



2018

Renew My Church

Ash Wednesday Feb. 14th (Fast and Abstinence)

Distribution of ashes at 8:00A.M mass and 7:00P.M. mass in Church

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 7:00P.M. in Church, **NO FISH FRY this year!**

Holy Hour and Benediction

Takes place on 1st Fridays of March (2) immediately following the Stations of the Cross

RCIA---the Rite of Election

*Sending Rite for Election will take place at the 10:30am mass on Feb. 18th.

*The Rite of Election will be on Feb. 18th, 2:30pm at Holy Name Cathedral.

First Sunday of Lent---Feb. 18th

*Parent Formation on Eucharist from 9am to 10am in the Community Room

***1st Parish Conversation on Renew My Church from 11:45am to 1:15pm in the Community Room.**

All are welcome!

March 18th---2nd Parish Conversation on Renew My Church from 11:45am to 1:15pm in the Community Room. All are welcome!

CRS Rice Bowl

Distribution on Feb. 17th and 18th and Returning on March 17th and 18th, 24th and 25th

Lunar New Year Celebration

Sunday Feb. 25th, 10am mass

Service

We will help out at St. James Food Pantry on Saturday March 10th.

RCIA---Scrutiny Rites

will be celebrated on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent.

First Reconciliation

For School and R. E. students will take place on March 17th at 10:00am.

Parish Religious Program

Reconciliation will take place on Sunday, March 11th after the 10:30A.M. mass.

Students will lead the 10:30am mass on Sunday March 18th.

Indonesian Mass

March 11th at noon

March Mandarin Retreat and Mass

On Saturday March 24th from 10am to 7pm; **NO Mandarin Mass on Sunday March 25th.**

Living Stations of the Cross by St. Therese School

Sunday March 25th at 12:30pm in Church

“Making Disciples, Building Communities, and Inspiring Witness.”

Lenten Regulations (from February 14th, 2018, Ash Wednesday, to the Paschal Triduum)

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.

Ash Wednesday announcement from archdiocese

This year, the largely secular celebration of Valentine's Day (Feb. 14) coincides with Ash Wednesday and some have inquired if a dispensation from the obligations to fast and abstain from meat will be given.

Catholics throughout the world recognize Ash Wednesday as the solemn beginning of a period of prayerful reflection and penance, as is evident by the large number of churchgoers on this day.

In view of the significance of Ash Wednesday the obligation of fast and abstinence must naturally be the priority in the Catholic community. Valentine's Day can appropriately be celebrated the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, which also happens to be Mardi Gras, a traditionally festive time before beginning our Lenten observance.