

SACRED HEART CHURCH



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PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. (English) & 11:00 a.m. (Latin)

Weekday: 9:00 a.m. (Latin)

Holy Day: 9:00 a.m. (Latin) 12:00 Noon (English) & 7:00 p.m. (Latin)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Thirty minutes before Mass Sunday-Friday

Saturday during Holy Hour

DEVOTIONS

Perpetual Novena of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Tuesdays after Mass

Holy Hour: Saturdays at 7:50 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact Parish Office

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance

PARISH OFFICE

Monday-Thursday 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	11	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>GAUDETE SUNDAY (I)</i> Rosemary Vassolo by Family Bill Wilson by Edward & Catherine Geiser
MONDAY 9:00 a.m.	12	OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE (III) Robert Gellenbeck/1 st Anniversary by Wife, Georgia
TUESDAY 9:00 a.m.	13	SAINT LUCY (III) Special Intention/JG
WEDNESDAY 9:00 a.m.	14	EMBER WEDNESDAY (II) Poor Souls by Ron & Marilyn Claybron
THURSDAY 9:00 a.m.	15	FERIA OF ADVENT (III) Poor Souls by Ron & Marilyn Claybron
FRIDAY 9:00 a.m.	16	EMBER FRIDAY (II) Poor Souls by Ron & Marilyn Claybron
SATURDAY 9:00 a.m.	17	EMBER SATURDAY (II) Robert Henderson by Sam Milano
SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	18	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (I) Bill, Mary Lou & Chuck Conway by Conway Family Special Intention/RA by Mary Jo Simon

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday, December 4: (47 Envelopes)

Your Gift to God through Your Parish: \$3,098

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please submit names to the parish office!

OLD ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHEDULE

Sunday 7:30 a.m. (Low Latin) 9:15 a.m. (Sung Latin Ordinary Form) 11:00 a.m. (German)

12:30 p.m. (English) & 7:00 p.m. (English)

Monday-Friday 7:15 a.m. (Traditional Latin) & 12:10 p.m. (English)

Saturday 6:45 a.m. (Traditional Latin) & 12:10 p.m. (English)

Tuesday – Adoration 8:00 a.m. – Noon & 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Parish Holy Hour from 7:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. with Confession

Sacrament of Penance offered before Sunday Mass (9:15 a.m. 12:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.)

Daily after 12:10 Mass until 1:00 p.m.; Tuesday 7:30 p.m. until 8:15 p.m.

*You may drop your collection envelope at either parish and it will make its way to its intended destination.

FROM THE PASTOR

Laudetur Jesus Christus! Gelobt sei Jesus Christus! Sia lodato Gesù Cristo! Praised be Jesus Christ!

With the Third Sunday of Advent, we enter into a more intense period of preparation for the Season of Christmas. I encourage everyone to continue in their preparation for the birth of the Lord. But I also remind you that we need to be preparing each day to welcome the Lord in our own hearts and souls through the reception of Holy Communion frequently, and also for when He returns again in glory at the end of time.

To do this, we must pray fervently each day, through our attendance at Daily Mass, the recitation of the Rosary, participation in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, among other devotions. Please do not fail to also speak to God in your own words, and to communicate directly with Him.

One should also daily examine your conscience. If we do not know where we are imperfect, how can we become perfect as we have been called? Bring these imperfections to the Sacrament of Penance, and work to overcome the vices that have gripped the heart by growing in virtue. The Lord is generous with His graces, if we ask. The Lord has given to us all the virtues we need to live life perfectly, if we but practice them. May we not take such gifts for granted.

Lastly, Christmas Day is rapidly approaching. Hopefully not all of the decorations are up just yet, and the most important have been saved for the day when we do recall the birth of the King of kings. Advent is a time when many family traditions are, and can be, established. Use the Church's Liturgical wisdom to do so. We shouldn't pretend it is Christmas just yet, but neither should we pretend Christmas isn't coming. The Church has given us this period of preparation to prepare for Christ, to remind us that each day of our lives we need to prepare for the Lord. She has also given us that period of rejoicing after Christmas, beginning with the Octave of Christmas (the eight days immediately following Christmas that are celebrated as Christmas themselves), and then the Christmas Season which runs properly until February 2. Let us make our observance of this season truly Christian, and rejoice when Christ does appear.

To assist in this preparation, I encourage everyone to participate in activities here at Church. First with our combined parish catechism this coming Tuesday at Old St. Mary's with Fr. David Endres, speaking about evidence of Christ outside of the Gospels. We will also have our Adult Catechism on Wednesday after Mass before breaking for a brief Christmas Break until January 11. Old St. Mary's will have its Annual Musical Oratory this coming Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. We will be cleaning the Church on the next two coming Tuesdays after daily Mass and the Novena, please come out to help if you can! Also, please listen for announcements and watch the bulletin next Sunday for decorating sometime the week before Christmas. There is much to do to ready our souls, our homes, and our Church to welcome Christ. May we do so worthily and faithfully.

Have a blessed week ahead!

Fr. Paul Beach

PARISH NEWS

Christmas is on a Sunday this year. Please find the Christmas schedule below:

Midnight (Traditional Latin Mass)

9:00 a.m. (English)

11:00 a.m. (Traditional Latin Mass)

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD! We are now selling cases of ravioli (20 boxes per case) for \$120.00 each, that's only \$6.00 per box. Quart of meatballs (12) are now \$6.00 and a quart of sauce is \$5.00. If you are interested in sharing with relatives or friends for the holidays please call the office at 541-4654, Monday through Thursday, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Individual boxes (50 ravioli) may be purchased at \$7.00 per box. Supplies will also be available for sale after Masses on Sunday, December 11, 2016.

Holy Hour Please join us for a Holy Hour each Saturday before Mass. The Holy Hour begins at 7:50 a.m. and concludes at 8:50 a.m. with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The Church will open ten minutes before the Holy Hour. Confession will be heard during the Holy Hour. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. Please join us in praying for our parish, the Community-in-Formation, for vocations, and the needs of our families, and nation.

Catechism Classes are held each Tuesday at Old St. Mary's for our children and our adults and on Wednesday mornings at Sacred Heart for adults. Tuesday evening at Old St. Mary's begins at 7:00 p.m. and ends at 8:00 p.m. Confession is available from 7:30 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. with Benediction at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday catechism begins after the daily Mass at Sacred Heart. Please join us for these opportunities. Classes will be on Christmas Break from December 20 until January 3. Classes will resume on January 10 & 11.

Second Collection for Religious will be taken up today, Sunday, December 11. Your gift works for elderly religious by helping to furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please support next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given their lives for the Church.

Baby Bottle Campaign! "Pregnancy Center West would like to thank all of you who participated in our recent Baby Bottle Campaign. The funds you contributed will help us provide life-affirming guidance and services to women facing untimely pregnancies. May God bless you for your generosity and commitment to the culture of life."

Recently, we have had individuals and groups of individuals solicit parishioners for money, both in church and in the parking lot, I ask that you *not* give money to such individuals. If you notice any solicitation occurring, please bring it to the celebrating priest's attention and discourage it.

