

OLD SAINT MARY

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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.

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. & 7:15 p.m. - 8:00 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

First Saturday Mass

9:00 a.m. | Traditional Latin Mass

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE*

Sunday

8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. 10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Friday

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

First Saturday

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, attending Mass, for at least one year 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



With this month's newsletter, please find our annual financial report and budget. While there were no major surprises, Sacred Heart did run a deficit this year due to several maintenance issues, which will continue to be an issue for years to come. The roof at

Sacred Heart, in particular, is not in good condition, and early estimates place the cost to replace the roof at over half a million dollars. To this end, I am working with the Finance and Pastoral Councils on a capital campaign for both churches. As it stands, the total ask over a period of five years will be seven figures. Final details are still being discussed and worked out, but to continue to ensure that both properties remain functional, some major work is necessary. Please watch for more details in the months ahead.

The biggest surprise as we worked on the financial report was that only 25% of registered Old St. Mary families and 20% of Sacred Heart families actually donate to the parish in the course of the year. I had anticipated that number to be higher, but as it stands, only a quarter or less donate for the annual budget and upkeep of the churches.

I do remind everyone that it is not only a precept of the Church to donate to the work and ministry of the Church, but it is also a matter of justice. Our property and our monetary assets are not our own, but are meant for what we need them, with the rest belonging to the Church and the poor. I do not preach on money often, and quite honestly, the 25% of you who do donate are very generous to the churches, the Oratory, and the Sisters. However, imagine what could be done if more shared the burden? Setting aside that it is something that is owed to the Church in justice.

For those of you who have not been donating, I encourage you to consider what it is that you can offer the Church. Neither the Church nor I set a standard, as some other denominations may do. However, I ask you to be as generous to the Church as you are able. For some of you, you can provide a lot. For others, who can't afford much, your offering, like the poor widow's in the Gospel, is worth more than all others combined. Thank you for your consideration and your generosity.

I thank each of you for what you do for the Church, the Oratory, and the Sisters. Please know of our daily prayers for you, and please pray for us!

Have a blessed month ahead!

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Devotions at Old St. Mary

Perpetual novena in honor of Our Lady of Miraculous Medal is on Tuesdays at 8:10 p.m. before Benediction. Perpetual novena to St. Joseph is on Wednesdays after the 7:15 a.m. Mass and at noon before the 12:10 p.m. Mass. Veneration of the relic of the cloak of St. Joseph is available.

Catholics United for the Faith

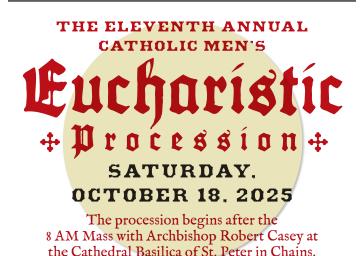
Meetings are on the second Monday of each month at Sacred Heart at 7:00 p.m. On **October 13**, the speaker will be Sister Imelda Joy of the Children of Mary. Her topic is *Jesus'Thirst to be Loved in the Most Blessed Sacrament*. On November 10, the speaker will be Lou Judd, Executive Director of Virtue=Strength. His topic is *Greater Than the Game: Stories of Gift, Grace and God*.

Conversion Class

Classes began in September, but there are a few weeks left for someone to join the class if they wish to come into the Church at Easter. If you know anyone, please have them contact the parish office. Please be sure to keep those interested in the Faith in your prayers.

Women's Oratory

Ladies looking for spiritual recharging, fellowship and community are welcome to our monthly Women's Oratory meeting, typically held on the first Saturday of the month (but as you can see this is not the case in November). The next meeting will be on **November 8** at Sacred Heart at 10:00 a.m. where we will be joined by Mother Marie Cécile. If you would like to join the email list, please reach out to Lisa Bloomfield at 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 welcome at any time during Exposition, even if you can't take a scheduled hour or be a substitute. Please help us keep adoration at Old St. Mary alive!

The Men's Secular Oratory will meet on the fourth Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. in Fr. Felten Hall.

Learn about the Faith

Just a reminder that the parish has a **FORMED** account that you can use to access Catholic videos and resources to learn about the Faith. To register, visit formed.org and click sign-up. Register as a parishioner and search for Oratory Parishes or use 45202 as the zip code. You will then have access to these resources!



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 starts after 7:00 p.m. Mass, and continues 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 mesharpshair@fuse.net.

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. Please go through the parish office for approval. If unapproved materials are found in church, they will be thrown away. So it is better to ask!

Sacred Heart Potluck Social

Join us in the church hall at Sacred Heart for a potluck-style social on the first Sunday of every Month after 11:00 a.m. Our next socials are **October 5** and **November 2**. Bring your Favorite food or beverage and get to know the members of our church.



Feast of St. John Henry Newman

On Thursday, **October 9**, there will be a 6:30 p.m. High Mass for the Feast of St. John Henry Newman at Old St. Mary. Please join us in celebration of our soon to be newest Doctor of the Church!

Cincinnati Kirchweih Mass

Old St. Mary's is honored to celebrate Cincinnati's Kirchweih Mass on Sunday, **October 12**, at 11:30 a.m. Sponsored by the Donauschwaben Society, Kirchweih, which means "church blessing," is an old-world tradition that is still widely celebrated in the Germany speaking world (especially in southern Bavaria and Austria). Everyone is encouraged to wear their traditional German attire to Mass. The celebrant will bless a rosemary bush (an old Christian symbol of love), which sill be auctioned off the following weekend. It is said that the lucky winners of the rosemary bush will have blessings bestowed on them in the coming year. Don't miss this truly unique celebration of German heritage.

Please note: There will be no Catechism, Evening Adoration or Confessions on Tuesday, October 21.

G.A.C.L. Mass

The Mass for all Societies, sponsored by the German-American League (Burgerliga) of Greater Cincinnati, will be held at Old St. Mary on **October 19**, at 11:30 a.m. Old St. Mary is proud to play host to this annual celebration for the strength of the Greater Cincinnati German-American community, which will begin and end with a procession of German society flags and banners. The G.A.C.L. has existed since 1895 to perpetuate the German heritage in the Greater Cincinnati area.

Oratory Gala

The annual Oratory Gala will be on Thursday, **November 6**, at Dress Pavilion in Northern Kentucky. Visit gala.cincinnatioratory.com for more information or to make reservations.

World Mission Sunday 2025

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith, a Pontifical Mission Society, is sponsoring its World Mission on Sunday, **October 19**, Visit www.onefamilyinmission.org/wms to learn more.



Catholic Kolping Society of Cincinnati

Cincinnati Kolping will be sponsoring the German Mass at Old St. Mary on Sunday, **October 26**. The Mass will be at 11:30 a.m. and will be cele-

brated in German with the exception of the homily. After Mass, everyone is invited to the Ratskeller for some adult refreshments and gemutlichkeit.

All Saints' Day

Mass on All Saints' Day (**Saturday, November 1**) at Old St. Mary will be at 7:15 a.m. (Low Latin) and 9:30 a.m. (Sung Latin). Sacred Heart will have a 9:00 a.m. Mass (Low Latin)



All Souls' Day

Mass at Old St. Mary's will be at 7:15 a.m. (Low Latin) and 6:30 p.m. (Sung Latin) on Monday, **November 3**. The 12:10 Mass will be for the Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral.

Please note: We will not be having the Fall Ravioli sale. The sale will return in the Spring on Palm Sunday.

A Deep and Heartfelt Thank You

... to all those who organized, staffed, donated, crafted and baked to help make the annual Women's Oratory sale a success. Together we were able to raise over \$3,300 in support of our Oratory seminarians, not including the matching donation gift. God bless you!

Join us each Sunday for Vespers at 3:30 p.m. at Old St. Mary.

Carmelite Corner

Praised be Jesus Christ!

Happy fall to all! This is truly my favorite season, though there is so much beauty and joy in each one. As we watch the change of the season from summer to fall and witness all of the beauty, as we enjoy the fresh air and cooler temperatures with the changing of the leaves, I am always reminded with St. Paul's words, "grace upon grace," which each falling leaf. So many graces are given each day and in so many ways.

Holy Father, St. John of the Cross, said "the Lord has always revealed to men the treasures of His wisdom and His Spirit but now that the face of evil more and more bares itself so does the Lord bare His treasures the more." What a mixed up world we live in today! So many seek happiness and fulfillment in all of the wrong ways and places. What is truth? Many ask. Repeating the same question as Pilate once asked yet lacking the inner compass to guide them. This is why we strive to have a strong parish and good catechism program along with youth programs. But there is no better teacher than that of example as words come easy.

We wish to instill in the children strong beliefs at a young age so they may have not only the tools they will need to face our culture which is no longer Christian. But they will have the faith, the hope, and the ardent love in their hearts for God and for their fellow man.

Catechism is off to a great start! We have over 30 children for confirmation and equally the same amount for the First Communion class. The most important lesson we wish to impart to the children is to help them realize who they are—where they came from and where they are going to. To help them not only realize God's immense personal love for them but to fall deeply in love with God is our one goal.

We love our work downtown and also continue to build up our "ministry of creation" in Bethel. The girls sodality (Sodality of the Children of Mary, established in 18 by St. Madeline Sophie Barat) had a camp out in September which was filled with a lot of fun as well as many graces.

Sister Kathleen Abel will be clothed in the holy Habit of Carmel on the traditional feast of St. John of the Cross on November 24, at 6 a.m. Please keep her in your prayers.

As the world wrestles with the truth and the light, keep in mind the words of St. John of the Cross as well as Holy Mother St. Teresa. God is showing and giving more grace and never forget to keep your eyes on Him. So when the wind and the waves crash around—you will never lose the light, the joy, and the strength which Christ is always there to give. In the words of St. Catherine of Siena "Be on fire and set the world on fire."

Pax et gaudium!

Music Ministry

The choir season resumed at Sacred Heart in September, and comes roaring back at Old St. Mary in October.

The *Laudate Pueri* Schola sing for St. Thérèse's feast day on October 3, and the St. Philip Choristers will join the OSM Choir for 9:30 a.m. Mass of Christ the King on October 26, a Mass which will feature instrumentalists in addition to the voices.

In addition to the Little Flower, the feast of St. John Henry Newman on October 9 will feature polyphony of the English Renaissance, and the feast of Blessed Karl of Austria will feature music near to his time and place — that of Joseph Rheinberger. Both of these feasts are close to the heart of our parishes, and will feature beautiful musical fare. Try to make it!

Sunday Vespers has begun again, with Solemn Vespers for the Feast of the Holy Cross on September 14. Remember that Vespers are sung with beautiful polyphony on the first Sunday of each month, and on many third Sundays are enhanced by the Carmelite Daughters of Elias. In December, the St. Philip Neri Choristers will also sing for a Vespers — stay tuned!

Two words of encouragement: singing First Friday Masses resumed in September. The forty-odd young men and women of Laudate Pueri work very hard and do an exceptional job, and, from where I'm sitting, it would be great to see these Masses better attended. They sing for God, but it is so encouraging for our young musicians to feel they are also being of real service to the parish, and to feel that support from the parish. The first Friday of this month is the Little Flower, which will be a beautiful liturgy, and one so special to our community, but the children will also be singing the First Friday of November and December.

Secondly — since Vespers are never an obligation, it is easy for Catholics to pass them by. But even the simplest Sunday Vespers are an enriching experience of prayer, and union with the rhythm of the Church's daily liturgical cycle, and in my experience, making a point of attending Vespers bears disproportionate fruit. Consider it for yourself, and for your family. Texts and translations are always provided.

I always joke with the Fathers that I will pay to provide root beer floats after Solemn Vespers to encourage people to make time to come. But seriously — if it would help, let me know. I think you should experience these, especially if you never have, and it's definitely worth my ice cream money.

But root beer and ice cream aside, a more substantial table is spread. Our parishes' lives embody the idea that the relationship of the faithful with the liturgy should go beyond mere obligation. It is a relationship of love, like the rule of St. Philip, that binds us together and draws us to worship.

- Sean Connolly, MCM - Director of Sacred Music / Organist

Pray for Our Sick

Vincent Latorre, Mary Ann Ridenour, Kathleen M. Campbell, Andrew Finck, Lynn Strasser, Kate Schneider, 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, Callie, Susan Mueller, Diana Dahlhausen, Terri Huwel, Tom Franz, Becky Fairchild, Joseph Downes, Noelle Polisso, Jackson, Melissa, Terri, Emmy & Abby, Ginny Tullo, and Carlos Latorre

Baptisms

Seraphine Marie Rumpler Isaac Fulton Romo

Weddings

Patrick and Gianna Tippmann Drew and Natalie Horton God created you to do him some particular service. He has given some work to you that he has not given to another. You have your mission. You shall do good. – *Saint John Henry Newman*





... needs **your** help! We invite you to stand as a prayerful witness to **save** precious lives during our peaceful Parish Vigil in the front of Planned Parenthood on Auburn Avenue on **Wednesday, October 22.** It will be the most powerful hour you live that day. Please sign-up in the back of church, by emailing parish40days@gmail.com, or by scanning the QR code.



THE FEAST OF BLESSED KARL

Emperor of Peace

Tuesday, October 21

6:30 p.m. High Mass at Old St. Mary Social to follow

Blessed Karl Novena to begin on Sunday October 12.



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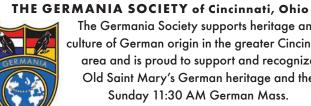
Parish eMail Group

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The Germania Society supports heritage and

culture of German origin in the greater Cincinnati area and is proud to support and recognize Old Saint Mary's German heritage and the Sunday 11:30 AM German Mass.

germaniasociety.com



SACRED ART ESSAY CONTEST

The contestant who crafts an informative reflection about a painting of the Assumption that is most worthy of our Lady, will win a framed painting of Our Lady's Assumption.

Visit anerioinstitute.org for more information. Deadline for submissions is December 7.



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