February 18, 2018 First Sunday in Lent

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

I am writing this on Ash Wednesday. It has triggered my memory about my first Ash Wednesday at St. Mary's in 1987. I had just become pastor. I know what I was experiencing thirty-one years ago because I wrote about it in a private journal. You can read some of these thoughts in chapter 22 in my history of the parish (1848-2016). I came at a time of great change in our section of Yonkers. This change continues today but we have so far successfully adapted. The near future will bring you new challenges but I am confident that you will succeed. I say "you" not "us" because I will be retiring on June 30th. This means that this is my last Ash Wednesday at St. Mary's. I feel sad about leaving but I know that it is time. It has been a challenging and rewarding thirty-one years.

Congratulations to the Yonkers Public Schools who have accomplished a graduation rate of 80% for its high school students. This is very good news for the future of Yonkers.

Collection: the collection for last Sunday, February 11, 2018 was \$3,306.00

The second collection today is our monthly collection to help with our Church Property Insurance Parish Council Meeting: there will be a Parish Council Meeting this coming Wednesday February 21,2018 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Rectory.

Way of the Cross: On Friday's during Lent the way of the Cross will be after the 12:05 Mass, the Arabic community of the Good Shephard will have it at 6:45pm and in Spanish it will be at 8:00 pm.

February 2018:

22nd Confirmation Retreat 9:30 am until 2:00pm St. Mary's Parish Hall

24th No Religious Education Classes

March 2018:

3rd Religious Education Classes 9:30-11:00 –2nd Meeting Holy Communion:11:30 School Cafeteria this meeting is mandatory for all Confirmation parents

10th Religious Education Classes 9:30-11:00

17th Religious Education Classes 9:30-11:00-Communion Rehearsal- Church 9:45 to 10:45am

24th Religious Education Classes 9:30-11:00-Holy Thursday and Baptismal Rehearsal-Church 9:45-10:45 am

29th All Children come to the Mass on Holy Thursday Mass –Mass starts at 6:00pm

31st No Religious Education Classes-Holy Saturday-April 1st Happy Easter

Lent 2018: "The Spirit immediately drove him out into wilderness. And he was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan"-Mark 1:12-13

Sunday, February 18, 2018: Give Me a Sign: Genesis 9:11-13; Look for sign of God's love around you today. Monday, February 19, 2018: When Did We See You?: Matthew 25:40; Let us do good for others as Jesus did. Tuesday, February 20, 2018: God's Word is Powerful: Isaiah 55:10-11; Let God's Word change us this Lent. Wednesday, February 21, 2018: We Can Change: Psalm 51:3-4; Now is the time to change our behavior to be like Jesus.

Thursday, February 22, 2018:Belive in Jesu: Matthew 16:16-18; In his words and actions Jesus reveals what God is Like.

Friday, February 23, 2018: Put Aside Anger: Matthew 5:22; Try to give up all angry behavior today. Saturday, February 24, 2018:Love Even Your Enemies: Matthew 5:43-44; Jesus challenges us to love without limits.

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Mass Schedule for the week of February 4, 2018 to February 11, 2018

Mass are daily at 8:15 and 12:05 in English and in Spanish on Thursdays at 7:00pm Below are the Special Intentions for this week

Sunday, February 18, 2018:

7:30am For the Parishioners

9:00am Zoilo Marquez Malila Marquez 11:00am Richard K. Dumashie Mary Mazzeo

Monday, February 19, 2018:

12:05 Margaret Eshoo John Eshoo

Tuesday, February 20, 2018:

12:05 In Thanksgiving Marta Vega

Wednesday February 21, 2018:

12:05 Joseph Ferrara Mary Robison

Thursday February 22, 2018:

12:05 Aida Aviles Julia Diaz 7:00 Des. Members of the Rodriguez& Morales Family Julia Diaz

Saturday, February 24, 2018:

5:00pm Divine Mercy Josefina Castro 7:30 pm Carmen Munoz Carmen Almedina

Sunday, February 25, 2018:

7:30am For the Parishioners 9:00am Onesimo Tovar

Toribio & Joaquina Tovar

Makissa Morales 11:00am Anatalio Ragasa