

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 27, 2021

Dear Friends,

Someone different! I am grateful to Fr. Bozeman that during his absence he also invited me to share some thoughts with you in this space.

As many of you know, this is my last weekend of residence at Transfiguration. I will soon be living at St. Columban Church in Los Angeles, where the rectory has been relatively vacant since the departure of the Columban Fathers, who started the parish in the 1940s. It is in an area just east of downtown now designated “Historic Filipinotown” that catered to waves of immigrants from the Philippines before they settled more permanently in the suburbs. The parish of Our Lady of Loretto a few blocks away administers St. Columban. As I did here at Transfig, I will assist with the Mass schedule at both places while residing at St. Columban’s rectory. At the same time, I will be taking on new responsibilities in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles as associate vicar for clergy, looking after the well-being of our priests and their overall life and ministry.

I am grateful to have had the opportunity to be part of the Transfiguration family during these past six years, even if mostly only on weekends. It has been a joy to know and experience your warm spirit, the liveliness of your worship and prayer, and the dedication with which you serve. I remember three years ago (to this weekend) when Deacon Mark was very kind to allow me to celebrate here the 25th anniversary of my ordination: many guests who came from afar were so taken by the celebration that they wished they lived here!

I am happy to have helped welcome Fr. Anthony and the Josephite presence at Transfig in January. It has been a pleasure living with him. Let me assure you that I am not being ‘kicked out’ by his arrival. He sincerely expressed that I am welcome to stay – rather tempting as it means not having to pack things and move. However, the usual arrangement for resident priests is that we be of help to the Mass schedule of the parishes where we live. At St. Columban and Our Lady of Loretto, I will be one of three priests attending to nine weekend Masses.

Thank You, All, for your many kindnesses and regard shown me during these past years. I treasure them and carry them with me as formative of my life and ministry as I continue to respond to the call of the Spirit to serve in other parts of the Lord’s vineyard. I pray the time ahead is filled with renewed hope for all of us that we may continue to grow in faith and live with love for one another and for the communities where we find ourselves. May the Lord’s blessings be always upon us that many others may be blessed through us!

In Christ,

Fr. Joel Henson

Pray for the Sick

LaVerne Agnew, Brian Argusta, Vivian Burgess, Brownie Cain, Alberto Casanova, Kathleen Charles, Christopher Chestnut, Sister Ann Paul Clare, Edward Cousin, Cynthia Cyrus, Juanita Davis, Carolyn Didney, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Cynthia Fortier, Michael Frierson, Sherie Frierson-Chenier, Brenda Garibaldi, Avis Gibbs, Barbara Harris, Darren Harris, Jennifer Hallman, Marjorie Jones, Briana Katz, Barbara Lagarde, Irwin Lagarde, Mercedes LeBlanc, Vydred Manor, Cheryl Santa Marina, Dorothy Okoye, Tyrone Pitts, Sally Price, Wiley Pugh, Andrea Raggette, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Mike Simon, Joan Spencer, Annie Starks, Leila Thomas, Iris Turner, Mabel Walton, William Warrior, Alice Williams, Peggy Wilson and Mechele Yerima.

Weekly Offering for June 20, 2021

\$5,841.00 Tithe and Offering



Stewardship

"...as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their want, so that their abundance may supply your want, that there may be equality."

- 2 CORINTHIANS 8:14

One of the tenants of living a grateful and generous lifestyle is giving without expecting anything in return. It is important that we not only grow, nurture and share our gifts; but that we also teach our children and encourage others to do the same. This is the communal aspect of our Catholic faith. We are the "Body of Christ". We are called to be dependent on each other and not live in isolation.

Bar B Que!!!

The Knights of Peter Claver, Council 220 will have a Bar B Que on Saturday, July 31, 2021 from 12:30PM to 5:30PM. It will take place under the Hall Patio. Proceeds will help the Maurice E. Simon Scholarship Fund. Dinners are \$12.00 (1 meat) and \$15.00 combinations (2 meats) with 2 sides, potato salad and baked beans. The Ladies Auxiliary also will provide their delicious desserts.



Did you know?

Foster one-on-one relationships safely

One-on-one time with trusted adults is healthy for children and helps them to build self-esteem and long-term relationships. You can protect your child while still ensuring they have time and opportunity to build these relationships. You can drop in unexpectedly when your child is with another adult, even if that person is a trusted family member. Insist on observable outings, in public places. Talk with your child after an outing, noting his mood or her ability to confidently tell you what happened.

For more information, visit <https://www.d21.org/education/5-steps/step-2/>.

Thank you

The beautiful flowers on the altar this week were donated in memory of *Angela Dupré*. If you would like to donate flowers, please call the rectory for more details.

"Have You Remembered"

your parish or school in your will or trust?

Our correct legal title is:

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles,

A Corporation Sole for the benefit of:

(Transfiguration Church or Transfiguration School)

For further information,

please contact the church office at 323.291.1136

The office will be closed on
Monday July 5th
in Observance of Independence Day!