

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 20, 2013

From the Pastor's Desk

At a wedding in Cana, Jesus changed water into wine. There are many things in our spiritual lives that should be changed. The power that Jesus has to enable change in us is always available. Thus, the liturgy this weekend invites us to reflect on our need of His power in order to change the things in our lives that need to be changed.

The First Reading contains a message of hope for God's people at one of the lowest moments in their history. Jerusalem lay in ruins. The city's plight reflected that of the nation as a whole. Israel, once God's bride, was now like a widow bereft of children. However, her husband, God, has not forgotten her. There will be a new wedding feast, and God and His people will be newlyweds again.

This prophecy was fulfilled in Jesus, who replaced the old order with the new. This is symbolized by the changing of water into wine. The miracle of Cana links this Sunday with the feast of the Epiphany and with the Baptism of Jesus that we celebrated last weekend: they are all events that reveal His glory.

The Gospel writer, John, depicts Mary as involved at the beginning of Jesus' ministry and again at the end of it when she is present at the foot of the Cross. Thus Mary is associated with the whole of his ministry; but, her role must always be seen in relation to that of her Son.

We have much to celebrate this weekend as a faith community and country. Monday is not only the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, but also the inauguration of Barack Obama for a second term as President of the United States. The official theme for the 2013 inauguration is "Faith in America's Future," commemorating the United States' perseverance and unity, marking the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation and the placement of the Statue of Freedom atop the Capitol Dome in 1863. In your celebrating this weekend, take a few moments in silence to pray not only for our President but also for the United States of America; there are many problems that all of us in our country must work together to solve.

Blessings on your weekend and week ahead!

Father Michael Tang

Altar Servers Schedule for January 26 & 27

5:15 PM Jordan Baylis Jared Baylis Arianna Foster	8:00 AM Delisa Madere Derik Madere Noelle London	10:00 AM Anthony Roque Keisha Manning Latoya Chimilio Thea Chimilio	12:15 PM Tyler Smith Zakiya Pleasant Hadiya Pleasant
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SCHOOL & PARISH TOWN HALL MEETING

Transfiguration Church Hall

BISHOP EDWARD CLARK

WILL PRESENT THE ARCHDIOCESAN VISION
FOR THE SCHOOL.

MONDAY NIGHT

FEBRUARY 4, 2013

AT 7:00 PM.

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

REVIVAL 2013 POSTPONED

After careful consideration and evaluation, Transfiguration Pastoral Staff has decided to postpone our Annual Revival traditionally held during the Martin Luther King Jr. weekend. As attendance from members of our parish has been sparse the last several years, the staff feels we need to rethink the format and timing of the revival which is essentially a parish mission. With the re-inauguration of President Obama, the MLK weekend is a harried time for all of us. As many of you know the parade is on Saturday, January 19, the MLK Prayer Breakfast is on Monday, January 21 at 8:00 AM, as well as the Memorial Mass at the Cathedral at 5:00 PM. More details will be forthcoming this year for a **Revival Day** that will feature youth from nearby parishes.

The Week Ahead

Sunday January 20

10:30 AM-12 PM Religious Ed Class
2:00 PM Reserve Corps of St. Michael

Monday January 21

M.L. King Day
Holiday Offices Closed
No Bible Study

Wednesday January 23

6:00 PM Line Dancing
6:00 PM Confirmation/Youth Night
6:30 PM Confirmation Class

Thursday January 24

7:00 PM Virtus Recertification Class-hall

Saturday January 26

10:00 AM Cherrywood Block Club

Sunday January 27

School Open House & Breakfast
2:00 PM School Tour & Testing

School News

The school is participating in the **Pennies for Patients Drive** from January 14 to January 22, 2013. Please come by the school office to make your donation or you can donate on line at www.schoolandyouth.org.

Our 8th graders will be taking the high school placement tests this month. Please keep them in your prayers. Remember, these are our future leaders.

Our School is very proud of the wonderful programs going on! Please join us for **Catholic School's Week Starting Sunday, January 27** and pick up a packet of our school programs to share with your friends and neighbors. That day we will have an **Open House and Sunday Brunch from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM**.

Book Fair Tuesday, January 27 to February 1, 2013.

Career Day February 1st: If you would like to come (or know someone else who would be interested) and share information about your career with our students, please contact the school office.

Special thank you goes to Carl Smith for your paper donation to the school. We appreciate you!

Paper donation: Please continue to assist us throughout our school year by donating copy paper. Contact the office at 323.292.3011.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:15 p.m.	January 19 Soul of Cynthia Lockett
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	January 20 Soul of Tony Middleton
10:00 a.m.	Intention of all Parishioners
5:15 p.m.	Soul of Gloria Pall
Monday 8:00 a.m.	January 21 Intention of the Levi Family
Thursday 8:00 a.m.	January 24 Intention of Etelvina Zapote
Friday 8:00 a.m.	January 25 Souls of Jackeline, Dilica, Wilfred Morgan
Saturday 5:15 p.m.	January 26 Soul of Lillian White
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	January 27 Intention of all Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Soul of Alfonso Meraz
12:15 p.m.	Soul of William Patterson

Readings for the week

Sunday	Is 62:1-5, Ps 96:1-3,7-10, Jn 2:1-11
Monday	Heb 5:1-10, Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday	Heb 6:10-20, Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday	Heb 7:1-17, Mk 3:1-6
Thursday	Heb 7:25-8:6, Mk 3:7-12
Friday	Act 22:3-16, Mk 16:15-18
Saturday	2Tm 1:1-8, Mk 3:20-21
Sunday	1Cor 12:12-30, Lk 1:1-21

Sacrificial Gifts

Sunday, January 15, 2012	Sunday, January 13, 2013
\$3,592.42 Sacrificial Gift	\$4,720.77 Sacrificial Gift
313.46 Building Fund	378.05 Building Fund
179.12 "We Care"	216.03 "We Care"

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL needs your help with donations of blankets for those who are homeless. Please place your blankets in the box at the patio exit. If you have any questions, call Gerry Richardson at 310.671.2569.

PETITION FOR THE SICK

Virgie Aguilar, LaVern Agnew, Veronica Bearce, Stephanie Bell, Sr. Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Mary Brown, Andrei Briggs, Manual Brule, Barbara Butler, Joyce Burnett, Brownie Cain, Dorothy Campbell, Alberto Casanova, Katherine Clark, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, John Crear, Nigel Dunn, Angela Dupré, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Dwight Fauria, Anita Finie, Edith Foster, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Mavis Gibbs, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Lauretta Jackson, Robert Jordan, Maggie Lacour, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Sr. Marianna, Vydred Manor, Yvonne Morgan, Muriel Meyers, Dorothy Okoye, Paula Osborn, Dale Payne, Daisy Pratt, Gerald Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Barbara Samuels, Reanna Semien, Lionel Smith, Sr., Darnell Stang, Barbara Starks, Michele Starks, Wilbur Starks, Alice Tenette, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, David Tureaud, Iris Turner, Lubertha Weathers, Doris Whayne, and Lilla Williams.

SAVE THE DATES

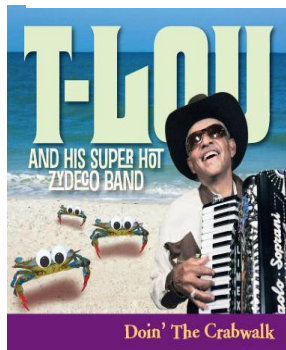
VIRTUS RE-CERTIFICATION CLASS

at Transfiguration in the hall

Thursday, January 24 from 7:00 to 8:30 PM.

Recertification is required every four years. This session is for people who have already taken the beginning 3-hour training.

ZYDECO DANCE AT TRANSFIGURATION



Mardi Gras Time!!!

Saturday, February 9, 2013

featuring T-Lou and
His Super Hot Zydeco Band.

Tickets on sale today for \$30.