

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 26, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

When the Son of Man comes in his glory . . . (Matthew 25:31)

Thinking about the Second Coming of Jesus can make us feel a little fearful. We know it will be wonderful to be with Jesus in heaven forever, but we also worry about the unknown. Today, let's try to put aside this fear by imagining three scenes surrounding the Second Coming.

Scene 1: Fix your eyes on what it will be like when you see Jesus sitting "upon his glorious throne" with all the nations gathered around him (Matthew 25:31). Imagine what Jesus will say to this largest gathering of all time. The 2013 KumbhMela pilgrimage in India is currently the largest gathering, counting thirty million people. But even this pales in comparison to the potential of thirteen billion people coming together!

Scene 2: Fix your eyes on Jesus' attractiveness. Pope John Paul II attracted so much attention wherever he went, simply because of his personality. He always projected a sense of joyful hope, of confidence in the Lord, and of love for the people he was with. He seemed always to make a personal, deep connection with his audience, no matter what the occasion was. Now, as attractive as he was, Pope John Paul II cannot come close to what will happen when Jesus returns. His love, his purity, and his joy will be unparalleled. This is why all the nations will gather around him.

Scene 3: Fix your eyes on the new heavens and new earth that Jesus will establish. Imagine a place where there is no need for doctors, police officers, prisons, military bases, or homeless shelters. Think of how Disneyland is called "the happiest place on earth." Well, when Jesus ushers in the new creation, the "magic" of Disney will seem mundane and ordinary. There will be nothing but peace, joy, and contentment in the presence of the Lord.

Keep these scenes in mind all day today. Let them banish any fear of the unknown.

"Jesus, I can't wait to see you!"

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

"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers,
you did for me" - MATTHEW 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient; when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's schedule.

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, Vydred 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	EZ 34:11-17, PS 23:1-6, MT 25:31-46
Monday	DN 1:1-20, LK 21:1-4
Tuesday	DN 2:31-45, LK 21:5-11
Wednesday	DN 5:1-28, LK 21:12-19
Thursday	ROM 10:9-18, MT 4:18-22
Friday	DN 7:2-14, LK 21:29-33
Saturday	DN 7:15-27, LK 21:34-36
Sunday	IS 63:16-64:7, PS 80:2-19, MK13:33-37

Mass Intentions

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	Soul of Linda Race
Monday	November 27
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Tuesday	November 28
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Wednesday	November 29
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Thursday	November 30
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Saturday	December 2
5:15 PM	Soul of Ann Rawles
Sunday	December 3
8:00 AM	Soul of Lauren Cote
10:00 AM	Intention of Briana and Aaron Katz
12:15 PM	Intention of all Parishioners



Weekly Offering November 19, 2017

\$3,952.28 Tithes and Offerings
\$567.00 Building Fund
1.00 "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.



Please remember your "Together in Mission" 2017 PLEDGE COMMITMENT

Thanks to all!

DID YOU KNOW?

Learning all we can about how predators groom children through online contact is key to keeping them safe at all times. Language is a predator's tool for grooming online. One tactic that online predators use to groom a potential victim is by complimenting and reinforcing their self-image as a way of normalizing their interactions. Compliments are used to build trust, desensitize, and mentally or emotionally isolate the potential victim from others. It is important to remember that monitoring the online communication of young people on chats, apps, gaming websites, etc. is key in preventing abuse. For a copy of the VIRTUS® article "The Language of Online Grooming," visit:
<http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx> or call 213.637.7508.

Thank you

The beautiful flowers on the altar this week were donated by *Willie Morgan, Sr.* in memory of his loved ones **YVONNE, JACKELINE, DILCIA, AND WILFRED MORGAN, JR.** If you would like to donate flowers, please call the rectory for more details.

2018 Calendars are available in the church sacristy for a donation of \$2. Thank you for your support.