

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

12 July 2015

From the Administrator's Desk

... A plan for the fullness of times. (Ephesians 1:10)

Today, Paul takes us behind the scenes into the mind of God. Unlike his usual messages, this one focuses on God's eternal plan. Paul tells us that God's plan is a "mystery" that cannot be grasped by our human minds alone (Ephesians 1:9). That's why he has revealed it to us: we could never have figured it out on our own!

And what is his plan? To draw all men and women to him and to unite us through his Son. He wants every one of us to be with him in heaven.

To help us grasp God's plan, Paul breaks it down into four different dimensions, each of which can fill our hearts with praise and awe and gratitude. First, we are redeemed by the blood of Jesus. Second, God's grace has been lavished on us. Third, this grace will carry us through to our ultimate destination, which is heaven. And fourth, God has made this plan known to us so that we can become co-workers with him, giving him praise and glory by our works and our witness.

Today, God wants to reassure us that his plan is still unfolding. He wants us to tell everyone else that God is at work. He wants to send us all out into the world with the good news that our heavenly Father is alive and well. He wants us to assure our friends and families that God has a plan for each of their lives, a plan to bring them to heaven if they believe and trust in him.

So as we celebrate Mass today, let's keep Paul's words close to our hearts so that we can share them with the people close to us. No one should have to go through their lives without the hope, peace, and joy that come from knowing that God is in control. Life really does make sense when we know where we are headed!

"Father, thank you for revealing your mind to me.

By your Spirit, help me to grasp your wisdom more deeply – and to proclaim it to everyone I meet today!"

Called to Serve,
~Deacon Mark Race

Transfiguration Welcomes Fr. Joel Henson to our community!

Although born and raised in the Philippines, Fr. Joel has lived most of his life in the Los Angeles area. After receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics from UCLA he entered St. John's Seminary in 1988 and was ordained for service in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles in 1993. He served as Associate Pastor at St. Denis Church, Diamond Bar (1993-97) and at St. Anthony Church, Oxnard (1997-99). He then served on the faculty of St. John's Seminary and Seminary College from 1999 to 2015. Fr. Joel has just been appointed to direct the ongoing formation of the clergy in the archdiocese and as such hold office at the Archdiocesan Catholic Center while in residence at Transfiguration. Fr. Joel holds a Doctor of Ministry degree in Preaching from Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	July 11
5:15 PM	Soul of Lillian White
Sunday	July 12
8:00 AM	Soul of Gwen Harmon
10:00 AM	Intention of all Parishioners
12:15 PM	Soul of Yula Wilkes
Sunday	July 19
10:00 AM	Soul of Anita Kennedy
12:15 PM	Intention of all Parishioners

Readings for the week

Sunday	Am 7:12-15, Ps 85:9-14, Mk 6:7-13
Monday	Ex 1:8-22, Mt 10:34—11:1
Tuesday	Ex 2:1-15a, Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday	Ex 3:1-12, Mt 11:25-27
Thursday	Ex 3:13-20, Mt 11:28-30
Friday	Ex 11:10—12:14, Mt 12:1-8
Saturday	Ex 12:37-42, Mt 12:14-21
Sunday	Jer 23:1-6, Ps 23:1-6, Mk 6:30-34

Weekly Collection July 5, 2015

\$5,209.71 Tithes and Offering
100.00 Building Fund
87.00 "We Care"



Volunteers Needed

Lectors are needed, particularly, for the 8 AM Sunday Mass. If you can read, God is calling you to minister to our Parish community. This is a great way to demonstrate your appreciation for the many gifts bestowed on you. Please contact Liz Quinn at 323.295.8875.

DID YOU KNOW?

As part of the *Safeguard the Children* program, adult supervision is mandatory for all underage children. **Children should be accompanied to the restroom by an adult or guardian.**

St. Vincent de Paul

BUNDLE SUNDAY

On **Sunday, July 19** 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.

Women Moving in the Spirit presents

"It's Time to Make a Decision...To Change"

St. Bernadette invites you to join them on Saturday, July 18, 2015 from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM. \$20.00 Registration Fee... Continental Breakfast and Lunch included. Bring your Bible! For more information call Carolyn James at 323.394.5441 or Carole Walker at 323.547.6290.

Petition of the Sick

Virgie Aguilar, LaVern Agnew, Brian Argusta, Joyce Barnett, Rose Ball, Veronica Bearce, Fr. Emile Belletty, Sister Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Vivian Burgess, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Sister Cecilia Calva, Mary Captain, Alberto Casanova, Harry Charles, Katherine Clark, Rita Cormire, Edward Cousin, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Nigel Dunn, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Dwight Fauria, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Sister Mary Michaeline Gahwolf, Judy Felton-Gardner, Mavis Gibbs, Refugio Godinez, Nancy Goosby, Barbara Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Mary Jené, Aaron Jittu, Robert Jordan, Walita Keyes, 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, Reanna Semien, George Simon, Sr., Lionel Smith, Sr., Darnell Stang, Barbara Starks, Michele Starks, Annie Starks, Wilbur Starks, Alice Tenette, Leila Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, Patricia Williams, Peggy Wright and Ralph Wright.

HAVE YOU BEEN FINGERPRINTING?

To comply with the Archdiocese's Safeguard the Children Program, "All parish/school staff and volunteers who are alone with a child or young person or who have supervisory control over a child or young person" is required to be fingerprinted by the Archdiocese. The dates for July are: **Our Lady of Loretto:** Friday, July 24th, 250 N. Union, Los Angeles 90026; 12:00pm - 3:40pm & 5:00pm - 7:20pm. For appointment call 213.483.5251. **St. Monica:** Tuesday, July 28th, 725 California Ave., Santa Monica 90403; 12:00pm - 3:40pm & 5:00pm - 7:20pm. For appointment call 310.566.1500.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday August 22nd from 9AM to 5PM

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

AT KENNETH HAHN PARK

Creole and Mardi Gras Style

If you have any questions, contact Deacon Greg Patterson in the rectory or e-mail dcn431@aol.com.

