

IMPORTANT Changes to Ash Wednesday Schedule.

Due to the uncertainty of the weather for Wednesday, February 17, I have **CANCELLED BOTH ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES** out of an abundance of caution. I will celebrate mass at home and post it on the website (ihmarychurch.org) and our YouTube page. Most of the other Churches in the Alexandria/Pineville have also cancelled their Ash Wednesday Masses.

Per Bishop Marshall:

In order to encourage the faithful to remain safe and not to drive on hazardous roads, permission will be granted to impose ashes AFTER the weekend Mass. At the weekend Masses, the faithful will be invited to stay after the final blessing and to come forward to receive ashes if they desire. Even if the weather has improved by the weekend, the pandemic will continue, so the distribution of ashes at the weekend Masses will still follow the COVID protocols. This special permission is granted only because of the hazardous road conditions.

The parish office will be closed as well.

Please be safe, stay home and stay warm!