

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 1, 2017

Greetings.



Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 2:5)

Time for a quiz! What will make Paul's joy "complete" (2:2)? What does humility produce in our relationships (2:3)? What does Paul think is a key feature of the Church? If you answered unity in Christ to all three, you're right. Paul uses the phrase "in Christ" more than 170 times. He uses it to talk about how we can know Jesus' love and mercy. He uses it to tell us that we are redeemed through faith in Christ. And he uses it to describe the way we can find unity in our families, our Church, and the world. Essentially, unity with each other grows as we grow in our union with Christ.

The church in Philippi seems to have been suffering some kind of division. It's unclear whether the lack of unity was caused by people inside the church or by outside agitators. But it didn't really matter. Paul's answer would have been the same in either case: place unity with one another as your highest goal.

Now, Paul isn't saying that everyone has to think the same way. Having different opinions is healthy because it can expand our minds. At the same time, we have to make sure that our different opinions don't cause pain and division. We need to be careful not to let these differences become greater than our love—especially in our homes. If that happens, we need to stop, cool down, and remember the greater goal.

We all experience an internal tug-of-war between selfishness and selflessness, between pride and humility. We all have to "die to ourselves" and live for God. The more we win this tug-of-war, the more we will be able to love one another and live in harmony.

So make a conscious effort not to let divisive emotions get the upper hand. Try to listen to everyone you meet and to treat them like a brother or sister. In short, "Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 2:5).

"Lord, make me a force for unity."

Called to Serve,

Deacon Mark Race, Administrator

PRAY FOR THE SICK

LaVerne Agnew, Brian Argusta, Joyce Barnett, Rose Ball, Percenia Beasley, Veronica Bearce, Fr. Emile Belletty, Sister Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Vivian Burgess, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Sister Cecilia Calva, Mary Captain, Alberto Casanova, Jeannie Chapron, Katherine Clark, Sister Ann Paul Clare, Agnes Cooper, Rita Cormire, Edward Cousin, Juanita Davis, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Jayden Dunn, Nigel Dunn, Gwen Files, Ferdinand Foye, Betty Flowers, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Judy Felton-Gardner, Mavis Gibbs, Refugio Godinez, Willie Goods, Nancy Goosby, Barbara Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Aaron Jittu, Aaron Katz, Briana Katz, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Gloria McClaurin, Vylfred Manor, Sister Marianna, Sabrina Markos, Dorothy Okoye, Martina Peters, Daisy Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Dorothy Pulliam, Andrea Raggette, Dottie Rodriguez, Doris Rogers, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Chris Simon, George Simon, Sr., Maurice Simon, Jeremiah Skyes, Darnell Stang, Michele Starks, Annie Starks, Leila Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, Johnnye Washington, Cassandra Williams, Thomas Williams, Peggy Wright and Emmerson Young.

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday	Ez 18:25-28, Ps 25:4-9, Mt 21:28-32
Monday	Zec 8:1-8, Mt 18:1-10
Tuesday	Zec 8:20-23, Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday	Neh 2:1-8, Lk 9:57-62
Thursday	Neh 8:1-12, Lk 10:1-12
Friday	Bar 1:15-22, Lk 10:13-16
Saturday	Bar 4:5-29, Lk 10:17-24
Sunday	Is 5:1-7, Ps 80:9-20, Mt 21:33-43

Mass Intentions

Saturday September 30

5:15 PM Soul of Roxeline Richards

Sunday October 1

8:00 AM Soul of Ronald Lindsey
10:00 AM Soul of Lamont Barber
12:15 PM Intention of all Parishioners

Saturday October 7

5:15 PM Intention of all Parishioners

Sunday October 8

8:00 AM Intention of Briana & Aaron Katz
10:00 AM Souls of Vera Quant, Tim Baker, and Virgilia Lorenzo
12:15 PM Intention of all New and Returning College Students



Weekly Offering September 24, 2017

\$4,190.02 Tithe and Offering
300.00 Building Fund
16.00 "We Care"

Thank you

The beautiful flowers on the altar this week were donated by *Regina Jordan* in memory of her son **ANTHONY**. If you would like to donate flowers, please call the rectory for more details.

Stewardship Thought

"Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves..." Philippians 2:3

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life.

Christmas Boutique Vendors!

Santa | Music | Food | BakedGoods | Jewelry & More!

Vendor spaces are available for **Transfiguration Annual Christmas Boutique on Sunday, November 26th** in the hall. Tables are \$35. Vendor spaces are available on first come basis! Your payment will reserve your space. **No spaces are held without a payment.** To obtain a Vendor Application call the Rectory office at 323.291.1136.



Marian Procession and Rosary

Transfiguration invites you to celebrate the 100th YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE APPARITION OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA. Also, join us for the Rosary Procession in honor of OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH-Valankanni. Both events will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2017 at 4:00 PM followed by the 5:15 PM Mass and Healing Adoration. Join us for fellowship in the parish hall and partake of Indian and American cuisine. You are encouraged to bring toiletries such as: toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, deodorant, mouthwash, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, soap, etc. to the rectory before Saturday, October 28th. **(No travel size toiletries.)** Please call the rectory office in advance of your delivery. Or, you may call Gloria McClaurin 310.880.6561 or Liz Quinn 310.251.1051 to arrange to have your items picked-up at your home. The toiletries will be presented during the offertory at 5:15 PM mass by the children and distributed to the women's shelter. Thank you for your support.

All Souls Mass

We will celebrate All Souls Mass on Sunday, October 29, 2017 at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:15 PM masses and on Saturday, November 4, 2017 at the 5:15 PM mass. The Church of the Transfiguration will offer a liturgy for the repose of the souls of those from our church family who have gone home to the Lord **FROM NOVEMBER 2016 UNTIL OCTOBER 2017**. If you have grieved the death of a loved one during this time please call the rectory to give their name. A draft list in this week's bulletin.

Wednesday, November 1, 2017

A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

All Saints Masses

8AM AND 9:30AM *only*

Pray for Cure Cancer Mass

The 12th Annual Mass to "Pray for a Cure for Cancer" is on Saturday, October 7th at 12:30 PM at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. A luncheon will follow immediately after the Mass to recognize those who assisted Deacon Mark and Vickie Race with their first mass. Tickets are \$65.00. If you have any questions or to purchase tickets, please contact Vickie Race at 310.259.6430. Thank you for your Support!

Las Vegas Casino Trip

Join the fun...Las Vegas Casino trip to the **Golden Nugget Hotel & Casino**

October 23, 24, 25, 2017.

For more information call 213.369.4889.