

PALM SUNDAY

April 1, 2012



FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL TANG

This week Christians all over the world will be celebrating the great mystery of Christ's love for us. "Greater love no man has had than he who lays down his life for his friends..... You are my friends....." This is the week Christ lived out the truth of these words.

Indeed the final act in the drama of Jesus has come. The Son of Man must suffer many things. In his account of the Passion, the Gospel writer Mark stresses the crude trial and shocking details of the sufferings of Jesus. Mark has Jesus die in total isolation – deserted by his disciples, taunted by his enemies, derided by those who hung with him, and, worst of all, abandoned by God.

The rending of the curtain of the temples signifies that the privilege of Israel has ended; in the future access to the divine presence will be open to all. The reply to the question which has dominated Mark's Gospel (Who, then is this?) is found in the words of the centurion: "Truly, this man was the Son of God."

Holy Week is finally here, and there are many ways at Transfiguration to participate in the Passion of Our Lord: the Easter Triduum begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday; you are invited to this special liturgy which celebrates the institution of the Eucharist; here we imitate Christ as we wash one another's feet and break bread as a family. The Good Friday service begins at 1:30 p.m.; that evening at 6:30 p.m. we will have our final Stations of the Cross. Those of you who have not sampled our Fish Fry, this is your last chance!

Finally, our Easter Vigil starts at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday evening; please consider attending this very unique liturgy, as we will be baptizing 10 of our school children that night! Congratulations ahead of time to those being initiated to the faith, we welcome you with much love. Blessings on your Holy Week!

EASTER FLOWER OFFERING

We are asking that you be as generous as possible with your giving for Easter. Envelopes are at the church exit. The envelopes will be placed on the altar for prayer in Memory of or in Honor of your love ones.

SAVE THE DATE

TRANSFIGURATION CHURCH/SCHOOL

CARNIVAL

MAY 25, 26 & 27, 2012

Rides, Video Game Truck, Casino, Bingo

VIRTUS SESSION

Transfiguration will hold a **VIRTUS** Training session **Tuesday, April 24th at 6:00 PM in the hall.** Please call the Rectory to reserve a space at 323.291.1136. The class, *Protecting God's Children*, lasts 3 hours.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us for **Stations of the Cross** every Friday in Lent at 6:30 PM.

26TH ANNUAL FISH FRY AND RAFFLE

Sponsored by the Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary. Please support our Annual Fish Fry and Raffle every Friday from 3:00 to 6:30 PM.

WEEKLY FISH FRY WINNER

The winner for the weekly drawing was: **5th week Lois Chargeois** Turn in your tickets early and you will have a chance to **WIN \$60 CASH.**

ELIZABETH MALDONADO'S CD

"Elizabeth Sings"

We are pleased to announce that Elizabeth Maldonado has made a CD of your favorite religious songs entitled "Elizabeth Sings". Copies are now available for \$10 after the 8 AM mass or by contacting Raphael Maldonado at 323.965.1654.

PETITION FOR THE SICK

Virgie Aguillar, Yolanda Anderson, LaVern Agnew, Oliver Bartholomew, Booker T. Ball, Edgar Banks, Timothy Baker, Stephanie Bell, Sr. Juliet Berber, Jerone Bill, Glenda Brown, Mary Brown, Andrei Briggs, Manual Brule, Bernard Byars, Barbara Butler, 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, Anita Finie, Edith Foster, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Mavis Gibbs, Catherine Green, Pat Hernandez, Marion Hernandez, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Angela Johnson, Ellis Jones, Irwin Lagarde, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Sr. Marianna, Vylfred Manor, Yvonne Morgan, Dorothy Okoye, Paula Osborn, Dale Payne, Daisy Pratt, Gerald Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Barbara Samuels, Reanna Semien, Lionel Smith, Sr., Shirley Spicer, Darnell Stang, Michele Starks, Wilbur Starks, Ken Ruff, Alice Tenette, Louise Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Curtis Tureauud, David Tureauud, Iris Turner, Lubertha Weathers, Doris Whayne, Leon Williams, Lilla Williams, Patricia Williams and Agnes Wilson.

HOLY WEEK ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 5 at 7:30 PM

Brendan Wilkerson, Maurice Burnett, Anthony Roque,
Rome Washington, Spencer Fuller, Jordan Baylis, Jared Baylis

Good Friday, April 6 at 1:30 PM

Caycee Chapman, Spencer Fuller, Noelle London,
Samantha Joseph, Nia Robertson, Brendan Wilkerson

Good Friday, April 6 at 6:30 PM

Maurice Burnett, Spencer Fuller,
Anthony Roque, Brendan Wilkerson

Holy Saturday, April 7 at 8:00 PM

Maurice Burnett, Caycee Chapman, Spencer Fuller,
Gilberto Gonzalez, Samantha Joseph, Noelle London,
Anthony Roque, Brendan Wilkerson

Easter Sunday, April 8 at 8:00 AM

Lisa Crockett, Samantha Joseph,
Amanda Johnson, Johnathan Johnson

Easter Sunday, April 8 at 10:00 AM

Maurice Burnett, Spencer Fuller,
Gilberto Gonzalez, Brendan Wilkerson

Easter Sunday, April 8 at 12:15 PM

Alexis Brown, Allison Brown, Logan Bush

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

PALM SUNDAY

MONDAY, APRIL 2

7:00 PM Bible Study-PCRM

TUESDAY, APRIL 3

6-8 PM PTO Social-hall

7:00 PM RCIA Holy Name of Jesus

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

6:00 PM Confirmation Class

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 5

7:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 6

HOLY LAND COLLECTION

1:30 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion

3:00-6:30 PM Fish Fry-hall

6:30 PM Stations of the Cross-Church

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 7

8:00 PM Easter Vigil Service and Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 31

5:15 p.m. +Lillian White

Sunday, April 1

8:00 a.m. Int. of Mary Lou Smith

10:00 a.m. +Hayzetta Patterson

12:15 p.m. Int. of Sarah Johns

Wednesday, April 4

8:00 a.m. +Anglus Bates

Sunday, April 8

8:00 a.m. Int. of Father Richard Martini (Birthday)

10:00 a.m. Int. of all Parishioners

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Mk 11:1-10, Ps 22:8-24, Mk 14:1-15:47

Monday Is 42:1-7, Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday Is 49:1-6, Jn 13:21-38

Wednesday Is 50:4-9a, Mt 26:14-25

Thursday Ex 12:1-14, Jn 13:1-15

Friday Is 52:13-53:12, Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday Gn 1:1-2:2, Gn 22:1-18, Ex 14:15-15:1, Is 55:1-11

Sunday Acts 10: 34a,-43, Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, Col 3:1-4

SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

Sunday, March 20, 2011

\$3,942.24 Sacrificial Gift

343.80 Building Fund

196.46 "We Care"

SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

Sunday, March 25, 2012

\$3,516.94 Sacrificial Gift

275.74 Building Fund

157.57 "We Care"

SCHOOL NEWS

Special Thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Robert Erburu for their generous donation to Transfiguration Catholic School.

PTO is having a Social - Tuesday April 3rd in the hall from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Easter Break – School closed Friday, April 6th, to Monday, April 16th. **School resumes Tuesday, April 17, 2012.**

SAVE THE DATE!

Health Fair - Saturday, April 28th from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

New student testing for grades K-7th Sunday, May 6th at 2:00 PM. Please call the school office to reserve your space.

Continuing student registration is Thursday, April 19th, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the parish hall.

Reminder:

The school is still collecting electronic items for recycle; please bring your items to the office Monday through Friday.

BIBLE STUDY TIME CHANGE

This week only, Bible Study will meet at 6:30 PM in the Peter Claver Room.

CARNIVAL MEMORIAL WEEKEND – MAY 25-27, 2012

As you have seen in the bulletin, our annual carnival will be on **Memorial Day weekend**--May 25, 26 and 27. Plans are moving along and the time has come when we need to solicit your help. Next weekend--yes, Easter weekend--there will be people in the patio collecting names of those who would like to volunteer to help with advertising, decorating, donations, and phone tree (that's calling people to inform them of meetings, work schedules, donation requirements and any Carnival-related matters).

In early May, there will be a separate signup weekend for those who want to work during the actual Carnival days. Also, if you volunteered last year, you might be getting a phone call to see your availability for this year. **Remember Signups will be next weekend after all masses.** Thank you and may God continue to shower you with His blessings.