

Dear Parishioners,

Coming to his senses . . . (Luke 15:17)

At some time or another, we all stand back and assess our lives. Forward-looking people do this on a regular basis, and people who live in the moment wait for some kind of crisis—but everybody does it.

The prodigal son was in this second group. It wasn't until he found himself in a state of complete misery that he came to his senses.

Surely this young man felt like a failure. Surely he worried that his relationship with his father was beyond repair. Still, he reasoned, "Even the most menial servant in my father's house is treated better than I'm being treated right now. Even the saddest person back home is happier than me." So he headed for home.

Maybe he wasn't sincere. Maybe he didn't feel sorry for his sins. Maybe all he wanted was a happier, more comfortable life. It didn't matter. What mattered was that he decided to walk away from the bondage that he was in. Whether his motives were pure, mixed, or completely self-centered, he returned to his father. And the rest, as they say, is history. Of course his father wouldn't treat him like just another servant! He lavished affection on him and threw a great party to celebrate his return.

Whenever we repent, our heavenly Father greets us just as happily. He doesn't utter a single word of negativity or rejection. He welcomes us warmly and treats us like the children that we are. The only thing that matters is that we have come back home. He knows that if we stay with him, everything will work out in the end.

Don't wait for a crisis to make changes in your life. Step back today, and carefully assess each area of your life—work, family, finances, recreation. Then run to your Father, and ask him for his grace. Stay with him, in his home, and you'll be far happier.

"Here I am, Father. Let me know your mercy today."

~Deacon Mark Race, Administrator

Stewardship Thought:

"No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan."

(JOSHUA 5:12)

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.

Sacred Heart Retreat

Let 2016 be your year to take care of the Spiritual You! Ladies, it's almost time again for the spiritually rejuvenating retreat at the Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra. From Friday, April 8th until Sunday, April 10th you can come one or all three days to enjoy a little quiet time for yourself. For more information and/or to reserve your space, reach out to Evelyn Payne at 323.291.8325 or Sonya Robertson at 323.291.4846. We'd love to have you with us.

Job Opportunity

Bourbon Street Fish & Grill is looking for help at their Inglewood Restaurant. For more details call 310.671.3474 and ask for Derrick or Sean.

SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH

Daylight Saving

Time begins:

Set clocks forward 1 hour



DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday	Jos 5:9-12, Ps 34:2-7, Lk 15:1-32
Monday	Is 65:17-21, Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday	Ez 47:1-12, Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday	Is 49:8-15, Jn 5:17-30
Thursday	Ex 32:7-14, Jn 5:31-47
Friday	Wis 2:1-22, Jn 7:1-30
Saturday	Jer 11:18-20, Jn 7:40-53
Sunday	Is 43:16-21, Ps 126:1-6, Jn 8:1-11

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday March 5

5:15 PM Intention of Liz Quinn

Sunday March 6

8:00 AM Soul of Roland Hithe
10:00 AM Intention of all Parishioners
12:15 PM Soul of St. Katherine Drexel

Saturday March 12

5:15 PM Intention of all Parishioners

Sunday March 13

8:00 AM Intention of Mary Jené
10:00 AM Soul of Slade Campbell
12:15 PM Soul of Joseph Leon, Sr.

WEEKLY OFFERING

February 28, 2016

\$4,538.00 Tithe and Offering
83.00 Building Fund
100.00 "We Care"



VIRTUS TRAINING SESSION

at Transfiguration in the hall.

1 ½ hour Recertification March 12, from 9-10:30AM
Call the Rectory for more information.

Soul Food Fundraiser

TRANSFIGURATION SCHOOL

Tasty Soul Food Dinner

SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2016

In the hall after all Masses!



SAVE THE DATES

Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 11:00 AM

MASS OF ANOINTING - NO 8AM MASS

at Transfiguration Church

Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 7:30 PM

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

at Holy Name of Jesus Church

Transfiguration Church & School

ANNUAL LENTEN RAFFLE

1st Prize: \$1000.00

2nd Prize: \$500.00

3rd Prize: \$250.00

You are asked to sell one book which is 40 tickets, total of \$40. There is no need for a **STUB TO WIN**.

All we need is your name, phone number or address.

Drawing: Friday, March 18, 2016 at 8:30 PM in the hall.

Please contact the rectory if you have any questions.

(Winner need not be present to win)

LENTEN FISH FRY

Fridays 5:00 to 9:00 PM in the parish hall.

Featuring Bourbon Street Fish & Grill

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday in Lent at 6:30 PM.

HOLY YEAR OF MERCY

Pray for our sick...

Virgie Aguilar, LaVern Agnew, Brian Argusta, Joyce Barnett, Rose Ball, Veronica Bearce, Fr. Emile Belletty, Sister Juliet Berber, Daniel Boone, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Vivian Burgess, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Sister Cecilia Calva, Mary Captain, Alberto Casanova, Harry Charles, Katherine Clark, Agnes Cooper, Rita Cormire, Edward Cousin, Juanita Davis, Benjie Delille, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Nigel Dunn, Betty Eason, Connie Farlice, Dwight Fauria, Ferdinand Foye, Betty Flowers, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Sister Mary Michaeline Gahwolf, Judy Felton-Gardner, Mavis Gibbs, Refugio Godinez, Nancy Goosby, Mary Hall, Barbara Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Mary Jené, Aaron Jittu, Joan Johnson, Robert Jordan, Briana Katz, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Vylfred Manor, Sister Marianna, Dorothy Okoye, Martina Peters, Daisy Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Andrea Raggette, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Dottie Rodriguez, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Reanna Semien, George Simon, Sr., Jeremiah Skyes, Lionel Smith, Sr., Darnell Stang, Michele Starks, Annie Starks, Alice Tenette, Tinkerbell, Leila Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, Patricia Williams, Peggy Wright and Ralph Wright.

Year of Mercy Prayer



Lord Jesus Christ, send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its Anointing, so the Jubilee of Mercy may be a Year of Grace from the Lord, and your church.

With renewed enthusiasm, may we bring your good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit For ever and ever. Amen.