THE CHURCHES OF OLD ST. MARY & SACRED HEART Served by The Oratory of Saint Philip Neri

JANUARY 2024

The Adoration of the Magi, circa 1619, Peter Paul Rubens



OLD ST. MARY CHURCH

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SACRED HEART CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS

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.

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

EUCHARISTIC 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

MASSES

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

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

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE*

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

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

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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 the parish office at least six months prior. Must be an active parishioner for at least six months before scheduling.

Anointing of the Sick

Contact a parish priest as soon as possible.

*When there is no Mass, please note that there will be no confessions beforehand. Check the bulletin for any other changes.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS: Send to bulletin@oldstmarys.org or bulletin@sacredheartcincinnati.com by the 10th of each month.

NOTE from the PASTOR



A new year brings new hope and new opportunities for grace and merit. As we have celebrated recently with the Nativity of the Lord, Christ came into the world to make it new. To make it whole. Changes in time and seasons give

us the opportunities to make changes within our own lives.

Time moves quickly and can often be gone in the blink of an eye. So may we not put off until tomorrow or next year what we ought to do today. St. Francis de Sales teaches us that our sanctity is found within the duties of our state in life. May we each strive to evaluate what those duties entail for us. Striving each day to fulfill those duties to the best of our ability, because they become a means of loving God and neighbor as Christ has commanded.

May we also evaluate our spiritual life. Ensuring we say our daily prayers, have a routine for Confession, and work harder to attend Mass as often as reasonably possible outside of Sundays and Holy Days. We should make sure that we pray the Rosary each day, have devotion to the saints, examine our conscience, and tell God how sorry we are for our failings.

We should also evaluate our acts of charity. Caring for those within our parish community and those without. The early Christians were characterized by their acts of love and charity for others. Often, this is how it was even discovered that they were Christians. Not because they were preaching with their words but rather in their actions. Take St. Lucy, for example. She was only accused of being a Christian when she began distributing her wealth. This was because Christians acted differently than the rest of the population of the Roman Empire. May we strive to emulate them so that, in time, the whole world may again know the love of Christ.

The month of January is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Name. This month also gives us an excellent opportunity to examine our conscience regarding our language. Do we always use the Lord's name (and also the names of the Blessed Virgin and Saints) in a sacred and dignified way? During this month of the Holy Name, may we recite the Litany of the Holy Name to make reparation for all the times we haven't used the name of the Lord as we ought, along with all those in the world who misuse God's Holy Name. This is also a good habit to correct in the new year!

In this new year, do not forget your spiritual practices. We don't know if we will be here to celebrate next year. So live each day as if we could meet God and be prepared to return to Him all the blessings and gifts He has lavished on us through His Nativity!

May the Lord bless each of us in this new year!

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John Schauble – TLM Music Director, *schola@sacredheartcincinnati.com* Blake Callahan – Organist Please remember the church is the House of God.

It is important to remember that in church, we are in His presence. Please try to maintain a prayerful spirit while also being respectful of others who come for quiet prayer. There is much noise and talking in the world, the church is our refuge into silence, to which Cardinal Robert Sarah calls us. **Please keep talking and distractions to a minimum** and talk to the Lord in the silence of your own heart.

Catholics United

Catholics United for the Faith is an international lay apostolate founded in 1968 to support, defend, and advance the efforts of the Teaching Church. The St. Francis of Assisi chapter in greater Cincinnati meets at 7 p.m. on the second Monday of each month on the 1st floor of the school building at Sacred Heart. **Upcoming meetings will feature these speakers: January 8 – Philip Gray, President of CUF (National) February 12 – Fr. Philip DeVous March 11 – Mother Seraphina of the Franciscan**

Daughters of Mary

April - NO MEETING due to scheduling conflicts

Questions? Please visit www.facebook.com/CUFCincinnati/ or www.cufcincinnati.org.

Inquiry Class

Conversion class, now called Inquiry Class, began in October and has progressed through teaching several of the articles of the Apostles Creed. We have about 16 in the class at various levels. The class is now closed to new members for this Easter Vigil, but continue to encourage your family and friends to consider becoming Catholic in the future. **Please call the parish office for more information and to be added to the list for next year.**

Women's Oratory

Ladies of the parishes, you're invited to grow in faith and community with your fellow sisters each month at our women's oratory meeting. **The next meeting is Saturday, January 13 at 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart, featuring flower arranging with Sr. Philomena.** Our annual Tea Party will take place on Saturday, February 3, at 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart. Please RSVP for our January meeting or contact Suzan Sammons or Lisa Bloomfield with any questions at suzan@poverellos.com or lisamariebloomfield@gmail.com.

Adorers Needed!

Could you not spend but one hour

with Me? Please contact the parish office if you are interested in signing up for an hour, or to substitute. Adoration is on Tuesday, and First Fridays. See our hours under the parish schedule. You may call the parish office or visit adoration.oldstmarys.org to sign up. The minimum is two adorers per hour, but our goal is nine hundred! Everyone is welc



during Exposition, even if you can't take a scheduled hour or be a substitute. Please help us keep adoration at Old St. Mary's alive!

Parents' Holy Hour & Tuesday Play and Pray Group

Join our Pray and Play group! This is a group of parents who will soon begin meeting on Tuesdays from 9:30 until 11:30 in Fr. Felten Hall. Children get to play and parents take turns covering the Adoration hour from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. in the church. This allows parents some quiet time alone in Adoration or the chance to take children into Adoration for a shorter time period. This is a good opportunity to introduce children to the idea of Adoration. **For more information or questions, contact Fatima Spoor through the parish office.**



Sorrowful Mother Novena Pray with the Sorrowful Mother Adoration group on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Fridays of each month during all-night adoration. Eucharistic exposition and devotions to our Sorrowful Lady start after 7:00 p.m. Mass and continue until 6:30 a.m. Saturday morning, concluding with benediction and Mass at 7:15 a.m. For more information or to be included in our communication list, contact Mark Sharpshair at mesharpshair@fuse.net.

Please note that there will be no Vespers at Old St. Mary on Sunday, December 24 or December 31. Sung Vespers will resume on January 7.

The parish office will be closed for New Year's on Monday, January 1, and Tuesday, January 2.

New Year's Mass Schedule

At Old St. Mary, Mass on New Year's Day will be at 9:00 a.m. (Low Latin) and 11:00 a.m. (English). Confession will be heard from 10:00 a.m. until 10:45 a.m., and there will be no 12:10 p.m. Mass nor Confessions at 11:15 a.m. At Sacred Heart, there will be a sung Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Please note that there will be no evening adoration or confession on Tuesday, January 2.



Epiphany Mass Join us on the Twelfth Day of Christmas, the Epiphany of the Lord, for a Solemn Mass, on Saturday, January 6, at 9:30 a.m. at Old St. Mary. Please note that there will be no 9:00 a.m. Mass on January 6.

Epiphany Water Blessing

If you would like Epiphany water, please bring jugs of water to Old St. Mary by the end of the 7:15 a.m. Mass on Friday, January 5. Please ensure these are gallon jugs or bigger, no small bottles of water. Each container must be individually opened so that salt can go in, so please make this easy on Father! You may begin to pick up the jugs of water on January 6. Blessed chalk will also be available on January 6.

Sacred Heart Donut Social

Join us in the church hall at Sacred Heart for a donut social after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, January 14.** This is a great opportunity to meet parishioners and socialize!

Oratory Parishes Networking Group

There has been a ton of interest in the parish networking group. If you have a business, skill, trade, side-hustle, work in sales, are self-employed, or could otherwise make or benefit from referrals — people want to know! We meet for morning coffee on third Thursdays after the 7:15 a.m. Mass. Our next meeting is January 18 at Coffee Emporium in OTR. Attendees are permitted to park in the OSM lot. We're also exploring additional evening happy hours for those with busy mornings... so stay tuned. Email Riley Kane at rkane@ KaneElswick.com for more.



St. Francis de Sales is the principal patron of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and one of the secondary patrons of the Cincinnati Oratory. St. Francis de Sales in many ways, took the spirituality of St. Philip Neri and put it to writing. He was also the founder of an Oratory as a bishop, so we claim him as one of our own!

We celebrate his feast on January 24 on the revised calendar and on January 29 on the traditional calendar!

Purification High Mass and First Friday

There will be a sung Mass for the Feast of the Purification at Old St. Mary on **Friday, February 2, at 6:30 p.m.** Candles will be blessed at this Mass and will be available afterwards (donations accepted). You may also bring your own candles. If you have candles to be blessed, please arrive no later than ten minutes before Mass and bring them to the communion rail, where a server will take them and place them on the altar. Please label them with your name. Please note that the Feast of the Purification coincides with First Friday, so there will be all-night Adoration following Mass.



St. Blaise Blessing of Throats

Our annual Blessing of Throats will be after Masses on **Saturday, February 3.** Confessions could be limited as a result—we apologize for any inconvenience.

Forty Hours of Adoration

Forty Hours of Adoration at Old St. Mary will begin on **Friday, February 23,** with a sung Mass of Exposition at 6:30 p.m. Adoration continues until 9:00 p.m. on Saturday night and resumes after Masses on Sunday, concluding with a solemn closing at 3:30 p.m. Love which leads to *marriage* and *family*, can also be a marvellous divine way, a *vocation*, a *path* for a complete *dedication* to our God. - ST. JOSEMARIA ESCRIVA -

CATHOLIC GENTLEMAN

Be on the lookout for the 2024 parish calendars. They should arrive in January. Remember your 2023 calendars include January 2024.

New Collection Envelopes/ Update Your Contact Information

Sacred Heart and Old St. Mary will no longer have separate collection envelopes. The new, combined-format envelopes can be found at the back of the churches. Please pick yours up and note your new number. If you are currently receiving envelopes and do not want them, or if you do not receive envelopes and would like to do so, please contact the office. Also, if you have moved, gotten married, or have changed your contact information in any other way, please let us know so we can keep our parishioner database up-to-date.

Old St. Mary's Parking

People have been disregarding the "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 you will be towed.

If you would like an annual giving statement from Old St. Mary or Sacred Heart, please contact the parish office. Cold and flu season is upon us. If you or a member of your household have a fever, chills, or are just feeling poorly, give health the priority and please stay home. Thank you for your charity in caring for others.

Music Ministry

Christmas, despite all appearances, is not over. That comes on February 2, when we celebrate the Mass with procession for Candlemas! Please plan to be there!

We are not holding a special fundraiser for the Anerio Institute this January, as we did last year, as fundraising efforts have been going well, and our intended date was needed for other, more urgent purposes. However, your contributions are gratefully received.

Contributions this year have sponsored orchestras for feast day Masses, scholarships for Laudate Pueri choristers, and other children's Schola expenses, and you can designate substantial offerings as memorials for loved ones — Please stay tuned for additional extra-liturgical musical offerings like the Advent Musical Oratory in this coming year.

Otherwise, we continue to be grateful for the support you show to the musicians, making our parishes a fulfilling and rewarding place to serve. Ad majorem Dei gloriam, and Merry Christmas! – Sean Connolly, Director of Sacred Music at OSM

Carmelite Update

Progress is being on Clay Street building #2! Drywall is going up, along with electric and plumbing going in.

Many young ladies are asking to visit and there is no room at the inn right now, so the need to finish that building to accomodate discerning and future sisters is great. If you would like to donate to help us with this and our other project in Bethel, visit **give.cornerstone.cc/carmelitedaughters.** If you are interested in volunteering your time and effort, email floscarmeli@carmelitedaughters.org. A newsletter with more info is in the works. Thank you!



Baptisms

Benjamin Joseph Burleson Susanna Marie Kenning Vincent Philip Mayleben Maeve Hartlaub Alder Hartlaub

Weddings

Megan and Anthony LaJoye

Pray for Our Sick

Viktor Wilhelmy, Lynn Strasser, 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, 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, Becky Fairchild, Joseph Downes and Noelle Polisso, Jackson, Melissa, Terri, Emmy & Abby, Ginny Tullo, Carlos Latorre, and Christine Marshall

FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN: NOVEMBER 14-DECEMBER 13,2023



- \$8,538.19

OLD ST. MARY \$29,860.26 (Offertory) \$12,232.00 (Online) \$1,067.57 (Candles) \$3,438.59 (Miscellaneous) \$46,598.42 (TOTAL) \$55,136.61 (Expenses)



SACRED HEART \$16,563.16 (Offertory) \$4,480.00 (Online) \$229.62 (Candles) \$5,423.00 (Miscellaneous) \$**26,695.78 (TOTAL)** \$12,001.48(Expenses)

*Keep in mind some months are more expensive to operate than others, such as winter months. Thank you for your generosity! Please consider an estate gift to the Oratory, Old St. Mary, or Sacred Heart.



Maria for Life engages Catholics to promote a culture of life in Cincinnati.

Join us at our next meeting on January 3 at 7pm.

Please email info@ mariaforlife.org for more details.

The Journal of Cincinnati Thought

Discussions for Sustaining a Local Community

The Journal acts as a sort of intellectual missed-connections page for our local community. Each week, dozens of half-baked, yet profound statements are dropped from parishioners after church, at the bar, or over coffee, never to be picked up again. Cincinnati Thought is a platform for those ideas to mature into sound arguments and conclusions for us to read and discuss. God willing, these thoughts will strengthen our community while we grow in wisdom and charity.

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