

Reverend Alfred J. Harris  
Pastor



### Schedule of masses

#### Monday

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

#### Sunday

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: William Parsons

Parish Secretary: Soraya Strobach

Bookkeeper: Maria Reiss

Custodian: Jimmy Vines

#### Priests in Residence:

Fr Garrett O'Brien

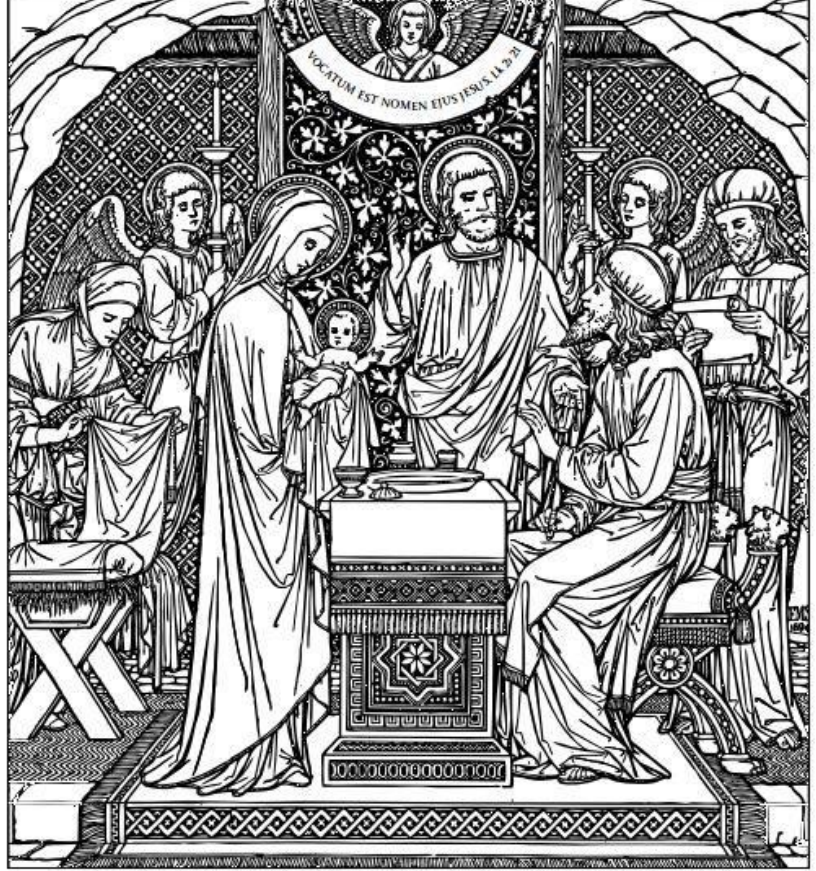
## St. Mary Mother of God Church

727 5<sup>th</sup> Street NW – Washington DC 20001

(202) 289-7771

### SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

**Introit** : DUM medium silentium tenerent omnia, et nox in suo cursu medium iter haberet, omnipotens sermo tuus us, Domine, de coelis a regalibus sedibus venit.



**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](mailto: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](mailto:stmarys20001@gmail.com) to make arrangements.

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

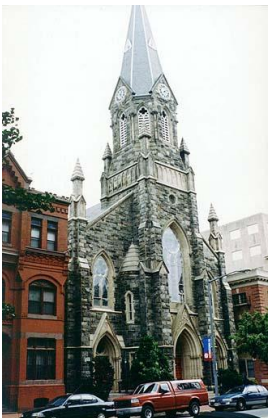
#### **Sacraments of Penance:**

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, December 31st**

9:00am – Romana Suarez (D)  
10:30am – Lavergne Marshall (D)  
1:00pm – Ed Teets (D)

### **Monday, January 1st**

12:05pm: Beatrix Szele-Szechenyi & children (L)  
10:30am – David McKenzie (D)  
1:00pm – Margaret Tinto (D)

### **Tuesday, January 2nd**

12:05pm – Christina E. Hadford (L)

### **Wednesday, January 3rd**

12:05pm – Grandparents of Abraham Family

### **Thursday, January 4th**

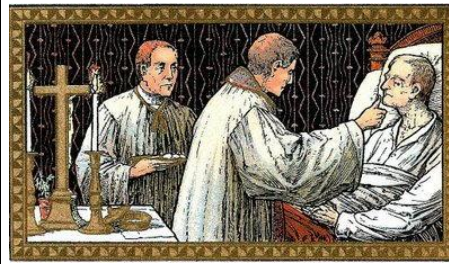
12:05pm- Victoria Kaas (D)

### **Friday, January 5th**

8:00am – Fr. Thomas Powers (L)  
12:05pm – Larry Heflin (D)

### **Saturday, January 6th**

9:00 am: Holy Souls in Purgatory  
5:00pm – PRO POPULO



**Some spots still available for the Month of January.** Request Masses for your loved ones, alive and deceased, or anniversary,

birthdates or any special occasion. They will be grateful to you for all eternity. Fill out the provided envelopes in the church and put it in the collection basket. A beautiful card of Saint Mary's for whom the Mass is requested is included upon request.



### **PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY.**

Now through January 14th, 2018. It is our opportunity to offer spiritual bouquets for the priests of our church. send an email to the office: [stmarys20001@gmail.com](mailto:stmarys20001@gmail.com)

**Quo Vadis "Shadow Day".** On Friday, January 26, young men who are juniors or seniors in high school are invited to join the Office of Priest Vocations for a special *Quo Vadis* "Shadow Day" at John Paul II Seminary and The CUA. You will experience a "day in the life" of a seminarian by joining them for Mass, Adoration, meals, class, sports, and just hanging out. Please register to attend at [www.dcpriest.org](http://www.dcpriest.org), and please email [vocations@adw.org](mailto:vocations@adw.org) with any questions.

### **EVENTS AT THE FRANCISCAN MONASTERY OF THE HOLY LAND IN WASHINGTON DC**

**Nativities of the World** A collection of more than 150 mostly-handcrafted crèches from around the globe, will be on exhibit at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land from **December 2, 2017-January 7, 2018 (daily 9am-5 pm)**. Many are folk art, created of local materials, such as nuts, tin foil, straw, and felt. See the universality of the Catholic faith through the way different cultures express the birth of Christ.



### **Free Concert!**

**National Symphony Orchestra.** Will perform a free chamber music concert **on Wednesday, Jan. 3, 7 pm.**, as part of the NSO in Your Neighborhood concert series. NSO members Marissa Regni, violin; Rachel Young, cello; Paul Cigan, clarinet; and Lisa Emenheiser, piano will perform. A light reception follows. Monastery is located at [1400 Quincy St. NE, Washington, DC 20017](http://1400QuincySt.NE.Washington.DC.20017). Free parking and Metro access. [202-526-6800](http://202-526-6800)

### **Is God Calling You to the Diaconate? Come and See!**

The Office of Permanent Diaconate Formation of the Archdiocese of Washington will begin a new cycle of recruitment and preparation of men for the diaconate. These events will be held around the Archdiocese in January-March 2018. To learn more about the specific dates and locations, please contact Diane Biggs in the Office of the Permanent Diaconate at [301-853-5345](http://301-853-5345) or [biggsd@adw.org](mailto:biggsd@adw.org). The mailing address is: Office of Permanent Diaconate Formation, P.O. Box 29260, Washington, D.C. 20017. Additional information is available at [adw.org/permanent-deacons](http://adw.org/permanent-deacons).

### **Volunteering at the National Shrine.**

Are you looking for an opportunity to grow in your own faith and extend that gift to others through your personal witness and service to the Church? Become a Docent (Tour Guide) or Tour Desk Receptionist at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Hours and days are flexible and training will be provided. Volunteer Nurses or Doctors are also needed to assist at large events at the Shrine. Anyone interested should please contact Dee Steel at [202-526-8300](http://202-526-8300), x111 or at [visitorservices@bnsic.org](mailto:visitorservices@bnsic.org)



### **The Washington Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) invites you to join them to pray the Rosary on the 4th day of each month at 8:00pm**

**(Eastern Time).** Everyone is welcome to pray as a community by calling [605-468-8016](http://605-468-8016) and inserting access code: 357090#. Questions? Contact Carol Monaco, ACCW's Spirituality Chairperson, at [csmonaco@verizon.net](mailto:csmonaco@verizon.net) Next is January 4th 8pm

### **Collection for Church Missions in the United States** **On the weekend of January 13-14, the Archdiocese of Washington will take up a second collection for**

**Church Missions in the United States.** This collection supports home mission dioceses in this country that are unable to offer their people basic liturgical, pastoral, and service ministries without outside help. It also supports vulnerable Black and Native American communities with funds for parish support and evangelization needs. Thank you for your help.