

Announcement
For the week of February 25, 2018

Happy Birthday to Nelson Thibeaux, celebrated 85 years on February 19th.

Happy Birthday to Betty Gray celebrated 81 years and Florence Jordan who celebrated 79 years on February 20th.

Congratulations and Happy Anniversary to Charles and Agnes Collins, celebrating 53 years of marriage on February 27th.

Adoration is the first Friday of the month, March 2, 2018 12noon until 12noon Saturday. Come and spend some quite time with the Lord.

The new parish email is on the front of the bulletin. The new address is parish@omomcc.org. Please add this to your contact information.

There will be a CYM meeting this Sunday, February 25, @ 2pm in the School Youth Room. Please be present!

If you would like your contribution information for your taxes you can call the rectory and request it. We can mail it to you or you can pick it up during office hours.

OPERATION ONE VOTE cordially invites you to join us in a GET-OUT-TO-VOTE-EARLY AFTER CHURCH ON Sunday, February 25, 2018 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM - "FROM THE PEWS TO THE POLLS".

Please pray for all our Military, all the Sick and Shut-In and their families.

Take home a copy of this week's bulletin for announcements and other information.

February 25, 2018

GOOD EVENING/GOOD MORNING PARISHIONERS, FAMILY, FRIENDS AND VISITORS! (PAUSE)

WELCOME TO OUR MOTHER OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH. WE ARE IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD.

TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT. KINDLY TURN TO YOUR NEIGHBOR AND EXTEND A GREETING OF WELCOME. (PAUSE 20 SECONDS).

BE GOOD STEWARDS OF THE PARISH, GIVE GENEROUSLY IN TODAY'S COLLECTIONS. THE SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR SOCIAL OUTREACH,.

THEME: As Jesus transfigured before his disciples in today's Gospel, a voice comes from the cloud saying, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him" (Mark 9:7). Lent is a particularly appropriate time to listen to Jesus. Last week we heard him proclaim, "Repent, and believe in the Gospel." Next week we will hear him say "Stop making my Father's house a marketplace." during this penitential season we reflect on when we have disobeyed or turned away from God and we ask for forgiveness.

OUR CELEBRANT FOR THIS MASS IS:

(Priest Name) Fr. Noel Effiong, Pastor

4:30 P.M.–

7:00 A.M.-

10:00 A.M.–

AFTER THE OPENING PRAYER: The faith of Abraham is tested in a most extreme way in the first reading today. So too will the faith of the disciples be tested during the time leading up to Jesus' death and resurrection. We know what awaits us at the end of Lent, but the disciples did not and their faith wavered. But Paul tell us that because of Christ's death and resurrection, we can easily have faith in our salvation. After all, if God was willing to allow Jesus to die for us, "how will he not also give us everything else along with him?"

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

The Second Sunday of Lent

February 25, 2018

Priest: St. Paul wrote to the Romans, “He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, will he not also give us everything else along with him?” Therefore, we bring our needs confidently before God...

Response: Hear us, Lord.

- ◆ For the Church, that during this season of repentance it may be a sign of humility and faith to people around the world, we pray to the Lord.
- ◆ For leaders of every country, that they may serve their people with integrity and justice, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For those who do harm to others or to themselves, that they may realize the grace of God in their lives, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For each of us as we try to transform our lives, knowing the promise of Christ Jesus, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For all who have died, especially **Oris Granger** and **Ronald Fontenot** and for the intentions of this Mass, **Ernestine Boutte, Wanda M. Mahoney, Mildred Clement, George Polar, John C. Mouton, Jr., Efrem G. Rollins, Hazel S. LaPoint and Drunella Mouton** may they glory in the **Lord** forever at the wedding feast of the Lamb, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For all the prayers that we hold in the silence of our hearts; for all our intention spoken and unspoken....*[pause for 10 seconds; the presider alone concludes...]*we pray to the Lord...

Priest: Ever generous God, knowing that you were willing to give your only Son for our redemption, we trust in your kindness and mercy toward us. We ask you to hear the prayers that we bring before you today and grant them in the name of your Son and our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Lenten Mission
Our Mother of Mercy Church
March 11-13
Monday and Tuesday @ 6pm
“The Spiritual Life: It’s Personal”

Lent invites us to change. But what do we change from?

What do we change into?

Sometimes our religious practices can take a stiffness or a dull routine.

Just as in relationships within families, we can overlook or take for granted the warm love that brought us together in the first place.

Dominican Father Nathan Castle will be with us to challenge us to have a more personal loving life in the Spirit .

Come and join us on this Lenten Spiritual Journey!

TO ALL MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

February 24-25, 2018

**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
PLEASE WELCOME THE VISITORS**

**ALSO PASS OUT THE CHILDREN'S
BULLETINS TO THE LITTLE ONES!**

Make sure that you sign the sheet in the book.

**Remember to take the count of those present at each Mass
and turn the count sheet in after the 10:00AM Mass
This is very important. Secure collection after Mass**

**Second Collection
SOCIAL OUTREACH**