

## ⊕ 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.



# SECOND SUNDAY — OF EASTER —

*Sunday of Divine Mercy*

APRIL 27, 2025

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## PASTORAL MESSAGE

Dear friends and parishioners of Old St. Mary's Parish

A little over a year ago the Paulist Fathers made the decision to continue to staff Old St. Mary's Parish and School in Chicago. We are glad we are still here. This weekend, with great joy, we celebrate and invite all to join in our Annual Paulist Appeal: Lighting the Path of Hope, and applaud the bestowal of the Spirit of Hecker Award to Dr. Cozette Buckney.

Fr. Isaac Hecker (1819-88), founder of the Paulist Fathers, had a vision of a Catholic America. Americans, from the founding members to the new immigrants of the 1840s and beyond, would be drawn to the Catholic Church's communitarian understanding of society rather than the individualistic approach of Protestantism. Catholic communitarianism is our belief that we are members of the Body of Christ, united with Christ and united with each other. This belief in practice would enable Americans to realize their motto *e pluribus unum*, out of many, one. In our times this Catholic approach to civil society has been developed in the social teachings of popes including St. John Paul II and Pope Francis. The U.S. Catholic Bishops have formulated the Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching. (Cf. [www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings](http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings)). Three of the themes have great resonance with the Paulist mission priorities: Call to Family, Community, Participation; Option for the Poor and Vulnerable; Solidarity.

In 2022 the Paulist General Assembly articulated the mission priorities of the Paulist Fathers:

*"... we are committed to encountering, accompanying, and entering into dialogue with the other --- personified in our present times as those who are distant from the Catholic Church and its practice, and also those who have been relegated to the peripheries, including women, members of the LGBTQ+ community, those in their 20s and 30s, and people of color."*

The Paulists believe, given the divisions and misunderstandings currently afflicting our nation and our Church, that our mission is needed now more than ever. We are grateful for your moral and financial support to our mission.

Fr. Bob Cary, CSP  
Priest-in-residence

# The Annual Paulist Appeal

Lighting the Path of Hope: Celebrating Our Faithful Mission

**APRIL 26 & 27 AT ALL 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](http://paulist.org/apa) or scan the QR code. Please credit donations to “Old St. Mary’s Church.”



## THE 2025 *Spirit of Hecker* Awards



Congratulations!

Dr. Cozette Buckney  
2025 OSM RECIPIENT

Watch Party: Saturday, April 26 after the 5:00 PM Mass  
or watch online: [www.paulist.org/heckerawards](http://www.paulist.org/heckerawards)



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# Pope Francis

As we mourn the passing of Pope Francis, we also give thanks for the joy, compassion, and courage with which he led the Church. Throughout his papacy, he called us to encounter Christ in the margins, to live with mercy, and to be a people of joy-filled witness in the world. In tribute to his legacy, we share a few memorable quotes from his apostolic exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel), a landmark document that captured his vision for a Church that goes forth.

*"Being a disciple means being constantly ready to bring the love of Jesus to others... on the street, in a city square, during work, on a journey." (EG, 127)*

*"God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy." (EG, 3)*

*"I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets... rather than a Church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security." (EG, 49)*

*"The Church must be a place of mercy freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven, and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel." (EG, 114)*

*"The Gospel tells us constantly to run the risk of a face-to-face encounter with others, with their physical presence which challenges us." (EG, 88)*



Our Confirmation mass is this coming **Sunday, May 4 at 4:00 PM.**

**If you regularly attend the 4:00 PM Mass, we kindly ask you to consider attending one of our other weekend Masses that day to help accommodate the large number of *confirmandi* and their families.**

Thank you for your support and prayers for our young people as they prepare to be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit. *Veni, Sancte Spiritus!*

## SUNDAY MASS TIME SURVEY

Over the past year, we've received several requests to consider adjusting our weekend Mass schedule, with most inquiries focused on the time of the first Sunday Mass - currently at **8:00 AM.**

As part of a broader effort to serve the needs of the parish, **we're exploring the possibility of shifting this Mass to 8:30 AM.** This change would make it easier for families in our Sunday Faith Formation program to attend Mass either before or after class. If we make the change, we will devise a system to try to minimize parking disruptions during student pick-up and drop-off.

We welcome your feedback at <https://osm-mass-times.com/> or scan the QR code.



### 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](https://bit.ly/OSM-DirectorLifelongFaith) or scan the QR code to learn more.



### Return CRS Rice Bowls



Thank you for participating in this year's CRS Rice Bowl! Please return your Rice Bowls to the parish by May 4. If possible, consider converting your donation to a check made out to "Old St. Mary's" with CRS Rice Bowl in the memo. You can also give directly at [crsricebowl.org](https://crsricebowl.org). Your generosity supports communities in need around the world.

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:frdan@oldstmarys.com) for questions or to suggest a future young adult event!



## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, April 27

8 AM Anmia R. Solis (+)  
11 AM Maura Santamaria (+)  
4 PM People of the Parish

### Monday, April 28

8:30 AM Prudencio Alban, Sr. (+)

### Tuesday, April 29

8:30 AM Lydia Guillermo (+)

### Wednesday, April 30

8:30 AM Max Daclan (+)

### Thursday, May 1

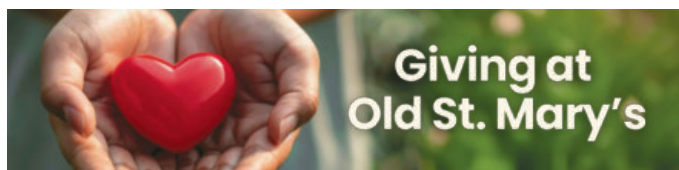
8:30 AM Lourdes Imbag

### Friday, May 2

8:30 AM Jeremy Renell Lamarr

### Saturday, May 3

5 PM Mary Carol Vaneco (+)



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.



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## 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.

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## Bulletin Submissions

Looking to put something in the bulletin?  
Email [bulletin@oldstmarys.com](mailto:bulletin@oldstmarys.com)

## A Thank You from St. James Wabash Food Pantry

Dear Old Saint Mary's Parish,

Thank you for The Love, Support, and prayers from your parish which have changed lives and made tremendous impacts in the lives of clients who utilize the food pantry here at St. James. You have given monetary donations, clothing, toys, gift cards, hygiene items, hams, chickens, turkeys, and other food items along with your time and talent. These donations received from Advent throughout this Lent, Pentecost and beyond have restored hope to those who don't have enough to eat. You have brought warmth to those with inadequate clothing. You have restored dignity to those who are without housing. Thank you and may God continue to bless you.

Thank you for loving your St. James neighbors as Christ has asked, even though you do not know them and they do not know you. Thank you for your compassion and willingness to live out the works of mercy. Most of all, thank you for allowing me to see God's grace, love and mercy in the people of OSM as you shine your light brightly on St. James Pantry families.

In closing I want to share this story of a family who was blessed from O.S.M. generosity.

A father of four called this past Christmas looking for help during the holiday. He had been laid off from his job, his wife was facing illness, winter had come and the children had no boots, coats or warm clothing. To make matters worse he had been trying to Uber but his car broke down. He explained that the children understood and didn't complain about Christmas being less joyous as the past. The humble but distraught father was only asking for help with coats or boots. But your generosity allowed each child coats, boots, toys, gift cards, warm clothing, school supplies, hygiene items and holiday meal which included turkey and ham with sides. This entire family you blessed and so many others send a heartfelt thank you.

Cathy Moore | St. James Wabash

## The 2025 OSM School Musical

*The Wizard of Oz*

May 16 & 17 | 7:00 PM

More details to follow

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### Fr. Rich Andre, CSP

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**-now hiring-**

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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 [baptisms@oldstmarys.com](mailto: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)

## New to the Parish?

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