

# TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 30, 2018

*Dear Parishioners,*

*Eldad and Medad. (Numbers 11:27)*

We all know that Moses was filled with the Spirit of the Lord, but today's first reading tells us that God took the Spirit and shared it with seventy-two elders of Israel. Unfortunately, two of the elders, Eldad and Medad, were not with everyone else when this happened.

But that didn't stop God. To everyone's surprise, the Spirit fell upon Eldad and Medad, even though they were not at the "ordination." Hearing the news, Moses declared, "Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets!" (Numbers 11:29).

There is a similar story in today's Gospel. John told Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him" because "whoever is not against us is for us" (Mark 9:38, 39, 40). In both of these stories, people were harshly judging someone who was trying to do God's will but who didn't fit into their expectations.

Today, we still believe that the Spirit falls on everyone who is baptized and accepts Jesus in faith. As Peter said, "The promise is made to you and to your children and to all those far off" (Acts 2:39). Those who are "far off" includes us. Like Moses and the elders, the apostles, and the man John condemned, we too have the Holy Spirit dwelling in us. We too are meant to be prophets.

Being a prophet doesn't mean shouting in the desert like John the Baptist did. It doesn't mean confronting kings and princes like Jeremiah and Amos did. A prophet is someone who brings Jesus and his words to the world. That's our job. Jesus is asking us to tell people how wonderful he is. He is asking us to proclaim his mercy, his goodness, and his salvation. And he's asking us to do it with a heart filled with his love.

If Moses were here, he'd tell us, "By the power of the Holy Spirit, you are a prophet. So get out there and proclaim God's word to a hurting world. I wish that every member of the Church would take up this call."

*"Lord, help me to be your prophet."*

*Deacon Mark Race, Administrator*

## Daily Scripture Readings

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| Sunday    | Nm 11:25-29, Ps 19:8-14, Mk 9:38-48 |
| Monday    | Jb 1:6-22, Lk 9:46-50               |
| Tuesday   | Jb 3:1-23, Mt 18:1-10               |
| Wednesday | Jb 9:1-16, Lk 9:57-62               |
| Thursday  | Jb 19:21-27, Lk 10:1-12             |
| Friday    | Jb 38:1-21; 40:3-5, Lk 10:13-16     |
| Saturday  | Jb 42:1-17, Lk 10:17-24             |
| Sunday    | Gn 2:18-24, Ps 128:1-6, Mk 10:2-16  |

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday September 29

5:15 PM Soul of Lillian White

### Sunday September 30

8:00 AM Intention of all Parishioners

10:00 AM Soul of Daisy Pratt

12:15 PM Intention of Mary Jené

### Sunday October 7

8:00 AM Soul of Rudolph Liggins

10:00 AM Souls of Vera Quant, Timothy Baker & Virgilia Lorenzo

12:15 PM Intention of all Parishioners

## Weekly Offering for

September 23, 2018

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15.00 Building Fund

0 "We Care"

## Stewardship Thought

*"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." (MARK 9:41)*

Does your life reflect the life of Jesus?  
Remember, we were made in His image.

We tend to forget this.

When others see you, do they see the face of Jesus?

When you look at others,

do you see the face of Jesus in them?

## **Pray for the Sick**

LaVerne Agnew, Cyd Michelle Anderson, Sidney Anderson, Brian Argusta, Rose Ball, Percenia Beasley, Fr. Emile Belletty, Sister Juliet Berber, 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, Gwen Files, Betty Flowers, Cynthia Fortier, Teresa Franklin, Judy Felton-Gardner, Avis Gibbs, Barbara Harris, Darren Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Janie Jackson, Nathan Johnson, 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, Wiley R. Pugh, Vickie Race, Andrea Raggette, Doris Rogers, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Chris Simon, Maurice Simon, Joan Spencer, Annie Starks, Leila Thomas, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, Mabel Walton, Johnnye Washington, and Alice Williams.

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## **Pray for a Cure**

### **Faith, Hope & Charity Catholic Cancer Ministry**

Come Encounter God at the Annual Mass "Pray for a Cure for Cancer and Anointing of the Sick, Saturday, October 6, 2018. Mass begins at 12:30PM at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. Bishop Edward Clark will be the Presider and Homilist. Cathedral parking is \$10. For more information about the Mass or to send names for prayer, please contact: Faith, Hope and Charity Catholic Cancer Ministry, Deacon Mark and Vickie Race at 310.259.6430 or email: [pray4cure@ymail.com](mailto:pray4cure@ymail.com).

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## **Parishioner Recognition Luncheon**

The Knights of Peter Claver, Council 220, in collaboration with The Church of the Transfiguration is presenting their 2nd ANNUAL Parishioner Recognition Luncheon. We will honor **MR. & MRS. JOHN FRUGÉ, MRS. SHARRON EASON-COUSIN AND THE LAGARDE FAMILY** on **Sunday, October 14, 2018 from 1PM to 4PM** at the Regency West, 3339 W. 43rd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90008. These parishioners will be recognized for their selfless acts of Care, Concern and Love for God's people and His Church. Please join us Sunday, October 14, 2018 in helping us honor these "Special Treasures" whom God has sent to Transfiguration Parish.

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## **Annual Marian Procession and Rosary**

**October 27, 2018 at 4:00 PM**

Transfiguration is planning the **Annual Marian Feast in Honor of Our Lady of Good Health-Valankanni** to be held on October 27, 2018 at 4 PM. Financial support is needed and would be greatly appreciated to defray the cost for the event. Donations can be given to Carol James 323.291.0947, Liz Quinn 310.251.1051, or dropped off at the rectory. Thank you for your support!

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## **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

### ***Inquiry***

The RCIA Inquiry Period begins this Sunday. Anyone wishing to become Catholic; receive the sacrament of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation or renew your Catholic Faith may see a RCIA team member in the patio after mass for more details or call Anita Thomas at 323.810.0696. Registration will take place on September 29 and 30, 2018. Classes begin October 2, 2018.

***Come, Learn or Renew your Catholic Faith... Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 7PM.***

The topic will be "Salvation History" by Fr. Stanley Ihuoma at Holy Name of Jesus (*Acacia Center*) at 1955 W. Jefferson in Los Angeles, CA.

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## **Did you know?**

Every year, students at Catholic elementary and high schools, religious education, confirmation and youth ministry programs in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles receive age-appropriate child abuse prevention and reporting training. The "Empowering God's Children Program" is designed for Kindergarten through 12th grade students. This program teaches children and young people to understand appropriate and inappropriate boundaries and gives them the tools that empower them to take action and report if they feel uncomfortable, scared or confused. More than 1.4 million students have attended these programs since 2004. For more information, go to [www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles](http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles).