

# Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

16 November 2014

*When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls.* (Proverbs 31:10)

In 1843, American author Nathaniel Hawthorne published a short story called “The Birthmark.” The story focuses on a beautiful woman, Georgiana, who has one flaw: a birthmark on her face. Her husband, Aylmer, is a scientist who wants Georgiana to be perfect. So he concocts a potion to remove the birthmark. Unsure but wanting to please her husband, Georgiana drinks the potion. The birthmark slowly fades, but as it does, so does Georgiana. In the end, she dies, leaving a flawless corpse. How often do we act like Aylmer the scientist? How often do we nitpick at our spouses instead of praising them for all the ways they bring us joy, hold our families together, and support us in our lives of faith? Today’s first reading describes the characteristics of an honorable wife. She brings her husband good, and she devotes herself untiringly to her family. She is diligent in running her household, she reaches out to the poor, she sacrifices much for her family, and most of all, she fears the Lord and follows his commands. Scholars think that readings like this one were used as models to teach young Jewish women, like the Virgin Mary. It’s no wonder why! This description of an industrious, prayerful woman has much to teach us—men and women alike—about how to arrange our days. It depicts a home life that is wholesome and fruitful. It depicts a home where spouses honor each other and where children learn the values of faith, hard work, and mutual respect. Of course, no home is as flawless as the home depicted in the reading. We are, after all, fallible human beings! But that doesn’t mean we cannot all aspire to this perfect ideal. Just remember Aylmer: be sure not to kill each other in the process!

*“Holy Mary, Mother of God, help me to follow your example in everything I do.”*

Called to Serve,  
~Deacon Mark Race

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to  
*Fr. Mike McCullough*



who celebrated his birthday  
November 11<sup>th</sup>.

Best Wishes, from  
*Transfiguration Parish*  
and your *LADY*.

## MEN, MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Transfiguration Annual Retreat for men will be held at Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center on the weekend of **January 23, 24, and 25, 2015**. Join your fellow parishioners for this weekend of spiritual enrichment and growth. The Passionist retreat team offer inspirational talks on the theme, as well as time for quiet prayer, Mass, and Confession and Stations of the Cross. You may arrive as early as 3:00 PM Friday. Our retreat opens at 6:15 PM with a buffet supper and closes Sunday after lunch about 1:00 PM. **A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit is required to reserve your weekend Retreat, this is reserved for you.** This year’s Retreat theme: **“Holy waiting...In a World that can’t wait.”**

For more information or to make your reservation please call Greg Warner your parish retreat Captain at 323.974.7405 or 310.538-2214 or Maurice Simon at 323.296.1501.



**THE DESIGNATED  
SMOKING AREA  
IS IN THE PATIO...  
ASHTRAYS ARE PROVIDED  
THERE FOR YOUR  
CIGARETTE BUTTS.**

Please refrain from smoking in the parking lot of the school area as the cigarette butts are a health and safety issue for our children.

### Mass Intentions

**Saturday November 15**  
5:15 PM Souls of the Faithful Departed

**Sunday November 16**  
8:00 AM Soul of Wendell Lagarde  
10:00 AM Soul of Leona Roland  
12:15 PM Intention of all Parishioners

**Monday - Friday, Nov. 17 - 21**  
8:00 AM Souls of the Faithful Departed

**Saturday November 22**  
5:15 PM Intention of Jackeline Holeman and Soul of Romana Alexander

**Sunday November 23**  
8:00 AM Intention of all Parishioners  
10:00 AM Souls of Yvonne, Jackeline, Dilcia & Wilfred Morgan, Jr.  
12:15 PM Souls of the Faithful Departed

### Readings for the week

**Sunday** Prv 31:10-31, Ps 128:1-5, Mt 25:14-30  
**Monday** Rv 1:1-4, Lk 18:35-43  
**Tuesday** Rv 3:1-22, Lk 19:1-10  
**Wednesday** Rv 4:1-11, Lk 19:11-28  
**Thursday** Rv 5:1-10, Lk 19:41-44  
**Friday** Rv 10:8-11, Lk 19:45-48  
**Saturday** Rv 11:4-12, Lk 20:27-40  
**Sunday** Ez 34:11-17, Ps 23:1-6, Mt 25:31-46

### November 9, 2014 Weekly Collection

\$5,011.00 Tithe and Offering  
272.00 Building Fund  
40.00 "We Care"

### OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS PASTORAL REGION ADULT CONFIRMATION SESSIONS

will be held at St. Mark  
Church Parish Hall,  
2475 Lincoln Blvd.  
Venice 90291

### 2015 Sessions Dates & Times are:

January 24, 9am - 4pm.

February 7, 14, & 21,  
9am - 4pm.

Please contact our DRE  
Ms. Godinez if you have  
any questions.

### Birthday Wishes to Evelyn Rhodes (November 15<sup>th</sup>)

from your mother,  
brother, husband,  
children,  
grandchildren, and  
church family.



### TRANSFIGURATION St. Vincent de Paul Society Bake Sale Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> after all Masses in the hall.

*Thank you for your support.*

### Altar Servers Schedule for November 22 & 23, 2014

5:15PM	8:00AM	10:00AM	12:15PM
Ruben Martinez	Cori Chapman	Martin Hill	Samia Marine
Marc Anthony	Caycee Chapman	Lanigi Chinilio	Brenden Wilkerson
		Destiny Mayers	Maurice Burnett
		Kenya Mayers	
		Dillon Rickenbacker	

### Altar Servers Schedule for Thanksgiving Day Mass at 10 AM

**November 27, 2014**

Martin Hill, Alonzo Ramos,  
Dillon Rickenbacker, Lanigi Chinilio

### Thanksgiving Day Dinner

### Donations of Turkeys, Dressing, Canned Yams & Green Beans are needed...

Please contact the rectory at 323.291.1136 before making your delivery to the rectory, so that we may arrange for storage.

The Knights of Peter Claver #220 prepares an Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner on Thursday, November 27 for those who are unable to cook, or need a meal. Please provide us with your name, address, phone number, and how many dinners by calling Jo Ann Levi in the rectory at 323.291.1136. Dinners will be delivered to your home.

### Petition of the Sick

Virgie Aguilar, LaVern Agnew, Brian Argusta, Joyce Barnett, Rose Ball, Veronica Bearce, Sister Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Vivian Burgess, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Sister Cecilia Calva, Alberto Casanova, Harry Charles, Katherine Clark, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Beryl Davidson, Nigel Dunn, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Dwight Fauria, Gwen Files, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Sister Mary Michaeline Gahwolf, Judy Felton-Gardner, Mavis Gibbs, Nancy Goosby, Jane Grover, Jacqueline Holman, Msgr. Robert Howard, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Aaron Jittu, Robert Jordan, Walita Keyes, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Vylfred Manor, Sister Marianna, Mary Ann Mayer, Muriel Meyers, James Murphy, Dorothy Okoye, Martina Peters, Daisy Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Cynthia Richardson, Dottie Rodriguez, Lolita Rodriguez, Dana Semien, Reanna Semien, George Simon, Sr., Lionel Smith, Sr., Darnell Stang, Barbara Starks, Michele Starks, Wilbur Starks, Alice Tenette, Leila Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, and Patricia Williams.