

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 9, 2011

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL TANG

In the First Reading this weekend, the prophet Isaiah uses the image of a banquet to describe the fullness of life that God wants to bestow, not just on Israel, but on all the peoples of the earth. Jesus uses the same image in the parable we hear in the Gospel. In its original, simpler form, the parable made the point that those to whom the invitation was first sent, (the Jews) rejected it, and their place has been taken by others (the Gentiles). The details about the sending of troops and the burning of the city were added later. They refer to the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A.D., which was seen as a consequence of the refusal of the Jewish leaders to listen to Jesus.

The incident concerning the wedding garment seems to have belonged to a separate parable. It introduces contradictory elements into the story, and is perhaps best omitted. However, if used, keep the following in mind. Courtesy demanded that any guest at a wedding should have the proper wedding garment. One man came without it, symbolizing a life that has undergone no basic change, a life that has not produced the fruits of repentance. The new guests (Christians) will suffer the same fate as Israel if they refuse to produce the fruits of good works.

On the weekend of November 6th all parishioners are invited to discuss suggestions and concerns on the needs and future direction of our parish with members of the Pastoral Council. Round table discussion groups each chaired by a Pastoral Council member will take place in the hall after all Masses. As we get closer to the date, a reflection sheet will be included in the bulletin to help us in our discernment.

That same weekend we will be registering new parishioners; if you have been attending Transfiguration, but have not registered, now is the time to do so! This is the day to bring friends to Mass and invite them to be part of our warm and loving parish family. Have a great week everyone and God bless!

PETITION FOR THE SICK

Yolanda Anderson, LaVern Agnew, Oliver Bartholomew, Booker T. Ball, Edgar Banks, Timothy Baker, Sr. Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Manual Brule, Bernard Byars, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Mary Captain, Alberto Casanova, Katherine Clark, Lois Gomes Clark, Shirley Dieudonne, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, John Crear, Nigel Dunn, Angela Dupré, Ethel Earley, Connie Farlice, Anita Finie, Edith Foster, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Gloria Fuller, Marian Fussey, Mavis Gibbs, Catherine Green, John Grossman, Pat Hernandez, Marion Hernandez, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Angela Johnson, Irwin Lagarde, Connie Louie, Sr. Marianna, Vylfred Manor, Doreen Mayers, Yvonne Morgan, James U. Mundy II, Dorothy Okoye, Paula Osborn, Dale Payne, Daisy Pratt, Gerald Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Emma Rausch, Evelyn Roach, Reanna Semien, Lionel Smith, Sr., Shirley Spicer, Darnell Stang, Wilbur Starks, Ken Ruff, Ruby Alice Tenette, Louise Thomas, Emma Thornton, David Tureaud, Iris Turner, Lubertha Weathers, Leon Williams, Lilla Williams, and Agnes Wilson.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 8

5:15 p.m. +Clay and Cynthia Lockett

Sunday, October 9

8:00 a.m. Int. of all Parishioners

10:00 a.m. Mass of Thanksgivings

12:15 p.m. Int. of Ernest Williams

Monday, October 10

8:00 a.m. +Jeroline Richards

Tuesday, October 11

8:00 a.m. +Patricia Osborne

Wednesday, October 12

8:00 a.m. +Ray Miley

Thursday, October 13

8:00 a.m. Int. of Yvonne Morgan

Friday, October 14

8:00 a.m. Success of the 2012 Revival

Saturday, October 15

5:15 p.m. +Manfred Rawles

Sunday, October 16

8:00 a.m. +Eddie Mae Foye

10:00 a.m. Int. of all Parishioners

12:15 p.m. +Milton and Barbara Keys

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

12 PM Ladies Auxiliary Meeting

1:30 PM Jr. Knights Meeting

10:30 AM-12:00 PM Religious Education Class

2:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting

4:30 PM Oscar Pratt Benefit Concert-hall

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

7:00 PM Bible Study-hall

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

No School

7:00 PM Knights Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12

6:00 PM PTO-Thea Bowman Room

6:00 PM Religious Education Class-PCRm

6:30 PM CCL-SJRm

6:30 PM Line Dancing-hall

7:30 PM Prayer, Praise & Worship-Church

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13

6:00 PM High School Night-hall

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

9:30 AM School Rosary-Church

SCHOOL NEWS

NO BINGO IN NOVEMBER due to the Parish Round Table Discussion on Sunday, November 6, 2011 in the hall.

PTO General Meeting - Wednesday, October 12th at 6:00 PM.
High School Night - Thursday, October 13th at 6:00 PM in hall.

E-Waste Collection - Saturday, October 15th
Bring your electronic items such as TV's, VCR's, phones, and toasters etc. We will be in the schoolyard to collect items from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

8th Grade Breakfast Fundraiser - Sunday, October 23rd after all Masses.

United Nations Day Celebration - Monday, October 24th
Celebration begins at 9:30 AM in the Church.

Rosary in the Yard- Wednesday, October 26th
Come join us for an afternoon of praying the Rosary at 2:00 PM in the school yard.

Harvest Festival - Saturday October 29th
This year's Harvest Festival will be held on Saturday, October 29th from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM. There will be karaoke, games, a Halloween costume contest, lots of good food and more! To minimize our out-of-pocket expenses, all monetary donations are welcome. Save the date and come out to support your parish's school children!

PCAP

The Sixth Annual Peter Claver Award Program Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday, November 19, 2011 at Cal-State Dominguez Hills, at 6:30 PM. One of the recipients this year is Deacon Gregory Patterson for his work in the community, especially among the minority youth as they discern God's call to religious life of service. Tickets are available for \$75.00 from Deacon Greg, Mabel Simon, or Thelma Foye.

DENIM & DIAMONDS DANCE

The Knights of Peter Claver, **Ladies Auxiliary of Transfiguration** will be hosting the 1st Annual Denim and Diamonds Dance on Saturday, October 15 in the parish hall from 7:00 PM to midnight. There will be complimentary appetizers; A no-Host Bar; and a Fashion Competition in three categories: Best Western Dressed; Blingiest Bling; and Most Original Outfit. Proceeds will help support needs of the Parish and School. Tickets are \$20 and will be on sale after Masses or call Geraldine Buffett at 310.323.9491 or Geri Richardson 310.671.2569.

MARK YOU CALENDAR
CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION
NEW PARISHIONERS REGISTRATION
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2011...

2012 REVIVAL

Friday, Saturday & Sunday
January 13, 14 & 15, 2012 @7pm nightly
The Revivalist will be
Father Charles "Chuck" Andrus, SSJ

BENEFIT CONCERT

"An Evening of Music with Oscar Pratt and Friends"

Enjoy an evening with **Oscar Pratt**-
a singer of Great and Beautiful Songs.

Sunday, October 9, 2011 at 4:30 PM

DONATION \$20.00

Transfiguration Parish Hall

HOWLETT SMITH'S NEW MUSICAL

Transfigurations' own Howlett Smith has composed a new musical called "Los Angeles, My Home." "Los Angeles, My Home" is a brilliant panoramic history of the City of The Angels. It will be presented at the Wilshire United Methodist Church, 4350 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, on Sunday, October 16 at 4:30 PM. Admission fee is \$15.00 per person. For more information, contact Dr. Gwen Wyatt at 323.292.9227. CDs of the musical are available now in our rectory.

ALL SOULS MASS

On Sunday, November 6, 2011, 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 2010 UNTIL NOVEMBER 2011**, please call the rectory to give their name. Please accept our continued prayers.

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE ~ RESERVE NOW!

Reserve your space for Sunday, November 20th for Transfiguration Annual Christmas Boutique in the Parish hall. Table Rental is \$35 - Kitchen and Bar \$40. Craft, Gift items, and Food (cooking area is limited) are welcome. For more information please call Jo Ann Levi at 323.291.1136 or Stephanie Moore at 323.481.2415 or sjmoor@pacbell.net.

ALTAR SERVERS ASSIGNMENTS

Saturday October 15

5:15pm Jared Baylis, Jordan Baylis,
Carl Clay, Zakiya Pleasant

Sunday October 16

8:00am Samantha Joseph, Jonathan Johnson,
Amanda Johnson, Nelson Johnson
10:00am Caycee Chapman, Gilberto Gonzales,
George Tonado, Anthony Roque
12:15pm Emilio Ramirez, Logan Bush,
Nicholas Godfrey, James Edmondson

SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

Sunday, October 3, 2010
\$6,492.28 Sacrificial Gift
350.12 Building Fund
210.07 "We Care"

SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

Sunday, October 2, 2011
\$5,907.82 Sacrificial Gift
505.25 Building Fund
287.17 "We Care"