

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE LENT

March 8, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

If you wish, I will make three tents. (Matthew 17:4)

“Three tents? There he goes again,” we might think. “It’s just Peter making another rash statement and getting it wrong.” But *did* Peter get it wrong?

Not really. Remember that Jesus himself brought Peter to the mountaintop with James and John. Now there they were, watching Moses and Elijah talking with Jesus, who was bathed in his Father’s glory. It might not have made perfect sense to Peter, but he knew it was something good. He was so delighted that of course he wanted to pitch some tents and stay.

This “mountaintop” experience must have shored up Peter’ faith. He saw the glory of God! He heard God say that Jesus is his beloved Son and that he is worth listening to. All of these things were very good. Did Peter need to go back down the mountain and continue to follow Jesus to the cross? Yes, but that didn’t take away his need to be on that mountain—his need to be strengthened and filled.

Jesus is calling you to come away with him to a high mountain too. He is asking you to make time for him every day. Pray. Go to Mass. Ponder his word. Sit in his presence, and be filled with awe and wonder at who he is. But don’t stop there. God has a message for you today. He wants to touch your heart and speak to you. Just as Peter heard, “This is my beloved Son” (Matthew 17:5), you can listen for the Holy Spirit to say, “Behold the Lamb of God” when you receive Jesus in Communion. Or “Go in peace to love and serve the Lord” when it’s time to come down from the mountain.

Remember, it’s not selfish to set aside time to be with Jesus. You’re not running away from problems when you take time to pray. It’s always good to come away with him—as long as you are willing to follow him out into the world as well.

“Lord, I love you and want to make time for you every day!”

Deacon Mark Race, Administrator

Bible Study

It's not too late to join Bible Study's 5 week Lenten Reflection, "*Finding A Voice*", based on the British movie, *The King's Speech*. Week 2 begins on Monday, March 9 with the topic, "Chasing the dream or fulfilling the calling." All are welcome Monday nights at 7PM in the hall.

Stewardship Thought

“Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father’s house to a land that I will show you.” GENESIS 12:1
God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we may have to struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness and greed. Yet God promises to show us a new land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of Calcutta said, “God does not call us to be successful, God calls us to be faithful.”

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday	Gn 12:1-4a, Ps 33:4-22, Mt 17:1-9
Monday	Dn 9:4b-10, Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday	Is 1:10-20, Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday	Jer 18:18-20, Mt 20:17-28
Thursday	Jer 17:5-10, Lk 16:19-31
Friday	Gn 37:3:28a, Mt 21:33-46
Saturday	Mi 7:14-20, Lk 15:1-32
Sunday	Ex 17:3-7, Ps 95:1-9, Jn 4:5-42

Mass Intentions

Saturday March 7

5:15 PM Intention of all Parishioners

Sunday March 8

8:00 AM Soul of Roland Hithe
10:00 AM Soul of Slade Campbell
12:15 PM Soul of Ann Jeffery

Monday March 9

8:00 AM Soul of Andrew LaMar

Weekly Offering for March 1, 2020

\$5848.07 Tithe and Offering
45.00 Building Fund
56.00 "We Care"

Transfiguration Church & School

ANNUAL FISH FRY RAFFLE

1st Prize: \$1000.00
2nd Prize: \$500.00
3rd Prize: \$250.00

You are asked to sell one book which is 40 tickets, total of \$40. There is no need for a **STUB TO WIN**. All we need is your name, phone number or address.

Drawing: Friday, April 3, 2020 in the hall.

(Winner need not be present to win)

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 6PM.

Lenten Fish Fry

Fridays 5-9PM beginning February 28.

TRANSFIGURATION

LENTEN REVIVAL

Sunday, Monday & Tuesday

March 15, 16, 17, 2020

has been

POSTPONED

Spread the Word!

Winter Cold and Flu Season

You are reminded to use common sense in your participation at mass and the reception of Holy Communion from the chalice during the annual cold and flu season. If you are feeling ill or think you may have been exposed to a virus, you should refrain from partaking of the Blood of Christ from the communal chalice. In the same way, you should refrain from offering your hand to others at the sign of peace (or during the Lord's prayer). A smile and a heartfelt, "Peace be with you," should suffice. Likewise, if you are not comfortable sharing the sign of peace or receiving Holy Communion from the communal chalice for fear of infection, you should feel no pressure to do so. All of us must be aware of such sensitive matters in the intimate life of the Christian community and we should expect that some will refrain from participation in the liturgy or the sign of peace and the communal chalice out of care for our wellbeing and not out of unkindness or a lack of piety. For further clarification please contact Sr. Rosanne Belpedio, CSJ at the Office for Worship rbelpedio@la-archdiocese.org. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

ACCW News

Catholic Women, you are invited to attend the next ACCW meeting on Friday, March 20th at St. Bernadette Catholic Church, 3825 Don Felipe Drive, Los Angeles, CA. 90008. Registration begins at 9:30 AM. For information please call Helen Argusta at 323.295.-9024.

Thank you

The Johns Family wishes to express our sincere gratitude to Transfiguration's office staff, religious, and friends who provided spiritual support, gentle fellowship and delicious food during our time of sorrow at the loss of our beloved matriarch Sarah Johns.

Pray for the Sick

LaVerne Agnew, Cyd Michelle Anderson, Brian Argusta, Percenia Beasley, Fr. Emile Belletty, 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, Cynthia Fortier, Teresa Franklin, Judy Felton-Gardner, Michael Frierson, Avis Gibbs, Barbara Harris, Darren Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Janie Jackson, Aaron Katz, Briana Katz, Barbara Lagarde, Irwin Lagarde, Mercedes LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Joe McZeal, Vylfred Manor, Sister Marianna, Dorothy Okoye, Aliyah Patterson, Sally Price, Wiley R. Pugh, Vickie Race, Andrea Raggette, Doris Rogers, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Chris Simon, Joan Spencer, Annie Starks, Sandra Sterling, Leila Thomas, Iris Turner, Mabel Walton, Johnnye Washington, and Alice Williams.