

Reverend Alfred J. Harris
Pastor



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Mondays

11:30 novena and 12:05pm Mass

5:15pm – Mass.

No evening Mass and Novena on holidays.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

12:05 pm – English Mass

Friday

8:00 am – Tridentine Mass

12:05 pm – English Mass

Saturday

First Saturdays: 9:00 am Tridentine Mass

5:00 pm – Sunday Vigil Mass

Sundays:

9:00 am – **Tridentine Mass**

Second Sundays - 5:00pm- High Mass

(not during the months of July and August)

10:30 am (English)

11:30 am – (Cantonese)

1:00 pm – English

7:30 pm – (English)

STAFF

Director of Music: Donald Clark

Parish Secretary: Soraya Strobach

Bookkeeper: Ruth Robinson

Custodian: Jimmy Vines

PRIESTS IN RESIDENCE:

Fr. Luke Melcher

Fr Garret O'Brien

St. Mary Mother of God Church

727 5th Street NW – Washington DC 20001

(202) 289-7771

Holy Family

Introit: *Exsultat gaudio pater Iusti, gaudeat Pater tuus et Mater tua, et exsultet quae genuit te. -- Quam dilecta tabernacula tua, Domine virtutum: concupiscit et deficit anima mea in atria Domini*



The Epiphany of The Lord

New Parishioners We welcome new members to our parish community. Please register by filling out a Census Form available at the Rectory office or at the back of the church. Or send us an email at stmarys20001@gmail.com and we will assist you.

Visitors: You are welcome here at historic Old St Mary's!!! Please feel free to visit and stop by for some coffee and donuts in the Parish Hall, every Sunday!! After the 9:00 am Mass.

Our Lady Of China Pastoral Mission: Celebrate Mass in Cantonese and Mandarin each Sunday at 11:30 am – Sacrament of Reconciliation before Mass. For more information contact Fr John Ming Ruan (301) 738-2459 or Clare Tang (301) 251-7831 The Mission Center is at 1001 Grandin Ave. Rockville, Md 20851

Sacraments at Saint Mary Mother of God Catholic Church

Marriages: Preparations require arrangements be made at least 6 months before the date of the wedding. Please call the Rectory or send an email stmarys20001@gmail.com to make arrangements.

Baptisms: Call the Rectory (202) 289-7771 or send an email to stmarys20001@gmail.com to make arrangements.

Sacraments of Penance:

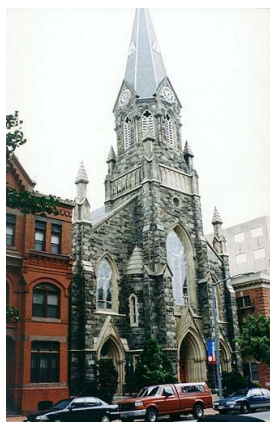
Weekdays at 11:30 am before the 12:05 pm Mass.

Saturdays at 4:30pm before the Sunday Vigil Mass at 5:00 pm Mass.

Sundays at 8:30 am before the 9:00 am Mass and Sundays at 7:00pm before the 7:30 pm Mass.

Sacrament of The Sick: Please contact the Rectory concerning parishioners who are ill.

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Mass intentions for the week.

Sunday, January 8th

9:00am- Santiago Soutuyo (D)

10:30am – Joseph Dung Nguyen (D)

1:00pm – Holy Souls in Purgatory

5:00pm – Santiago Soutuyo (D)

7:30pm - Holy Souls in Purgatory

Monday, January 9th

12:05pm – Mary Elise Millus (D)(at the age of 19)

5:15pm – Celestine I. Bishop (D)

Tuesday, January 10th

12:05pm – Santiago Soutuyo (D). (A month ago today)

Wednesday, January 11th

12:05pm – Mary Elise Millus (D) (at the age of 19)

Thursday, January 12th

12:05pm – Ivan Medina (L)

Friday, January 13th

8:00am – John Vennari (L)

12:05pm – Holy Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, January 14th

5:00pm – Mary L. Casey (D)



Honor your loved ones, alive and deceased, by requesting Masses for them. We still have some dates available for the month of January. They will be grateful to you for all eternity. A stipend of 10 dollars is normally accepted but any amount is really appreciated. We have envelopes to request a card for whom the Mass is offered.

Offertory collection

Sunday January 1st: \$ 3,829.92

Christmas: \$1,050.00

Priesthood Sunday

The Young Women's Schola will be sponsoring Priesthood Sunday on **Sunday, January 15, 2017**. This is an opportunity to show support for our priests at St. Mary's by offering spiritual bouquets for their intention - rosaries, masses, holy hours, divine mercy chaplets, etc. We will be offering opportunities to sign up on **Sundays, December 18 and January 8, after the 9:00am masses**. Registration will also be available after other Sunday masses on these days.

Sign up at the back of the Church or at our enrollment table during coffee hour after the 9:00am Mass on January 8th. Or email your initials, the devotions you will offer and the number of each to stmarys20001@gmail.com. Thank you for your participation!

MOTHER THERESA VOCATION SOCIETY ANNUAL DAY OF RECOLLECTION. Rev. Mark Ivany, Director of Priest Vocations for the Archdiocese of Washington, will lead a day of recollection at Annunciation Catholic church on 3810 Massachusetts Ave, NW Washington DC. **Saturday, January 28th from 9:00am to 2:00pm.** It will include Mass, a talk, adoration and an opportunity for confession. Lunch will be served. Donations are welcomed. It is not required to be an MTSV member to attend this event. For more information please visit www.dcpriest.org or contact Maris Moriarty at moriartym@adw.org or 202-636-9020

MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT, FRIDAY FEBRUARY 3RD. SUNDAY FEBRUARY 5TH 2017. Men in their 20s, 30s, 40s who are considering a call to the priesthood, are invited to attend a discernment retreat at John Paul II Seminary led by priests of the Archdiocese of Washington. The weekend will offer time away from their daily routine and provide an opportunity for prayer and reflection to examine God's call in their lives. There is no fee to attend. Registration is now open at www.dcpriest.org, or email vocations@adw.org for additional information.

PONTIFICAL JOHN PAUL II INSTITUTE FOR STUDIES ON MARRIAGE AND FAMILY. CALLED TO LOVE: THEOLOGY OF THE BODY. Wednesdays 6:30p-8:30pm/Begins January 11th 2017. This course studies John Paul II's *Man and Woman He Created Them: A Theology of the Body* through a reading of the text and a discussion of his scriptural. It shows how the dual unity of man and woman and their interpersonal communion, even in the body, image divine Trinitarian life. It can be taken toward renewal requirements for VCEA licensure. For more information: 202.526.3799 or information@johnpaulii.edu Class Fee:\$150.00

RETROUVAILE. A practical Christian program, Catholic in origin, whose main focus is helping to improve communication, building a stronger marriage and helping couples rediscover the love they had for each other. A lifeline of hope and healing for struggling marriages. It is a three-phase program that begins with a weekend experience, followed by post-weekend presentations, and monthly small group support meetings. The non-profit program is available in your community and has an upcoming weekend soon. For information call 1800-470-2230 or HelpOurMarriage.com

LOOKING FOR A NEW RESOLUTION FOR NEW YEAR 2017? Volunteer! Catholic Charities, the social service arm of the Church, encourages you to share mercy by serving people in need. Sign up for a one-time event or make a bigger commitment: be a mentor to someone returning from prison or welcome people arriving at a shelter for the night. www.CatholicCharitiesDC.org/volunteer



Did you fill out the Church's Census Form already? We are conducting a census of parishioners to create a database of Saint Mary's families. It will be used to see how many registered parishioners we have. It will also serve the purpose to facilitate sacramental documentation such as recommendations letters for Baptism, Confirmations, Marriage, and other sacramental permission necessary in the Catholic Church. Please fill out this form. One per household. Return it to the Rectory, or put it in the collection basket. Always yours with Christ, Fr. Alfred J. Harris. Pastor