

2st Sunday of Lent

“They saw...Moses and Elijah, talking to Jesus. They appeared in glory.”

Announced Masses for the Week of March 17, 2019



Sunday, Mar 17, 2019

9:00 am † Janina Bal by Jane Donaldson
† Vaughn J. & Terry G. McGraw
by Ruth McGraw

11:00 am For all parishioners

Monday, Mar 18, 2019

7:30 am

Tuesday, Mar 19, 2019 - St Joseph

NO MASS

Wednesday, Mar 20, 2019

7:00 pm

Thursday, Mar 21, 2019

7:30 am

Friday, Mar. 22, 2019

7:30 am

Saturday, Mar. 23, 2019

9:00 am

4:30 pm † Cy Marcellus by Mrs. Bernadette Marcellus
† Ngang Chua Pua by the Ramirez family

Sunday, Mar. 24, 2019

9:00 am † John O. Ward by Joan & family

† Sandra Wryzowski by Brian & Helen McGurrin

11:00 am For all parishioners

First Reading: Gen. 15:5-12, 17-18 By faith Abram finds favour with the Lord. The Lord makes a covenant, that is, establishes a special relationship, with Abram and His descendants.

Second Reading: Phil. 3:14–4:1 or 3:20 – 4.1 Paul exhorts us to turn away from worldly pleasure and pride to reject sin. He reminds us that we are not of this world.

Gospel: Lk. 9:28b-36 The glory of Christ is revealed, and God manifests the special mission of Christ.



The Secular Franciscans within our parish invite YOU to join us as we walk with Jesus in the Way of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7 p.m. (March 8 - April 12) and on Friday, April 19 at 10 am.

See posters on the Parish bulletin boards for more information.

Two thousand years later, Jesus, and we still remember. Will you walk with us?

We welcome to the family of the church the newly baptized:

Eva Luna Cruz-Tran

Daniel Betancourt Ferrer

Church Refurbishing update:

Work is coming along well. We are thinking we may be ahead of the scheduled time. Electrical work starting this week. The sanctuary back wall upgrade should start within the next 7 days.

Thank you for coping with all this disturbance.

The total estimated cost of all the contracts will be approx.. \$75,000.00 + GST, which will be paid out of the Loan fund for Parishes.

HOWEVER should any member of the IHM Congregation wish to contribute to the cost of these projects by way of a Charitable Donation to our Parish, your parish will be most grateful for any financial support received. There are envelopes for this donation on the tables at the entrances of the church. Tax receipts will be sent at the end of the year.

David Burke, chair of Finance Council, Dermot Nally, past chair of Finance Council, Brendan Reid, chair of Pastoral Council and, Fr. Stephen Liang, pastor

In the second Sunday of Lent let us see D & P partner in Bangladesh/India

After persecution comes protection Faced with persecution and violence, hundreds of thousands of Rohingya have had no choice but to flee Burma, also known as Myanmar. Across the border, in neighbouring Bangladesh, our partner Caritas Bangladesh is working to preserve the dignity of these people who just want to live in peace. Read the rest in the Mini-magazine on the tables in the back of the church.



Mass Offerings

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday, anniversary or for a recovery from illness), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul.

St. Ambrose preached, "We have loved them during life; let us not abandon them in death, until we have conducted them by our prayers into the house of the Lord." St. John Chrysostom stated, "Let us help and commemorate them. Finally, Pope St. Gregory said, "Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them."

Given this understanding, we can add some specifics. When a priest offers Holy Mass, he has three intentions:

- First, to offer the Mass reverently and validly in accord with the norms of the Church.
- Second, to offer the Mass in union with the whole Church and for the good of the whole Church.
- Third, to offer the Mass for a particular intention, such as the repose of the soul of someone who has died or for who needs divine intervention..

We find not only the origins of this practice dating to the early Church but we also clearly recognize its importance. When we face the death of someone, even a person who is not Catholic, **to have a Mass offered for the repose of his soul and to offer our prayers are more beneficial and comforting than any other sympathy card or bouquet of flowers. To have a Mass offered on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special need is appropriate, beneficial and appreciated.**

Fr. Stephen Liang

Finance Council Corner

Collections for Mar. 10, 2019

Envelopes	\$2,205.90
Loose	\$ 522.60
Other Collections	\$ 598.00
Candles	\$ 172.50
PAR	\$ 569.00
Total:	\$4,068.00

Weekly Goal \$5,250.00

Church Refurbishment \$445.00 Total to date: \$1,665.50

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Please consider enrolling in our **PAR** (Pre-Authorized Remittance) option. Enrolment forms are available at the back of the church. This service makes regular donations easier for you and is a welcome benefit to our Parish. A box set of envelopes is also available for your use. Only need to call the parish office.

Please consider including Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in the bequeath section of an **obituary notice**. Our Registered Charitable Business Number is #12896-7353-RR0001. You may also use this BN# whenever you are asked to direct a charitable donation, such as with the United Way Workplace Campaign.

We also ask that you kindly remember Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in your will. Such a gift will provide for the faith life of future generations in our Parish.

