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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.

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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

MASSES

Sunday

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

Tuesday, Thursday & 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, Thursday & 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



We are now well into the Advent Season in preparation for the great feast of Christmas! It is easy to be overcome by the Christmas mania that seems to begin before Halloween anymore. Still, I encourage everyone to use this Advent season to prepare to receive the gifts that Christ has offered us through His visitation.

The first gift is obviously the gift of Himself. Christ, who emptied Himself of His divinity, accepted human nature as a means to be close to us, so that, as St. Paul reminds us, we could have a high priest who understands our condition. Though He never sinned, Christ intimately understands what it means to be a man. Secondly, as St. Leo the Great teaches us, Christ has elevated and saved human nature by accepting it. Christ, in taking on Man, has offered us divinity. God became man so that men could be gods, not in the sense that we are equal with God, but in that God gives us a share in His very life. He is elevating us even more.

This is quite a gift that God has given to us. So may we do well to prepare this Advent through our increased prayer, self-denial and sacrifices, and greater participation in parish life. Perhaps read the first chapters of the Gospel of St. Luke, meditating upon the Annunciation and the Nativity of the Lord.

Be sure to get to Mass on the Immaculate Conception on December 8 (a Holy Day of Obligation!). And try to get to the annual Rorate Mass on December 10 at 6:45 a.m. at Old St. Mary. The Rorate Mass is a candlelit Mass that is offered in honor of the Blessed Virgin. It is a German custom and is known as mini-Christmas. Lastly, attend our annual Musical Oratory of Advent, an evening of meditation on the Scriptures prophesying the coming of the Christ Child, with motets and hymns. The Musical Oratory of Advent is unique in that it is in Latin, German, and English, so this is one of the rare opportunities for everyone who attend different Masses to gather together. The Musical Oratory will be on December 14 at 6:30 pm. at Old St. Mary.

Lastly, please continue praying for vocations to the Oratory and the Carmelite Daughters of St. Elias. This season of generosity, starting first with our God's generosity with us is the perfect time to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Each vocation must also make a generous commitment to faithfully serve God and the people entrusted to them.

Be assured of my prayers for you during this Advent Season, and please also pray for your priests and sisters!

Fr. Jon Paul Bevak

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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.

Conversion Classes

We have now closed our conversion class to new members for this upcoming Easter Vigil. If you would like to be placed on the list for next year, please contact Fr. Henry through the parish office. Please be sure to pray for all those who are going through the classes now!

Parents’ Holy Hour: Play and Pray Group

Join our Pray and Play group! This is a group of parents who meet 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.

Indulgence Alert

The gaining of plenary indulgence is possible on New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day. In Church, we will chant or recite the *Te Deum* after Masses on December 31 in thanksgiving for God’s favors in this past year. On January 1, we will chant or recite the *Veni Creator* after Masses to invoke God’s blessings upon us in the new year. If you join us for these acts, receive Holy Communion, have made Sacramental Confession within 20 days, are free from all attachment to sin, and say the prayers for the Holy Father’s intentions, you can gain these indulgences — they are partial indulgences otherwise. Please join us!

Catechism Classes

Class for our Kindergarten and 1st Graders will be on the first and third Sundays of the month following the 9:30 a.m. Mass at Old St. Mary. For more information or questions on catechism classes, please contact Mother Marie-Cécile. **Please note: there will be no catechism on December 20, 27, or January 3.**

Adorers Needed!

We are in need of adorers on First Fridays for our 10:00 p.m. hour, 11:00 p.m. hour, & 1:00 a.m. hour.

Please contact the parish office if you can take any of these hours. In order to have adoration, we have to guarantee at least two adorers per hour. Even if you can’t take a regular hour, but can be a substitute, please contact the parish office. Please help us keep adoration at Old St. Mary alive! It would be very helpful if we had an overall coordinator for adoration, or even one for Tuesday and another for First Friday. This person or persons should be devoted to adoration, be highly organized, and able to work closely with the parish office. **Please contact the parish office if able and interested!**



The Archdiocesan Office of Prison Ministry is looking for men and women to teach three new courses at Lebanon Correctional Institution. The courses are eight weeks in duration, one evening each week — Fall of 2023: *Why be*

Poor in Spirit?; Winter 2023: *Back to the Garden*; and Spring 2024: *Seeking God’s Will*. Volunteers will be trained and all curriculum and materials will be provided. Please call 513.240.3466 or email info@serenelliproject.org to learn more.

Pray for our Sick

At Old St. Mary ... Kate Schneider, Judy Benvie, Bill Otteson, Jeannie Mueller, John Paul Downes, Jennifer Borek, 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, Marlene Riehle, Jenny Welsh Desmond and Becky Fairchild, and Joseph Downes and **at Sacred Heart ...** Paul Gallagher, Jackson, Melissa, Terri, Emmy & Abby, Ginny Tullo, Carlos Latorre, and Christine Marshall

Interested in learning about vocations? Contact Fr. Adrian at ahilton@cincinnati.ohio.catholic.org to learn more about the Oratory and Mother Marie-Cecile at mcecile@oldstmarys.org for vocation inquires to the Carmelite Daughters of Elias.



The Immaculate Conception, 1628-1629, Peter Paul Rubens

Immaculate Conception Masses

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception, **Thursday, December 8, is a Holy Day of Obligation** and the Patronal Feast of the United States. Masses at Old St. Mary will be at 7:15 a.m. (Low Latin), 12:10 p.m. (English), and 6:30 p.m. (Solemn Latin). Mass at Sacred Heart will be at 9:00 a.m. (Low Latin).



Rorate Mass

Our annual Solemn Rorate Mass (Traditional Latin) will be held on **Saturday, December 10**, 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 14, 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!

Church Cleaning

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, December 17, at 10:00 a.m., and decorating on Friday, December 23, at 5:30 p.m. At Sacred Heart we will need help with cleaning on Saturday, December 17, at 9:30 a.m., and with decorating on Wednesday, December 21, at 6:00 p.m.** 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.

Please note that there will be no vespers at Old St. Mary on Sunday, December 25 or January 1. Sung Vespers will resume on January 8.

Please also note that there will be no evening Adoration or Confession at Old St. Mary on Tuesday, December 27.

Epiphany Water Blessing

If you would like Epiphany water, **please have jugs of water to Old St. Mary by the end of 7:15 a.m. Mass on 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 after the 12:10 p.m. Mass on January 5. Blessed chalk will be available on January 6.

Epiphany Mass

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

Old St. Mary 1 PM Sunday Mass

Many have been asking about music at the 1:00 p.m. Mass on Sundays. We are happy to say that a music program has returned to that Mass as of the First Sunday of Advent!

BAPTISMS

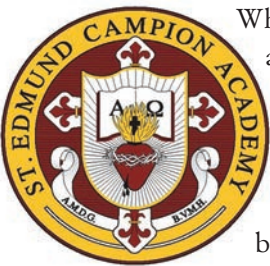
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Old St. Mary's Parking

Please do not take advantage of the parking passes and use them at times when you are not here for Mass or some other Church event. The Main Street lot and the big Clay Street lot are subleased from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. each evening to give us extra parking on Sundays, and other days we need it. If you are just visiting the neighborhood during these times and not coming to church, you should pay to park in these lots. If you do not, you risk being towed as they do patrol these lots. Please also note that the gates are locked each evening. If you are parked in a lot with a gate that locks, you will be locked in. **PLEASE do not move or park in a parking spot if the sign indicates that it is for a priest or sister!** Thank you for your cooperation.



Whether you are a parishioner curious about what this new school tenant is all about or a family discerning where to send your children, please join us **December 11, from 1-4 pm**, in the Sacred Heart school building for the St. Edmund Campion Academy Open House.

Meet teachers and staff, learn about our curriculum and teaching methodology and tour the facility.

Families interested in enrollment information should email office@campioncinci.com ahead of the open house.

2023 Calendars

Be on the lookout for the 2023 parish calendars. They should arrive either at the end of December or early January. Remember our calendars go through January so your 2022 calendars include January 2023.

Pregnancy Center News

Old St. Mary's Pregnancy Center is in need of winter coats. Any new or used coats — for babies, children or women — would be much appreciated. Items should be dropped on Monday-Thursday, from 1-3 p.m. at the Pregnancy Center. Thanks so much for your prayers!

Please ensure that anything you want to place out in church has been pre-approved by Fr. Jon-Paul. Anything set out without his approval will be removed. Things placed out do not mean Fr. Jon-Paul or the other Fathers necessarily agree with material or promote it, only that there is nothing contrary to the teachings of the Church.

Women's Oratory

Please join us as the Women's Oratory hosts Fr. Henry Hoffmann for the topic "*The Role of Woman in Marriage in Relation to her Husband*" on Saturday, **December 3**, in the Sacred Heart basement hall following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The Women's Oratory will also meet on Saturday, January 7. All women are welcome.



The Troops of St. George (TSG) at Old St. Mary and Sacred Heart is a Catholic fraternal apostolate for fathers and their sons (ages 6-18). Regular meetings are the second Sunday of the month from 1:30-3:00 pm at Sacred Heart. We also have an outdoor activity (hike, camping) on the third or fourth weekend of each month. Contact Ken Edge at tsg1515osm@gmail.com.

The next Society of the Little Flower meeting will be on December 3, at Old St. Mary, in Father Felton Hall from 9:45 a.m. - noon with the Sisters.

Sodality of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Annual Advent Retreat

Come and join the Sisters for the Rorate Mass and annual Advent Retreat. Girls must arrive at Old St. Mary on Saturday, December 10, by 6:30 a.m. The Sisters will have reserved pews in the front of church. Please RSVP to carmelitedaughtersofelias@gmail.com, and also email for more information if needed.

The Carmelite Daughters of Elias

...are starting work on 1209 Clay Street as they have no more room in the inn. A new postulant is arriving in January from Florida, and Sr. Emma will be receiving the habit on the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. With more young women asking to visit or to join, please keep the Sisters in your prayers as they strive to make room for more laborers in the vineyard, as the harvest is ripe. Please pick up a copy of their latest newsletter in the back of either parish church.



Christmas Mass Schedule



Masses at **Old St. Mary** on Sunday, 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 Sunday, December 25, will be at 9:00 a.m. (English), and 11:00 a.m. (Sung Latin).

New Years' Day Schedule

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

Masses at **Sacred Heart** on Sunday, January 1, will be at 9:00 a.m. (English) & 11:00 a.m. (Latin)

There will be no Holy Hour at 11:00 p.m. on New Years' Eve this year due to New Year's Day falling on Sunday.



As we enter the season of Advent, the music of the liturgy begins to reflect the hopeful anticipation and penitential character of this beautiful season in a number of ways. *Alma Redemptoris Mater* is sung from now until Candlemas in February in place of the *Salve Regina*. Although it's less familiar to many, it will be printed for you to sing, and I encourage you to join in confidently. Likewise, the great hymns of this season will be at their most effective when supported by the enthusiastic singing of the congregation, which is so beautiful here.

There are several musical and liturgical highlights coming up this month to lift hearts and minds to God. Do not miss the Musical Oratory of Advent on Wednesday, December 14, at 6.30 p.m., a Lessons and Carols format that will feature a professional choir and the *Laudate Pueri* children's schola, assisted by excellent instrumentalists, scripture readings, sublime music, a darkened church, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

On December 8, the Immaculate Conception, the High Mass will feature the *Missa Secunda* of the German composer Hans Leo Hassler (+1612), a short but intensely uplifting setting of the Ordinary, perfectly crafted with childlike simplicity, which will be sung, as we joyfully keep Our Lady's feast, with instrumental

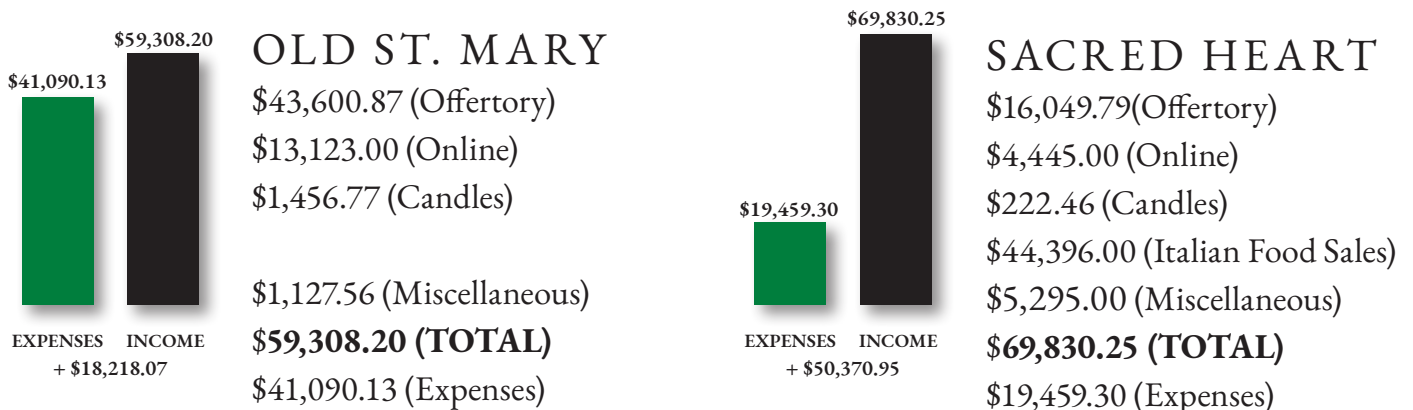
accompaniment, something which would have happened frequently in Hassler's day, but which is rarely a choice made by choirs producing recordings of this music now. On December 10, for the *Rorate Caeli* Mass of Our Lady at dawn, the choir will sing an exquisitely crafted and intricate Ordinary for six voices by the Flemish composer Orlande de Lassus (+1594), who was appointed *maestro di capella* of the Lateran Basilica when he was only 21 years old.

Finally, the Midnight Mass of Christmas will be preceded by a half-hour of carols featuring the parish choir and orchestra, as well as the *Laudate Pueri* children's schola (a selection of whom will also sing carols before the High Mass at Sacred Heart on Christmas morning). At Mass, the choir, supported by a small orchestra, will sing the *Pastoralmesse in G Major* of Karl Kempfer (+1871), with the boy treble solos sung by Peter Ezell, a son of the parish and member of the *Laudate Pueri* children's schola. In keeping with parish custom, *Stille Nacht* will be sung in German during the Last Gospel, which is as close to Communion as the rubrics permit the vernacular to be sung.

I wish to express my gratitude for the dedicated professionals and volunteers who come together to make the music at our parishes something quite special indeed. It is a blessing to be here.

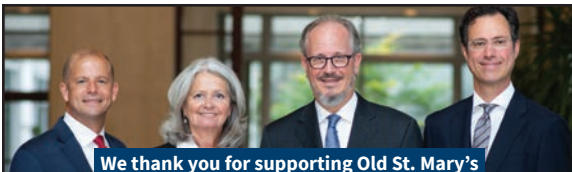
– Sean Connelly, *Old St. Mary's Director of Sacred Music*

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