

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

## SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY



**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## A note from your Pastor

Dear Parishioners:

Here is something simple you and your family can do for Lent! Next weekend, you will see a Vocations Tree in the church, here near Blessed Carl, with cards hanging on it. Each cards has information about a seminarian of the Archdiocese of Washington. We invite you to choose a card, or more than one, and pray for that seminarian each day during Lent. Who knows? You could be praying for a future pastor here at Saint Mary's!

More information on celebrating Easter Vigil in the Extraordinary Form this year here at Saint Mary, will be coming soon. Stay tuned.

Yours in Christ, *Rev. Alfred J. Harris.*

**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.

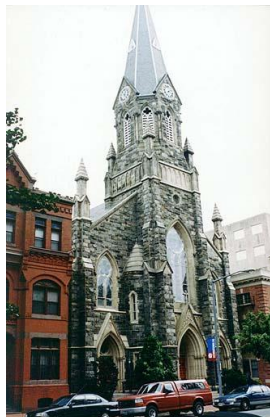
**Sacraments of Penance:**

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, February 4th***

9:00am – Carmen Alvarado (L)

10:30am – Isabel McFadden (D)

1:00pm – PRO POPULO

7:30pm – Celestine I. Bishop (D)

### ***Monday, February 5th***

12:05pm – Rosa Tou (D)

5:15pm – Caroline Cross (D)

### ***Tuesday, February 6th***

12:05pm – Scott Eltringham

### ***Wednesday, February 7th***

12:05pm – Nancy Hopkins (D)

### ***Thursday, February 8th***

12:05pm- Holy Souls in Purgatory

### ***Friday, February 9th***

8:00am – Fr. Joseph Baker (D)

12:05pm – Sarah Lopez

### ***Saturday, February 10th***

5:00pm – PRO POPULO

**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.



### **Taxes Letter.**

Please send us an email to: [stmarys20001@gmail.com](mailto:stmarys20001@gmail.com) or give us a phone call 202 289-7771 if you need to have your letter with your financial contribution to Saint Mary from 2017. Please leave us a message if you're unable to reach during business hours. Thanks.

### **Offertory collection for the month of January**

January 7<sup>th</sup>: \$3,267.00

January 14<sup>th</sup>: \$4,864.70

January 23<sup>rd</sup>: \$4,019

January 28<sup>th</sup>: \$3,921.00

Little Sisters of The Poor: \$3,575.80

Thank you very much for your financial contribution to Saint Mary Mother of God Catholic Church.

**Monthly Telephone Rosary.** Join the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) to pray the Rosary **on the 4th of each month (February 4<sup>th</sup>) at 8pm.** Everyone is welcome to pray as a community by calling [605-468-8016](tel:605-468-8016) and inserting access code: 357090#. Questions? Contact Carol Monaco, ACCW's Spirituality Chairperson, at [csmonaco@verizon.net](mailto:csmonaco@verizon.net)

**HEALING YOUR LOVE: Tools for Overcoming Obstacles in Marriage.** A Christ centered Marriage Renewal workshop for couples looking to reconnect, repair and re-energize their marriage. **February 17-18 2018.** A two day workshop, but couples will not stay overnight. The registration fee includes the workshop fee, all materials, expert Catholic psychologists and therapists who will offer their guided assistance during the workshop, plus breakfast, lunch, snacks and beverages throughout the weekend. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center. 7007 Bradley Boulevard, Bethesda, Maryland 20817 301-365-0612 Cost: \$400 per couple – Program Director: Jane Newstedt

**AT THE FRANCISCAN MONASTERY. [1400 Quincy St. NE, Washington, DC. 202-526-6800.](#)**

Free parking. Near Metro. Brookland/CUA Metro and H6 bus toward Fort Lincoln.

**Brother Simon's Valentines.** Come see Brother Simon's Valentines! For 20 years, Br. Simon handcrafted beautiful 3-dimensional valentines for his mother. These special gifts for mom – some made more than 50 years ago - are on display through **Feb. 17, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily,**



**Music at the Monastery.** Music to uplift your soul! Enjoy Music at the Monastery on **Sunday, Feb. 11, 4 p.m.,** with organist Samantha Scheff. This monthly series is cosponsored with the DC Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. A light reception follows; free-will offering. For information, visit [myfranciscan.org](http://myfranciscan.org) or call [202-526-6800](tel:202-526-6800). Brookland/CUA Metro and H6 bus toward Fort Lincoln.

**Student Lenten Pilgrimages to the Franciscan Monastery.** Students – with their family or school group – are invited on Lenten pilgrimage at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land. Take a guided tour of the church, Tomb of Christ and catacombs, and pray the Stations of the Cross (indoors or in the gardens). Each student receives a certificate of participation with a blessing. Reservations are required for these pilgrimages. The monastery is the US home of the friars who have cared for the sacred shrines and Christians in the Holy Land for 800 years. Visit [myfranciscan.org](http://myfranciscan.org) or call [202-526-6800](tel:202-526-6800).

**See "Tomb of Christ" in Lent.** This Lent, journey virtually to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the place of the crucifixion and burial of Christ. "The Tomb of Christ" at the National Geographic Museum (near St. Matthew's Cathedral, Washington, DC) is an immersive, 3-D exhibit based on the historic 2016 restoration of Jesus' tomb. See the cave walls of Jesus' tomb, hidden for centuries, and test technology used in the restoration. Get details and group discount information at [nationalgeographic.org/dc/exhibitions/tomb-of-christ](http://nationalgeographic.org/dc/exhibitions/tomb-of-christ).

**Make a Difference for Christians in Syria.** The Monastery is part of the Franciscan Custody (province) that has served the people and shrines in the Holy Land for 800 years. Please keep the Franciscan friars and parishioners in Syria in your prayers as they struggle to keep our Catholic faith alive in the midst of the war that has engulfed this second cradle of Christianity, the place of St. Paul's conversion. Learn more at [myfranciscan.org/Syria](http://myfranciscan.org/Syria) or call [202-526-6800](tel:202-526-6800), x895.