

# Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 18, 2012

## From the Pastor's Desk

As I said the last two weeks, November is National Black Catholic History month and in lieu of my usual column which comments on the readings for the weekend, we will learn about some famous Black saints. Saint Martin de Porres was made the first black saint on May 16, 1962. Martin was born on December 9, 1579, in Lima, Peru, the illegitimate son of Don Juan de Porres of Burgos, a Spanish nobleman, and Ana Velasquez, a young freed Negro slave.

From early childhood, Martin showed great piety; at age eleven, he took a job as a servant in the Dominican priory and performed the work with such devotion that he was called "the saint of the broom." Martin was promoted to the job of almoner and was soon begging for more than \$2,000 a week from the rich. All that he begged for was given to the poor and sick of Lima in the form of food, clothing, and medicine.

Martin was placed in charge of the infirmary where he became known for his care of the sick and his spectacular cures. In recognition of his fame and his deep devotion, his superiors dropped that stipulation that "no black person may be received to the holy habit or profession of our order" and Martin was vested in the full habit and took the solemn vows as a Dominican brother.

As a Dominican brother, he became more devout and more desirous to be of service. He established an orphanage and children's hospital for the poor children of the slums. He set up a shelter for stray dogs and cats and nursed them back to health. Martin lived a life of self-imposed austerity. He fasted continuously and spent much time in prayer and reflection. Saint Martin de Porres was venerated from the day of his death.

*Father Michael Tang*

## Petition for the Sick

Virgie Aguilar, LaVern Agnew, Veronica Bearce, Stephanie Bell, Sr. Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Mary Brown, Andrei Briggs, Manual Brule, Barbara Butler, Joyce Burnett, Brownie Cain, Dorothy Campbell, Alberto Casanova, Katherine Clark, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, John Crear, Nigel Dunn, Angela Dupré, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Dwight Fauria, Anita Finie, Edith Foster, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Mavis Gibbs, Catherine Green, Jan Harvey, Donovan Haynes, Pat Hernandez, Marion Hernandez, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Laurreta Jackson, Robert Jordan, Maggie Lacour, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Sr. Marianna, Vylfred Manor, Yvonne Morgan, Muriel Meyers, Dorothy Okoye, Paula Osborn, Dale Payne, Daisy Pratt, Gerald Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Lanny Ross, Barbara Samuels, Reanna Semien, Lionel Smith, Sr., Darnell Stang, Barbara Starks, Michele Starks, Wilbur Starks, Alice Tenette, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Curtis Tureaud, David Tureaud, Iris Turner, Lubertha Weathers, Doris Whyne, and Lilla Williams.

## Thank you

I wanted to take the opportunity to thank Fr. Tang and the parishioners of Transfiguration Church for allowing me to share your loving Spirit and great music with members of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Community. I know some of you suffered inconveniences. You never know when a gesture of gratitude to them who so seldom receive thanks will come back to bless you as they daily risk their lives to protect and serve you. Thanks to everyone and especially the choir.

*Fr. Mike McCullough, LAPD*  
Certified Master Chaplain

*Celebrating 75 Years*  
*A Legacy of Making a Difference*  
 Serving the Community Since 1937

**HARVEST FESTIVAL**

On behalf of the Harvest Festival planning committee of alumni, teachers, parents and parishioners, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported the festival. With your help we raised over \$2500.00 dollars in donations to cover expenses and over \$3500.00 in profits for the school. Without your support our festival would not have been so successful. God's blessings and all our prayers,

~Stephanie Moore

**Raffle Winners**

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	\$400.00 Apple Gift Card	Mr. Besver
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	Color TV	Samaya Laster
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	IPOD Shuffle	Deborah Casanova
4 <sup>th</sup> Prize		Henry Isaac

Stop by the school's table at **the Christmas Boutique** and purchase a raffle ticket for a chance to win a beautiful grandfather clock handcrafted by one of wonderful parishioners Mr. Paul Castile. The lucky winner will be chosen at the end of the Christmas Boutique so you won't want to miss out on your opportunity to win this lovely clock! It will make a memorable Christmas gift or addition to your home.

All School Families are invited to attend **Thanksgiving Mass at 9:30AM**. A light reception will follow.

*Transfiguration Catholic School proudly presents its 1<sup>st</sup> ever*

**PIANO RECITAL**

Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM with Grades 2-5  
 Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM with Grades 6-8

**Our Annual Christmas Program is**

Thursday, December 20, 2012 at 6:30 PM

**Please join us as we celebrate this wonderful season.**

**NEW STUDENTS TESTING & GUIDED TOURS ARE:**

**Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM**

We offer guided tours and new student testing monthly. Please feel free to contact Mrs. Crockett in the main office for assistance at 323.292.3011.

**PAPER DONATION**

Please continue to assist us throughout our school year by donating copy paper. Contact the office at 323.292.3011.

**THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER**

**DONATIONS OF TURKEYS, DRESSING, CANNED YAMS & GREEN BEANS ARE NEEDED...**

The Knights of Peter Claver #220 prepares an Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner on Thursday, November 22 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.

<b>Saturday</b> 5:15 p.m.	<b>November 17</b> Intention of all Parishioners
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>November 18</b> Soul of Karen Lee
10:00 a.m.	The Faithful Departed
12:15 p.m.	Souls of Stanman Robottom, Sr. & Lillian White
<b>Monday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>November 19</b> The Faithful Departed
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>November 20</b> The Faithful Departed
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>November 21</b> The Faithful Departed
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>November 22</b> The Faithful Departed
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>November 23</b> The Faithful Departed
<b>Saturday</b> 5:15 p.m.	<b>November 24</b> The Faithful Departed
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>November 25</b> Intention of all Parishioners
10:00 a.m.	Souls of Jackeline, Dilcia & Wilfred Morgan, Jr.
12:15 p.m.	Soul of Stanman Robottom, Jr.

**Readings for the week**

<b>Sunday</b>	Dn 12:1-3, Ps 16:5-11, Mk 13:24-32
<b>Monday</b>	Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5, Lk 18:35-43
<b>Tuesday</b>	Rv 3:1-22, Lk 19:1-10
<b>Wednesday</b>	Rv 4:1-11, Lk 19:11-28
<b>Thursday</b>	Sir 50:22-24, Ps 138:1-5, 1 Cor 1:3-9, Lk 1:11-19
<b>Friday</b>	Rv 10:8-11, Lk 19:45-48
<b>Saturday</b>	Rv 11:4-12, Lk 20:27-40
<b>Sunday</b>	Dn 7:13-14, Ps 93:1-5, Jn 18:33b-37

**Sacrificial Gifts**

<b>Sunday, November 13, 2011</b>	<b>Sunday, November 11, 2012</b>
\$5,292.78 Sacrificial Gift	\$5,094.62 Sacrificial Gift
378.14 Building Fund	331.55 Building Fund
216.08 "We Care"	198.83 "We Care"

**THE WEEKEND AHEAD**

**Sunday, November 18**

**CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE**

*Campaign for Human Development Collection*

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

2:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting-*PCRM*

2:00 PM Reserve Corps of St. Michael

**Monday, November 19**

7:00 PM Bible Study-*hall*

**Tuesday, November 20**

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

7:30 PM Finance Council Meeting

**Wednesday, November 21**

6:00 PM Line Dancing

6:30 PM CCL

**Thursday, November 22**

*School and Church Offices Closed*

9:30 AM Mass Thanksgiving Day

**Sunday, November 25**

**CHRIST THE KING**

10:30 AM – 12 PM Religious Education Class

2:30 PM – 4:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

# THANKSGIVING DAY MASS AT 9:30 AM ON THURSDAY!

## ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 24 & 25

**5:15 PM**

Carl Clay  
Irwin Lagarde  
Makiya Foster  
Arianna Foster

**8:00 AM**

Lisa Crockett  
Samantha Johnson  
Johnathan Johnson  
Amanda Johnson

**10:00 AM**

Brendan Wilkerson  
Anthony Roque  
Spencer Fuller  
Gilberto Gonzales

**12:15 PM**

Emilio Ramirez  
Stephanie Elize  
Kalaya Ramsey  
Deija Rideaux  
Kofi Karikari

## ALTAR SERVERS

### THANKSGIVING DAY

November 22 at 9:30AM  
Spencer Fuller  
Maurice Burnett  
Gilberto Gonzales  
Noelle London

## “TOGETHER IN MISSION” UPDATE 2012

Thanks to all who have contributed to the “Together in Mission” campaign, which helps less fortunate parishes. We are aware of the financial times we are all a part of; however, we are hoping we will meet our assessment goal this year. **135 parishioners have completed their pledge.** If those of us, who have not made a pledge, were to contribute \$50.00, this will allow us to meet our goal. **Please notice our parish assessment is \$30,440.40.** If you need a pledge envelope call the office, 323.291.1136, or you may stop by the office for an envelope. Again thanks for all you do for Transfiguration Church and School.

**Amount Paid**

**\$17,242.10**

**Balance Due**

**\$13,198.30**

## ADMISSION OPEN HOUSE

**Marymount High School**, a Catholic, independent, all-girls, college preparatory high school (grades 9-12), will hold its annual **ADMISSION OPEN HOUSE** for families and students in grades 5-8 and upper class transfer students on **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2012** from 1:00-4:00 PM, with check-in starting at 12:30 PM. Marymount is located at 10643 Sunset Boulevard (across from UCLA) and has nine school bus routes throughout Los Angeles, making it accessible to all. Please visit our website to learn more, [www.mhs-la.org](http://www.mhs-la.org), or call 310.472.1205, ext 220.

**Immaculate Heart High School** will have an Open House on Sunday, December 2, 2012 starting at 1:00 PM. All are welcome and no reservations are required. Immaculate Heart is located at 5515 Franklin Avenue (corner of Franklin and Western) in the Los Feliz area. For further information, please call Ms. Jennie Lee at 323.461.3651, ext. 240.

## ADULT CONFIRMATION 2012

If you are a baptized Catholic, age 21 or older, have received First Communion, and wish to complete your initiation in the Catholic faith, the **Adult Confirmation** process is the right one for you. Our Lady of the Angels Pastoral Region ~ **Core Sessions** will be held at St. Paul the Apostle (parish hall), 10750 Ohio Avenue in LA. Session Dates are on January 12 & 26\*, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. February 2 & 9, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. (\*This session will be held at St. Mark’s Church in Venice).

## Part-Time Volunteer

Heavy typing; phones; general clerical duties; Word and Excel experience preferred for very busy office; must be dependable. Please call Jo Ann in the rectory 323.291.1136 Ext. 101 if you can donate your time and talent.

## Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00 AM

Join us for a very special Mass on **Thanksgiving Day**. Our school children will do the readings, homily, prayers, and sing. Light refreshments will follow.

## Did you know

that Transfiguration Church has a new website? For parish news and activities go to: [www.transfigchurchla.com](http://www.transfigchurchla.com)

## TRANSFIGURATION

### Christmas Boutique

Join us for a very special **Christmas Boutique Sunday, November 18, 2012** in the parish hall.

**After all masses beginning at 9:00 AM**

*You will find all your needs for your Thanksgiving and Christmas Shopping!*

**Delicious Food**  
**Baked Goods & Jellies & Jams**  
**Gift Baskets**  
**Jewelry & Clothing & Accessories**  
**Toys & Dolls**  
**And Much Much More!**

## ST. BERNADETTE

### Annual Christmas Dinner

St Bernadette Catholic Church will host its Annual Christmas Dinner and Silent Auction on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 6:30 PM to 10:00 PM at 3625 Don Felipe Drive, Come and enjoy a wonderful evening with family and friends. Dine on an exquisite dinner, catered by Chef Renee Childress of Oohs & Aahs Catering. And finish the evening dancing to the music of “Aalon the Entertainer.” Ticket price \$25.00. Tickets may be purchased online at [www.stbernadettechurch.com](http://www.stbernadettechurch.com) or from the church office. For more information please visit our website or call the church Rectory at 323.293.4877.

## ATTENTION

After carefully reviewing our records, for the **Safeguard the Children Program** ~ many of you who are serving in a ministerial capacity have not completed the 3 hours VIRTUS training session. In order to comply with the Archdiocese policy it is mandatory that you are certified. The next 3 hour session will take place here at Transfiguration in the hall on Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm prompt. Thank you for your cooperation.