

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.)

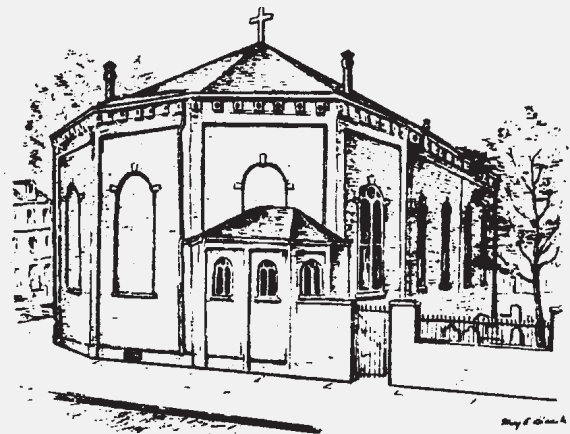
SCHEDULE FOR HOLY DAY (Holy Day Mass at Holy Trinity Only)

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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September 24, 2017-25th Sun. in Ordinary Time



Mass Intentions

Mass for Sunday, September 24, 2017

Sat. Vigil 09/23 4:30 pm

Kim Brand

Sun. 09/24 10 am

Scutieri Family

Daily Mass 7:30 a.m. Mon – Fri

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

Mon 09/25 James Pottagrossi

Tues 09/26 Paul/Francis Giordano & Fam

Wed 09/27 People of Parish

Thurs 09/28 Bob & Annie

Fri 09/29 Erica

Next Sunday, October 1, 2017

Sat. Vigil 09/30 4:30 pm

Lee Brand Brand

Sun 10/01 10 am

Paul/Francis Giordano & Family

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 Sunday, September 10 was \$4226, with \$826 in loose and 76 envelopes. The same collection last year was \$4174, with \$555 in loose and 95 envelopes.

Thank you for all your generous support.

Incredibly, the parish donated \$2218 for Hurricane Relief. You are so incredibly generous. Thank you all so very much.

Continuing on in your generosity, after discussing the finances with the parish councils, church income this year remained steady, as did expenses. Sunday collections this year were \$196,000, up a bit from \$190,000 of last year. Our expenses also remain about the same with such things as Property Insurance at \$23,000, church maintenance at \$33,000, and church utilities at \$11,600. The portion of my salary that the parish pays was \$17,800. That will change this year. The diocese wants the parish to pay my full salary and the diocese will reimburse the parish. We shall see.

Basically, we are doing fine and holding steady. Thanks you all for your generous support and presence. You make us OSM.

Old Pine Street Church is having Sunday Showers and Sunday Breakfast beginning July 16. Showers are 7:30-8:15, with meals from 8:30-9:30. So if you know someone who is aquatically challenged in regards to hygiene, and nutritionally challenged, you are welcome to recommend them to Old Pine Church on Sunday mornings.

CONFIRMATION FOR OSM

Confirmation is set for Sun., Oct. 29, 2017,

So, for young adults and adults who need to be confirmed, please call the rectory and give me your name and address and telephone number.

Sat., Oct. 7, 2017

3pm- Pet Blessing-outside of Church

5:15- Parish Social in Parish Hall

For those who are interested, OSM has some low-gluten hosts. If you wish to receive the Eucharist with them, let me (da priest) know before mass.

PASS- Polish American Social Services at 308 Walnut St, 215-922-1900 offers a variety of programs and assistance. They include Senior Discounts on Water, Real Estate Tax/Rent Rebates, Philly Property Tax freeze, resume assistance, medication and prescription plan assistance, help with info and assistance to the elderly and even employers can place job opening with them.

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 info.

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

Sept. 29-Rachael Labolito-Dan Giovannangelo

Susan Stolting-James Mills

Sept. 30-Jillian Sarno-Bobby Edmunds

Oct. 13-Samantha Odd-Phil Verespy

Oct. 14-Nicole Nicolosi-Cory Hogan

Beautiful Baptismal Babies

Sept. 24-Audrey George

September 30-Lucia Boyle

Oct. 8-Claire Matzon

Oct. 15-Maeve Tagliaferro

Oct. 28-Rhys Ores

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