome of newcomers.

We warmly welcome you to join us for our liturgies, programs, and initiatives, even if you continue to have questions about the faith. If we stay connected to one another even as some of us explore our doubts, we, like Thomas and the other disciples in the early days after the resurrection, will also come to a more robust faith. Please check out the rest of the bulletin for a variety of ways to connect with us!

On behalf of everyone at Old St. Mary's, we wish you a happy Easter. We'll intensify that greeting by once more turning it into a statement of faith: Alleluia! Christ is risen!



Rev. Richard R. Andre, C.S.P.

Pastor

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



SAVE THE DATE

The Annual Paulist Appeal

Lighting the Path of Hope: Celebrating Our Faithful Mission

April 26 & 27 at our weekend masses 

Each year, the **Annual Paulist Appeal** invites us to support the mission and ministries of the Paulist Fathers. Your support provides resources to Paulist parishes and campus ministry communities through impactful initiatives like our Mission Impact grants, which fund local efforts aligned with the mission priorities of the Paulist Fathers.

The Appeal will be presented at all Masses the weekend of April 26–27, with parishioner Maryann Cushing sharing a few words and inviting us to consider supporting this important mission. To learn more or make a donation, visit paulist.org/apa or scan the QR code. Please credit donations to "Old St. Mary's Church."



SAVE THE DATE

The Spirit of Hecker Awards

Saturday, April 26 after the 5:00 PM Mass

2025 OSM Recipient: Dr. Cozette Buckney



We are proud to honor **Dr. Cozette Buckney** as this year's recipient of the **Spirit of Hecker Award** at Old St. Mary's! Named for Paulist founder Fr. Isaac Hecker, this award is given annually by each Paulist parish to a lay person who embodies the Paulist charism of welcoming, inviting, and witnessing to the Gospel in everyday life.

To celebrate Cozette and all the award recipients from across the country, we'll host a watch party for the Spirit of Hecker Awards on **Saturday, April 26 after the 5:00 PM Mass** in the commons. Help us celebrate this well-deserved recognition of Cozette's joyful and faithful witness in our community! RSVPs encouraged – please [use this link](#) or scan the QR code. Can't make our celebration? Watch at paulist.org/heckerawards/



Ministry Opportunities at Old St. Mary's

Want to make a difference in our parish community? We're always looking to involve more people! Here are just a few of our ministries at Old St. Mary's:

Social Justice & Service Group

We are looking to re-start our Social Justice & Services Group! This ministry used to organize a robust variety of drives for local charities each year, plus they engaged in service, education, and advocacy activities. We will hold an initial interest/planning meeting at **6:00 PM Monday, May 5** in **Donovan Hall** to discern what the Holy Spirit is calling us to do at this time. This meeting is intended for people who may be interested in contributing to the ministry on a monthly basis. An RSVP is not necessary, but encouraged. Please contact Lauren Huelster at lauren@oldstmarys.com.

Join the Old St. Mary's Choir!

Come lift your voice in worship and community! If you've sung with us before or want to try something new, all are welcome – no experience needed!

Every Sunday
Rehearsal: 9:20 AM
Mass: 11:00 AM

For details, contact **Ace Gangoso**,
Director of Liturgy & Music at
ace@oldstmarys.com.

Help Stream the Sunday Mass!

We're finally a bit more organized with the livestream, and looking for a few volunteers to assist. It's a simple but meaningful outreach to a number of folks in our parish unable to come physically to mass. Please contact Fr. Dan.

Proclaim the Word Be a Lector

Do you feel called to share God's Word? We invite you to consider serving as a lector at Mass! Lectors play a vital role in our parish by proclaiming Scripture and helping bring God's message to life for the community.

Contact Ace Gangoso at
ace@oldstmarys.com.



Become a Eucharistic Minister



We invite you to consider serving as a Eucharistic Minister, helping to share the Body and Blood of Christ with our parish community at Mass. This ministry is a beautiful way to deepen your faith and participate more fully in the liturgy.

Contact Ace Gangoso at
ace@oldstmarys.com.

Join the OCI Ministry Team!

Do you have a heart for welcoming others into the Catholic faith? Our **Order of Christian Initiation** (OCI) ministry team accompanies **children, teens, and adults** who are exploring baptism, confirmation, and full communion with the Church. If you feel called to walk with others on this path of faith, contact Fr. Dan to learn more.

Catechists Needed!

Do you love sharing your faith and working with children? We're looking for catechists and volunteers for next school year's Children's Liturgy of the Word and Sunday Faith Formation programs. No teaching experience required, just a love for God and a willingness to help our young ones grow in faith. To express interest, please contact Fr. Dan at frdan@oldstmarys.com.



Apply Now!

Pre-K for the 2025-2026 School Year

Looking for a vibrant, faith-filled, and academically excellent environment for your child? Old St. Mary's School is now enrolling in Pre-K!

Visit us at osmschool.com to schedule a tour!



Communion to the Homebound

Our Ministers of Care will be soon 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.



SAVE THE DATE!

The 2025
OSM School Musical

The Wizard of Oz

May 16 & 17 | 7:00 PM

More details to follow



Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Are you curious about the Catholic faith or considering becoming Catholic? Whether you're unbaptized, baptized in another Christian tradition, or simply exploring, we'd love to walk with you. Reach out to Fr. Dan at frdan@oldstmarys.com to learn more about the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA).

Are You in Your 20s or 30s?

Come connect with other young adults at Old St. Mary's! Our Young Adult Group gathers for faith, fellowship, and fun. We hope to provide a variety of programming to engage those in their 20s and 30s at OSM, whether it's small groups, service projects, or social events. Scan the QR code to sign up for your young adult mailing list! Contact frdan@oldstmarys.com for questions or to suggest a future young adult event!



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 20

8 AM Susan & Kudzai Mutasa
10 AM Rodolfo Torres (+)
12 PM Payton Family

Monday, April 21

8:30 AM Edward Payton

Tuesday, April 22

8:30 AM Janet Para (+)

Wednesday, April 23

8:30 AM Carol Parker

Thursday, April 24

8:30 AM A 59th Wedding Anniversary

Friday, April 25

8:30 AM James Sheehan (+)

Saturday, April 26

5 PM Mary Carol Vaneco (+)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

The readings for the week can be found on the US Catholic Bishops Conference website. Head to <https://bible.usccb.org/> or scan the QR code.



St. Austin Catholic Church, with Fr. Rich, has created an online guide to explore Bible readings from Mass. Visit staustin.org/lectionary-guide.

Now Hiring

Director of Lifelong Faith Formation

We recently posted the Director of Lifelong Faith Formation job. Please feel free to share with anyone who might be interested in the position.

Head to bit.ly/OSM-DirectorLifelongFaith or scan the QR code to learn more.



Adult Open Gym

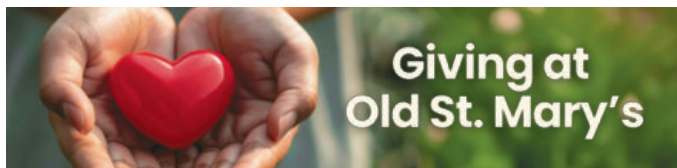
SUNDAYS AFTER THE 4:00 PM MASS

Join us for Adult Open Gym on Sundays after the 4:00 PM Mass (5:00 - 6:30 PM). Please contact Steve Dollear (stevenjdollear@gmail.com) if you'd like to be added to the group's text thread!

As we celebrate the joy and hope of the Resurrection, know that our hearts are filled with gratitude for each of you.

May this Easter season bring renewed faith, deep peace, and the assurance that God's love is stronger than death.

- The OSM Parish Staff



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.



Scan the QR code, or give online at

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

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.

Scan the QR code, or signup at bit.ly/osm-newsletter-signup



Bulletin Submissions

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

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Lorena Villegas
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Fr. Bob Cary, CSP

Priest-in-Residence

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 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

ANOINTING 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
(9:00 AM – 11:30 AM)



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