

March 5, 2017
First Sunday of Lent (A)

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

Lent is a time of preparation for the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter). We traditionally prepare by acts of fasting, penance and helping others. Although we are not obliged to fast (except on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday) it might be good to eat less on the days of lent– to remind us of Jesus’s sacrificial love. We are requested to abstain from meat on all the Fridays of Lent. Although not required, going to Confession should be considered. We should think of other ways to prepare for the Triduum. Getting the family to say a blessing before meals would be a wonderful practice. Help our planet and all who live on it by not using plastic bags when shopping. Read a book. Learn to recognize “fake news.” Exercise more. Volunteer to work organizations that directly help the poor. Cut down on the use of the internet and use the time to learn to be in the presence of God.

There is a spectacular photograph of the inside of our church in the current edition of Westchester Magazine. Our church is beautiful because of the generosity of our parishioners, past and present. The current fundraising drive to restore and repair our stained glass windows is our latest attempt to keep our church beautiful. An old church like ours needs a lot of maintenance to keep looking beautiful. If you haven’t yet pledged money in our campaign please do so today. Our campaign is coming to an end and we are \$50,000 short of our goal of \$404,000.

Dates to Remember: Saturday, March 18th at 1:00pm: Yonkers St. Patrick Day Parade on McLean Avenue. We will march as a parish. Transportation will be provided by bus to and from the parade route.

April 24-26; A mission for neighboring parishes including St. Mary’s. Details will follow.

Collection : the collection for last Sunday, February 26, 2017 was \$ 3,802.00 The second collection today is for the support of the Catholic Relief Services.

Stations of the Cross on Fridays in Lent:

12:30 pm–English
6:45pm– Arabic
8:00pm-Spanish

Lent 2017: Stay with me, Lord because I am weak and I need your strength. You are my life and without you I am without fervor. You are my light and without you I am in darkness. Stay with me, Lord for I desire to love you and always be in your company. Stay with me, Jesus, in life with all its dangers, I need you. Amen

Sunday, March 5, 2017: Feed Us with Your Word! Matthew 4:4; Let us listen each day to God’s word.

Monday, March 6, 2017: When Did We See You? Matthew 25:44-45; Be alert today to notice Christ in others.

Tuesday, March 7, 2017: God Knows Your Needs. Matthew 6:8; Pray in confidence that God will answer you.

Wednesday, March 8, 2017: Sin No More Jonah 3:8-9; When you change your ways, God’s mercy increases.

Thursday, March 9, 2017: Help Me, God! Esther C:14: Ask for God’s help with your problems.

Friday, March 10, 2017; Put Aside Anger Matthew 5:22; Try to give up all angry behavior today.

Saturday, March 11, 2017; Love Your Enemies; Matthew 5:44-45; How can you be more loving towards your enemies?

Mass Schedule for the week of

March 5, 2016 to March 12, 2017

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

Sunday March 5, 2017

7:30 For the Parishioners

9:00 Jesus Ruiz & Carlota Zuniga

Joaquina Tovar

11:00 Francis & Margaret Walsh

Catherine Reid

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

12:05 Cecelia Ann Favareau

Alice De Waters

Thursday, March 9, 2017

7:00 Frank Navarro

Josefa Navarro

Saturday March 11, 2017

5:00 Rose Kunny

Jerry Kunny

7:30 Marina Perez Lopez

Grandson Camilo Cruz

Sunday March 12, 2017

7:30 For the Parishioners

9:00 Maria David

Daughter

11:00 Thomas Toby

Francisco & Claudia Dougan