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## MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday Vigil

7:00 p.m. **Spanish** (piano & cantor)

### Sunday

8:00 a.m. **English** (organ & cantor)

9:30 a.m. **Spanish** (piano & choir/cantor)

11:30 a.m. **English** (organ & choir/cantor)

1:30 p.m. **Vietnamese** (keyboard & choir)

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|-----------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Weekdays</b> | 8:30 a.m. <b>Spanish</b> (Mon-Fri.)     | 12:10 p.m. <b>English</b> (Mon-Fri) |
|                 | 7:45 a.m. <b>Vietnamese</b> (Thu & Sat) |                                     |

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### CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION

All those who are called to follow Jesus in the Catholic faith along with Catholics already baptized (adults, youth & children) who desire to celebrate the sacraments of First Confession, First Communion and Confirmation can make contact with the coordinator of this area for information about the various programs available. Registration for these programs are announced in the bulletin during various times of the year. Also appointments can be made in the parish office at anytime.

Parents wishing to baptize their children (ages 1-5) are invited to make an appointment in the parish office to speak with a staff member in order to make arrangements for participating in the Baptismal Program.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday 4:00-5:00 p.m. and at the parish office by appointment.

### MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married should call for an appointment six months in advance of the wedding.

### VISITS TO THE SICK

In emergency, call the parish office at any hour. Please inform the office of sick or homebound who desire the sacraments.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to all parishioners.

We encourage all parishioners to register at our parish office. We invite new parishioners to make an appointment to meet a member of the parish staff.

### ST. NICHOLAS OF TOLENTNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Grades Kindergarten - 8. For registration information call the school office at (718) 364-5110.

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon open (12 pm - 1 pm closed)

1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. open (5 p.m. - 6 p.m. closed) 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. open

SATURDAY 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

## ALMSGIVING, PRAYER, FASTING, AND TEMPTATION



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As we begin our season of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving, the reading from Deuteronomy reminds us of our duty of almsgiving, that we “set [our offerings] before the Lord, [our] God, [and] shall bow down in [God’s] presence” (Deuteronomy 26:10). The reading from Romans refers us to our prayer, reminding us that “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart . . . For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved” (Romans 10:8, 13). These are comforting words, and encourage us to ask God for what we need and to aid us in our prayer. Finally, the Gospel of Luke shows us a fasting Jesus, who was tempted as we are, and who knows what it means to be human. Someone once said that temptation arises when you’re tired and weary, and the devil comes along and makes a perfectly reasonable suggestion. Jesus shows us

that, with his help, we too can overcome our temptations, reasonable as they may sound.

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## TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading** — God brought us into this land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

**Psalms** — Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91).

**Second Reading** — The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart (Romans 10:8-13).

**Gospel** — Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led into the desert for forty days (Luke 4:1-13).

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## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Often, when a family keeps vigil around a person who is preparing for death, they may notice three interwoven activities. First, the dying person may become more prayerful and reflective than ever before, reviewing life’s journey in gratitude to God, or seeking forgiveness and making amends for wrongs. Second, as death approaches, the need to eat and drink is lessened until even an ice cube brushed against the lips is satisfying. Third, persons who are dying often make plans to give their possessions away, making bequests, handing treasures down, providing for favorite charities.

Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving: with these three “pillars” of Lent, we rehearse our death every year in this season, and anticipate the final work we will do in this life. And every year, at the end of our journey, is the joy of Easter and the experience of the victory of Christ over death’s darkness and power. Annually, we remind ourselves that the Christian experiences the same power and presence at the end of life’s journey: Christ to the rescue and the lasting joy of heaven.

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## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday**

First Sunday of Lent; Rite of Election;  
Rite of Calling the Candidates to  
Continuing Conversion; Rite of Sending;  
Daylight Saving Time begins;  
Girl Scouting Sunday

**Monday**

Julian Calendar Lent begins

**Friday**

Abstinence



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This week, we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to help **Jesus in disguise**. This collection helps six Catholic agencies provide relief and support to struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

**LECTORS SCHEDULE**

| DATE   | 8:00 AM                            | 11:30 AM                               |
|--------|------------------------------------|--|
| Mar 10 | Genevive Persaud<br>David Le       | Camille Luke<br>Charles Dzubinski      |
| Mar 17 | Marilyn Torain<br>Genevive Persaud | Edras de Jesus<br>Andre Johnson        |
| Mar 24 | David Le<br>Marilyn Torain         | Felisha Fabian<br>Melissa Rivera-Jovel |

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE**

| DATE   | 8: 00 AM                     | 11:30 AM                             |
|--------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Mar 10 | Bethzabe Vera<br>Rosa Susana | Fitzroy Williams<br>Camille Luke     |
| Mar 17 | Yvonne Ebea<br>Bethzabe Vera | Marilyn Martin<br>Ed Nolan           |
| Mar 24 | Rosa Susana<br>Yvonne Ebea   | Fitzroy Williams<br>Pereta Rodriguez |

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK  
MARCH 11, 2019**

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46  
 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15  
 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32  
 Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12  
 Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19  
 Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48  
 Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK  
MARCH 11, 2019**

**Monday**  
 8:30am  
 12:10pm Ane Khuong  
**Tuesday**  
 8:30am  
 12:10pm  
**Wednesday**  
 8:30am  
 12:10pm All Souls  
**Thursday**  
 7:45am LH OB To Tien  
 8:30am  
 12:10pm Ana (D)  
**Friday**  
 8:30am Felix Antonio Hernandez (D)  
 12:10pm Gioan Buong (D)  
**Saturday**  
 7:45am All Souls  
 7:00pm Maximo Anico & Maria Lora de Anico (D); Elisa Reyes Mieses (D)  
**Sunday**  
 8:00am People of SNT  
 9:30am Maximo Rodriguez (D)  
 11:30am  
 1:30pm Anê Khuong

***We pray for the People of St. Nicholas of Tolentine.***

***We pray for the sick: Ray Anthony Duran  
 We pray for the dead:***

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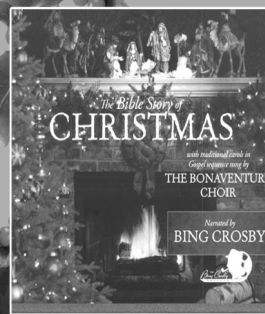
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