

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

April 10, 2011

From the Desk of Fr. Michael Tang!

In today's Gospel we see a scene with which all of us are familiar, namely, people weeping over the death of a loved one. Jesus is at the centre of that scene. He is the one who gives hope to those who are surrounded by the shadows of death.

John's main aim is to elicit faith in Jesus and to show the effects of faith in him. 'Lazarus is dead; and for your sake I am glad I was not there because now you will believe.' And the story ends with words: 'Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him. 'Martha is presented as a model of faith. In defiance of the evidence, she makes a wonderful profession of faith: 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into the world.'

Jesus in the source of life, not just physical life, but the undying life of Martha and Mary, and the fact that Lazarus has been dead for four days, serve to underline the point the evangelist is making, namely, that Jesus is the Master of life and death.

If you haven't had an opportunity to make the Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6:30, now is the time to do it as well as enjoy our Friday evening Fish Fries. For greater spiritual growth through discipline, one might also consider attending daily Mass during these last few weeks of Lent. God bless you and have a great week.

2011 HOLY WEEK SERVICES

CONFESSIONS

Saturday in Lent April 16.....4:30 to 5:00 PM

TUESDAY, APRIL 12.....7:30 PM

Communal Penance Service at St. Bernadette Church

HOLY WEEK MASSES

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 21.....7:00 PM

Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 22

Celebration of the Lord's Passion.....1:30 PM

Stations of the Cross.....6:30 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 23.....7:00 PM

Easter Vigil Service and Mass

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 24

.....8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:15 PM

Important Message Regarding Anointing of Sick

In order to comply with the wishes of **ALL** families needing anointing for their loved one (s), it is requested that a call be made to the rectory **ONLY** by an immediate family member. This will eliminate confusion and insure that we are respecting the wishes of the family. **Also please do not wait until the last minute. A priest may not be available.** Please adhere to this directive and thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Annual Fish Fry and Raffle

Please support our **Annual Fish Fry and Raffle** every Friday from 5:00 to 9:00 PM. The winners for weekly drawing were: **1st week Marilyn Moore, 2nd week Gwen Campbell, 3rd week Deanna Fisher and 4th week Lance Lagarde.** Turn in your tickets early and you will have a chance to win \$60 cash. Tell a friend and bring the family for fellowship and fun. **If you have not received any tickets in the mail, please call the rectory.**

Movie and Reflection

Monday evenings during Lent, the Bible Study group invites everyone for Movie and Reflection. This week's movie is "*Pontius Pilate*." There will be a light supper followed by this movie. Join us Mondays from 7:00 to 9:00 PM in the hall.

Attention Friends & Fans of Howlett Smith

In observance of the Easter Season, Howlett Smith and his Harmony Choir will be performing his Easter Cantata at the Smyrna Seventh-day Adventist Church on Saturday, April 23 at 11 AM. For those familiar with Howlett's glorious and inspirational compositions, this is an excellent opportunity to usher in the Easter celebration that we think you would enjoy and appreciate. The Smyrna church is located at 4394 W. Washington Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90016. For more information, call 323.732.4464.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

FOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, April 15, 2011 at 6:30 PM

Nia Robertson

Spencer Fuller

Nicolas Godfrey

Jordan Baylis

Gilberto Gonzales

Maurice Burnett

Anthony Roque

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 16 and 17, 2011

5:15 PM

Devon Wilson

Irwin Lagarde

Michael Newanda

8:00 AM

Kalaya Morack

Amanda Johnson

Christopher Goosby

Samantha Johnson

Andrea Mckinley

10:00 AM

Matthew Young

Carl Clay

Gilberto Gonzales

Latoya Chimilio

Thea Chimilio

12:15 PM

Emilio Ramirez

Nicholas Godfrey

Arianna Foster

Caycee Chapman

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 9

5:15 p.m. +Elizabeth Laneer

Sunday, April 10

8:00 a.m. Int. of all Parishioners

10:00 a.m. Int. of all Alumni

12:15 p.m. +Angula Bates

Monday, April 11

8:00 a.m. Int. of Suzette Robottom

Tuesday, April 12

8:00 a.m. +James Ezell Washington

Wednesday, April 13

8:00 a.m. Int. of Iris Turner

Friday, April 15

8:00 a.m. +Angula Bates

Saturday, April 16

5:15 p.m. +Stanley DeCuir

Sunday, April 17

8:00 a.m. +Tom Franklin

10:00 a.m. +Angula Bates

12:15 p.m. Int. of all Parishioners

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Ez 37:12-14, Ps 130:1-8, Jn 11:1-45

Monday Dn 13:1-62, Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday Nm 21:4-9, Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday Dn 3:14-20, Jn 8:31-42

Thursday Gn 17:3-9, Jn 8:51-59

Friday Jer 20:10-13, Jn 10:31-42

Saturday Ez 37:21-28, Jn 11:45-56

Sunday Is 50:4-7, Ps 22:8-24, Mt 26:14-27:66

SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

Sunday, April 3, 2011

\$5,860.14 Sacrificial Gift

496.45 Building Fund

283.69 "We Care"



THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, APRIL 11

7:00 PM Bible Study Movie & Reflection-Hall

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

7:00 PM Knights Meeting-PCRM

7:30 PM Tri-Parish Communal Penance Service

@ St. Bernadette

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

6:00 PM Line Dancing-School

6:30 PM CCL

7:30 PM Prayer, Praise & Worship

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

2:00 PM School Stations

5:00-9:00 PM Fish Fry-Hall

6:30 PM Stations of the Cross-Church

7:00 PM Alanon Meeting-PCRM

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

10:00 AM-12:00 Noon Cherrywood Mtg.-hall

1:00 PM-3:00 PM Praise Dancers Rehearsal-Church

SUNDAY, APRIL 17

PALM SUNDAY

Catholic Relief Collection

Ladies Auxiliary Salad Bar after all Masses-hall

10:30 AM Religious Ed Class

2:00 PM Reserve Corps of St. Michael-Church



SCHOOL NEWS

'KEEP KIDS SAFE' DURING CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH 2011 'Working Together to Prevent Child Abuse' brochure available now...

Each year, every parish in the Archdiocese receives copies of "Working Together to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse: Keeping Ministerial Relationships Healthy and Holy." Published in English and Spanish, the brochure is a helpful guide to the sexual abuse prevention policies, programs and resources that have been developed by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Please look for the brochure in the parish vestibule or office. Please read it and keep it some place for easy reference.

We encourage parishioners to participate in the month long awareness of wearing the bright blue ribbon-shaped stickers that say "Keep Kids Safe" on Saturday and Sunday Masses. Sticker baskets are provided at the exits of the church.

Safeguard the Children

There will be a Safeguard the Children meeting Thursday, April 14th from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM in the School Faculty Room. Parents and adults are encouraged to attend.

Electronics

We will have another E-Waste pick-up. The school is collecting electronics - monitors, televisions, keyboards, chords and old cell phones. If you have any of these items, please drop them off at the school office Monday thru Friday 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Thank you to everyone for your donations.

Shopping Receipts

Please remember to save your receipts from the Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Mall and Albertson's Square this includes the new 'Wing Stop' Restaurant by Albertson's. You can bring them over to the school office Monday-Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Thank you again for ALL of your support.

Liturgical Praise Dance Rehearsals

The liturgical praise dancers will rehearse for Holy Week and Easter celebrations every Saturday from 1:00 to 3:00 PM in the church. The last rehearsal will be April 16. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Ida Wycliff at 323.497.3483.

PETITION FOR THE SICK

LaVern Agnew, Oliver Bartholomew, Booker T. Ball, Edgar Banks, Sr. Juliet Berber, Angeliq Black, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Manual Brule, Bernard & Marie Byars, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Jr., Ida Cathcart, Katherine Clark, Lois Gomes Clark, Myrna Cook, James Cooper, Nigel Dunn, Angela Dupre, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Nato Flores, Edith Foster, Sr. Sharon Francis, Teresa Franklin, Gloria Fuller, Mavis Gibbs, Catherine Green, Pat Hernandez, Marion Hernandez, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Angela Johnson, Mignon Johnson-Fields, Irwin Lagarde, Connie Louie, Sr. Marianna, Vyldred Manor, Doreen Mayers, Monique Van Noy, Dorothy Okoye, Paula Osborn, Dale Payne, Daisy Pratt, Carol Price, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Evelyn Roach, Velma Shaw, Reanna Semien, Lionel Smith, Sr., Shirley Spicer, Darnell Stang, Wilbur Starks, Ruby Louise Thomas, Emma Thornton, David Tureaud, Iris Turner, Keith Wansell, Leon Williams, Lilla Williams, and Agnes Wilson.