

Old St. Mary Church & Holy Trinity Church

Old St. Mary's Church

Located on 4th Street above Spruce



Established in 1763 as "Mission No. 1" of Old St. Joseph chapel, Old St. Mary's became the prestigious Catholic Church of colonial Phila. Close to the State House (Independence Hall) where the Founding Fathers declared independence and fashioned a new nation, St. Mary's was chosen as the site for the official observance of the 3rd anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. On July 4, 1779 the Founding Fathers of the Continental Congress gathered here for the solemn TE DEUM service. From 1810-38 Old St. Mary's was the first Cathedral for the Diocese of Phila. In 1832 a theological training center was started at Old St. Mary's rectory; it grew to become St. Charles Seminary. In 1979 the church was remodeled.

BAPTISM

Call Rectory for registration.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00pm

Paul A. DiGirolamo, J.C.D., Pastor

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30pm

Sunday: 10:00am

Daily: 7:30am (Chapel - 5th & Locust Sts.)

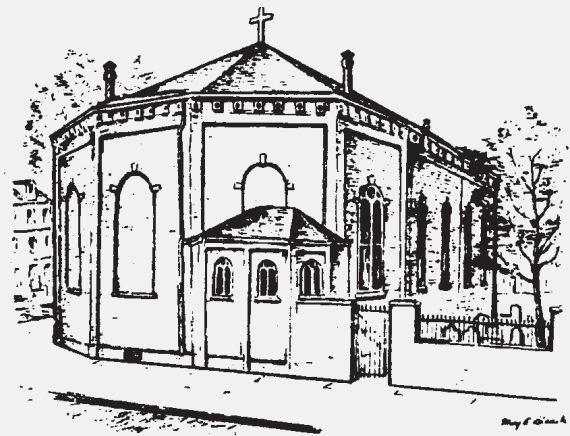
SCHEDULE FOR HOLY DAY (Holy Day Mass at Holy Trinity Only)

Vigil: 7:00pm

Holy Day: 12:00 Noon

Holy Trinity Church

Located at 6th & Spruce Streets.



Holy Trinity parish was formed in 1784 at the initiative of German-speaking Catholics, the first German national parish in the U.S. The Church appears today almost exactly as it did in 1789 when built. (The interior has been renewed several times.) In 1797 the parish established America's first Catholic orphanage for children left homeless by the yellow fever epidemics.

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March 18, 2018-Fifth Sunday of Lent



Mass Intentions

Mass for Sunday, March 18, 2018

Sat. Vigil 03/17 4:30 pm

Francesco Ianonne

Sun. 03/18 am

Thomas J. McDonald

Daily Mass 7:30 a.m. Mon – Fri

(At the St. Mary Convent Chapel, 5th & Locust Sts. Please knock for entrance)

Mon 03/19

Tues 03/20 Barbara Lopres

Wed 03/21 People of Parish

Thurs 03/22 Lewis Parker

Fri 03/23 Paul & Frances Giordano & Family

Next Sunday, March 25, 2018

Sat. Vigil 03/24 4:30 pm

Frances Pizza

Sun 03/25 10 am

Rosario Atienza

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:00 pm

Ask the priest who is inside or outside of church if you wish to go to confession.

All who attend here are welcome to register at OSM. There are forms on the tables in the back of church. Just fill the form out and place it in the collection or give it to the priest. If you register, it is your choice if you want to receive envelopes. If you are leaving the parish, drop me a note or a phone message to that effect. Thank you.

Do not leave anything of value in the pew when you go up to Communion or back to the restroom.

There is a simple web site for the parish. The address is www.oldstmary.com. You can also read the weekly bulletin there.

While there is no Archdiocesan Newspaper, you can keep up on all sorts of Catholic events, news, etc at www.CatholicPhilly.com. Check it out. It is a great resource to keep up with the church in Philly, the US and the world. Archbishop Chaput's letters are there also.

Parking is available for Sat. and Sun. Masses only in front of the church on 4th St., between Walnut and Spruce Sts. You can also park on the north side of Locust St. between 5th and 4th Sts. Just pick up a parking notice in the back of church to place on your dashboard.

The restroom is located in the North Vestibule of the Church, which is the entrance next to the cemetery entrance. Feel free to use it when needed. Chairs are also available in the South Vestibule, which is close to the rectory, for anyone who wants to have some play or quiet time with their child during mass.

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Report to the parish:

The collection for March 11 was \$4362, with \$ 782 in loose and 72 envelopes. Last year the collection was \$4342, with \$640 in loose and 85 envelopes.

Thank you for all your generous support.

Lenten Confessions

Mon., March 26 at OSM Church from 6:30 pm until 7 pm with an extra priest.

First Communion will be on Sat., Apr. 28 at the 4:30 pm Mass. Anyone, adults or children, seeking to make their First Communion should speak with the pastor immediately. First Confession will be in March.

Every Block is a great website for those who live in Philly. Go to www.everyblock.com and set up an account. It is neighborhood news and events site, as well as reporting all the crimes, etc that go on in the neighborhood every day. You can have as many philly neighborhoods as you want. It is great.

OSM is now on Facebook. . Please feel free to make comments and post pictures that are church related. Celebrate our joint religious and faith history.

Upcoming Weddings

March 17 Brittany Corey-Gregory Herrold
April 21 Ryanne Donnellon-Zach Bianchini
April 29 Amanda Buonpani-Adam Berger

Beautiful Baptismal Babies

March 18-Liam Pizer
March 24-Nolan Culbertsen
March 25-Lucas Hoch, Rory Cofone, Jake Minnion
April 7-Liam Roche
April 8-Caelen Dougherty, Arya Jasutkar, Charles Osborne, Liam Roche, Gavin Paone
April 22-Cameron Grugan
April 29- Frankie Cortese, Noelle Cantrell
May 13- Michael Pessiki
May 20-Keegan Cane
June 23-Owen Quinn Murphy

OSM Stations-Monday in Lent 12 Noon at Old St. Mary

TAX TIME-To get a tax letter, call the rectory at 215-923-7930 and leave me your amount of 2017 contributions. Also leave your fone number incase I have a question.

**Holy Thursday Mass 7 pm OSM
Good Friday Service 12 Noon OSM**

AN EXTRA PARKING STREET. If you drive by OSM and can't find parking on 4th St, go down to Pine, make a left, go to 3rd, make a left and go to Spruce St and make a left. **NOW** you can park in Spruce St between 3rd and 4th St. Just make sure you don't park near the bus stops and that you display the Parking Permit sign on the dashboard near the pavement.

So I was going to replace the main entrance vestibule light with a chandelier for better lighting, as we removed the cover plate we discovered **MORE HATED CLOTH COVERED WIRING.** We gingerly put back the cover plate and are in the process of getting an electrician to go over all the wiring in the vestibules to see if it all needs replacing. Cloth covered wiring is old and dangerous, for as the cloth deteriorates, the wire touch and a fire can be started. I have been doing my utmost over the years to find and remove it all. But it keeps popping up. **Better now than later.**

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