

April 2, 2017
Fifth Sunday of Lent (A)

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

Climate change: I am empathizing with my early blooming daffodils. This year they bloomed too early and were flattened by the early frost. The early warm weather energized me to want to begin working in the garden. My spirits were high. Working in a garden is mentally and physically very good for me. It also keeps me from obsessing about our political situation. The cold weather killed the flowers. My spirits sipped. I felt flattened like my daffodils. I began asking “ Is this early frost a onetime thing or is it a pattern? Is it caused by humans? I read an article in a newspaper this morning and loved these catchy sentences: “What happens in the Artic does not stay in the Artic.” We drive and chop and burn and fly, while the plants around us freeze and die.” “We dance and the plants pay the piper until they can’t play anymore. Then the bees pay. Then the farmers pay. Then we all pay.” “This time, take time to smell the flowers and consider how not long after their luck runs out for good, ours will too.”

I know that as soon as our other flowers bloom (including the late blooming daffodils), we will probably banish from our thoughts all this negative thinking about climate change. So make a Lenten resolution not to forget this early frost of 2017. If you think that changing the environment is too difficult or impossible, think of Easter.

Reconciliation Monday; April 10, 2017:

11:30-12:30- English and Spanish

3:00-7:00 pm– English and Spanish

7:00-8:00pm-English, Spanish and Arabic

Collection : the collection for last Sunday, March 26, 2017 was \$4,000.00

Stations of the Cross on Fridays in Lent:

12:30 pm–English

6:45pm– Arabic

8:00pm-Spanish

Dates to Remember:

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

Holy Week Schedule –April 13th to April 15th:

April 13th-Holy Thursday: Evening Mass of the Last Supper 6:00pm (Bilingual) – 8:30 pm (Arabic)

April 14th–Friday of the Passion of the Lord: Good Friday-1:30 pm- Indoor Stations of the Cross & Solemn Celebration of the Lord’s Passion (English); 3:00 pm -Outdoor Stations of the Cross throughout the neighborhood (Spanish) 4:30 pm- Solemn Celebration of the Lord’s Passion (Spanish)

April 15th–Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil: 8:00pm (Bilingual) 10:00pm (Arabic)

All Masses during Holy Week will be in the Main Church.

Lent 2017:

Sunday, March 26, 2017: Open Our Eyes! John 9:39: Ask Jesus to cure whatever blinds you to him and his ways .

Monday, March 27, 2017: God’s New Creation; Isaiah 65:17 : God is working in you to create something new this Lent.

Tuesday, March 28, 2017: Help us Walk! John 5:14: Jesu can cure our stubborn reluctance to walk in his ways.

Wednesday, March 29, 2017:God is Merciful; Psalm 145:8-9 :Give thanks because God is always merciful and compassionate.

Thursday, March 30, 2017:No Golden Calf; Exodus 32:7-8: How do our actions show what we think is most important?

Friday, March 31, 2017; Comfort us, O God!; psalm 34:19-20:God is close to the brokenhearted and the poor.

Saturday, April 1, 2017; No One Speaks Like Him; John 7:46-47: Let us treasure Jesus’ words to learn about God.

Mass Schedule for the week of
April 2, 2017 to April 9, 2017

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

Sunday April 2, 2017

7:30 For the Parishioners

9:00 Julio Rodriguez

His Children

11:00 Rema Ereifej

Dorlad Ereifej

Monday April 3, 2017

12:05 Bridget & Michael Totly

Mary Devitt

Thursday, April 6, 2017

7:00 Alberto Villa

Nora Villa

Friday, April 7, 2017

12:05 Manorah Reyes (L)

Nora Estevez

7:00 Kilmara Cortez

Children

Saturday April 8, 2017

12:05 Inocencio Lumayam

Sandoval Family

5:00 Rose Kunny

Yang Yang Huan

7:30 Miguel Angel Portillo

Daughter Ana

Sunday April 9, 2017

7:30 For the Parishioners

9:00 Rosa Lopez, Sofia Becerril &

Benjamin Cruz Parrales

Camilo Cruz

11:00 Juvenil Antao

Esther & Eduardo Rodrigues