

Greetings,

We are so glad that you chose to join us today to worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We hope that you will enjoy the service and be encouraged by your worship experience.

Love one another. (John 13:34)

What would you say if you knew you had only one day left to live? The last words of a dying person tell us what he is most concerned about and what is most important to him. When Jesus told his disciples to love one another, he knew he didn't have much time left. So this "new commandment" must have meant the world to him (John 13:34).

Did Jesus know his apostles were all sinners? Did he know they all had personal weaknesses? Of course he did! Nonetheless, he commanded them, as well as us, to do the one thing that sin, weakness, and selfishness find very hard: love one another. Why is this so important to Jesus? Because as far as he is concerned, people matter most.

So let's not make any excuses. Let's not hold back our love or give it only to the people who are like us. If Jesus had loved only those who thought the way he thought, then Peter, Mary Magdalene, John, and James would all have been left out in the cold.

Let's also not allow the wrongs done to us keep us from loving. If Jesus had held onto everything that was done to him, he would have found no reason to sacrifice himself on the cross. But he put aside the desire for revenge and chose instead to live in love—the deepest and greatest love we will ever know.

Love makes all the difference, and Jesus knows that. He knows that all the sin in the world and all the divisions that come from sin came about because love was either misplaced or lost. And so Jesus asks us to love so that we can undo the reign of sin.

Nowhere is this call to love more vital than in our own families. "Without family," Pope Francis has said, "life grows empty." So today, decide to make a difference in your family by expressing your love. Don't let disagreements get the upper hand. Try to bring people together. If we can just express love and kindness at home, we'll see challenges melt away!

"Jesus, reduce me to love!"

Deacon Mark Race, Administrator

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, Sister Ann Paul Clare, Agnes Cooper, Rita Cormire, Edward Cousin, Juanita Davis, Benjie Delille, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Nigel Dunn, Betty Eason, Connie Farlice, Ferdinand Foye, Betty Flowers, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Judy Felton-Gardner, Mavis Gibbs, Refugio Godinez, Nancy Goosby, Barbara Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Mary Jené, Aaron Jittu, Robert Jordan, Briana Katz, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Vydred Manor, Sister Marianna, Dorothy Okoye, Martina Peters, Daisy Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Andrea Ragette, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Dottie Rodriguez, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, George Simon, Sr., Jeremiah Skyes, Lionel Smith, Sr., Darnell Stang, Michele Starks, Annie Starks, Alice Tenette, Leila Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, Peggy Wright and Ralph Wright.

Stewardship Thought:

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." JOHN 13:34

It is easy to love someone when they love us back. But it takes courage to love someone when we feel unappreciated, used or feel our opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage to "love my neighbor" when he may be someone I don't like, someone I don't know or someone who doesn't look like me.

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.** Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	April 23
5:15 PM	Soul of Lillian White
Sunday	April 24
8:00 AM	Intention of all Parishioners
10:00 AM	Soul of Rene Aguilar
12:15 PM	Soul of Allyson Smith
Monday	April 25
8:00 AM	Souls of Yvonne, Jackeline, Dilcia & Wilfred Morgan, Jr.
Tuesday	April 26
8:00 AM	Intention of Robert and Sarah Johns
Saturday	April 30
5:15 PM	Soul of Jeroline Richards
Sunday	May 1
8:00 AM	Soul of Henry Marine
10:00 AM	Soul of Wilbert Starks
12:15 PM	Intention of all Parishioners

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday	Act 14:21-27, Ps 145:8-13, Jn 13:31-35
Monday	1 Pt 5:5b-14, Mk 16:15-20
Tuesday	Acts 14:19-28, Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday	Acts 15:1-6, Jn 15:1-8
Thursday	Acts 15:7-21, Jn 15:9-11
Friday	Acts 15:22-31, Jn 15:12-17
Saturday	Acts 16:1-10, Jn 15:18-21
Sunday	Acts 15:1-29, Ps 67:2-8, Jn 14:23-29

THANK YOU

The beautiful flowers on the altar this week was donated by the **Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary Court #220**. If you would like to donate flowers, please call the rectory for more details.

WEEKLY OFFERING

April 17, 2016

\$5,531.00 Tithes and Offering
365.00 Building Fund
86.00 "We Care"



April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month

For all those caring adults who have been educated to protect children and young people from child sexual abuse; may God bless their efforts in being the "ears, eyes and voice" of children and young people.

Did You Know?

Stress can affect your child

Everyone has stress, whether it's a bad day at work, car trouble, or simply too many things to do. It is important to learn how to manage your stress—for your own sake and for the children around you. Too much stress can make it hard to parent effectively. After a while, your children may show signs of being stressed out, too. For a fact sheet on managing stress please email: jvienna@la-archdiocese.org or call 213.637.7227.

Holy Spirit Retreat Center June 3-5, 2016

A "Beginning Experience" weekend will be held at the Holy Spirit Retreat Center (Encino) for those who've experienced the **loss of a spouse through death, separation or divorce**. This program helps a person move from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning with renewed hope. For info/registration, call Peg 818.767.1007, Brenda 818.352.5265 or Maria Rojas (Spanish) at 310.365.0186. Email beginningexp.losangeles@gmail.com Website: www.beginningexperience.org

Happy **90** Birthday

to

IRIS TURNER

who celebrated her birthday on April 13th.



Transfiguration's

50 + CLUB

Are you ready to enjoy the *Spring* and *Summer* fun every 2nd Saturday at 1 PM here in the parish hall.

JOIN THE GREAT FUN...

Delicious Food, Trips and Bingo!

Music & Dancing,

ALL ARE INVITED!

CONFIRMATION

Friday April 29 at 7:00 PM

All are invited to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Bernadette, with combining churches: Holy Name of Jesus, St. Brigid and Transfiguration. Bishop Gordon Bennett, S.J. will be the Presider.

Mark your calendar

First Communion Sunday, May 22nd at 12:15PM Mass. Join us for this special ceremony.

Mother's Day Novena

In the month of May, there will be a special Novena of Masses for the intentions of mothers. If you wish to enroll your mother, please take one of the cards located at the exit of the church.