

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 21, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

Martha, Martha . . .(Luke 10:41)

Have you ever been so absorbed in a task that you don't hear someone calling you the first time? Or maybe you are so upset about something that your wife or husband has to be extra gentle in speaking your name—more than once—to help you calm down.

That's the situation Martha found herself in when Jesus came to visit. She wanted everything to be just right for her guest, so she set to work. The food had to be perfect, the house spotless, and the kitchen immaculate. Even if she had to do it all by herself—even if all the work drove her half crazy—she was going to do it.

“Lord, do you not care?” (Luke 10:40). Martha's question wasn't a plea for help as much as an accusation born out of exhaustion and frustration. *Don't you see how hard I'm working? You should be feeling sorry for me. This is so unfair. Tell Mary to get off the floor and give me a hand.*

Martha thought that many things were needed—all the tiny details that go into making a perfect meal for an honored guest. But the only thing that was needed, the only thing Jesus wanted, was to be with her. He wasn't looking for an elaborate meal or a red-carpet welcome. He came to share his heart with Mary and her and to invite them to do the same with him. The food would take care of itself. If worse came to worst, he could always multiply some bread and fish! And so, to cut through her stressed-out aggravation, he spoke her name gently. Twice.

You don't have to be perfect. You don't have to worry about how every “room” in your heart looks. Jesus is not going to reject you or complain if a few things are out of order. Remember, he entered a world of suffering, spite, hatred, and hurt—and he redeemed it.

Right here, right now, Jesus is calling your name. Gently. Twice. Open the door, welcome him in, and come sit at his feet.

“Lord, you are all I need.”

Deacon Mark Race, Administrator

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, September 22, 2019

The Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary, Council and Court 220 will recognize parishioners who have served the Church of the Transfiguration as Christ has showed us. Through their unselfish acts of caring, concern and love for God's people and Church.

Please **SAVE THE DATE** *Sunday, September 22, 2019* and help us recognize those special persons that God has sent to us. This will be a fabulous Luncheon and Program you will not want to miss! Cost \$55.00.

**at the Regency West - Leimert Park Village
3339 W. 43rd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90008**

Stewardship thought

“...I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God.”

COLOSSIANS 1:25

We are all called to evangelize – to continuously grow in our relationship with Jesus and to share it with others. We may not be called to evangelize like St. Paul, but we should look for opportunities to share our faith with those closest to us, like our family, friends and neighbors. Pray for the courage to share your faith the next time the opportunity arises.

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday	Gn 18:1-10a, Ps 15:2-5, Lk 10:38-42
Monday	Sg 3:1-4a, Jn 20:1-18
Tuesday	Ex 14:21-15:1, Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday	Ex 16:1-15, Mt 13:1-9
Thursday	2 Cor 4:7-15, Mt 20:20-28
Friday	Ex 20:1-17, Mt 13:17-23
Saturday	Ex 24:3-8, Mt 13:24-30
Sunday	Gn 18:20-32, Ps 138:1-8, Lk 11:1-13

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:15 PM	July 20 Intention of all Parishioners
Sunday 8:00 AM	July 21 Souls of Tom and Stacy Franklin
10:00 AM	Intention of Father Oscar Pratt II
12:15 PM	Soul of Dorothy Stanley
Sunday 10:00 AM	July 28 Intention of the Williams Family
12:15 PM	Intention of all Parishioners

Weekly Offering for July 14, 2019

\$3772.00 Tithe and Offering
153.00 Building Fund
51.00 "We Care"

Weekend of July 20 and 21, 2019

National Needs Combined Offering

Please be as generous as possible.
Your continual support is greatly appreciated.

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

Saturday August 17, 2019 - 9AM to 5PM

A Taste of Polynesian



AT KENNETH HAHN PARK

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

Safeguard the Children

No child under 18 years should be **LEFT ALONE** without adult supervision on Sundays during or after Mass. Parents should be aware of where their children are at all times. **ALL PARISH MINISTERS/ORGANIZATIONS** should also know where their child members under 18 years are at all times during their scheduled meeting/class. Ministry Leaders are responsible to stay with their child members under 18 years until parents or guardians pick them up after the meeting/class is over.

Did you know?

Drug use prevention starts at home

You know it's important to keep your children, especially teenagers, away from drugs, but besides lecturing, how can you impress this importance on your children? Setting an example at home is a great start — watch how you communicate subtle messages about your own substance use, such as a glass of wine after a "hard day" or overdoing it on prescription medication. Additionally, talk to your children about drug-related rules in real contexts, like parties. Give them realistic scripts for saying no if friends offer them drugs, so they have real options when the time comes. For more prevention ideas, get a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Ten Prevention Practices You May Not Have Considered" at <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

Have You Been Fingerprinted?

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" are required to be fingerprinted."

The fingerprint dates for August are:

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2019

Presentation of Mary Church

6406 Parmalee Avenue, L.A. 90001

For appointment call 323.585.0570 Ext.110

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2019

St. Vincent de Paul Church

621 W. Adams Blvd, L.A. 90007

For appointment call 213.749.8950 Ext.120

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2019

St. Thomas the Apostle

2632 W. 15th Street, L.A. 90006

For appointment call 323.737.4730

PRAY FOR THE SICK

LaVerne Agnew, Cyd Michelle Anderson, Brian Argusta, Percenia Beasley, Fr. Emile Belletty, Glenda Brown, Vivian Burgess, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Sister Cecilia Calva, Alberto Casanova, Christopher Chestnut, Sister Ann Paul Clare, Katherine Clark, Agnes Cooper, Edward Cousin, Juanita Davis, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Jayden Dunn, Nigel Dunn, Alton Ramona Duhon, Cynthia Fortier, Teresa Franklin, Judy Felton-Gardner, Avis Gibbs, Barbara Harris, Darren Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Janie Jackson, Aaron Katz, Briana Katz, Barbara Lagarde, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Mercedes LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Vyldred Manor, Sister Marianna, Dorothy Okoye, Aliyah Patterson, Sally Price, Wiley R. Pugh, Vickie Race, Andrea Raggette, Doris Rogers, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Chris Simon, Joan Spencer, Annie Starks, Sandra Sterling, Leila Thomas, Iris Turner, Mabel Walton, Johnnye Washington, and Alice Williams.