

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

20 October 13

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

When people tell me, they cannot pray I never have the courage to tell them the truth. However, I will tell you. If people cannot pray, it's because they don't want to pray.

Prayer is a problem for us because we have misplaced God. We have lost God in eternity and so we look for ways to bring him back to our own time. Here we have forgotten that God is equally everywhere and that eternity touches down on earth every second of every day.

Many people say that they simply don't know what to say to God. However, this doesn't make sense, as they always know what to say to spouses, friends, children, workers and even strangers. How is it that we're tongue-tied with our Creator? Is nothing we can tell God? No joy we are bursting to share, no sadness we need to communicate?

Analyzing prayer is like giving someone a gift while worrying if it's the right size. Giving our prayer a grade is treating it like a performance. So what is prayer? Well, prayer is awareness of God, abandonment to God, dissolution in God. It is as natural as breathing, as spontaneous as wonder. Prayer is an automatic reflex to reality: holding our breath at the beauty of a flower, breaking our heart at the pain of a child. Prayer is our mind exploding in the presence of mystery, our spirits soaring on the wings of mutual recognition. To be alive to life is to pray.

Blessings on your week!

Father Michael Tang

SCHOOL NEWS

Please continue to assist us throughout our school year by donating copy paper.

We truly appreciate your help!

Contact the office at 323.292.3011.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - OCTOBER 20, 2013

Today is World Mission Sunday! We are called to this Eucharistic Celebration – and invited to “do good on earth,” to be missionary by putting our faith into action in support of the work of missionaries – like Sister Clara who rescues girls from human trafficking in India, giving them a loving home. Your prayers and generous gifts to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith on World Mission Sunday support the tireless work of so many priests, religious and lay leaders around the world as they offer practical, emotional and spiritual care to communities, children and families in desperate need, bringing the light of Christ of the darkest of circumstances. For more information visit: www.IAmAMissionary.org.

WOMEN'S RETREAT - NOVEMBER 1-3, 2013

Theme: “Keeping Hope Alive in Challenging Times”

Join the women of Transfiguration for a Women's Retreat at Serra Retreat in Malibu.

Please pick up a registration form from one of the Extraordinary Ministers or call the rectory.

ALTAR SERVERS OCTOBER 26 & 27

5:15PM

Ruben Martinez
Marc Anthony Martinez
Sierra Black
Matthew Madere

8AM

Lisa Crockett
Noelle London
Rome Washington

10AM

Martin Hill
Anthony Roque
Kenya Mayer
Destiny Meyer

12:15PM

Tyler Smith
Kofi Karikari
Logan Bush
Caycee Chapman

COMMUNITY MEETING

"Straight Talk on Obamacare and Health Care Reform"

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2013 AT 2:30 PM

Augustus Hawkins High School~825 W. 60th Street (at the corner of Hoover) Los Angeles, CA.

The South LA Cluster of One LA is hosting a community meeting to give folks in our community the information they need to take advantage of new options for affordable health care. If you are uninsured OR if you know someone who is uninsured, we encourage you to attend. In addition to information on Covered California, residents can learn about changes in the Medi-Cal program and the county's free health program called Healthy Way LA.

ATTENTION ALL ORGANIZATIONS/MINISTRIES

You are invited to attend the 31st Annual Religious Education Congress of Our Lady of the Angels Regional

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2013

Please sign up today with our DRE, Refugio Godinez or call 323.291.1136.

On-Site Registration Fee: \$30 per person.

St. Mary's Academy ~ 701 Grace Avenue, Inglewood 90301

ORDINATION INVITATION

John Palmer, who served as a seminarian intern at Transfiguration in 2009-10, will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacon on **Saturday, November 2nd at 10:00 a.m.** by Bishop Edward Clark at the Church of the Good Shepherd, 501 N. Bedford Drive, Beverly Hills, 90210. All are welcome to attend (no tickets are needed); and light refreshments will follow. For more information, please contact John at jpalmer@goodsheperdbh.org.

ALL SOULS MASS

All Souls Mass will be on **Sunday, November 10, 2013**. 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. This special celebration will take place at all Masses. If you have grieved the death of a loved one during the **PAST 12 MONTHS FROM NOVEMBER 2012 UNTIL OCTOBER 2013**, please call the rectory to give their name. Please accept our continued prayers.

PETITION OF THE SICK

Virgie Aguilar, LaVern Agnew, Learie Apparicio, Helen Augusta, Veronica Bearce, Sister Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Manual Brule, Joyce Burnett, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Alberto Casanova, Katherine Clark, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Beryl Davidson, Nigel Dunn, Angela Dupré, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Dwight Fauria, Gwen Files, Anita Finie, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Mavis Gibbs, Msgr. Robert Howard, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Lauretta Jackson, Robert Jordan, Anita Kennedy, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Sister Marianna, Vyldred Manor, Muriel Meyers, Yvonne Morgan, Louis Murphy, Dorothy Okoye, Dale Payne, Tina Peters, Daisy Pratt, Gerald Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Dottie Rodriguez, Reanna Semien, Benito Sinclair, Lionel Smith, Sr., Darnell Stang, Barbara Starks, Michele Starks, Wilbur Starks, Alice Tenette, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, Alice Vogel, and Lubertha Weathers.

Mass Intentions

Saturday October 19

5:15 PM Soul of Manfred Rawles

Sunday October 20

8:00 AM Intentions of all Parishioners

10:00 AM Soul of Timothy Baker

12:15 PM Intentions of Jo Ann Levi & Angela Dupré

Monday October 21

8:00 AM Intention of Angela Dupré

Friday October 25

8:00 AM Souls of Jackeline, Dilcia & Wilfred Morgan, Jr.

Saturday October 26

5:15 PM Soul of Virgilia Lorenzo

Sunday October 27

8:00 AM Intentions of all Parishioners

10:00 AM Soul of Romalis Aguillar

12:15 PM Souls of Margaret & Paul Brinton

Sacrificial Gifts

Sunday, October 14, 2012

\$4,209.97 Sacrificial Gift

297.22 Building Fund

169.84 "We Care"

Sunday, October 13, 2013

\$3,759.81 Sacrificial Gift

324.03 Building Fund

185.16 "We Care"

Verbum Dei High School

Verbum Dei High School is now accepting applications. The application deadline for priority acceptance for the 2014-2015 school year is January 24, 2014. For more information and or/or applications forms, contact the Admissions Office at 323.564.6651 ext. 6620.

Readings for the week

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| Sunday | Ex 17:8-13, Ps 121:1-8, Lk 18:1-8 |
| Monday | Rom 4:20-25, Lk 12:13-21 |
| Tuesday | Rom 5:12-21, Lk 12:35-38 |
| Wednesday | Rom 6:12-18, Lk 12:39-48 |
| Thursday | Rom 6:19-23, Lk 12:49-53 |
| Friday | Rom 7:18-25a, Lk 12:54-59 |
| Saturday | Rom 8:1-11, Lk 13:1-9 |
| Sunday | Sir 35:12-18, Ps 34:2-23, Lk 18:9-14 |

Attention Quilters!

African-American Quilters Of Los Angeles present their **2013 Quilt Show** Saturday, November 2nd from 10 AM to 4 PM at Carson Community Center in Carson, CA. Admission \$7.00, Free Parking, Over 250 Quilts, Vendors, and Demonstrations! For more info go to www.easysite.com/AAQLA or call Sylvia Q. at 323.293.5004.