

Our Lady Of Humility Parish

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Weekend Masses: 5:00PM Saturday; 7:00AM, 9:00AM, and 11:00AM Sundays

Weekday Masses (Church) 8:00AM on: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

Friday: 8:45AM (School Mass During School Year); Communion Service (Church): Wednesday: 8:00AM

Stations of the Cross: Friday 1:00PM and 7:00PM; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Thursday 2:00-6:00PM in Church

Lenten Parish Mission: February 22nd-February 25th, with Fr. J. Patrick Foley

Monday through Thursday, Fr. Foley will preach each day after the 8:00AM Mass and again at the 7:00PM.



***Behold! Now is the
acceptable time.
See, now is the day of
salvation.***

Welcome

We join together on a journey, a forty-day trek through the Church's springtime of Lent, to the full flowering of Easter. As we listen to the Word of God and pray together in thanks and praise, we enter into a new blossoming of God's mercy. Whether you are a visitor, a seeker, someone returning to the practice of faith, or a regular member of our community, know that we all are here to walk on this journey together.

If you are not already an active member of this community, consider sharing in what we have to offer. Our Parish is here to assist all who wish to know God more deeply. We serve the community through outreach, education, social activities, sacramental preparation, and comfort to the sick and those who mourn. Feel free to call on us if we may be of service to you in any way.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Opening Prayer:

Merciful God of infinite compassion, whose creating power called us to existence from the dust of the earth, and whose redeeming love fashioned us anew in Your divine image, in this, the acceptable time, lead us to be at peace with You, and impel us to be reconciled with our neighbor, that we may embrace the sacred discipline of Lent with humble and contrite hearts, and so come cleansed and renewed to the blessed joy of the feast of Christ's Resurrection. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.



1st Reading: A reading from the Book of the Prophet Joel

Even now, says the Lord, return to Me with your whole heart, with fasting, and weeping, and mourning; Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the Lord, your God. For gracious and merciful is He, slow to anger, rich in kindness, and relenting in punishment. Perhaps He will again relent and leave behind Him a blessing. Offerings and libations for the Lord, your God.

Blow the trumpet in Zion, proclaim a fast, call an assembly; gather the people, notify the congregation; assemble the elders, gather the children and the infants at the breast; let the bridegroom quit his room, and the bride her chamber. Between the porch and the altar let the priest, the ministers of the Lord, weep, and say "*Spare, O Lord, Your people, and make not Your heritage a reproach, with the nations ruling over them! Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'*"

Then the Lord was stirred with concern for His land, and took pity on His people. The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

RBe merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Have mercy on me, O God, in Your goodness; in the greatness of Your compassion wipe out my offense. Thoroughly wash me from my guilt, and of my sin cleanse me. R

For I acknowledge my offense, and my sin is before me always: "Against You only have I sinned, and done what is evil in Your sight." R

A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. Cast me not out from Your presence, and Your Holy Spirit take not from me. R

Give me back the joy of Your salvation, and a willing spirit sustain in me.

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim Your praise. R



2nd Reading: A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

We are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake He made Him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteous of God in Him.

Working together, then, we appeal to You not to receive the grace of God in vain. For He says: *“In an acceptable time I heard you, and on the day of salvation I helped you.”*

Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. The Word of the Lord.

Gospel: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew

Jesus said to His disciples: “Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them; otherwise, you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father. When you give alms, do not blow a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets to win the praise of others. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.”

“When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on street corners so that others may see them. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.”

“When you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so that they may appear to others to be fasting. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden. And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you.” The Gospel of the Lord.

Our Father

Our Father who art in Heaven hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Distribution of Ashes

Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel. Remember, you are dust and to dust you will return.

**JOIN US FOR A LENTEN JOURNEY:
*The Events of Holy Week***

Our Lady of Humility Mission 2010
Monday, February 22nd through
Thursday, February 25th

Noted Preacher and Mission Leader:
Fr. J. Patrick Foley

Will guide us as we examine our lives
in light of the Passion, Death, and
Resurrection of Jesus,
renewing ourselves through the texts, rituals,
and customs of our faith tradition.

Fr. Foley will preach each day
after the 8AM Mass and again at 7PM.

Join us each evening for an
opportunity for fellowship and discussion
after Fr. Foley’s presentation.

On Wednesday, February 24th,
we will have a service of
Healing and Reconciliation

as part of the Mission, and we will conclude on
Thursday with a Mass.

For more information or to volunteer to help,
please call the Religious Education Office at
(847) 746-3744. Thanks so much!

