

# SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 28, 2019

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*Dear Parishioners,*

*Teach us to pray. (Luke 11:1)*

We human beings are big on “how to,” aren’t we? Search on the Internet, and you will soon learn how to tie a tie, boil an egg, or even train your dragon. The disciples were no different. They had seen Jesus pray. They had heard him praise Mary for sitting quietly at his feet and listening to his teaching. And they wanted to know how to do that too.

So Jesus gave them what we call the “Our Father.” Though it looks like a five-step instruction, it is so much more. This prayer reveals much about who Jesus is because it gives us a glimpse into his own prayer life. It also shows who we are and God’s vision of how we should live. And it explains how Jesus wants us to relate to his Father—with the same mind and heart that he had as he walked the earth.

Who is your Father? He is perfect, holy, and worthy of adoration. But Jesus doesn’t tell you to say, “Holy Father.” Just “Father.” He makes it clear that your Father is not far away, untouchable, enthroned beyond your reach. He is close to you, eager to breathe his life into you. He hears your voice. He listens when you call and promises to answer. He gives you daily bread generously—all that you need for life and holiness.

The Father loves you. Always and without exception. He sees your worst sins, and still he wants to hold you close. He offers forgiveness lavishly, reconciliation unreservedly, intimacy wholeheartedly. He gives you all the tools and grace you need to become as merciful as he is. And he protects you from the evil one so that you can spread that mercy far and wide.

Jesus gave the disciples so much more than a list of tips for effective prayer. He assured them that they could approach God confidently, knowing he will always listen, always forgive, always provide and protect. And he, who is holy, will do no less for you.

*“Father, I want to know you. Help me to grow closer to you and more confident in your love.”*

*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**

*“Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.”*

LUKE 11:9

Jesus assures us that if we ask, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that our culture often confuses what we really need with what we simply want. Many people need very little. However, we usually want so much more. A good steward only asks God for what he needs.

## Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday	Gn 18:20-32, Ps 138:1-8, Lk 11:1-13
Monday	Ex 32:15-34, Jn 11:19-27
Tuesday	Ex 33:7-34:28, Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday	Ex 34:29-35, Mt 13:44-46
Thursday	Ex 40:16-38, Mt 13:47-53
Friday	Lv 23:1-37, Mt 13:54-58
Saturday	Lv 25:1-17, Mt 14:1-12
Sunday	Ecc 1:2, 2:21-23, Ps 90:3-17, Lk 12:13-21

## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b> 5:15 PM	<b>July 27</b> Soul of Ola Armstrong
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:15 PM	<b>July 28</b> Soul of Gwen Harmon Intention of the Williams Family Intention of all Parishioners
<b>Monday</b> 8:00 AM	<b>July 29</b> Intention of Cheri Justice
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 AM	<b>July 31</b> Intention of Julieta Reyes
<b>Saturday</b> 5:15 PM	<b>August 3</b> Intention of all Parishioners
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 AM	<b>August 4</b> Intention of Julieta Reyes

## Weekly Offering for July 21, 2019

\$3556.91 Tithes and Offering  
75.00 Building Fund  
1.00 "We Care"

## 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](mailto:dcn431@aol.com)

## Did you know?

### Vet your child's summer sleep-away camp

For many children, summer sleep-away camps are great adventures that become cherished memories. But for parents, the concern of sexual abuse is one that needs to be addressed. Before enrolling your child in a summer camp, consider staff reputation and screening practices. Ask questions about how the camp screens counselors and workers who will have access to your children (cafeteria workers, cooks, maintenance staff, etc.). Ask about any problems they may have handled previously, or how they would handle a complaint from a child. Get all the information you need to be comfortable before you send your child off for a few weeks of fun. Learn more from the VIRTUS® article "Summer Camp Preparation" 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

### Rosary Procession

Join us for the Rosary Procession in honor of the Blessed Mother on Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30 PM followed by 5:15 PM Mass here at Transfiguration.

### Thank you

The beautiful flowers on the altar this week were donated by *Iris Turner* in honor of the Williams family. If you would like to donate flowers, please call the rectory for more details.

## 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 Duhon, Cynthia Fortier, Teresa Franklin, Judy Felton-Gardner, Michael Frierson, Avis Gibbs, Barbara Harris, Darren Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Janie Jackson, Dorothy Johnson, Aaron Katz, Briana Katz, Barbara Lagarde, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Mercedes LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Vylfred 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.