

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 18, 2011

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL TANG

Oftentimes we humans are small and petty in the way we think and act. Our Gospel this weekend, contrasts our human way of thinking and behaving with that of God. We learn that God's ways are as high above our ways as the heavens are above the earth. Just how vast is the difference between God's ways and our ways, between God's thoughts and our thoughts, is illustrated in the Gospel. God's generosity utterly transcends human generosity.

The parable to the workers in the vineyard was aimed at the Pharisees. These legalistically minded men were critical of Jesus because he befriended sinners and outcasts. In the parable Jesus faces up to his critics, and show them what God is like: God is generous and full of compassion for the poor and downtrodden. In this respect the parable we hear this weekend is similar to that of the prodigal son.

The big day for our annual Jazz Brunch is finally here! I would like to thank each and every person who supported this event by purchasing a ticket or buying a table. As you know, all of the profits benefit our elementary school. Kudos go to The Msgr. Buckley Committee chaired by Tony Colvin; the committee and its chair have been working tirelessly for months planning the brunch and working out the details so everything will run smoothly. Finally my gratitude to all our parents who are volunteering today; God bless you all for your generosity and have a great week!

PETITION FOR THE SICK

LaVern Agnew, Oliver Bartholomew, Booker T. Ball, Edgar Banks, Timothy Baker, Sr. Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Manual Brule, Bernard Byars, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Mary Captain, Alberto Casanova, Ida Cathcart, Katherine Clark, Lois Gomes Clark, Myrna Cook, James Cooper, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, John Crear, Nigel Dunn, Angela Dupré, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Edith Foster, Sr. Sharon Francis, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Gloria Fuller, Marian Fussey, Mavis Gibbs, Catherine Green, Mary Harrison, Pat Hernandez, Marion Hernandez, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Angela Johnson, Mignon Johnson-Fields, Irwin Lagarde, Connie Louie, Sr. Marianna, Vylfred Manor, Elaine Martini, Doreen Mayers, Ivonne Morgan, 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, Ken Ruff, Ruby Alice Tenette, Louise Thomas, Emma Thornton, David Tureaud, Iris Turner, Bridget Ward, Lubertha Weathers, Leon Williams, Lilla Williams, and Agnes Wilson.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 17

5:15 p.m. +Milton Keys

Sunday, September 18

8:00 a.m. +Gwen Harmon

10:30 a.m. Int. of all Parishioners

Monday, September 19

8:00 a.m. Int. of Ivonne Morgan

Tuesday, September 20

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

Wednesday, September 21

8:00 a.m. +Theodore Leon

Thursday, September 22

8:00 a.m. +Karen Lee

Friday, September 23

8:00 a.m. Int. of Marian Fussey

Saturday, September 24

5:15 p.m. +Elsie Jourdain

Sunday, September 25

8:00 a.m. +Velma Moseley

10:00 a.m. +Jackeline, Dilcia & Wilfred Morgan

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

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

6:30 PM Pre-School Back to School Night-School

7:00 PM Bible Study-hall

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:00 PM PTO Board

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

6:00 PM Confirmation Class

6:30 PM CCL-SJRM

7:00 PM Back to School Night-hall (K-4gr.)

7:30 PM Prayer, Praise & Worship

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:00 PM Back to School Night-hall (5-8gr.)

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

7:00 PM Alanon-PCRm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Jr. Daughters Tea Party after all Masses

2:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting

10:30 AM-12:00 PM Religious Education Class

Religious Ed Registration after Mass-School Bldg.

RCIA INQUIRY

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Do you know someone who has expressed an interest in becoming a Catholic? "Come and See" Inquiry group will be meeting on Sunday's after the 10:00 AM Mass. Please contact the rectory to register.

SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations to Transfiguration School On their 65th Anniversary

We will be having an **Open House** this **Sunday, September 18 from 9 am to 2 pm**. Bring your family and friends to come visit our school and see the future leaders of tomorrow.

SAVE THE DATES:

Talent Show - Saturday September 24, 2011 in the Parish hall
E- Waste Collection - Saturday October 15, 2011 in the schoolyard
Harvest Festival - Saturday October 29, 2011

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Our school is collecting Box Tops as an ongoing fundraiser. If you purchase participating products, please remove the **"BOX TOP" LABEL** and turn it into the school. Each box top is equivalent to \$0.10. If we all work together, the amount collected could really add up. This is a fundraiser that allows you to support the school without spending any extra money!



HARVEST FESTIVAL BOOTHS AVAILABLE!

If you have a favorite game or craft or a food specialty, consider renting a booth at this year's Harvest Festival October 29th from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM. For a small fee, help your Parish's school children and make a little early Holiday Cash! Contact Sonya Robertson for more information at 323.291.4846.

CALLING ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS STUDENTS!

Religious Education registration for all students from Kindergarten to High School will be after all Sunday Masses beginning now until the end of September from 10:00 AM until 12:00 Noon. Please bring student's Baptism Certificate. Classes includes: First Communion and Confirmation preparation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS

Our Lady of the Angles Region in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles invites you to the Annual Regional Congress, Saturday October 22nd from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The congress will take place at St. Mary's Academy in Inglewood. This year's Theme: Live the Freedom of the Spirit. To request a registration book call 310.216.9587 or register at <http://www.la-archdiocese.org>

SAVE THE DATE:

Sunday, November 20th
CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Altar Society needs volunteers to help **clean church on Saturdays**. Please call the rectory at 323.291.1136 to schedule your availability.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Is 55:6-9, Ps 145:2-18, Mt 20:1-16a
Monday Ezr 1:1-6, Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday Ezr 6:7-20, Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday Eph 4:1-13, Mt 9:9-13
Thursday Hg 1:1-8, Lk 9:7-9
Friday Hg 2:1-9, Lk 9:18-22
Saturday Zec 2:5-15a, Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday Ez 18:25-28, Ps 25:4-9, Mt 21:28-32

Coming Soon!

"An Evening of Music with Oscar Pratt and Friends"

Enjoy an evening with **Oscar Pratt**-
a singer of Great and Beautiful Songs.

BENEFIT CONCERT

Sunday, October 9, 2011 at 4:30 PM

DONATION \$20.00

Transfiguration Parish Hall

HOWLETT SMITH'S NEW MUSICAL

Transfigurations' own Howlett Smith has composed a new musical called "Los Angeles, My Home." The production is his tribute to Los Angeles, in words and music, that reflects his love for the city he has called home for so many years. "Los Angeles, My Home" is a brilliant panoramic history of the City of The Angels. It will be presented at the Wilshire United Methodist Church, 4350 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, on Sunday, October 16 at 4:30 PM. Admission fee is \$15.00 per person. For more information, contact Dr. Gwen Wyatt at 323.292.9227. CDs of the musical are available now our the rectory.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN AND

UNITY RALLY WITH ARCHBISHOP GOMEZ

Christians throughout Los Angeles County are invited to take part in the international 40 Days for Life effort from **September 28 through November 6**. Join the national Pro-Life movement! Already we are making a difference:

- 3500 lives that have been spared from abortion.
- 43 abortion workers have quit their jobs and walked away from the abortion industry.
- 9 abortion centers have closed their doors forever!

40 Days for Life is a period of prayer and fasting. The center-piece of our event will be prayer in front of the **Her Medical Clinic at 2502 S. Figueroa St. Los Angeles** from 8am to 8pm each day. You are also invited to our **"Unity Rally" with Archbishop Jose Gomez on Friday, September 30th from 7 to 9:00pm at Annunciation Church, 1307 E. Longden Avenue, Arcadia, CA 91006**. All are welcome! For more information visit www.40daysforlife.com/la or contact Pro-Life Mission: Los Angeles prolifemissioninternational@gmail.com or 323.377.2912 www.prolifemissioninternational.com

SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

Sunday, September 11, 2011

\$4,451.52 Sacrificial Gift
362.84 Building Fund
204.14 "We Care"

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 24 & 25

5:15 PM

Nia Robertson
Chris Robertson
Maurice Burnett

8:00 AM

Delisa Madere
Derek Madere
Lisa Crockett
Samantha Joseph

10:00 AM

Anthony Roque
Antonio Sutton
Brendan Wilkerson
Spencer Fuller

12:15 PM

Emilio Ramirez
Arianna Foster
Allison Brown
Alexis Brown