

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

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

#### Introit

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**Stations of The Cross every Friday**  
during Lent after the 12:00 noon Mass.

**Confessions every Thursday** during Lent  
From 5:00 -6:00pm



**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.

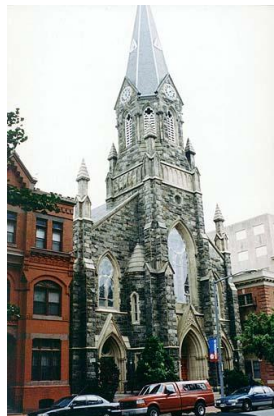
#### **Sacraments of Penance:**

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, March 11th**

9:00am – Santiago Raul Soutuyo (D)  
10:30am – Sue Reilly (L)  
1:00pm – PRO POPULO  
5:00pm – Margaret Costello (D)  
7:30pm – Brenda Thomas (L)

### **Monday, March 12th**

12:05pm – Brenda Thomas (L)  
5:15pm – Brenda Thomas (L)

### **Tuesday, March 13th**

12:05pm – David McKenzie (L)

### **Wednesday, March 14th**

12:05pm – Priests of Saint Mary  
Mother of God (L)

### **Thursday, March 15th**

12:05pm – Holy Souls in Purgatory

### **Friday, March 16th**

8:00am – Teresa Hermanutz (D)  
12:05pm – Carolyn Cross (D)

### **Saturday, March 17th**

5:00pm – Andrea Smith (D)

## **Messages from your Pastor**

Saint Mary's is pleased to announce we will offer the entire Triduum using the traditional Latin (1955/62) books for the first time in around 50 years. All liturgies will be Solemn High with Gregorian chant and polyphony. Mark your calendars and tell your friends about our Holy Week schedule:

- \* **Palm Sunday, 25 March, 8:30 a.m.:** blessing of palms, procession and Solemn High Mass.
- \* **Maundy Thursday, 29 March, 7:30 p.m.:** Solemn High Mass, procession and stripping of the altars.
- \* **Good Friday, 30 March, 3 p.m.:** Solemn High liturgy.
- \* **Holy Saturday, 31 March, 11 p.m.:** Solemn High Mass.
- \* **Easter Sunday, 1 April, 9 a.m.:** Solemn High Mass.

### **Tax Letters:**

Send us an email: [stmarys20001@gmail.com](mailto:stmarys20001@gmail.com) or give us a phone call: 202 289-7771 and we will mail it to you. Please leave us a message if you're unable to reach during business hours. Thank you very much for your financial contribution to Saint Mary Mother of God Catholic Church.

**Saint Mary Mother of God will be part of Seven Church Walk this year.** Join hundreds of young adults for the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Lenten pilgrimage as a Roman tradition in Washington DC. **Date: March 24<sup>th</sup>.** Meet: 10:00am Immaculate Conception Church in Shaw. They will visit Saint Mary at 11:00am

**Beginning March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018, young adults are invited** to participate in 10 sessions of onsite (online optional) Formation for the New Evangelization. This is an exciting tool for young adults to put their faith and talents into action!

Through this program you will:

1. Learn the history and mission of the Church's call to Evangelization.
2. Gain the tools necessary to be an evangelization start-up that draws on your talents and interests, and serve the needs of your community.
3. Join a community of young adult apostles who are on fire with their faith, and want to serve as Evangelizers in their local communities. For details and to apply: [apostlesonmission.org](http://apostlesonmission.org) – In collaboration with Catholic Apostolate Center.

Monday nights, **March 12-May 14<sup>th</sup>** at Saint Michael church in Silver Spring. It is going to be Live Streamed across the ADW.

**Archdiocese of Washington Marriage Retreat: March 16-18 or March 23-25.** Pick the weekend most convenient to you. A marriage retreat is a time for quiet prayer and reflection together with your spouse. Fr Rick Kramer will be directing the retreat that will offer daily Mass, talks, adoration, rosary, time for rest and relaxation. The event will be held at Priestfield Retreat Center. 4030 Middleway Pike Kearneysville WV 25430 just an hour and half from Washington DC. Contact info: 410-2525355 or email Frank Gaelone at [admin@galeonephoto.com](mailto:admin@galeonephoto.com)

**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.

**Easter Lily and Palm Cross Sale.** Pick up beautiful Easter lilies and palm crosses for your garden or yard, or donate them to the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in honor of loved ones. Your order supports the gardens of the historic monastery. Details and online orders at [www.fmgg.org](http://www.fmgg.org) and the monastery's Holy Land Gift Shop, **1400 Quincy St. NE, Washington, DC 20017.** Pick up items on Palm Sunday Weekend, March 24-25. Sponsored by the Franciscan Monastery Garden Guild. Contact: Joe Bozik, [retrojoeg@gmail.com](mailto:retrojoeg@gmail.com) or call **703-967-0958.**



**Student Lenten Pilgrimages to the Franciscan Monastery.** Take a Student Lenten Pilgrimage with school or family at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land. Students who take a guided tour of the church, Tomb of Christ and catacombs, and pray the Stations of the Cross (indoors or in the gardens) receive a certificate of participation with a blessing. Reservations are required. 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.**

**Burial of Christ.** Experience the Holy Land on Good Friday with a recreation of the Burial of Christ ceremony held at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem. The crucified Christ will be carried through the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land church in this service of song and prayer, then anointed and placed in the tomb (a full-size replica of the Tomb of Christ in Jerusalem).