

Announcement
For the week of January 21, 2018

NBCC Pastoral Plan of Action Webinar, January 26, 2018 from 1-4:30pm in meeting room 2. Please see bulletin for more information.

St. Pius X Church 2nd Annual Gumbo Dinner Fundraiser, January 27, 2018.

Usher's Annual Fish Fry February 14, 2018 from 8am to 2pm.

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.

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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 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. 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 COLLECTION.

THEME: Mark tells the story of the calling of the first disciples in today's Gospel. Jesus asks them to follow, to be sure, but he also tells them that they will become "fishers of men," that they will be asked to share the Good News with others. As we gather today let us think about how we share our faith with others through what we say and what we do.

OUR CELEBRANT FOR THIS MASS IS:

(Priest Name) Fr. Noel Effiong, Pastor

4:30 P.M.–Fr. Mark Ameh

7:00 A.M.-Fr. Mark Ameh

10:00 A.M.– Fr. Mark Ameh

AFTER THE OPENING PRAYER: There is an urgency in today's readings, Nineveh will be destroyed if the people do not repent within forty days. Saint Paul tells the Christian community in Corinth that "time is running out." Jesus proclaims, "This is the time of fulfillment. The Kingdom of God is at Hand." Deadlines can inspire us to action. As we listen to the readings today, imagine how the folks addressed by Jonah, Paul, and Jesus responded to this urgency

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Priest: Trusting in God's mercy and kindness, we pray now for all those in need.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

- ◆ For members of the Church around the world, that we may always reach out to share the Good News with others, we pray to the Lord.
- ◆ For leaders of our nation and community, that we may be attentive to the needs of the people they represent, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For a genuine reverence for human life from conception to natural death, especially for all unborn children, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For those who are homeless, as they try to find warmth during painfully freezing day and nights, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For all who have died, especially **Ella Mae Moore** and for the intentions of this Mass, **Ella Mae Mitchell, Irvin J. Guillory, Mary Helen Davis, Jimmie Haynes, Mildred Clement, Herman J. Davis, Sr., Carles Broussard, and Rosa Ladia**, 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: Merciful God, You were willing to relent when people turned to you in faith. We turn to you now with our needs and humbly ask you to hear us and grant them according to your will, through Jesus your Son.

TO ALL MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

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**THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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
NONE**