

Greetings,

As they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. (Acts 1:9)

At the Last Supper, when Jesus told the apostles that he was leaving, they were deeply disturbed (John 14:1). Yet after the Ascension, they were filled with joy (Luke 24:52). Why the change?

The apostles' sadness gave way to joy because of two promises Jesus had made to them: that he would be with them always and that after returning to his Father's house, he would prepare a place for them (Matthew 28:20; John 14:2-3). It's this second promise that we celebrate today. Jesus has ascended to heaven, and through his Spirit, he is preparing us for the day when he comes again in glory.

When Jesus ascended, he made all the angels subject to him (1 Peter 3:22; Ephesians 1:21). This means not only those angels who had already submitted to Jesus; it also means the fallen angels who serve the devil. Enthroned in heaven, Jesus has the power to restrain their malice and protect us from them. That's why he taught us to pray, "Deliver us from the evil one" (Matthew 6:13).

When Jesus ascended to heaven, his intercessory work for the Church continued. He is our advocate before the Father (1 John 2:1). This is no small task. It means that Jesus is always going to his Father on our behalf. It means that we will always have access to God's presence—whether we are doing well or not so well.

The ascended Christ has also empowered his Church to fulfill its mission. Paul said that God has made Jesus "head over all things," including "the church" (Ephesians 1:22). This means that we can trust Jesus and have great confidence in him, no matter how bleak things look. Jesus is in heaven. He is interceding for us. He has overcome even the demons. He is supreme over all creation. And best of all, he will never, ever abandon us. Isn't that comforting?

"Jesus, I put my hope and my trust in you."

Deacon Mark Race, Administrator

Transfiguration's

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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!

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Sunday, May 15, 2016 at 4PM

CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

2515 W. Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd.

Los Angeles, CA 90008

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	May 7
5:15 PM	Intention of all Parishioners
Sunday	May 8
8:00 AM	Intention of Jo Ann Levi
10:00 AM	For Mothers Living and Deceased
12:15 PM	Soul of Henry Marine
Monday	May 9
8:00 AM	For Mothers Living and Deceased
Tuesday	May 10
8:00 AM	For Mothers Living and Deceased
Wednesday	May 11
8:00 AM	For Mothers Living and Deceased
Thursday	May 12
8:00 AM	For Mothers Living and Deceased
Friday	May 13
8:00 AM	For Mothers Living and Deceased
Saturday	May 14
5:15 PM	Soul of Lillian White
Sunday	May 15
8:00 AM	For Mothers Living and Deceased
10:00 AM	Intention of all Parishioners
12:15 PM	Soul of Barbara Starks

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday	Acts 1:1-11, Ps 47:2-9, Lk 24:46-53
Monday	Acts 19:1-8, Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday	Acts 20:17-27, Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday	Acts 20:28-38, Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11, Jn 17:20-26
Friday	Acts 25:13b-21, Jn 21:15-19
Saturday	Acts 1:15-26, Jn 15:9-17
Sunday	Acts 2:1-11, Ps 104:1-34, Jn 20:19-23

WEEKLY OFFERING

May 1, 2016

\$8,021.01 Tithe and Offering
123.00 Building Fund
70.00 "We Care"



A Mother's Prayer



Thank you, Lord, for bringing my children into my life. Help me guide them and teach them 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

Mother's Day Novena

In the month of May, there will be a special **Novena of Masses** offered in our church in observance of Mother's Day. If you wish to enroll your mother, please take one of the cards located at the exit of the church.

Mark your calendar

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

Memorial Day Kick Off Bar-B-Que

The Knights of Peter Claver, Council 220 will be having a Memorial Day Weekend Bar-B-Que on **Saturday, May 28, 2016 from 1 PM to 6:30 PM** here at Transfiguration hall. Chicken, Ribs, Hot Links dinners and combination dinners will be for sale. Please contact any Knight for more information or call Brother Maurice Simon at 213.219.8010 Brother Clarence Guidry, Jr. at 213.793.0515 or Brother Greg Warner, Sr. at 323.974.7405. **If you order 5 or more dinners, we will deliver to local homes or businesses.** Proceeds are for Junior Scholarships. Thank you for supporting us!

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, 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, George Simon, Sr., Jeremiah Skyes, Darnell Stang, Michele Starks, Annie Starks, Alice Tenette, Leila Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, Peggy Wright and Ralph Wright.

St. Jerome Charismatic Prayer Group invites you to a Day of Renewal & Prayer for Healing on Saturday, May 14, 2016 from 9AM to 3 PM at St. Jerome in the parish hall. Dn. Steve Greco will be the speaker. Please bring a sack lunch. A love offering will be taken. For more information, contact Donatus or Murglen Muoneke at 323.294.1940.

Serra Cavalier Golf Classic - Friday, May 20, 2016

Church members are invited to hit the links! Benefiting all students of Junipero Serra High School, the **Serra Cavalier Golf Classic**--Serra's inaugural golf tournament--is scheduled for **Friday, May 20, 2016**. Learn more, register or sponsor at www.la-serrahs.org and click on Golf Classic. You may also contact tournament director, Brian Cooper '74 at bcooper@la-serrahs.org.