

Dear Parishioners,

Love is patient, love is kind. (1 Corinthians 13:4)

Homilists sometimes suggest beginning these descriptive sentences with your own name, as a form of examination of conscience. “John is patient, John is kind.” But this can lead to discouragement. What immediately leaps to mind is the many situations that called for patience, kindness, or endurance—but we came up short. “John never fails”? Not me!

Maybe a better approach would be to plug in the name of Jesus instead your name.

Jesus is patient. Picture him pausing and waiting until the man slowed down by blindness makes his way forward to ask for healing.

Jesus is kind. Imagine him taking the hand of the man who can neither hear nor speak and leading him away from the crowd to heal him in a more intimate setting.

Jesus never fails. See him, wearied from ministering all day, still tending to the multitudes who come asking for help.

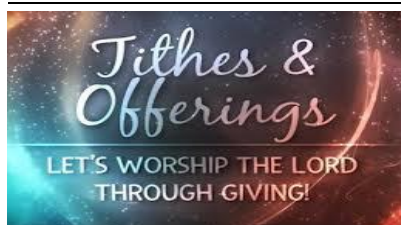
Now, realize one more thing. Jesus Christ lives in you through your baptism. You have been given a share of his risen life—and his unconditional love. This means that you can draw on his stores of patience and kindness whenever you need to. Pope Francis often reminds us that every command in Scripture is accompanied by a promise. Yes, God calls us to be loving, and this passage spells out what that love looks like. It’s a high standard. But we are also gifted in Christ with the power to love as he loves, to be patient as he is patient, and to share his kindness with everyone around us.

It’s one of the most encouraging paradoxes of the Christian life: the more inadequate you feel, the more effective you can be. It doesn’t take much to plunge your hands and heart into Jesus’ storehouse of love and find everything you need.

“Jesus, thank you for making your home in me.

Help me today to extend your kind and patient love to everyone I encounter today.”

~Deacon Mark Race, Administrator



WEEKLY OFFERING

January 24, 2016

\$4,535.00 Tithe and Offering

70.00 Building Fund

21.00 “We Care”

Rosary Procession

Fr. Bernard invites you to join him in a Rosary Procession on Saturday, February 6 at 4:30 PM followed by 5:15 PM Mass here at Transfiguration. Confession is a 4PM on that day.

Sacred Heart Retreat

Let 2016 be your year to take care of the Spiritual You! Ladies, it's almost time again for the spiritually rejuvenating retreat at the Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra. From Friday, April 8th until Sunday, April 10th you can come one or all three days to enjoy a little quiet time for yourself. For more information and/or to reserve your space, reach out to Evelyn Payne at 323.291.8325 or Sonya Robertson at 323.291.4846. We'd love to have you with us.

2015 Tax Statement!

Tax letters have been mailed. If you do not receive a statement please contact Jo Ann Levi in the rectory. This is also a good time to make sure that you are registered in the parish. Only registered parishioners who are contributors will receive a tax letter.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday	Jer 1:4-19, Ps 71:1-17, Lk 4:21-30
Monday	2 Sm 15:13-30, Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday	Mal 3:1-4, Lk 2:22-40
Wednesday	2 Sm 24:2-17, Mk 6:1-6
Thursday	1 Kgs 2:1-12, Mk 6:7-13
Friday	Sir 47:2-11, Mk 6:14-29
Saturday	1 Kgs 3:4-13, Mk 6:30-34
Sunday	Is 6:1-8, Ps 138:1-8, Lk 5:1-11

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 30

5:15 PM Soul of Barbara Starks

Sunday January 31

8:00 AM Soul of Harold Goosby

10:00 AM Souls of Yvonne, Jackeline, Dilcia, & Wilfred Morgan, Jr.

12:15 PM Intention of all Parishioners

UP-COMING SERVICE

Ash Wednesday Masses February 10, 2016

8am Daily Mass
9:30am School Mass
6pm

Distribution of Ashes at all Services.



Join us for **Catholic School's Week** and **Family Mass** Sunday January 31 at 12:15 PM mass. You are invited to our BBQ fundraiser, open house and tours.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Please join us for a Buffet Dinner at our Anniversary Celebration of the Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary Transfiguration Council and Court 220 at the Brownstone Bistro Restaurant on Sunday, January 31, 2016 at 4:30 PM. Tickets are \$50 per person. We will be honoring our Charter member **Sir Knight Gregory Warner, Sr. and Lady Gerri Richardson**. Call Lady Gloria Wilkerson at 323.778.2243 or Brother Knight Leonard Anebereg at 213.842.4807 for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS

February 25-28, 2016

Anaheim Convention Center

800 West Katella Avenue, Anaheim, CA 92802

This year theme is: Boundless Mercy

To register please see Ms. Refugio Godinez
or call the rectory at 323.291.1136.

ATTENTION

Please **NO FOOD OR DRINKS** allowed in church.
Thanks for your cooperation.

RCIA *Come, learn or renew your Catholic faith...*

Tuesday, February 2 "Explanation of the Mass and Holy Eucharist", by Fr. Allan Roberts and Tuesday, February 16 "Sacraments of Holy Orders & Marriage" at Holy Name of Jesus (*Acacia Center*), 1955 W. Jefferson in Los Angeles from 7:00 PM to 8:45 PM.



HOLY YEAR OF

Mercy

Virgie Aguilar, LaVern Agnew, Brian Argusta, Joyce Barnett, Rose Ball, Veronica Bearce, Fr. Emile Belletty, Sister Juliet Berber, Daniel Boone, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Vivian Burgess, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Sister Cecilia Calva, Mary Captain, Alberto Casanova, Harry Charles, Katherine Clark, Agnes Cooper, Rita Cormire, Edward Cousin, Juanita Davis, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Nigel Dunn, Betty Eason, Connie Farlice, Dwight Fauria, Ferdinand Foye, Betty Flowers, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Sister Mary Michaeline Gahwolf, Judy Felton-Gardner, Mavis Gibbs, Refugio Godinez, Millard Goode, Jr., Nancy Goosby, Mary Hall, Barbara Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Mary Jené, Aaron Jittu, Joan Johnson, Robert Jordan, Briana Katz, Walita Keyes, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Vydred Manor, Sister Marianna, Dorothy Okoye, Martina Peters, Daisy Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Andrea Raggette, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Dottie Rodriguez, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Reanna Semien, George Simon, Sr., Jeremiah Skyes, Lionel Smith, Sr., Darnell Stang, Michele Starks, Annie Starks, Alice Tenette, Tinkerbell, Leila Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, Patricia Williams, Peggy Wright and Ralph Wright.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Year of Mercy Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its Anointing, so the Jubilee of Mercy may be a Year of Grace from the Lord, and your church.

With renewed enthusiasm, may we bring your good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit
For ever and ever.

Amen.