

The Ascension of the Lord

May 12, 2013

From the Pastor's Desk



This weekend we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord, when God the Father raised up his son Jesus in glory. In the Gospel, Luke shows that the time of Israel has yielded to the time of Christ. Now, the time of Christ yields to the time of the Church. The word of salvation will go forth from Jerusalem to the ends of the

earth. In Luke's second book, Acts of the Apostles, the Ascension is seen as the culmination of the life of Jesus and the beginning of the Church's mission.

This Sunday we also celebrate Mother's Day and I thought it might be interesting to share how the holiday first began. Mother's Day was first celebrated in 1908, when Anna Jarvis held a memorial for her mother in Grafton, West Virginia. She then began a campaign to make "Mother's Day" a recognized holiday in the United States. Although she was successful in 1914, she was already disappointed with its commercialization by the 1920's. Other countries adopted Jarvis' holiday and it is now celebrated all over the world. In this tradition, each person offers a gift, card, or remembrance toward their mothers, grandmothers, and/ or maternal figure on mother's day.

Various observances honoring mothers existed in America during the 1870's and the 1880's, but these never had resonance beyond the local level. In 1912, Anna Jarvis trademarked the phrases "second Sunday in May" and "Mother's Day", and created the Mother's Day International Association. She specifically noted that "Mother's" should "be a singular possessive, for each family to honor their mother, not a plural possessive commemorating all mothers in the world." This is also the spelling used by U.S. President Woodrow Wilson in the law making official the holiday in the United States.

Happy Ascension Day and Happy Mother's Day to all and blessings on your week!

Father Michael Tang

Pastor Scholarship Fund

Transfiguration School is accepting transfer students for the spring second semester in all grades, except Pre-K. The school has a **Pastor's Scholarship Fund** for scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$2,500 per child which will be awarded to transfer students on the basis of academic achievement as well as family involvement in the Transfiguration community or at local parishes that do not have a Catholic school. The school serves Pre-K through 8th grade children and welcomes students of all faiths, ethnic background and economic circumstances. The school is accredited, provides a rigorous core curriculum, and recently added fine and performing arts to its offerings. Counseling services are also available at the school. Please contact Fr. Michael Tang or Jo Ann Levi in the rectory office at 323. 291.1136 for more details.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, May 12

Feast of the Ascension of the Lord

Mother's Day

10:30 AM-12 Noon Religious Ed Class

Monday, May 13

7:00 PM Bible Study-hall

Tuesday, May 14

7:00 PM Knights Mtg.-PCRM

Wednesday, May 15

6:00 PM Line Dancing-hall

6:30 PM CCL

Thursday, May 16

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 17

5:30 PM Sports Banquet-church & hall

Saturday, May 18

School Clean-up Day

10:00 AM Cherrywood-hall

1:00-3:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul-hall

Sunday, May 19

Pentecost Sunday

*Breakfast: hosted by the Youth after all Masses
Cardinal McIntyre Collection*

MOTHERS 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.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

School News

Celebrating 75 Years
A Legacy of Making a Difference
 Serving the Community Since 1937

Summer School:

We will offer Summer School from July 1-July 26. The summer program will include Academics, Sports, and Fine and Performing Arts classes.

Thank you:

We would like to thank our wonderful school parents – the **Richard Family & LaTor-Gray Designz** for their generous donation to the school.

Paper Donation:

Please continue to assist us throughout our school year by donating copy paper. Contact the office at 323.292.3011.

Save the dates:

Sports Banquet, Hall/Church on May 17 at 5:30 PM
 Lisa Hilton – pianist visits school on May 22nd
 Dance Recital, Hall on May 24 at 6:30 PM

School-Wide Clean-up & Paint Day

Saturday, May 18th.

All parents are needed to assist! Service hours will be earned.

We pray for our parishioners every week!!

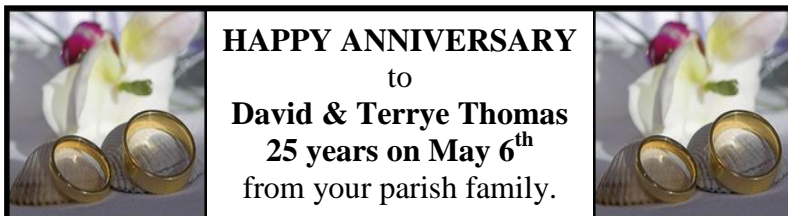
Verbum Dei High School is still accepting Admissions Applications for the 2013-2014 School Year. For more information, please contact Ms. Gonzalez at 323.564.6651 or visit us at 11100 South Central Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90059.

Altar Servers Schedule for May 18 & 19

5:15pm	8am	10am	12:15pm
Ruben Martinez	Lisa Crockett	Gilberto Gonzales	Tyler Smith
Marc A. Martinez	Rome Washington	Brendan Wilkerson	Kofi Karikari
Sierra Black	Noelle London	Spencer Fuller	Logan Bush Caycee Chapman

A Mother's Prayer

Thank you, Lord, for bringing my children into my life. Help me guide them and teach through example to lead lives of wisdom and strong, loving faith. Please let them learn to serve you always in thought and deed. And remind me, Lord, to always be there for my family as you are always there for me. Amen



Mass Intentions

Saturday
5:15 p.m.

Sunday
8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
12:15 p.m.

Monday
8:00 a.m.

Tuesday
8:00 a.m.

Wednesday
8:00 a.m.

Saturday
5:15 p.m.

Friday
8:00 a.m.

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5:15 p.m.

Sunday
8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
12:15 p.m.

May 11

Soul of Barbara Samuel

May 12

Souls of Lillian & Elizabeth Sterling
 Intentions of all Mothers
 Intentions of all Parishioners

May 13

Intentions of all Mothers

May 14

Intentions of all Mothers

May 15

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May 16

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May 17

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May 18

Intentions of all Mothers

May 19

Intentions of all Mothers
 Souls of Annie and William Rogers
 Soul of Andrew Leon

Readings for the week

Sunday	Acts 7:55-60, Ps 97:1-9, Jn 17:20-26
Monday	Acts 19:1-8, Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday	Acts 1:15-26, Jn 15:9-17
Wednesday	Acts 20:28-38, Jn 17:11-19
Thursday	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Jn 17:20-26
Friday	Acts 25:13-21, Jn 21:15-19
Saturday	Acts 28:16-31, Jn 21:20-25
Sunday	Acts 2:1-11, Ps 104:1-34, Jn 20:19-23

Sacrificial Gifts

Sunday, May 6, 2012

\$2,565.39 Sacrificial Gift
 234.72 Building Fund
 134.12 "We Care"

Sunday, May 5, 2013

\$5,169.69 Sacrificial Gift
 433.19 Building Fund
 247.53 "We Care"

PETITION FOR THE SICK

Virgie Aguilar, LaVern Agnew, Learie Apparicio, Helen Augusta, Veronica Bearce, Sister Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Manual Brule, Joyce Burnett, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Alberto Casanova, Katherine Clark, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Nigel Dunn, Angela Dupré, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Dwight Fauria, Anita Finie, Edith Foster, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Mavis Gibbs, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Lauretta Jackson, Robert Jordan, Anita Kennedy, Maggie Lacour, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Sister Marianna, Vylfred Manor, Muriel Meyers, Yvonne Morgan, Dorothy Okoye, Paula Osborn, Dale Payne, Daisy Pratt, Gerald Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Reanna Semien, Fr. Albert Shuyaka, Lionel Smith, Sr., Darnell Stang, Barbara Starks, Michele Starks, Wilbur Starks, Alice Tenette, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, David Tureaud, Iris Turner, Alice Vogel, Lubertha Weathers, Doris Whayne, and Lilla Williams.