

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 9, 2012

From the Pastor's Desk

In our Gospel this weekend, Jesus makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak. If we stop and think about it, we need God to touch our ears in order to be able to hear His word, and we need Him to touch our tongues in order to be able to profess our faith.

If one can imagine, Jesus performed this miracle in Gentile territory. The faith-filled response of the Gentiles contrasts sharply with that of many of his own people. In the mind of the Gospel writer Mark, Jesus was fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah, "The ears of the deaf will be unsealed, and the tongues of the dumb will sing for joy." In other words, Jesus is the one who will bring salvation to Israel.

This miracle is the only cure in the Gospels that is described as taking place gradually. Mark saw it as an illustration of growth in faith. It is what happens to every Christian at Baptism. Christ touches our ears so that we can hear his word, and touches our tongues so that we can profess our faith. Hence, we too can say, "He has done all things well; He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak."

We are blessed to have our school fully enrolled this academic year, but this doesn't mean that all of these students can pay full tuition. **Did you know that 80% of our students need some sort of financial aid?** These past several years, I have been working closely with the Catholic Education Foundation of the Archdiocese to develop donors who have provided matching scholarship assistance for our students. This money actually kicks in during a student's second year in our school. **However, we have approximately 32 NEW students enrolled in Transfiguration School this year and they all need some sort of financial help!** There are "Adopt a Student" flyers outside on the patio this weekend. I invite you to take several to your friends and family to see if they might help in assisting our students. ***We are not asking our parish family for sponsorship with this program. As you know, our parish needs funds of its own to keep it operating!!*** Thank you all for supporting both our church and school. Spread the word and spread the "Adopt a Student" flyers!

God bless you all!!



Petition for the Sick

Eddie Aguilar, Virgie Aguillar, Yolanda Anderson, LaVern Agnew, Oliver Bartholomew, Edgar Banks, Timothy Baker, Veronica Bearce, Stephanie Bell, Sr. Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Mary Brown, Andrei Briggs, Manual Brule, Bernard Byars, Barbara Butler, Joyce Burnett, Brownie Cain, Dorothy Campbell, Mary Captain, Alberto Casanova, Katherine Clark, Clyde Clayton, Shirley Dieudonne, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, John Crear, Nigel Dunn, Angela Dupré, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Dwight Fauria, Anita Finie, Edith Foster, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Mavis Gibbs, Catherine Green, Jan Harvey, Lee Harrison, Donovan Haynes, Pat Hernandez, Marion Hernandez, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Laurette Jackson Angela Johnson, Ellis Jones, Robert Jordan, Elizabeth Labrae, Maggie Lacour, Irwin Lagarde, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Sr. Marianna, Vylfred Manor, Yvonne Morgan, Muriel Meyers, Dorothy Okoye, Paula Osborn, Dale Payne, Daisy Pratt, Gerald Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Lanny Ross, Barbara Samuels, Reanna Semien, Lionel Smith, Sr., Shirley Spicer, Darnell Stang, Barbara Starks, Michele Starks, Wilbur Starks, Ken Ruff, Alice Tenette, Louise Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Curtis Tureaud, David Tureaud, Iris Turner, Lubertha Weathers, Doris Wayne, Leon Williams, Lilla Williams, and Patricia Williams.

Sacrificial Gifts

Sunday, September 4, 2011

\$6,852.28 Sacrificial Gift
527.93 Building Fund
301.67 "We Care"

Sunday, September 2, 2012

\$6,406.30 Sacrificial Gift
532.57 Building Fund
302.32 "We Care"



*Consider remembering your parish in your will.
For further information, please call the church office.*

Child Care During Mass

We NEED your HELP!!!! We want to add child care during the 10:00 AM Mass so parents will be encouraged to come to church and hear God's message to them, while their children are safely cared for. If you would be willing to help with child care one Sunday a month, please call the rectory and let Jo Ann know or call Jan Llewellyn at 626.840.8210 with questions, suggestions or to volunteer. THANKS in advance!!!

*Celebrating **75** Years*
A Legacy of Making a Difference
 Serving the Community Since 1937

New Student Testing & Guided Tours

Sunday, September 16, 2012 at 2:00 PM
Sunday, October 7, 2012 at 2:00 PM
Sunday, November 4, 2012 at 2:00 PM
Sunday, December 2, 2012 at 2:00 PM
Sunday, January 27, 2013 at 2:00 PM
Sunday, February 3, 2013 at 2:00 PM

To schedule an appointment for testing, a tour of the school, or get information regarding tuition, contact Mrs. Crockett in the school office at 323.292.3011.

If you are interested in **part-time work** to assist the Principal 2 hours a day, please call the school office.

Our school has started its **1st Fundraiser – Gift Wrap!** If you would like to support the school, stop by the office to make your purchase.

Transfiguration School Choir will be visiting and attending mass with Msgr. Martini at Our Lady of Perpetual Help on Friday, October 5, 2012. We have a few seats available to parishioners who would like to take the trip on a first come first serve basis. Please call the school office to reserve your seat by October 1st.

VIRTUS Training – Thursday September 13, 2012 from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Each adult volunteering must submit to the school certification of completion of the VIRTUS training program prior to volunteering.

PAPER DONATION: If you can assist us by donating copy paper, please contact the office at 323.292.3011. We truly appreciate your help!

A WARM THANK YOU TO: Mrs. Mabel Walton, Ms. Patsy Collins, Ms. Sylvia Davis, and Mr. Fausto Hernandez for their generous paper donation. Roy & Desiree Edwards who donated a printer and a ream of paper to our 8th grade class. Our School Parents received service hours for all the paper donations to the office. Thank you for your generous donations.



Saturday, November 3rd from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM...

You've all heard by now about the great plans that are underway for this year's harvest festival!

We would like to thank **TLC Travel** for sponsoring our Cotton Candy, Popcorn & Snow Cone Booth!!!

PTO – Harvest Festival Chair – Stephanie Moore

Saturday 5:15 p.m.	September 8 Souls of Mabel and Theodore Darenbourg
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	September 9 Soul of Fred Davidson
10:00 a.m.	Intention of all Parishioners
12:15 p.m.	Souls of Joni, Jack and Janet Kershaw
Monday 8:00 a.m.	September 10 Soul of Chester Keyes
Tuesday 8:00 a.m.	September 11 Intention of Rafael Maldonado
Thursday 8:00 a.m.	September 13 Intentions of Richard John Washington and Jeanette Fruge
Saturday 5:15 p.m.	September 15 Soul of Milton Keys
Sunday 10:00 a.m.	September 16 Soul of Bernadine Adams
12:15 p.m.	Intention of all Parishioners

Readings for the week

Sunday	Is 35:4-7a, Ps 146:7-10, Mk 7:31-37
Monday	1 Cor 5:1-8, Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday	1 Cor 6:1-11, Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday	1 Cor 7:25-31, Lk 6:20-26
Thursday	1 Cor 8:1b-13, Ps 139:1b-13
Friday	Nm 21:4b-9, Jn 3:13-17
Saturday	1 Cor 10:14-22, Jn 19:25-27
Sunday	Is 50:5-9a, Ps 116:1-9, Mk 8:27-35

Up Coming Event

 **JAZZ JAZZ BRUNCH & SILENT AUCTION**
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2012

Featuring
ELECTRIC SPAGHETTI BAND
 & *Catering by* **THE CREOLE CHEF**

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM (Doors open at 12:30 PM)
The Monsignor Buckley Endowment
for Transfiguration School

TICKETS \$45.00 & ON SALE AFTER MASS

PLEASE NOTE
JAZZ BRUNCH PARKING

The entire parking lot will be closed for the Jazz Brunch.

TO ENTER THE CHURCH USE:
 Martin Luther King Blvd. and Roxton Doors.

WHEELCHAIRS ENTRANCE:
 Assisted by Security Guard at School Roxton Gate.

Masses are at 8 AM & 10 AM ONLY
Sunday, September 30, 2012

Happy Grandparent's Day

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, September 9

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Religious Education Class
2:00 PM Ladies Auxiliary Meeting (PCRm)

Monday, September 10

7:00 PM Bible Study (hall)

Tuesday, September 11

7:00 PM Knights Meeting (PCRm)
7:30 PM Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 12

6:00 PM CCL
6:00 PM Line Dancing
6:00 PM Confirmation Class
7:30 PM Prayer, Praise & Worship

Thursday, September 13

7:00 PM VIRTUS 3 Hours Training (1st time)
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, September 15

10:00 AM Extraordinary Ministers Meeting (Church)
10:00 Cherrywood/Leimert Club Meeting (hall)
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM St. Vincent DePaul Meeting (hall)



Coffee
&
Donuts
Sunday

Sunday hospitality is provided for
Transfiguration parishioners in the hall
AFTER ALL MASSES.

Join us this Sunday...

Did you know that Transfiguration Church has a new website? For parish news and activities go to: www.transfigchurchla.com

Did you know that the church is still **RECYCLING**? Please remember to save plastic bottles, glass, and aluminum cans, (**no plastic bags, no plastic utensils and no foil paper**) and bring them to the parish to recycle.

Did you know that the Reserve Corps of St. Michael meets on the 3rd Sunday for prayer at 2:00 PM in the church? Join us next Sunday, September 16th.

Did you know that the 50 + Club meets every 2nd Saturday of the month from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM and new members are welcome?



Mass Intentions

If you wish to offer a Mass for someone please stop by the rectory. The donation for each Mass is \$10.00.

More Parish News

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

We are looking for a few good men and women who wish to be members of the "Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion." We see you sitting in the pews each Saturday and Sunday and we want you to consider joining us. It is a ministry of administration of Holy Communion during the Mass and a ministry of bringing the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ to the people of God. If you are fifteen years of age or older, baptized and confirmed catholic, faithfully participate in the Sunday Eucharist and sincerely try to live the Gospel message, we want you, and our parish families need you. Please sincerely consider being part of this ministry group. There will be a mandatory meeting on Saturday, September 15th at 10:00 AM in the Church for all existing and new candidates. If you sincerely consider being part of this ministry and have questions, please see a minister in the sanctuary or patio area after each Mass. You may also call the Rectory 323.291.1136, and leave your name and telephone number. We look forward to hearing from you.

Religious Education

We invite all Public School Students ~ Kindergarten through High School to attend the Religious Education Program.
The program includes First Communion and Confirmation preparation. Registration will take place on all
Sundays in September from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon next to the hall in the lunch area.
Please bring student's Baptism Certificate.

Altar Server Schedule September 15 & 16, 2012

5:15 PM Irwin Lagarde Joshua Green Arianna Foster	8:00 AM Delisa Madere Derek Madere Noelle London	10:00 AM Anthony Roque Spencer Fuller Maurice Burnett Gilberto Gonzales	12:15 PM Emilio Ramirez Tyler Smith Kalaya Ramsey Deija Rideaux
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Archdiocese of Los Angeles "Safeguard the Children Program"

Who should be Fingerprinted and VIRTUS Trained?

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 fingerprinted and take the VIRTUS Training by the Archdiocese. All Finance and Parish Councils, Knights and Ladies of Peter Claver, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers, Choir Members, Musicians, Ushers, Religious Education Team, Baptism Team, RCIA Team, Youth Ministry, and those adults who help with Altar Servers must be fingerprinted and must also attend a VIRTUS Training session.

VIRTUS Training at Transfiguration

Thursday, September 13, 2012 from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM

This is a 3 hour Protecting God's Children Certification session in the hall. Please be on time!!!

Contact the rectory office for more information and to sign up for these classes.

This applies to those who have never taken the VIRTUS Training.

VIRTUS Training Documentation

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.

VIRTUS Re-Certification Training

Wednesday, September 19th at 7 PM

AND

Saturday, September 22nd at 2 PM

Good Shepherd Catholic Church
(Beverly Hills)

RSVP 310.285.5425
to Patty Formeca

Tuesday, October 9th at 10 AM

Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels
RSVP 213.680.5270

Saturday, December 1st at 10 AM

Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels
RSVP 213.680.5215

For Re-certification Only...

You must have attended the 3 hours class.

This training is for 1hour and 30 minutes and is required every 4 years.