

# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 22, 2012

## FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL TANG

The theme that occurs in all three readings this weekend is forgiveness. Forgiveness is available to all those who repent and believe in Jesus as their Savior. This has great relevance for all of us. A lot of ugly crimes are committed today, not all of which can be put down to ignorance. But if there is forgiveness for those who killed Jesus, then there is forgiveness for those who do these things. The task for those of us who live the Good News is to assure people that God's forgiveness is available to them, thus enabling them to make a fresh start.

In the First Reading Peter shows great courage when he confronts the people with their part in the death of Jesus. However, he goes on the excuse them on the grounds that they acted in ignorance. In this he might have been inspired by the dying prayer of Jesus: "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do." Peter urges them to repent, assuring them that if they do, their sins will be forgiven.

In the Gospel, Luke's primary interest is to show that the risen Jesus is the same person the apostles had known prior to the crucifixion. He emphasizes the reality of Jesus' bodily resurrection, but makes it clear that the resurrection is not a return to earthly life – Jesus has risen to a new life beyond death.

It was only by combining various passages from the prophets that the early Christians came to accept the idea that a suffering Messiah was part of God's plan of salvation. So Luke has the risen Lord showing the apostles how the Scriptures had foretold that the Christ would suffer and so enter into his glory. Jesus also gives them a mission – the proclamation of repentance and forgiveness of sins.

Finally, in the Second Reading John says authentic love is proved by obedience to the commandments. Anticipating that the Christian will sin, he reminds us that we have in Jesus an advocate who will plead our cause.

The next big event on our parish calendar is the annual Carnival. I encourage all those in our parish, (which includes our school) to make this church event a resounding success. Volunteers are needed to work the booths. We need all of you to spread the word by taking flyers and selling tickets. Finally, we need you to bring family and friends to the actual event which starts the Friday of Memorial Day Weekend. Carnival Workers Sign-ups will take place the weekend of May 5 and 6 so mark your calendars!

### 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

**& AWARDS BANQUET** *hosted by the Knights of Peter Claver Council #220* at Chester Washington Golf Course on Saturday, July 21, 2012. For information call Frank Rhodes at 213.248.3600 or Maurice Simon 213.219.8010. **Deadline by July 5, 2012.**

### SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

**Sunday, April 16, 2011**  
\$4,413.33 Sacrificial Gift  
370.79 Building Fund  
211.88 "We Care"

### SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

**Sunday, April 15, 2012**  
\$6,157.89 Sacrificial Gift  
517.75 Building Fund  
295.86 "We Care"

### DID YOU KNOW?

**2012 'Working Together to Prevent Child Abuse' 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 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. To see a copy of the brochure online, please visit: <http://www.la-archdiocese.org>. See Protecting God's Children. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at 213. 637.7650.

### VIRTUS SESSION

Transfiguration will hold a **VIRTUS** Training session **Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the hall.** Please call the Rectory to reserve a space at 323.291.1136. The class, *Protecting God's Children*, lasts 3 hours.

### EASTER FLOWER OFFERING

We are asking that you be as generous as possible with your giving this Easter season. Envelopes are at the church exit. The envelopes will be placed on the altar for prayer in Memory of or in Honor of your love ones.

### ST. VINCENT DEPAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY

On **Sunday, August 26** our Parish is having a Bundle Sunday for the Society of St. Vincent DePaul Thrift Stores. Please bring your usable clothing and usable household items on this day. Their truck will be at our church parking lot. Please help in their endless efforts to assist the needy. They are in great need of furniture and large appliances. Call them for pick up of any heavy items at 323.224.6280 or 800/97-HELP-1.

### PETITION FOR THE SICK

Virgie Aguillar, Yolanda Anderson, LaVern Agnew, Oliver Bartholomew, Booker T. Ball, Edgar Banks, Timothy Baker, Stephanie Bell, Sr. Juliet Berber, Jerone Bill, Glenda Brown, Mary Brown, Andrei Briggs, Manual Brule, Bernard Byars, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Dorothy Campbell, Mary Captain, Alberto Casanova, Katherine Clark, Clyde Clayton, Shirley Dieudonne, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, John Crear, Nigel Dunn, Angela Dupré, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Anita Finie, Edith Foster, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Mavis Gibbs, Catherine Green, Pat Hernandez, Marion Hernandez, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Angela Johnson, Ellis Jones, Chester Keyes, Irwin Lagarde, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Sr. Marianna, Vylfred Manor, Yvonne Morgan, Dorothy Okoye, Paula Osborn, Dale Payne, Daisy Pratt, Gerald Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Barbara Samuels, Reanna Semien, Lionel Smith, Sr., Shirley Spicer, Darnell Stang, Michele Starks, Wilbur Starks, Ken Ruff, Alice Tenette, Louise Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Curtis Tureaud, David Tureaud, Iris Turner, Lubertha Weathers, Doris Wayne, Leon Williams, Lilla Williams, and Patricia Williams.

TRANSFIGURATION CHURCH/SCHOOL

**CARNIVAL MEMORIAL WEEKEND**

MAY 25, 26 & 27, 2012

Please pick up flyers to give to your friends, neighbors, relatives, co-workers, etc. Flyers are available at the doors of the church or in the rectory.

**Pre-Sale Tickets** for rides, games, casino and video game truck will be available beginning **Friday, April 27** after all weekend masses or from the rectory or the school office.

**CARNIVAL WORKER SIGN-UPS**

Weekend of May 5-6, after all Masses.

**The Starks family, John, Eddie and Barbara** give thanks that Michelle Stark has been touched by the healing power of Christ. In 1993 Michelle had an aneurysm and survived brain surgery. But this week we celebrate a very special anniversary! Michelle is in her sixth year of wellness as a result of a liver and kidney transplant performed on April 18, 2006. During this crisis our faith and your prayers helped us through a challenging time; we never felt alone and continue to thank you who are our parish family for all your love and support. As the saying goes, "To God goes the Glory!" Transfig Church please join us in a heart-filled **AMEN!!**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, April 21**

5:15 p.m. Int. of all Parishioners

**Sunday, April 22**

8:00 a.m. +Agnes Wilson

10:00 a.m. +Bernadine Adams

12:15 p.m. +Rene and Sonya Aguliar

**Wednesday, April 25**

8:00 a.m. +Jackeline, Dilcia & Wilfred Morgan, Jr.

**Saturday, April 28**

8:00 a.m. +Agnes Wilson

**Sunday, April 29**

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

10:00 a.m. +Lillian White

12:15 p.m. + William E. McKenna and Eileen McKenna

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday** Acts 3:13-19, Ps 4:2-9, Lk 24:35-48

**Monday** Acts 6:8-15, Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday** Acts 7:51-8:1a, Jn 6:30-35

**Wednesday** 1 Pt 5:5-14, Mk 16:15-20

**Thursday** Acts 8:26-40, Jn 6:44-51

**Friday** Acts 9:1-20, Jn 6:52-59

**Saturday** Acts 9:31-42, Jn 6:60:69

**Sunday** Acts 4:8-12, Ps 118:1-29, Jn 10:11-18

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 28 and 29, 2012**

5:15 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:15 PM
Arianna Foster	Delisa Madere	Latoya Chimilio	Zakiya Pleasant
Gilberto Gonzales	Derek Madere	Thea Chimilio	Hadiya Pleasant
	Noelle London	Keisha Manning	Allison Brown
		Nia Robertson	Alexis Brown

**SCHOOL NEWS**

*The California Missions created by Transfiguration School's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class* will be on display **Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>** after all masses. Please stop in the hall to see the great artwork.

**Science Family Night** - Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. We will have on display all of our class and individual student projects.

**School Spring Concert** - Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:30AM in the Church.

**Health Fair** - Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. **FREE:** Health Screenings, dental screenings, food & nutrition music & fitness - sponsored by Jack & Jill of America, Inc. Los Angeles Chapter & Transfiguration Catholic School.

**First Sunday Family/Alumni Mass**, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM all families are welcome.

**New student testing** for grades K-7<sup>th</sup> Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM. Please call the school office to reserve your space 323.292.3011.

**PTO Meeting** Wednesday, May 9, 2012 – **SAVE THE DATE.**

**No More Receipts**

The Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Mall is no longer sponsoring the program where the mall receipts are collected. **Thank you all** for saving your receipts and shopping in the community. Transfiguration School remained the reigning winners for the past three years.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**MONDAY, APRIL 23**

7:00 PM Bible Study-*hall*

7:00 PM Stewardship Meeting-*PCFm*

**TUESDAY, APRIL 24**

6:00 PM Virtus Training 3 hours-*hall*

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25**

6:00 PM Confirmation Class

6:00 PM Line Dancing-*hall*

6:30 PM CCL

**THURSDAY, APRIL 26**

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

**FRIDAY, APRIL 27**

9:30 AM School Spring Concert

7:00 PM Confirmation at St. Bernadette

**SATURDAY, APRIL 28**

11:00 AM – 3:00 PM School Health Fair

**SUNDAY, APRIL 29**

**Earth Day**

School Art Show-*hall*