

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 19, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them.
(1 Thessalonians 5:3)

Today's readings might remind us of the old Boy Scout motto: "Be prepared." Be always ready because you never know what might come your way. Be always ready so that you aren't just reacting to situations when they arrive. Be proactive, never idle, but always prepared to do whatever good deed you can.

In today's first reading, St. Paul tells us that there will never be perfect peace or absolute security in this world. Wars will rage. Families and friends will suffer divisions. Poverty, disease, and suffering will persist until the end of time. So that means there will always be opportunities to reach out and help!

Today's Gospel also tells us to be ready to care for the people around us. When we hear the parable of the talents, we usually focus our attention on developing our skills, but let's take it one step further and focus on the mission at hand. Jesus is asking us to join him in building his kingdom here on earth. He is asking us to take all that he has given us and put it to good use, and not just for ourselves and our families. The world is in such deep need of peace and security. Our contributions—of intercession, of mercy, of generosity, and of love—can make a significant difference. We can see dramatic returns on our investment if we partner with the Lord.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if, when Jesus came back, he could say to each of us, "Well done, my good and faithful servant" (Matthew 25:21)? Wouldn't it be great to know we can come with him and share in his joy?

We can do great things for God. We can use our talents to help make this world a better place. So let's pray today for all who are suffering in the world. Let's pray for an end to war and to poverty. And let's join Jesus in bringing his peace and security to everyone.

"Lord, please take what little I have and multiply it for the sake of your people."

Called to Serve,

Deacon Mark Race, Administrator

SAVE THE DATES

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017 at 7PM

Advent Penance Service at
Transfiguration Church

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2017

The Immaculate Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
(*Holy Day of obligation*)
Masses at 8AM, 9:30AM School Mass and 6PM

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2017

NO 8AM MASS

Mass of Anointing at 11AM followed by
a reception in the parish hall.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities."

MATTHEW 25:21

God expects us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us; He expects us to grow our gifts, use them wisely and be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given us.

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, Judy Felton-Gardner, Mavis Gibbs, Refugio Godinez, Nancy Goosby, Barbara Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Aaron Jittu, Aaron Katz, Briana Katz, Barbara Lagarde, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Gloria McClaurin, Vyldred 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	PRV 31:10-31, PS 128:1-5, MT 25:14-30
Monday	1MC 1:10-15, 41-63, LK 18:35-43
Tuesday	2MC 6:18-31, LK 19:1-10
Wednesday	2MC 7:20-31, LK 19:11-28
Thursday	1MC 2:15-19, LK 19:41-44
Friday	1MC 4:36-59, LK 19:45-48
Saturday	1MC 6:1-13, LK 20:27-40
Sunday	EZ 34:11-17, PS 23:1-6, MT 25:31-46

Mass Intentions

Saturday	November 18
5:15 PM	Soul of Excel Hunter
Sunday	November 19
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
10:00 AM	Intention of all Parishioners
12:15 PM	Intention of Regina Wiltz
Monday	November 20
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Tuesday	November 21
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Wednesday	November 22
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Thursday	November 23
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Friday	November 24
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Saturday	November 25
5:15 PM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Sunday	November 26
8:00 AM	Intention of all Parishioners
10:00 AM	Souls of Yvonne, Jackeline, Dilcia, and Wilfred Morgan, Jr.
12:15 PM	Souls of the Faithful Departed



Weekly Offering November 12, 2017

\$4,689.60 Tithe and Offering
382.00 Building Fund
41.00 "We Care"

Mass of Anointing

Our church community will celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of Sick on **Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 11AM** here at Transfiguration. A light luncheon will follow.

High School Open House

All are invited! **St. Monica Catholic High School** will host an Open House on Saturday, December 2, 2017 from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. on its campus at 1030 Lincoln Blvd, Santa Monica 90403. You will meet teachers and students, and see how it feels to be a part of the Mariner experience. For more information visit the school's website at stmonicachs.org or call the Office of Admissions at 310.394.3701 ext. 1305.

Immaculate Heart High School will have an Open House on Sunday, December 3, 2017 from 1:00 PM to 3:30 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.

Please join us for our ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE Sunday, November 26, 2017

Transfiguration Parish Hall After all Masses.

New and Exciting Vendors

Jewelry, Accessories,
Christmas Ornaments,
Baked Goods, Yummy Food,
and Much More
Holiday Sale Items...



*Enjoy great music and
FREE picture taken with Santa*

Something for Everyone!

COME CHECK IT OUT!

For more information, call Vickie Race 310.259.6430
or Evelyn Payne 323.291.8325.

THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER

**Donations of Turkeys, Dressing,
Green Beans and Cranberry Sauce
are MOST needed...**

Before you deliver your donations to the rectory
please call the office at 323.291.1136.

The Knights of Peter Claver 220 will prepare their Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner on Thursday, November 23 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 office at 323.291.1136. Dinners will be delivered to your home.

Faithful Departed Masses

During November our Masses will be offered for the Faithful Departed. This is an opportunity for us to remember in prayer those who preceded us in death. We ask that you use your envelopes to list the names of those you wish to be included in our All Souls Masses. Additional envelopes are at the church exits.

RCIA

Come, learn or renew your Catholic faith...

Tuesday, November 21 "To Jesus through Mary" by Deacon Mark Race at Holy Name of Jesus (*Acacia Center*), 1955 W. Jefferson in Los Angeles from 7:00 PM to 8:45 PM.

Thanksgiving Holiday

The Church office will be closed on *Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24*. We will re-open on Monday, November 27, 2017.