

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 31, 2011

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL TANG

This weekend we hear the story of the miracle of the loaves and fishes. We might do well to remember the context of this miracle, as the people first followed Jesus to a deserted place before the miracle actually happened; yes, they left everything to listen to his words and to seek healing for their illnesses. We might keep this in mind, as miracles can *only* happen when we wholly trust in and are totally dependent on God.

For the Gospel writer Matthew and his readers, the miracle recalled the Old Testament story of manna in the desert. Jesus is the new Moses who feeds his people; and in this feeding they saw an anticipation of the Eucharist. The gestures and words used are those of the Last Supper, and of the Eucharist: 'He took the bread...blessed it...broke it...and gave it to them'. The Eucharist in turn anticipates the final banquet of the Kingdom.

As I wrote last weekend, some of us are beginning to anticipate the start of the academic year. If you can believe it, Transfiguration School begins on August 16th! We have some new PLACE corps (Partners in Los Angeles Catholic Education) residents here in the parish, and I'd like to welcome them to our faith community. PLACE corps teachers are fresh out of college and they come to Los Angeles, from all over the country to teach in our inner-city schools for a period of two years. We have and have had PLACE corps teachers working in our school over the last several years. These young people are dedicated to the values of Catholic education and give generously of their time and talent to serve our children. The residents living above our school in the former convent teach at different locations, as one isn't allowed to live where one works. And so, if you see a young adult walking towards the convent, please stop and give them a friendly hello; let's give our "PLACERS" a warm welcome to our parish. Have a great week everyone!

SCHOOL NEWS

CALLING ALL BINGO PLAYERS!

Join us **August 7 at 2:00 PM in the hall** for another fun day of **Bingo**. \$10 for 10 games, plus added bonus game and 50/50. 100% proceeds go to Transfiguration Catholic School. Your participation is appreciated.

Transfiguration School would like to THANK all of the parishioners and families who donated to and volunteered at the school booth during the parish Carnival.

Help us to spread the good news about Transfiguration Catholic School. We still have spaces available. If you know any families looking for a great school, please have them contact the school office.

We are still recycling all electronic waste. You can drop off any unwanted items at the school office. We are collecting items for our next pick up.

Next Sunday is the Family Mass. Our children's choir will sing at the 10am Mass.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, September 4th – Red Cross Blood Drive 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 18th – School Open House and birthday celebration.

SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

Sunday, July 24, 2011

\$3,628.75 Sacrificial Gift
307.50 Building Fund
203.75 "We Care"

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Is 55:1-3, Ps 145:8-18, Mt 14:13-21
Monday	Nm 11:4b-15, Mt 14:22-36
Tuesday	Nm 12:1-13, Mt 15:1-14
Wednesday	Nm 13:1-25, Mt 15:21-28
Thursday	Nm 20:1-13, Mt 16:13-23
Friday	Dt 4:32-40, Mt 16:24-28
Saturday	Dn 7:9-14, Mt 17:1-9
Sunday	1 Kgs 19:9a-13a, Ps 85:9-14, Mt 14:22-33

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 30

5:15 p.m. +Elsie Jourdain

Sunday, July 31

8:00 a.m. +Rosaline Ellis

10:00 a.m. Int. of the Knights & Ladies of Peter Claver

12:15 p.m. Int. of all Parishioners

Monday, August 1

8:00 a.m. +Wendell Lagarde, Sr.

Tuesday, August 2

8:00 a.m. Int. of Anita Thomas

Wednesday, August 3

8:00 a.m. +Wilton Brown

Thursday, August 4

8:00 a.m. Int. of Donna Jones

Friday, August 5

8:00 a.m. Int. of Liz Quinn

Saturday, August 6

5:15 p.m. Int. of all Parishioners

Sunday, August 7

8:00 a.m. +Kobia Lapesarde-Cherry

10:00 a.m. Int. of Liz Quinn

12:15 p.m. Int. of Jo Ann Levi

THE WEEK AHEAD

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

6:00 Line Dancing-hall

6:30 PM CCL-SJRm

7:30 PM Prayer, Praise & Worship

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

FINGERPRINTING

9:00 AM Adoration

12 PM Benediction

7:00 PM Alanon-PCRm

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

Fr. Tang's Birthday

Religious Education Registration after Mass

2:00 PM Bingo-hall

10:00 AM School Family Mass

12 PM Jr. Daughters Meeting-PCRm

PETITION FOR THE SICK

LaVern Agnew, Oliver Bartholomew, Booker T. Ball, Edgar Banks, Timothy Baker, Sr. Juliet Berber, Angelique Black, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Manual Brule, Bernard Byars, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Mary Captain, Ida Cathcart, Alberto Casanova, Katherine Clark, Lois Gomes Clark, Myrna Cook, James Cooper, John Crear, Nigel Dunn, Angela Dupré, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Edith Foster, Sr. Sharon Francis, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Gloria Fuller, Mavis Gibbs, Catherine Green, Mary Harrison, Pat Hernandez, Marion Hernandez, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Anne Jeffery, Angela Johnson, Mignon Johnson-Fields, Irwin Lagarde, Connie Louie, Sr. Marianna, Vylfred Manor, Elaine Martini, Doreen Mayers, Monique Van Noy, Dorothy Okoye, Paula Osborn, Dale Payne, Daisy Pratt, Gerald Pratt, Carol Price, Wiley R. Pugh, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Evelyn Roach, Velma Shaw, Reanna Semien, Lionel Smith, Sr., Shirley Spicer, Darnell Stang, Wilbur Starks, Clara Sterling-Radcliff, Ken Ruff, Alice Tenette, Ruby Louise Thomas, Emma Thornton, David Tureaud, Iris Turner, Keith Wansell, Bridget Ward, Lubertha Weathers, Leon Williams, Lilla Williams, and Agnes Wilson.

SAVE THE DATE:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2011

JAZZ BRUNCH

12:30 PM to 4:00 PM - Donation \$50.00

*The Monsignor Buckley Endowment Fund
for Transfiguration School Presents*

**Chris Nunõ Sextet, Marianne Lewis
and other Guest Artists**

Tickets on sale after Mass and in the Rectory

AACCFE ANNUAL TOWN HALL MEETING

The African American Catholic Center for Evangelization (AACCFE) will host its 7th Annual Town Hall Meeting August 6, 2011 from 8:00 AM until 3:00 PM in St. Eugene's Parish Hall - 96th Street and Van Ness Avenue. **Archbishop Jose H. Gomez will be our Keynote Speaker and will address Evangelization in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.** We invite all to come and share their thoughts and ideas regarding what can be done to evangelize and bring about a renewal in the Los Angeles Black Catholic Community. For additional information, please contact the AACCFE at 323.777.2106 or visit our website www.aaccfe.com.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY

On **Sunday, August 28** 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.

TRANSFIGURATION PARISH GATHERING

KENNETH HAHN PARK (BROWN AREA)

"TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME"

WEAR YOUR FAVORITE BASEBALL TEAM SHIRT & CAP

Saturday, August 13th

from 9am to 5pm



Featuring Transfiguration Line Dancers

GAMES-PRIZES-FOOD-FUN

Please see Deacon Greg regarding transportation.

ATTENTION

PARISH/STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

In June, the Archdiocese "Safeguard the Children Parish Committee" conducted a Pre-Audit visit at our parish and school. At present, we are not fully in compliance. They have informed us that to be in compliance, **all Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Choir Members, Musicians, Ushers, Baptism Team, Knights and Ladies of Peter Claver, and those adults who help with Altar Servers** must be finger printed and must also attend a VIRTUS Training session.

AUGUST FINGERPRINTING AT TRANSFIGURATION

To comply with the Archdiocese's *Safeguard the Children Program*, "All parish/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 finger printed by the Archdiocese. On **Friday, August 5, 2011**, Transfiguration will be hosting a fingerprinting session for the Los Angeles area parishes. The hours are 12:00pm - 3:40pm and 5:20pm - 7:20pm. Please contact the Parish Office at 323.291.1136 this week to set up an appointment, as these time slots fill up quickly.

VIRTUS TRAINING DOCUMENTATION

All adults who work with or around children are required to attend a VIRTUS Training Program and receive certification. If you have received VIRTUS Certification or Re-Certification Training at a site outside Transfiguration, please bring your certificate to the Parish Office to be recorded. It is important we document your training certificate to comply with Archdiocese guidelines.

SENIORS 50 + CLUB

We are inviting all who are **50 +** to join our Seniors Club. We meet every 2nd Saturday at 1:00 PM. Come enjoy the fun, trips, great food and bingo! The next meeting will be on September 10th.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE AUGUST 6 & 7, 2011

5:15 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:15 PM
Jordan Baylis	Caycee Chapman	Brendan Wilkerson	Chris Robertson
Jared Baylis	Amanda Johnson	Anthony Roque	Nia Robertson
Zakiya Pleasant	Christopher Goosby	Maurice Burnett	Logan Bush
Hadiya Pleasant	Andrea Mckinley	Spencer Fuller	Arianna Foster
Carl Clay			Matthew Young