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Madonna del Parto, Piero della Francesca, Tuscany, 14th century

“The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God.”

– *Luke 1:35*



DECEMBER 2021



OLD ST. MARY PARISH

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MASSES

Sunday

7:30 a.m. | Low Traditional Latin
9:30 a.m. | Sung Traditional Latin
11:30 a.m. | German
1:00 p.m. | English

Monday-Friday

7:15 a.m. | Low Traditional Latin
12:10 p.m. | English

Saturday

7:15 a.m. | Low Traditional Latin
9:00 a.m. | English

First Friday Mass

6:30 p.m. | Traditional Latin

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Sunday

8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. &
12:30 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Monday-Friday

11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday

11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

Saturday

8:15 a.m - 8:45 a.m.

Evening Masses

45 minutes before Mass

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

Tuesday

8:00 a.m. - noon & 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. with
Holy Hour with Benediction beginning at 7:30 p.m.

First Friday – All Night Vigil

Following the 6:30 p.m. Mass



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MASSES

Sunday

9:00 a.m. | English Mass
11:00 a.m. | Sung Traditional Latin Mass

Tuesday-Friday

9:00 a.m. | Low Traditional Latin Mass

First Saturday

9:00 a.m. | Low Traditional Latin Mass

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Sunday

8:30 - 8:45
10:30 - 10:45

Tuesday - Friday

8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

First Saturday

8:15 to 8:45 a.m.



GENERAL SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Holy Day Masses

Please check bulletin.

Baptisms

If possible, please contact the parish office one month prior to due date to start planning.

Weddings

Contact parish office at least six months prior.

Anointing of the Sick

Contact a parish priest as soon as possible.

Laudetur Jesus Christus! Gelobt sei Jesus Christus! Sia lodato Gesù Cristo! Praised be Jesus Christ!

NOTE from the PASTOR



The time to celebrate the birth of Our Lord is near at hand. But like with all important people, to welcome Him requires preparation. For this reason, the Church has given to us the Season of Advent, a period to prepare for Christmas. In previous times, this season also included fasting laws, but these have long been dropped from the practice of the Western Church. However, this in no way means that we shouldn't be preparing ourselves.

We ought to, first of all, ensure that we are preparing ourselves spiritually. If you haven't confessed recently, please be sure to get to confession before Christmas! Perhaps our preparation also includes attending Mass at various times throughout the week or attending Adoration if getting to Mass is difficult. We could also read a spiritual book like the sermons of St. Francis de Sales for Advent and Christmas, St. Alphonsus or St. Athanasius on the Incarnation, or perhaps even Gospels. The fact that God became man to undo our debt to God is an astonishing moment in time. When we truly consider the consequence of what Christ has done for us, it is inconceivable in our fallen, finite minds. We can do practical things to prepare, like keeping an Advent Calendar, making use of the Advent Wreath, and saying the St. Andrew prayer each day.

This is worth the preparation because it is ultimately a part of our broader preparation for Heaven. St. Thomas Aquinas, coming

from the Fathers of the Church, teaches us that Christ became man so that we may become gods. This is an amazing gift for people born with original sin and who has since committed their own personal sins, but not one that doesn't come with responsibility. So each of us needs to make sure that we are preparing ourselves to be worthy of Christ and what He is offering to us. So be sure to make the best use of this time that the Church is giving to us.

I would also encourage everyone to be generous with the less fortunate this season. We are each poor in our own way, but Christ has come for each of us. All that has been given to us to benefit the Church and God's glory. So out of our abundance, we ought to be generous with those not as fortunate as ourselves. So be sure to keep others in mind this season and be generous, just as God has been generous with us.

Please be sure to review our Mass and special event schedule for Advent and into Christmas. I am encouraging everyone to take advantage of these opportunities. So be sure to review the full newsletter, so you don't miss out on any of these events. Finally, I would like to remind everyone that the Immaculate Conception, December 8, is a Holy Day of Obligation, so please be sure to make it to Mass that day!

Have a blessed month ahead!

Fr. Paul Beck

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Old St. Mary office hours are Mon.-Thurs., from 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. and Friday, from 9 a.m. - noon.

Sacred Heart office hours are by appointment.



Saint Michael Vanquishing Satan, Raffaello Sanzio

Credo

Old St. Mary's Adoration

Contact the parish office or visit adoration.oldstmarys.org to sign up. **Adoration is on Tuesday and First Fridays.** The hours are on parish schedule on page 2. The minimum is two adorers per hour, but our goal is nine hundred! Exposition is open to everyone, even if you can't take a scheduled hour or be a substitute.

Please note that there will be no Evening Adoration or Evening Confessions on December 21, 28, and January 4.



Sorrowful Mother Novena and All-Night Vigil

Join the Sorrowful Mother Adoration group on the **2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Fridays of the month** for Mass and all night Eucharistic Exposition at Old St. Mary. Mass begins at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Novena. The all-night Vigil goes until 7:00 a.m. Saturday morning, concluding with Benediction

followed by Mass at 7:15 a.m. Call: Mr. Shannon Roblin at 513-502-8548 or Mrs. Dolores Brandstetter at 513-561-4155.

Learn about the Faith

FORMED is a Catholic web site that has resources for learning more about the Catholic Faith. **The code for registration is NFDDBVP which can be done at www.formed.org/register.** Please take advantage of this great opportunity to learn more about our holy faith!

Conversion Classes

If you know anyone who wants to become Catholic, **classes are on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in Fr. Felten Hall at Old St. Mary.** Please contact the parish office to sign up.

Catechism Classes

Catechism classes for First Communion Prep–Grade 12 will meet every Tuesday from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Kindergarten–1st grade classes will meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at Old St. Mary. **Contact Mother Marie-Cécile at mccile@oldstmarys.org for more information.**



Benedictus

This monthly booklet for daily use includes the 1962 *Missale Romanum* presented in a clear and simple format, daily excerpts included from both Lauds and Vespers of the 1960 *Breviarum Romanum*, the official morning and evening hours of prayer and much more in every issue. **To learn more or to subscribe, go to praybenedictus.com**

During Masses of Advent without the *Gloria*, the *Ite Missa Est* is replaced with the *Benedicamus Domino*. The faithful's response remains *Deo Gratias!*



Christmas Mass Schedule

Masses at **Old St. Mary** on Saturday, December 25, will be at Midnight (Sung Latin), 7:30 a.m. (Low Latin), 9:30 a.m. (Sung Latin), 11:30 a.m. (German), and 1:00 p.m. (English).

There will be carols at 11:30 p.m. before the Midnight Mass. Procession to the crib will begin at 11:50 p.m.

Masses at **Sacred Heart** on Saturday, December 25, will be at 9:00 a.m. (English), and 11:00 a.m. (Sung Latin).

Please note that there are no Vespers on Sunday, December 5, 26, or January 2. There will be Solemn Vespers on January 9.

Women's Oratory

The Women's Oratory meets monthly on Saturday mornings at Sacred Heart to help all women of our parishes grow and to support them in their Christian walk. **Upcoming meeting dates are 12/4/21, 1/8/22, 2/5/22, 3/5/22, 4/2/22, and 5/7/22.** For more information, please contact Lisa Bloomfield at lisamarielbloomfield@gmail.com or Suzan Sammons at suzan@poverellos.com.



Allegory of the Immaculate Conception, c.1769, Giovanni Battista Tiepolo

Immaculate Conception Masses

Our Lady, under the title of the Immaculate Conception, is the Patroness of the United States. **Wednesday, December 8, is a Holy Day of Obligation.** In addition to the regularly scheduled Masses, Sung Mass will be at 6:30 p.m. (Traditional Latin). **There will be a potluck dinner after this evening Mass.**



Rorate Mass

Our annual Solemn Rorate Mass (Traditional Latin) will be held on **Saturday, December 11, at 6:45 a.m.** Please join us for this annual tradition! Please note that Mass begins at 6:45 a.m. and not 7:15 a.m.



Musical Oratory of Advent

Join us for an evening of choral reflection on Sacred Scripture on **Wednesday, December 15, beginning at 6:30 p.m.** and concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The pattern of this musical oratory reflects the season's growing anticipation, both of the first coming of Christ and of that day when the prayer "Thy Kingdom Come" is finally, and fully, answered. The evening will also include congregational hymn favorites sung by all. Please join us!



Help is needed in cleaning and decorating Old St. Mary and Sacred Heart for Christmas. At Old St. Mary, we need help with cleaning on Saturday, Dec. 18, and decorating on Tuesday, Dec. 21. And, at Sacred Heart we will need

help with cleaning also on Dec. 18, and with decorating on Wednesday, Dec. 22. It is important to know how many people we will have helping, so please contact Dave Wimmel at 513.721.2988, ext. 127, or dwimmel@osmshcincinnati.com if you can chip in at either parish.

New Year Holy Hour

There will be a Holy Hour on Friday, December 31, from 11:00 p.m. until midnight at Old St. Mary to welcome the New Year. Benediction will occur at midnight. Please join us!

New Year's Day Schedule

Saturday, January 1 **Masses at Old St. Mary** will be at 9:00 a.m. (Low Latin), and 11:00 a.m. (English). This is a Holy Day. Confessions will be heard from 10:00 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. There is no 12:10 p.m. Mass nor Confessions at 11:15 a.m. **Mass at Sacred Heart** will be at 10:00 a.m. (Sung Traditional Latin).

Epiphany Mass

Join us for the Twelfth Day of Christmas, **Thursday, January 6**, the Epiphany of the Lord, for a Solemn Mass at 6:30 p.m. at Old St. Mary.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations!

Jacob Schulte & Megan Henke (OSM)

BAPTISMS

Welcome, children of God...

Elise Margaret Schneider (OSM)
Colman William Fitzgerald II (OSM)
Cormac Christopher O'Donnell (SH)

PLEASE NOTE: you must be an active parishioner for at least three months before letters of good standing can be issued by the parish.

Pray for our Sick ... at Old St. Mary

Kate Schneider, Judy Benvie, Bill Otteson, Jeannie Mueller, John Paul Downes, Jennifer Borek, Noelle Polisso, John & Erin Hays, Deacon Ken DeHanes, Wilma & Gary Brown, Karl Fry, Bob Gruber, Gale Campbell, Richard Buettner, Margaret Lang, Mary Gardner, Bob Ball, Mary Frances & Sophia Sharpshair, Tom & Maria Grow, Julie Dietrich, Steven Marsh, Steve Fiest, Paul Bevak, Callie, Susan Mueller, Diana Dahlhausen, Terri Huwel, Regina Albers, Tom Franz, and Marlene Riehle

... and at Sacred Heart

Paul Gallagher, Alexander Piening, Jackson, Melissa, Terri, Emmy & Abby, Ginny Tullo, Carlos Latorre, and Christine Marshall

Have extra tools? The Oratory is looking for some—screw drivers, wrenches, power tools, bench vice, etc. If you have any tools you no longer use, please contact the parish office at 513- 721-2988.



Old St. Mary's Parking
With the Christmas season fast approaching, parking is likely to become more difficult than usual, so you have trouble finding a parking spot on Sundays or for special Masses, just stop and ask James the security guard for help on where you can park!

The Carmelite Daughters of Elias are hosting their annual **Sodality Rorate retreat December 11-12**. The retreat is for girls ages 12-18 and will be held at Old St. Mary. There will be a hike to Immaculata and Eden Park in Mt Adams. Permission forms, fees, and additional information available by email at carmelitedaughtersofelias@gmail.com.

Groups for Children and Young Adults

The Carmelite Daughters of Elias have organized several groups for faith formation and life lessons: **The Society of the Little Flower** is for girls, ages 6-12, interested in learning about the life and message of St. Therese, the Virgin Mary, and as well as many other heavenly helpers. **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Sodality** is for young women, ages 12-18, and teaches about living the spirituality of Our Lady in everyday life. And, the **The Ascend Carmel Young Adult Spirituality Group** learns of Carmelite spirituality by studying the lives and writings of Carmelite saints. **Please email carmelitedaughtersofelias.com to learn more about any of these groups or to sign up your child.**



Convent Building No. 2 Fund

The Sisters are beginning work on their second building on Clay Street in order to make room for more vocations as there is currently no more room in the inn of building No. 1.

If you would like to volunteer time or materials, please contact Mother Marie-Cécile at carmelitedaughtersofelias@gmail.com. If you would like to make a donation, the Sisters do have a 501C3 status. **Donations may be sent to: Carmelite Daughters of Elias 123 E. 13th Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202, or sent to their paypal account [paypal.me/saintelias](https://www.paypal.com/saintelias).** Stay tuned for their upcoming newsletter to see all that the Sisters are doing! *Zelo zelatus sum pro Domino Deo exercituum*

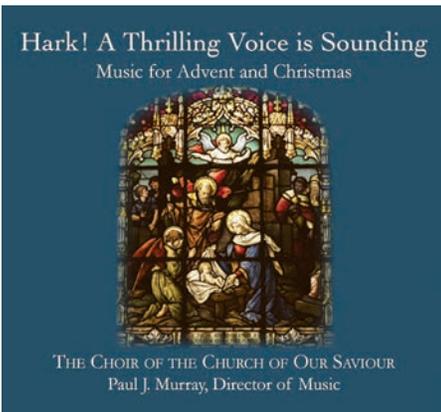
Interested in learning about vocations? Contact Fr. Adrian at ahilton@cincinnatiatoratory.com to learn more about the Oratory and Mother Marie-Cecile at mccicile@oldstmarys.org for vocation inquires to the Carmelite Daughters.

CONFESSIONS: With the (blessed) growth of our parishes, confession lines have been overwhelmed. Only Fr. Jon-Paul and Fr. Henry have full-time assignments to the parishes. Fr. Brent is part-time on music and part-time assisting in the parish. Fr. Adrian's primary assignment is at Christ Hospital and the Hamilton County Jail and he helps out with Masses and other tasks as needed. So, we offer what we are able to right now. Confession times before daily Mass at Sacred Heart and before Old St. Mary's 12:10 Mass are often not full. Saturday mornings are usually less crowded with two priests generally hearing confessions at that time. If you are able to make it to a less busy time, please do so for those who can't. Please always try to be concise, clear, and well prepared, and especially when the confession line is busy. If you need spiritual advice on any matter that requires more than a few minutes, please make a separate appointment—we're happy to be of service. Thank you for your consideration and cooperation so that we may make Sacrament of Penance available to as many people as possible.



Christmas in Bethlehem at the Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center is a free, fun, family-friendly event on **Sunday, December 5, from 4-7 PM.** There will be activities for the kids, story time with St. Nicholas, live animals, a procession with Mary and Joseph, food and drinks, the bell tower star lighting, singing, raffle baskets, and shopping at our gift store. Bring the whole family, the grandkids, the parents and all who want to experience a little bit of the true spirit of Christmas. Located at 5440 Moeller Avenue in Norwood. For more information, go to olhsc.org.

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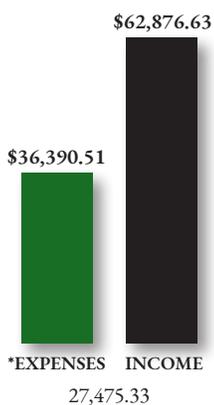


In 2015, the Church of Our Saviour in New York City produced a recording of Advent and Christmas music under the leadership of Paul J. Murray, KCHS. Paul hails from Boston, Massachusetts, where he was a member of the Boston Archdiocesan Choir School and sang under renowned Catholic musician, Theodore Marier. Paul has been the director of music and organist at The Church of Our Saviour since 2013 and has conducted their professional choir, as well as accompanied Masses on the organ. He also directed the choir for Fr. Brent's first solemn Mass this past April 11 at Old Saint Mary. This January, Paul will be moving to York, United Kingdom where he will join The York Oratory as a postulant and then novice. Please support Paul's excellent work at Our Saviour by listening to this recording, which was intended to be entirely religious and span the seasons of Advent and Christmas. Hard copies of the recording are available in the parish office for \$20.00, or you may find it on Spotify or Apple Music if you prefer a digital platform!

BY THE NUMBERS

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” – *Matthew 6:21*

Financial breakdown for October 14-November 13, 2021



OLD ST. MARY
 \$31,527.54 (Offertory)
 \$10,173.82 (Online)
 \$1,249.00 (Candles)
 \$3,383.27 (Miscellaneous)
 \$900.00 (Oratory)
 \$15,643.00 (Pregnancy Center)
\$62,876.63 (TOTAL)



SACRED HEART
 \$11,457.81 (Offertory)
 \$3,313.00 (Online)
 \$329.66 (Candles)
 \$ ----- (Miscellaneous)
 \$ ----- (Oratory)
 \$25.00 (Pregnancy Center)
\$21,630.47 (TOTAL)

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 Thank you for your generosity! Please consider an estate gift to the Oratory, Old St. Mary, or Sacred Heart.*

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