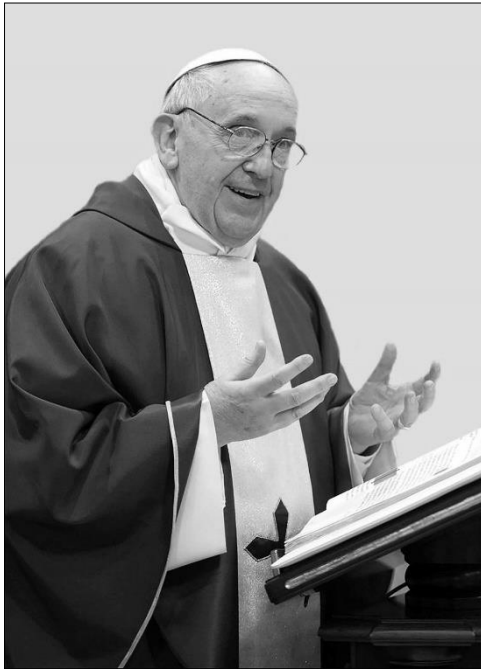


St. Cecilia's Bulletin

1st Sunday of Lent – February 18, 2018



LENT WITH POPE FRANCIS

Let us not forget that real poverty hurts: no self-denial is real without this dimension of penance.

I distrust charity that costs nothing and does not hurt.

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THE NEW JERUSALEM: THE CHURCH ON EARTH

When in Revelation 21:9-21 John describes the dimensions and adornments of the New Jerusalem, he describes the heaven enjoyed by the saints at the end of time, the ultimate fulfillment of the New Covenant. We will enter into the fullness of the New Covenant, but only in eternity. We will enter fully into the new creation and the New Jerusalem when we enter heaven in our resurrected, glorified bodies. But John's vision can't be interpreted exclusively as a future reality. The kingdom of God, which can never be fully realized on earth, does find partial (but real) fulfillment in us on this side of heaven. We experience the fulfillment of the New Covenant now. How? In the Church. The Church is the New Jerusalem. When we become members of the Church, we become citizens of the heavenly Jerusalem. Through the liturgy, through the sacraments, in the prayers and works of the people of God, we participate in heavenly life. We don't experience this heavenly life with our earthly senses, but it is real. More real than the physical world. When the world ends, the Church will continue triumphant in heaven, and we will see and experience God's life fully, completely, ecstatically and eternally.

—Scott Hahn, in *A Father Who Keeps His Promises*

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, Feb. 19

Presidents' Day - No activities scheduled

TUESDAY, Feb. 20

9:00 am - French - Collins Center
10:00 am - Italian - Collins Center
11:00 am - Exercise - Collins Center
1:00 pm - Bingo - Collins Center
7:00 pm - Young Lady's Institute - Green Room
7:30 pm - Baptismal Preparation - Collins Center

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 21

7:30 pm - Legion of Mary - Legion Room

THURSDAY, Feb. 22

10:00 am - Scrabble - Collins Center
10:00 am - Bridge/Bridge Lessons - Collins Center
10:30 am - Beginning Bridge Lessons (Full) - Collins Center
1:00 pm - Knitting & Crochet - Collins Center
7:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal - Green Room
7:30 pm - Chinese Bible Sharing - Collins Center
7:30 pm - Patricians - Serra Room

FRIDAY, Feb. 23

7:00 am - 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration - Our Lady's Chapel
8:30 am - St. Martha Prayer Group - Collins Center
10:30 am - Adult Faith Formation with Dr. Braga - Collins Center
11:00 am - Exercise - Collins Center
12:30 pm - Movie: "Portrait in Black" - Collins Center
6:00 pm - Lenten Soup Dinner - Lower Church
6:30 pm - Indonesian Prayer Group - Convent
7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross & Benediction - Church

SATURDAY, Feb. 24

10:00 am - League of the Sacred Heart Recollection - Collins Center
10:00 am - Centering Prayer - Convent
4:30 pm - Vespers & Benediction - Our Lady's Chapel
6:00 pm - Lunar New Year Dinner Celebration - Lower Church

9:30 A.M. FAMILY MASS

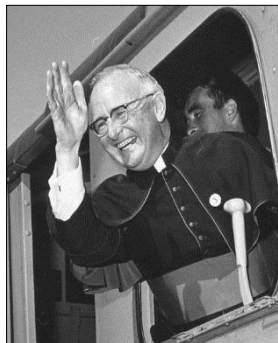
Today the Filipino Community will host Coffee & Donuts.

Next Sunday the School will host Coffee & Donuts

**PLEASE NOTE THAT the PARISH OFFICE & COLLINS CENTER
WILL BE CLOSED on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19
in OBSERVANCE of PRESIDENTS' DAY**

SUPPORT THE COLLINS FUND

**We are asking you TODAY,
February 17th & 18th, to help
our St. Cecilia School assist
families through the Monsignor
Harold E. Collins Fund. Please
use the envelope that was
mailed to you, or an envelope in
the pew.**



LENTEN AREAS of SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Join us for one or more of these Lenten Activities on Fridays during Lent
FRIDAY SOUP DINNERS

Fridays during Lent, at 6 P.M. - in Lower Church -
Simple Dinner of Soup and Bread.

In order for us to know how much soup to prepare, please phone the
Rectory (415-664-8481) by the Wednesday before the Friday Soup
Dinner so that we will have enough soup for everyone.

The sign-ups are weekly.

STATIONS of the CROSS and BENEDICTION

Friday Evenings of Lent at 7 P.M. - in Church -
Stations of the Cross and Benediction

THE DIVINE OFFICE (Breviary)

The Divine Office is the Official Prayer of the Church. We pray Morning
Prayer at 8:20 A.M. in Our Lady's Chapel. Prayer books are provided.

24-HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays during Lent, after the 7 A.M. Mass, Eucharistic Adoration will
begin in Our Lady's Chapel.

COLLINS CENTER MOVIE

Movie: The movie "Portrait in Black" filmed in San Francisco in
1960 and starring Lana Turner and Anthony Quinn will be
playing at the Collins Center this Friday, Feb. 23 at 12:30 p.m.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

Gary Gualco, Christine Vinciguerra, Michael Driscoll, & Thomasia Schlupep

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER - SATURDAY, MARCH 3 !

The 38th Annual St. Patrick's Dinner & Concert will be held on Sat.,
March 3rd in the Durocher Pavilion. Doors open at 6 PM. Adults, \$25,
Children under 18, \$5, and children under 5 free with a ticketed adult.
Tables of 8 or 10 may be reserved in advance. Individual tickets are
also sold.

Tickets will NOT be sold at the door !

The last day to buy tickets is Wednesday, Feb. 28.

DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST WEEK TO BUY TICKETS !

For tickets call Liam or Stephanie Reidy at (415) 759-1372.

SAINT CECILIA'S CHINESE CLUB will have its annual Lunar
New Year Dinner Celebration on Saturday, Feb 24, at 6 PM in the
Lower Church. **ALL ARE WELCOME!** Cost is \$45 for adults and \$20
for children 5 to 12 years old. Children 4 years old and under are
free. Capacity is limited, only guests with reservations will be
seated. No walk-in tickets are sold.

RSVP by phone to 415-570-3876, or at:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4da4a92ba1fb6-annual>

LENTEN MORNING of RECOLLECTION: Feb. 24

All parishioners are invited to attend this prayerful morning during Lent led by Fr. Michael Lilledahl. Mass at 10:00 am, followed by a reflection. You are invited to bring your own lunch and stay for fellowship and conversation. Sponsored by League of the Sacred Heart. Contact Linda Cobeen for more information by calling 415.606-3689 or emailing Lcobeen@comcast.net.

Reservation for League of the Sacred Heart Lenten Morning of Recollection	
February 24, 10am-noon Collins Center Followed by brown bag lunch	
Name(s) _____	
Telephone number _____	
Number _____ x \$5	Total Enclosed \$ _____

PILGRIM REFLECTIONS:

Our 8 high school pilgrims have returned from a pilgrimage to Rome, and we will share with you some of their reflections.

OUR FINAL PILGRIM MASS

by Roman Peregrino

No pilgrimage would be complete without its fair share of Masses. However, all pilgrimages have to end at some point, and what better way to start the last, than with a Mass? For this final Mass, we were taken to the Chapel of the Madonna of Partorienti, located deep in the grottoes beneath St. Peter’s Basilica. In fact, this chapel is one of the oldest parts of the grottoes themselves, as it shares a wall with the original St. Peter’s Basilica. While it isn’t the oldest chapel, there is certainly a time-worn feel. The walls were covered with beautiful paintings and mosaics that showed different events. The altar was made out of marble used in the original basilica, and looked ancient. It was the perfect setting.

The most important characteristic of the chapel for the pilgrims was its size. This was by far the smallest chapel we had sat in, which brought us closely together for one last time. As we went through Mass, Monsignor Harriman encouraged us to reflect on our time in Rome and talk to Christ. I thought back on all the amazing times I had on this trip and thanked God for this amazing opportunity. Being as close as we were, I also prayed for my fellow pilgrims, and for their futures. I’m not sure if I will ever be able to return to Rome, yet the lessons I took from my times here will stay with me forever.

SUNDAY MASS at SANTA MARIA FORNACI

by Tiffany Chen

As usual, I was late. I didn’t think grabbing a scarf and a pair of gloves would take five minutes (I swear the time in Rome goes by quicker). The rest of the group had already left for the church so I sprinted as fast as I could, but fortunately Santa Maria Fornaci is right next door. We had passed this church quite often for the past week. Since the outside was pretty run down, I didn’t think much of the inside. However, when I first stepped into Santa Maria I was awe-struck. It was beautiful. The altar and dome above were covered in every color and had candles that lit the way. There were four paintings, all depicting different images of Mary and Jesus, along the walls. Then, I quickly took my seat in one of the pews and looked for the response sheets. I flipped through the sheets looking for an English translation out of habit. Yet of course, I had to remind myself again that I was in a foreign country where English was not everyone’s primary language. The first thing that stuck out to me was the choir. Although there were only about five people singing, their voices bounced off the walls and filled the entire church. I noticed that most parishioners knew each other. When they took their seats, they gave each other a warm welcome and smiled. Overall the Mass was exactly the same as Saint Cecilia’s. Although it was in a different language, I still understood where and what part of the Mass we were on because the format of the Mass was exactly the same. After all, the language of the church is universal. However, the one part I wish I understood was the homily. As the priest spoke, I felt the emotions through his hand gestures, smiles, nods, and laughs. He spoke with great passion. The Mass ended and I truly felt different. Before today, I had never gone to a Mass outside of the country. Saint Cecilia’s in the Sunset was all I knew. It was what I was comfortable with. It was home for me, yet this small world of mine just grew right in front of my eyes. I witnessed the

same Mass at Saint Cecilia's being spoken and practiced in a foreign language on the other side of the world! I felt the feelings and emotions of the parishioners as they nodded, laughed, sang, and it was no different than that of those at Saint Cecilia's. The presence of community was extremely prominent. I've finally witnessed that there are brothers and sisters around the world that are the same as us.

Sunday Ministries for Next Weekend

5 P.M. Saturday - MUSIC: Frances Peterson

Presider: Fr. Taheny

Lectors: Bob Barrett & Marlies Bruning

Euch. Min: Marlies Bruning, Mary Barrett, Garrett Scanlan, Kathleen McKeon, Kathie Wood

Altar Servers: Tyler Chan, Katie Tong, Reilly Moriarty, Vincent Douglas

7:30 A.M. Mass - Presider: Fr. Taheny

Lectors: Sharon Hupf & Marigrace Cohen

Euch. Min: Sharon Hupf, Marigrace Cohen, Irma Garcia, Roger Garcia;

Altar Servers: Aidan Ring, Natalie Stans, Elena Gutierrez, Isabella Hildebrand

9:30 A.M. Family Mass: Filipino Community

MUSIC: Holy Spirit Music Ministry

Presider: Fr. Lilledahl

Euch. Min: Conrad Chu, Sue Collins, George Ibarcena, Mimi Pratt, Rita Mazzei

Altar Servers: Collin Murtagh, Jocelyn Jaber, Becca Button, Anthony Monares

11:30 A.M. Mass - MUSIC: Adult Choir

Presider: Fr. Summerhays

Lectors: Wendy Ho, Lisa Shek

Euch. Min: Wendy Ho, Lisa Shek, Kathy Atkinson, Ann Sundby

Altar Servers: Caelie Riordan, Aidan Moore, Brianna Kyne, Kiley Pratt

This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, Feb. 19

7AM - Richard Angarola

9AM - Bessie Wall

PRESIDENTS' DAY - NO EVENING MASS

Tuesday, Feb. 20

7AM - Misha Larro

9AM - Peter Leung

5:30 - Martin Coyne

Wednesday, Feb. 21

7AM - Julie Graziani

9AM - Reno & Donald Tonegato

5:30 - Sean Minagh

Thursday, Feb. 22

7AM - Eve Hutton

9AM - Al Campos

5:30 - Joe Hallisy

Friday, Feb. 23

7AM - Marge Casey

9AM - Louis & Enes Greco

5:30 - Dr. Edward & Anthony Erigero

Saturday, Feb. 24

7AM - Dino Giovannetti

9AM - Jerry Linehan

5PM - Russ Campell