

The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, March 3

Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses at 6:00a/7:30/9:00/10:30/12:00n/6:00pm

Religious Education Classes at 8:00am

Young Adult Meeting at 1:00pm

Monday, March 4

Monday of the Eight Week in Ordinary Time

Tuesday, March 5

Tuesday of the Eight Week in Ordinary Time

No Cathedral Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 6

Ash Wednesday

Day of Fast & Abstinence

Masses at 6:30am, 12:00 noon & 6:00pm

Imposition of Ashes at Masses only

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11:00am

Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm

Thursday, March 7

Thursday after Ash Wednesday

Friday, March 8

Friday after Ash Wednesday

Day of Abstinence

Stations of the Cross at 10:00am & 5:30pm

Saturday, March 9

Saturday after Ash Wednesday

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

Ss. Damien/Marianne Prayer Group at 12:30pm

Vigil Mass at 5:00pm

Sunday, March 10

First Sunday of Lent

Masses at 6:00a/7:30/9:00/10:30/12:00n/6:00pm

Religious Education Classes at 8:00am

Adult Faith Formation Meeting at 11:30am

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Next weekend retreat for anyone who has experienced emotional/spiritual pain after an abortion is May 24 - 26. For women and men of all faiths. Contact Lisa at (808) 349-5071 or email: rvinhawaii@gmail.com. Suggested donation: \$150/person (covers room/meals/materials). Need-based scholarships are available. Strictly confidential. A safe place to connect with others and process your experience. A Ministry of the Respect Life Office of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hawaii.

Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday Collection	\$ 8,665.62
Weekday Collection	\$ 1,374.76
Coffers	\$ 596.23
Holy Day Collection	\$ 275.00
Total	\$ 10,911.61



Leave a Legacy

There are several ways to name the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace as a beneficiary of your will or living trust. A specific bequest is the most common and typically it is a dollar amount like \$25,000 or some other specific asset like appreciated stock. A residuary bequest gives all or a specific percentage of assets remaining in the estate after all debts, taxes, expenses and other bequests have been paid. Please call 585-3357 for more information and to receive a copy of the Cathedral's Planned Giving Guide.

Adult Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation will meet on Sunday, March 10 at 11:30am. Continuing education of Catholic teachings using St. Joseph Baltimore Catechism and on Saints by Bishop Barron. Contact Deacon Joe and Easter at EasterAlmuena@gmail.com

Young Adults

The Young Adults will meet Sunday, March 3 at 1:00pm at the Chancery. Contact Joanna Wright at joannaw@hawaii.edu or call (808) 286-7994.

Sisters of the Sacred Hearts

The Cathedral and our parishioners will be remembered expressly in the prayers and works of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts at Regina Pacis Convent during the week of March 3 to 9, 2019. As Sisters of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, our chapel is open daily from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to anyone who wishes to spend some time in prayer. Anyone who have special intentions, please call the Sisters at 737-5822 or email: reginasscc@cs.com

Operation Rice Bowl

Join our faith communities across the United States in a life changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your CRS Rice Bowl after Mass. Also, don't forget to download their app. For more information, please call Ron Gochenouer at 306-7502.

March 3, 2019 – Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

Sirach 27:4-7 | Psalm 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 | 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 | Luke 6:39-45

Churchy people can often and easily be caught up in churchy things. What colors are we displaying for the season? What song is most appropriate at this time? What is the second reading and how does it connect to the first? But today we are reminded by Jesus that there are many things broader and perhaps more important than church or even religious identity. We are told not to be hypocritical, finding fault in others while overlooking our own. We are reminded to consider how one acts as an indication of that one's character.

Jesus' teaching and preaching was fundamental to his ministry. He was considered a sage and a prophet. His understanding of human beings moved the crowds. His insight into how we behave versus how we ought to behave encapsulated in pithy and memorable sayings was profound. And certainly after his death and resurrection his teaching carried new meaning. In light of his undergoing the paschal mystery, he is the Son of God raised to new life. His words are more than homespun wisdom. They are light and life.

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Next Sunday's Readings: "First Sunday of Lent"

Deuteronomy 26:4-10 | Psalm 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 | Romans 10:8-13 | Luke 4:1-13

From the Rector's Desk

Dear Cathedral family:

All of us make judgment about one another from time to time. We cannot completely avoid doing this and it would be irresponsible to fail to evaluate persons and situations. Today's Gospel does not demand that we make no judgment of others. What it does ask us to do is to honestly evaluate ourselves before we evaluate others.

To honestly evaluate ourselves is to recognize our faults. We must humbly admit when we have made a mistake. We must realize that we have weaknesses.

To honestly evaluate ourselves is to do what we can to correct our faults and strengthen what is weak in our character. To perceive the wooden beam in our eye is not enough; we must remove it.

To honestly evaluate ourselves is to examine our hearts and motivations and strive always to build up a store of goodness within ourselves. This goodness within needs to be the resource that fuels the actions we take and the words we speak.

This Wednesday we begin Lent. It is a perfect time to do some fearless self-evaluation.

In Christ's love,
Very Rev. Msgr. Gary L. Secor, V.G.
Rector