



THE PARISHES OF
OLD ST. MARY & SACRED HEART

Served by The Oratory of Saint Philip Neri

SURREXIT DOMINUS VERE

EASTER 2023

*Happy Easter! Frohe Ostern! Buona Pasqua!
Surrexit Dominus vere! Alleluja!*



Today we celebrate the Feast of Feasts and Solemnity of Solemnities, the Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord! St. Paul teaches us in his first epistle to the Corinthians, “if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain, and your faith is in vain.” A pitiable state for each of us! But we know Christ has risen from the dead, and by trampling down death, He has given life to all in the tomb! So rejoice today, whether you were faithful to your Lenten penances or not, because today, salvation has come for mankind. The days of penance will always be with us, and it is of Divine command that we do penance for our salvation. But Easter Sunday is not one such day because it is a day of total joy. It is a day of great hope. Please find here this Easter Sermon of St. Gregory the Great to reflect upon this Easter Sunday! Happy Easter!

Fr. Jon-Paul Bevak

“You have heard, Beloved, how the holy women who had followed the Lord came to His tomb, bringing with them sweet spices, so that with tender affection they might tend Him in death Whom they had loved in life. And this tells us something which we should observe in the life of our holy Church. And it is important we give attention to what here took place: to see what we must do to imitate them. And we also, who believe in Him Who died, truly come with sweet spices to His tomb, when we come seeking the Lord, bringing with us the sweet odour of virtue, and the credit of good works.

But these women who came bringing sweet spices beheld angels. And this signifies that those souls who, because of their holy love, come seeking the Lord, bearing the sweet spices of virtue, shall also see the citizens of heaven. And let us also take note of what it means that the angel is seen sitting on the right side. For what does the left side mean but this present life; and the right hand side, if not life eternal? Because of this it is written in the Canticle of Canticles: His left hand is under my head, and his right hand shall embrace me (Cant. ii. 6).

And so, since Our Redeemer has now passed over beyond the mortality of this present life, tightly does the Angel, who had come to announce His entry into eternal life, sit at the right side. And he came clothed in white: for he was announcing the joy of this our present solemnity. For the whiteness of his garments signifies the glory of our great Feast. Should we say ours or His? That we may speak truly let us say that it is both ours and His. For this day of our Redeemer’s Resurrection is also our day of great joy; for it has restored us to immortality. It is also a day of joy for the angels: for restoring us to heaven, it has filled up again the number of its citizens. On this our festival day, and His, an angel appeared, clothed in white robes, because they are rejoicing that because we are restored to heaven the losses their heavenly home had suffered are now made good.”

- ST. GREGORY THE GREAT



**A 10-DAY PILGRIMAGE to THE HOLY LAND
APRIL 9-19, 2024**

Caesarea ~ Haifa ~ Tiberias ~ Sea of Galilee ~ Cana ~ Nazareth ~ Bethlehem ~ Jerusalem

Hosted by Fr. Jon-Paul Bevak, C.O. | \$4,399 from Cincinnati*

**air/land tour price is \$3,699 plus \$700 gov. taxes/airline surcharges*

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OLD ST. MARY

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| Sunday | Easter Sunday |
| 7:30 a.m. | For the Cincinnati Oratory |
| 9:15 a.m. | Intention of AH |
| 11:30 a.m. | ✠ Anna Dobler |
| 1:00 p.m. | Pro Populo |
| Monday | Monday within the Octave of Easter |
| 7:15 a.m. | ✠ Marlene Riehle |
| 12:10 p.m. | ✠ William Otto Schult |
| Tuesday | Tuesday within the Octave of Easter |
| 7:15 a.m. | Intention of David Due |
| 12:10 p.m. | ✠ Aubree Duechle Fibbe |
| Wednesday | Wednesday within the Octave of Easter |
| 7:15 a.m. | Intention of Richard DuPont |
| 12:10 p.m. | Special Intention of Christopher Huwel |
| Thursday | Thursday within the Octave of Easter |
| 7:15 a.m. | For Oratory Vocations |
| 12:10 p.m. | Intention of John Cuntz |
| Friday | Friday within the Octave of Easter |
| 7:15 a.m. | For Priestly Perseverance |
| 12:10 p.m. | Intention for Ben Tillotson |
| Saturday | Saturday before Low Sunday |
| 7:15 a.m. | ✠ Frank R. Suhich |
| 9:00 a.m. | ✠ Lillian Brown |
| Sunday | Divine Mercy Sunday / Low Sunday |
| 7:15 a.m. | Intention of Christina Zlatic |
| 9:00 a.m. | ✠ Jerry Wahl |
| 11:30 a.m. | Intentions of the Cincinnati Oratory |
| 1:00 p.m. | Pro Populo |

SACRED HEART

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| Sunday | Easter Sunday |
| 9:00 a.m. | ✠ William Otto Schult |
| 11:00 a.m. | ✠ Charles McCudden |
| Tuesday | Tuesday within the Octave of Easter |
| 9:00 a.m. | No Mass |
| Thursday | Thursday within the Octave of Easter |
| 9:00 a.m. | No Mass |
| Friday | Friday within the Octave of Easter |
| 9:00 a.m. | Intention of the Wolf Godchildren |
| Sunday | Divine Mercy Sunday / Low Sunday |
| 9:00 a.m. | Intention of Ben Kenning |
| 11:00 a.m. | Intention of John Schauble |

RIP

✠ - For the repose of the soul of...
Pro Populo - For the People of the Parish
Per Annum - During the Year
New Calendar (first) and Traditional Calendar (second)

OUR FAITH

“Behold this Heart which has so loved men
that it has spared nothing, even to exhausting
and consuming itself, in order to testify its love.”
- Jesus to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

OLD ST. MARY WEDDING BANNS

*Jody Gregory & Benjamin Smith (III)
Lucy Sammons & JohnMark Cayer (I)*

OLD ST. MARY

**Sunday April 2 Mass Collection: \$14,452.85
& Total Attendance: 768**

SACRED HEART WEDDING BANNS

No Banns

SACRED HEART

**Sunday April 2 Mass Collection: \$6,263.75
& Total Attendance: 341**

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

At Old St. Mary ... Kate Schneider, Judy Benvie, Bill Otteson, Jeannie Mueller, John Paul Downes, John & Erin Hays, Deacon Ken DeHanes, Wilma & Gary Brown, 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, Jenny Welsh Desmond and Becky Fairchild, and Joseph Downes and **at Sacred Heart ...** Jackson, Melissa, Terri, Emmy & Abby, Ginny Tullo, Carlos Latorre, and Christine Marshall

Vespers, Adoration and Confession

There will be no Sunday Vespers on April 9, 16, 30 and no Tuesday Evening Adoration or Confession on April 11.

Parish Office Closed

The parish office will be closed **Monday, April 10.**

50's Night Dance

Join us for a 50's Night Dance **Saturday, April 15**, from 6:00-10:00 pm, in the Sacred Heart Auditorium. Dress up in your best 50's style and enjoy an evening of Swing and Lindy Hop. This event is open to all ages. Please bring your own beverages.

Divine Mercy Sunday

Confessions will be heard on **Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16**, from 2:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. Devotions to the Divine Mercy will be recited at 3:00 p.m. Please join us on this day that the Church grants a Plenary Indulgence to all who participate in the devotions. The Lord also has promised the renewal of the soul to baptismal purity for all who confess and receive Communion on this day and place their trust in His Divine Mercy.

Sacred Heart Ravioli Sale Thank You!

Thank you to all the volunteers who made the Palm Sunday ravioli sale possible. All the hard work and dedication is what made this event a success and allows Sacred Heart to continue the tradition. **Thank you!**

An Easter Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who helped make Holy Week and Easter another amazing success. So much work goes on behind the scenes, from cleaning, to programs, to planning, to practices. **Thank you to all!**

Reserved Parking

You will notice new "Reserved Parking" signs in the church parking lots. These spots are reserved for our priests and sisters. If these spots are open, please **DO NOT** park in them. Also, if cones are placed in a spot do not move the cones and park. See James if you need assistance with parking. If you park in a reserved spot or move cones to park in a spot you will be blocked in or towed.

Parking

If you have blocked someone in, you need to move your car immediately following Mass. This is a basic courtesy. Please do not go to the social, to the bakery, or anywhere else before moving your vehicle. No one should block someone else in unless your vehicle is clearly identified and James is aware. If you are staying for a social, please move your car into a parking spot. If we are unable to locate you, James will begin to tow vehicles.



Easter Vigil Sacraments

Congratulations to the following who are receiving Sacraments this Easter. **For those baptized into the Faith:** Jacob Fite, Caby Furnish, Justin Nolan, & Julia Marie Simon. **For those who were received into full communion:** Ryan Denham, Charlie Levine, Zachary Niebolt, Martha Randolph, James Ruttkay, & Andrew Walker.

For those confirmed: Liza Amalraj, Robert Angelo, Gabriella Autenrieb, Dominic Beckmeyer, Zelig Beckmeyer, Liam Beverley, Claire Bucher, Salvatore Cesare, Sophia Enders, Peter Ezell, Kieran Gerrity, Juliana Haacke, Mary Isabella Haacke, Annamaria Hynfield, Matthias Hynfield, Mildred Hynfield, Jillian Mariska, Nate Modica, Vincent Peck, Nick Randolph, Anna Reed, Andrew Schutte, Emily Patton Sebralla, Georgeanna Sebralla, Matthew Sebralla, Daniel Sehlhorst, David Slaven, Michael Slaven, Anne Veirs, Sophie Verhoff, Wendy Wolf, Clare Yasenach, Eli Zinser. **Congratulations to all!**

First Communion

Please pray for our First Communicants as they make their final preparations! **First Communion at Sacred Heart is April 30 and at Old St. Mary on May 7.**



Unrestricted Abortion May Be Coming to Ohio

It's up to you — and all Catholics — to stop it. For the next several months, pro-abortion forces will be circulating petitions throughout Ohio, attempting to put an abortion amendment on the ballot in November 2023. Legal experts say the amendment would be one of the most extreme in the nation, legalizing abortion at any time during a pregnancy right up to the moment of birth and allowing girls of any age to obtain an abortion without parental notification or consent. Planning is underway at our parishes to raise awareness and organize dedicated times of prayer and fasting, volunteer opportunities, and fundraising to defeat the amendment. **Please email Hannah Langdon at hannahlangdon@gmail.com for more information.** For more information about the amendment, visit ProtectWomenOhio.com.

Summer Items

Now that we are moving back into summer, it is important to keep in mind that when the Church windows are open, voices do carry into the Church. Please be mindful, when talking under the windows, we must be respectful of the Masses and Devotions taking place inside the Church.