#### First Reconciliation/Communion Rehearsal

Holy Maternity of Mary Church April 13 3:00 p.m.

#### First Communion Retreat/First Reconciliation

Holy Maternity of Mary Church April 20 2:00 p.m.

#### **First Communion**

Holy Maternity of Mary Church April 28 10:45 a.m.

#### **Confirmation**-No date set yet

\*\*If changes are made to the schedule we will notify you in advance.

An Easter Prayer

On this day, loving and gracious God, we once again sing Alleluia. We praise You and bless You for raising Your Son, Jesus, up from the dead. We praise You for all the times You have raised us up through Your loving grace.

When we are weak and unable to make good decisions, when we are stubborn and refuse to forgive others, when we are afraid or uncertain and forget that it is You who strengthens us, raise us up, loving God, raise us up.

Thank You for giving us new life in Your Son and for His presence among us this Eastertime and always.

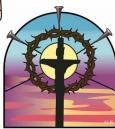
Amen.



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#### Fasting & Abstinence During Lent

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.





## **Prayer**

While we should always be active in our prayer life, Lent serves as a great time to recommit to good habits we may have let laps. The renewal concept reminds us to do better in areas where we have been weak.



# Fasting

The reflective practice of Lent involves simplifying our lives to focus on what is critical. We fast from and give up material things to show sorrow for our mistakes and to think of God when we miss what was sacrificed.



## Alms Giving

Loving God through serving others is a critical Catholic ideal.

Observing Lent serves to renew that commitment. Matthew 25:31-46 reminds us to help the needy through time, talent, and treasure.



#### Maundy Thursday, March 28

Washing of the Feet Last Supper of Jesus with the Apostles (Institution of the Priesthood)

Holy Maternity of Mary Church 6:00 p.m. Holy Family Church 6:00 p.m. Sacred Heart of Mary Church 6:00 p.m.

#### Good Friday, March 29

Holy Maternity of Mary Church 12:00 p.m. Holy Family Church 5:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross
Liturgy Service of the Word
Veneration of the Cross
Holy Communion
Repose of the Blessed Sacrament
Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament

#### Holy Saturday, March 30

Easter Vigil

Holy Maternity of Mary Church 9:00 p.m. Holy Family Church 9:00 p.m.

#### Easter Sunday, March 31

Holy Family Church	9:00 a.m.
Sacred Heart of Mary Church	9:30 a.m.
Holy Maternity of Mary Church	10:45 a.m.





### Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

February 14, 2024

Holy Maternity of Mary Church 12:15 p.m.

\*\*No Morning Mass

Sacred Heart of Mary Church 5:30 p.m.

Holy Family Church 5:30 p.m.

Fr. Arul will hand out WWJD Bracelets to all our students during the Sunday Masses on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February.





#### **CCD** Reconciliation

Holy Maternity of Mary Church Holy Maternity of Mary Church Holy Family Church Sunday, February 25 9:30 a.m. Sunday, March 3 9:30 a.m. Sunday, March 3 10:00 a.m.

#### **Penance Services**

Sacred Heart of Mary Church Holy Family Church Holy Maternity of Mary Church Tuesday, March 5 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 6 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 19 5:30 p.m.

\*\*Multiple Priests will be available for Confessions



### **Holy Maternity of Mary Church**

Feb. 16 5:00 p.m. Lenten Meal SFO Volunteers-*Pasta Salads* 

6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Feb. 23 5:00 p.m. Lenten Meal H.A.L.O.-Mac & Cheese, Fruit

Pizza

6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Mar. 1 5:00 p.m. Lenten Meal CCD Teachers/Youth Ministry-

Baked Potato Bar

6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Mar. 8 5:00 p.m. Lenten Meal Funeral Ladies-Egg Salad &

Tuna Sandwiches

6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Mar. 15 NO STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Mar. 22 5:00 p.m. Lenten Meal Parish/Finance Council Mems-

**TBD** 

6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

### **Holy Family Church**

Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday's at 6:00 p.m. during Lent Fish Fry dates will be announced

## **Sacred Heart of Mary Church**

Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday's at 6:00 p.m. during Lent.

