

March 19, 2017
Third Sunday of Lent (A)

From the Desk of Rev. Msgr. Hugh J. Corrigan:

It was the worst kind of snowstorm: snow, sleet, rain followed by freezing temperatures. Looking at the weather prediction (possibly rain, snow showers) for Saturday, March 18, I cancelled our participation in the Yonkers St. Patrick's Day Parade on McLean Avenue. Thank you to all who volunteered to march. Especial the many parents with their children.

Reading our Gospel today about the Samaritan women at the well, I thought about the Middle East today where the scarcity of water is a significant cause of some of the conflicts that have been breaking out. Then my thoughts went to Africa where lack of water is turning some regions into deserts. No wonder people are fleeing these regions. Where can they go?

Then I thought about the melting of the ice caps, causing the rising of the sea level that will in the future cause millions to flee their homes. Where can they go?

I wonder what Jesus would tell us to do?

Dates to Remember:

April 24-26; A mission for neighboring parishes including St. Mary's. Details will follow. The Sisters of Charity of New York are offering Free English Classes; at Mount Saint Vincent , 6301 Riverdale Ave, Bronx, NY –Registration is Monday, March 27th from 4:30-7:30 pm in Le Gras Hall on the lower level. Classes will be on Mondays from 6:15-8:15 pm & Wednesdays 6:15-8:15 pm starting April 3rd and ending May 24th.

Collection : the collection for last Sunday, March 12, 2017 was \$3,583.00

Second Collection: today's second collection is for the Easter Flowers

Stations of the Cross on Fridays in Lent:

12:30 pm–English

6:45pm– Arabic

8:00pm-Spanish

Parish Council Meeting; Due to the weather last week the Parish council Meeting was moved to this Wednesday March 22nd at 7:00pm in the Parish Rectory.

Easter Flowers: If you would like to have your loved ones remembered or a special intention remembered by the faithful at Easter, please make your reservation for the following in this week's second collection.

Large Lily Plant: \$50.00

Hydrangea Plant: \$50.00

Small Lily Plant: \$25.00

Tulip Plant: \$20.00

Hyacinth Plant: \$10.00

Lent 2017:

Sunday, March 19, 2017: Give Us Living Water! John 4:10-14: Jesus offers us eternal life that begins now.

Monday, March 20, 2017: St. Joseph ;Matthew 1:20-24: Like Joseph, let us help bring Jesus to birth in our world.

Tuesday, March 21, 2017: Forgive Others! Matthew 18:21-22: Jesus tells us not to limit our forgiveness.

Wednesday, March 22, 2017:Respect God's Laws; Deuteronomy 4:9 :How can we share our love for God's ways today?

Thursday, March 23, 2017:I Will Be Your God; Jeremiah 7:23: What keeps us from putting God first in our lives today?

Friday, March 24, 2017; Love God First; Mark 12:29-30:How can we love God above all things?

Saturday, March 25, 2017; Annunciation; Luke 1:37-38: Trust that with God nothing is impossible!

Mass Schedule for the week of

March 19, 2016 to March 26, 2017

**Mass are daily at 8:15 and 12:05 in English and in Spanish on Thursdays
at 7:30pm**

Sunday March 19, 2017

7:30 For the Parishioners

9:00 Joaquim David

Daughter

11:00 Phidel Odora

Francisco & Claudia Dougan

Thursday, March 23, 2017

7:00 In Thanksgiving

Lila Perz

Saturday March 25, 2017

12:05 Matthew Joseph (L)

Family

5:00 Joseph A Caruso Sr.

Anne Marie Sell

7:30 Zonita Matute De Rojas

Mother & Family

Sunday March 26, 2017

7:30 For the Parishioners

9:00 Jesus Hernandez

Mother & Siblings

11:00 Virgil Barrelli

Wife Angela