

Announcements
For the week of March 26, 2017

The installation of Fr. Noel Effiong, MSP as Pastor of Our Mother of Mercy Church will be held on April 23, 2017 at the 10AM Mass. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Curtis J. Guillory. All are welcome to attend.

The insert in the bulletin today is the fourth of six inserts that are part of our Living the Eucharist program. The title of this week's insert is "The Chance of a Lifetime. Reading these inserts help us become better communicators of the Good News of the salvation in Jesus Christ.

The 52nd Annual Meeting of the Pear Orchard Federal Credit Union will be held at 7:30pm on March 28, 2017 in the St. Anne /St. Joseph room. All members are asked to attend.

KPCLA Auxiliary will *not* turn our out on April the 2nd because of the ACTS Retreat. We will turn out on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 23, 2017

Bulletin and Pulpit Announcements can be emailed. They must be approved by our Pastor, Fr. Noel. Deadline for all announcements is 2:00pm on Monday. No impromptu announcements.

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 other announcements.

March 26, 2017

**GOOD EVENING/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 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT. KINDLY TURN TO
YOUR NEIGHBOR AND EXTEND A GREETING OF WELCOME. (PAUSE 20 SEC-
ONDS).**

**BE GOOD STEWARDS OF THE PARISH, GIVE GENEROUSLY IN TODAY'S
COLLECTIONS. SECOND COLLECTIONS ARE FOR SOCIAL OUTREACH AND
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES.**

THEME:

**Today, as the church prays the second scrutiny with the Elect, we
seek the light of the Lord in their lives and in our own. So much of
our world can seem to be covered in darkness. Let us pray today to
live as children of light....**

OUR CELEBRANT FOR THIS MASS IS:

(Priest Name) Fr. Noel Effiong

4:30 P.M.–

7:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

AFTER THE OPENING PRAYER:

**When we step out into the light from a dark place, it takes our eyes a
while to adjust and really see what is around us. Perhaps that is the
lesson of today's scriptures, that it takes time for our spiritual eyes to
adjust to the light of the light of God's action in our lives. As we
listen to God's holy word today, let us pray for patience and
persistence in gaining sight and insight into the gift of God's world
around us.**

INTECESSORY PRAYERS
Fourth Sunday in Lent, Cycle A
March 25-26, 2017

Priest: Our Lord guides us in the right path, and so we can offer these prayers today.

Response: Praise to you, God of reconciliation.

- ♦ For our Church as we seek to light the world with Christ's love, we pray to the Lord...
- ♦ For all those who live in the dark valleys of war, oppression, and persecution, we pray to the Lord...
- ♦ For enlightenment for those discerning their vocation, we pray to the Lord...
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- ♦ For those preparing for the Easter sacraments, that they might live by the light of Christ, we pray to the Lord...
- ♦ For our community of faith as we strive to lighten the burdens of those in need around us, we pray to the Lord...
- ♦ For all the prayers that we hold in the silence of our hearts; for all our intentions spoken and unspoken...*[pause 10 seconds; the presider alone concludes...]* we pray to the Lord...

Priest: O God of light and darkness, your goodness and kindness follow us all the day of our lives. Hear and graciously answer these our prayers according to your will, through Christ our Lord.

TO ALL MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

March 25-26, 2017

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 use the white bags for the collections.
Please try and refrain anyone from walking during the
1st reading, 2nd Reading, the Gospel and the Homily.

**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
AND
Catholic Relief Services**