

Reverend Alfred J. Harris
Pastor



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Mondays

11:30 novena followed by 12:05pm Mass
5:15pm – Mass and novena
11:30 am novena & 12:05pm Mass & novena

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
2nd Sundays - 5:00pm- High Mass (not during Summer)
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 5th Street NW
Washington DC 20001
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Second Sunday of Advent

Introit: POPULUS Sion, ecce Dóminus véniet ad salvándas gentes: et audítam fáciét Dóminus glóriam vocis suæ in lætítia cordis vestri



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 simply send us an email at stmarys20001@gmail.com or print it from our website.

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: Necessary preparations require that 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 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.



The way to financially support your parish: Please sign up online at www.faithdirect.net
Our Parish code is DC347

Mass intentions for the week

Sunday, December 10th

9:00am - Santiago Soutuyo (D)- death anniversary
10:30am – Antonio Garcia (D)
1:00pm – Pro Populo
5:00pm- Ramon Esperante (D)
7:30pm – Lieng (Thomas) and Phi (Maria) (L)

Monday, December 11th

12:00pm - Melvin V. Scott (L)
5:15pm – Margaret McGill Joyce (D)

Tuesday, December 12th

12:00pm – Lyons Thomas Carr (D)

Wednesday, December 13th

12:00pm – Physical healing of Sarah Lopez (L)

Thursday, December 14th

12:00pm – LT. Cl. Thomas K. Simpers USMC (D)

Friday, December 15th

8:00am – Thomas M. Welsford (L)
12:00pm – Christina Hadford (L)

Saturday, December 16th

5:00pm – Thomas F. Doyle (D)

Honor your loved ones, alive and deceased, by requesting Masses for them.

They will be grateful to you for all eternity. Request a Mass for the recovery of a loved one, birth date, anniversary or any special occasion you want to thank God for. There are envelopes in the church and you can put the envelope in the collection basket. You can request a card for whom the Mass is offered.



Christmas Concert here at Saint Mary's.

December 20, 2017 at 7:30pm

- The Suspicious Cheese Lords.

Join the Cheese Lords for their annual Christmas Concert, as they present works of Renaissance composers Pierre de la Rue, Johannes Nucius, Jacob Handl, and Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck; three Ave Maria settings by Johannes Ockeghem, Robert Parsons, & Franz Biebl; and pieces from the Revolutionary American and African American traditions. Sing-along carols out the evening!!!

Cathedral Penance Service with Confessions

All are welcome to experience the love of Christ through the Sacrament of Penance at the Advent Communal Penance Service, "Come Home for Christmas," **on Tuesday, December 19 at 12:10pm at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle (1725 Rhode Island Ave., NW, near the Farragut North or Dupont Circle Metro Red Line stops).**



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. [1400 Quincy St. NE, Washington, DC 20017](http://1400.Quincy.St.NE.Washington.DC.20017). Free parking; Brookland-CUA Metro/H6 bus toward Ft. Lincoln. Information: myfranciscan.org and [202-526-6800](tel:202-526-6800).



Museum of The Bible. The museum is just two blocks from the National Mall. It provides guests with an immersive and personalized experience as they explore the history, narrative, and impact of the Bible. *400 4th St SW, Washington, DC* <https://www.museumofthebible.org/>

A call to Young Adults from the DC area!

All young professionals (21-late 30s) are invited to our monthly DCCatholic Theology on Tap at Buffalo Billiards in Dupont Circle to explore the role of faith in our daily lives.. We will be hosting Christmas Caroling in Dupont Circle on **December 12th**. Featuring performing artist Marie Miller and the Hillbilly Thomists! Come early to grab a drink and practice, then join us in Dupont Circle as we go caroling together. **Be sure to wear your favorite ugly Christmas sweater!**

6:00pm-6:30pm: Happy (half) hour
6:30pm-7:15pm: Indoor caroling practice
7:15pm-8:00pm: Caroling in Dupont Circle

We can't wait to see you there! #totdc

This weekend's Second Collection will be for Retired Religious.

This parish-based appeal coordinated by the National Religious Retirement Office (NRRO) benefits nearly 33,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests whose communities lack retirement savings. Thank you for your generosity!

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY at Saint Mary's

Now through January 14th, 2018. It is our opportunity to offer spiritual bouquets for the priests of our church. Sign up at the back of the church or at our enrollment table during coffee hour after 9:00am Mass on December 17th and January 7th. You can also send an email to the office: stmarys20001@gmail.com
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