



YEAR OF FAITH 2012-2013

17 March 2013 – 5TH Sunday of Lent

As we proceed in our Lenten pilgrimage, today we are enriched by the unforgettable example of Jesus who offers his forgiveness and restores dignity to the adulterous woman who had been dragged in front of him in shame and fear. The teaching of mercy and forgiveness conveyed last Sunday



through a parable, today is offered us through an example from real life.

The challenging sentence: "Let the one among you who has no sin be the first to cast a "stone" is directed not only to the hypocritical scribes and Pharisees of two thousand years ago, but also to those among us who easily judge and condemn others. We should never forget that we, too, are frail and sinful, and that we must learn to be merciful if we want to enjoy God's mercy.



EASTER FLOWERS - What a beautiful way of remembering a loved one by donating the Easter Flowers that will adorn the sanctuary of the FCMM throughout the Easter Season! **SPONSOR** a plant in memory of a deceased loved one or in honor of the living. Visit the FCMM Office for details. Deadline is FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2013.



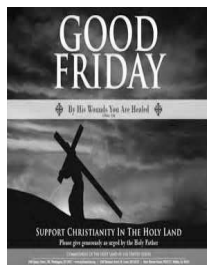
ANOINTING OF THE SICK –A communal Sacrament of Anointing is celebrated at The FCMM at a special Eucharistic liturgy each LENT bringing the whole parish community together to pray with and for those among us whose health is impaired. Anyone struggling with illness of mind, body or spirit is invited to be anointed. The Special Mass will be held on **Friday, MARCH 22ND at 7:00 p.m.** For assistance and more info., call the FCMM Office (514- 387- 5292)



PABASA NG SAMBAYANAN – is being held **nightly** at the Church Basement from **6:00 – 10:00 p.m.** until **Thursday, MARCH 21ST**. This is a beautiful Filipino Lenten tradition of chanting in Pilipino verses our Salvation History. Join us! Try and experience it! Everybody is welcome!



LENTEN RECOLLECTION 2013 – Deepen your preparation for the Holy Days... Join this year's Lenten Recollection on **SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD** from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. @ the Church Basement.



GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY PLACES

Your help is needed now, as in the days of Saint Francis, to protect the Holy Places of the Holy Land. Even more important, your help is needed to protect the Holy Name of Our Lord in this troubled land which He chose for His birth, sacrificial death and victorious resurrection.

Please be generous in preparing your HOLY LAND Offering. A special collection will take place during the 3: 00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion on MARCH 29TH - Good Friday.



HELP PREPARE THE CHURCH FOR EASTER !!!

Join with us in a special labor of love! Many volunteers are needed on Holy Saturday morning, **MARCH 30TH** at **9:00 a.m** to transform the Church for the most glorious solemnity of Easter. More hands make lighter work!!!



EASTER POT- LUCK - JOIN US for a pot-luck fellowship celebrating Easter which will be held in the Church Hall immediately following the Mass of the Lord's Resurrection on Sunday, MARCH 31ST at 11: 30 a.m. Bring drinks and your favorite dessert to share. For details, contact Ms. Tess Ambayec.



The SANCTUARY LAMP this week is burning for the **GLORY OF GOD** and **FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF ALL DEPARTED RELATIVES AND FRIENDS** offered by **ARNOLD** and **CONNIE UNABIA**.



Habemus Papam ... Deo Gratias !

Pope Francis I

Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio of Argentina, was elected by the conclave of Cardinals, at the Vatican, March 13, 2013. Now, he's put on the papal robe and has been confirmed. Let's pray so that God will preserve for a long time, the Pope, to guide the Church and so he gives peace to the Church and to the whole world.



"For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ..." - Philippians 3:8

Learning to see our material possessions as just so much rubbish is an important step in growing closer to Jesus Christ. Then we are able to give more freely and joyfully.



OFFERING Your Offerings for the week ending March 10, 2013 totaled \$ 1, 772.50

Thank you for your continuing generosity !
God bless you always !!!



- To the **new arrivals** from the Philippines;
- To the **visitors** from other places;
- To those who have **been away and are back**;



• We join in the **Thanksgiving Intentions** of:
BETH BACONGAN, THE SARMIENTO FAMILY, MARIETTA TABLANDA, ALLAN TADEO, THE TUVIDA-ROBLES FAMILIES, ALICE AVIÑANTE, JUN, JUDITH & KATHLEEN DIAZ, HONEY ABARQUEZ and FAMILY, K OF C COUNCIL 13585, ARNOLD UNABIA .



• Please join in lifting up the **Special Intentions** of:
ALLAN TADEO, THE CATECHETICAL MINISTRY. May God grant them their heart's desires.

• Your prayers are humbly requested for all the sick and suffering members of our Mission community and their loved ones especially: **FR. ROGER BEGIN pme, SR. ELIZABETH RELACION mic, SR. LUZ PADERANGA op, ALFREDO PADERANGA SR., FE PADERANGA, ANNIE MOJADO, ELECITA ARACENA, BALDOMERA AMBAYEC, JULIA PERLAS-TAN, JOSEFINA BANGALAN, DAWN DELA PAZ, JOSIE LIMLENGCO, CARMENCITA TRIVINIO, BERNARDINO FERNANDO, IKE OSDON, TERESITA JALEA, WILFREDO DARIO, JOHN NICHOLAS MEJIA, TERESITA PLAMENCO, OLIVER MARTINEZ, PATRIA FEDERIZO, ANTONIO FOZ, NORMA FOZ, ALICIA GINES, CECILIA CEÑAL, LEONIDAS ORBITA SIMBULAN, DERRICK SOTELO.** May God bring them healing and peace.

- Remember also all of our **deceased relatives and friends**, especially **NORA SEGAYO, CORAZON CABACUNGAN, FAUSTA VILLARICO, META MATSCHEK, JUANA TADEO, FR. BEN ADVENCOLS, SANTIAGO SAMPANA, SENIDA ARAZA, VIRGILIO MANGUBAT, PRISCILLA QUEJA, PABLITO DE CASTRO, MARIA CLARA QUIRAPAS, FELIZA DIMACULANGAN, GREGORIO DEL MONTE, RAMON RUIZ, JOSE, RUFINA & CARMEN UNABIA, ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY** and those dying everyday in battles and calamities around the world. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

Stop by or call the FCMM office (514 – 387 5292) during normal business hours and ask how you can have a Mass offered for your intention.

**Come! Join with us here at the FCMM next week
as we celebrate Passion Sunday and the Easter Triduum—
Holy Thursday, Good Friday
and the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday.
*Remember to bring someone with you!***

Accompanying Christ during his last days on earth.

A week of **FAITH, HOPE, and LOVE**
for the **FOLLOWERS of JESUS CHRIST.**

HOLY WEEK is like no other week in the Church's liturgical calendar. It is a week of intense emotion.



**PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION, MARCH 24~ 11:30 a.m. ~
Blessing of Palms and Mass**

We stand in the church today with our palm branches and listen to the Gospel account of the Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. We join with the original throng and countless people over the centuries to praise Christ, the Son of David, a King, our King, the one we choose to follow. But we look beneath the event to discover what is truly happening.



The days from Holy Thursday until Easter Sunday are unique so we call them **TRIDUUM** = "**the three days**" and everyone should know what they mean. Throughout his ministry, Jesus predicted his passion by referring to the "**third day**." Next week, we enter that sacred time, outside of time, in which we spend these three days with Christ: to serve, to suffer, to die, and to rise.



**HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28
~ 8:00 p.m. ~ MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

This evening's celebration opens the **Triduum** with the **EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**. It commemorates the institution of the Eucharist and the priesthood, as well as Jesus' command of love and service. A foot-washing ceremony forms part of tonight's celebration emulating the example Christ set for us.



Following Holy Communion, the Blessed Sacrament is carried in a solemn procession to the Altar of Repose. You are invited to spend some time this holy night in prayer and reflection. Adoration will end at 12 midnight.



**GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29
~ 12:00 noon ~ Estacion General (The Stations of the Cross)
~ 3:00 p.m. ~ SOLEMN CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

The simple, perhaps austere liturgy is filled with joy and hope. Blood red vestments of martyrdom honour the victory, which gives all martyrdom and death its meaning. Good Friday is not a day to wash the car, rake up the leaves, to do the things you have been putting off. **It is a day of prayer, fasting, and reflecting.** Serious Christians will keep the day "holy". It is holy because it is "**good**". Jesus has died for you. **How can you die for him?**



HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30~ 8:00 p.m. ~ EASTER VIGIL MASS
The **EASTER VIGIL** is the **most important Eucharist of the year.**

It is the **Mother of all Vigils**. It celebrates our faith in the resurrection, the cornerstone of our belief. Ranking highest among the celebrations of the liturgical year, it should rank highest in the spiritual life of the faithful. Saint Augustine called it the "**Mother of All Vigils**". ***You should not miss it !!!***



**Easter
Sunday**

**MARCH 31 ~ 11: 30 a.m. ~ MASS OF THE LORD'S
RESURRECTION**

This is the Feast of Feasts, the Solemnity of Solemnities, the highest Feast of the Church, the holiest day of the year. This day concludes the celebration of the Triduum and begins the great fifty days. After forty days of fasting, the Church now celebrates fifty days of feasting.

