

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 20, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

Jesus . . . revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. (John 2:11)

Jesus' first miracle was impressive: he turned water into wine. Because it happened at a marriage celebration, you might consider this a special wedding gift for the happy couple. But it was also a miracle performed so that his disciples would see his glory and "believe in him" (John 2:11).

John tells us that this was the first sign that Jesus performed. Then he goes on to recount six more signs, each of which is meant to deepen his disciples' faith—and ours as well. Each sign tells us that when we place our faith in him, he sets us on a path of renewal. He takes our plain, everyday "water" and turns it into choice "wine."

What do the other signs tell us? That Jesus' words have the power to heal us (John 4:46-54; 5:1-9). That he wants to feed us with his Living Bread and calm the storms and anxieties in our hearts (6:1-21). That he wants to open our eyes to see him as the Lord who loves us (9:1-7, 35-39). And that he wants to raise us from our "tombs" of sin and doubt and unbelief (11:1-44).

All of these stories point to God's work of restoring and renewing what is lacking. They tell us that God wants to restore in us the joy of worship and to become for us the source of all blessing.

When you hear this passage proclaimed at Mass today, think about the ways in which you need to be renewed. Maybe Jesus wants to renew your zeal for him or your love for your spouse or your desire to pray. Believe that God is always at work in you, bringing back to life what has been languishing. Just as he did at Cana, he wants to supply you with the choicest of wines. And in the process, he wants to show you his glory.

"Thank you, Jesus, for renewing me. Lord, help me to see your glory so that I can believe in you more deeply."

Deacon Mark Race, Administrator

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	January 19
5:15 PM	Intention of all Parishioners
Sunday	January 20
8:00 AM	Soul of Karen Lee
10:00 AM	Soul of Yula Wilkes
12:15 PM	Intention of Chan and Chris Richardson
Monday	January 21
8:00 AM	Soul of John Frugé II
Tuesday	January 22
8:00 AM	Soul of Anthony E. Middleton
Wednesday	January 23
8:00 AM	Soul of Alvin Lee Bacon
Thursday	January 24
8:00 AM	Soul of Marian Malveaux
Friday	January 25
8:00 AM	Soul of Lubertha Weathers
Sunday	January 27
8:00 AM	Intention of all Parishioners
10:00 AM	Soul of Ferdinand Foye

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday	Is 62:1-5, Ps 96:1-10, Jn 2:1-11
Monday	Heb 5:1-10, Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday	Heb 6:10-20, Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday	Heb 7:1-17, Mk 3:1-6
Thursday	Heb 7:25-8:6, Mk 3:7-12
Friday	Acts 22:3-16, Mk 16:15-18
Saturday	2 Tm 1:1-8, Mk 3:20-21
Sundav	Neh 8:2-10, Ps 19:8-15, Lk 1:1-21

WEEKLY OFFERING

January 13, 2019

\$7118.78 Tithe and Offering
159.00 Building Fund
11.00 "We Care"



2018 Tax Statement!

Tax letters will be mailed by the end of January. If you do not receive a statement please contact Jo Ann Levi in the rectory. This is also a good time to make sure that you are registered in the parish. Only registered parishioners who are contributors will receive a tax letter.

Religious Education Congress

March 21 – Youth Day

March 22 -24, 2019

Anaheim Convention Center

800 West Katella Avenue

Anaheim, CA 92802

This year theme is:

Thirsting for Justice!

To register please see Ms. Refugio Godinez
or call the rectory at 323.291.1136.

Did you know?

Strive to be a 'safe adult' in a child's life

One of the most common responses to stories from abuse victims who suffered in silence for years is, "Why did you wait so long?" For many children, they wait because they have no one they trust to talk to about what's happening to them. Many victims feel ashamed and guilty. Take steps to become a trusted adult to the children in your life. Tell them you will listen without judgment or punishment, even if they are scared to talk about something.

For a copy of the complete VIRTUS® article, "Safe Adults: What to Say and Do," visit <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

Sacred Heart Retreat

All sisters, moms, daughters, aunts and grandmas listen up! It's almost that time of year again for the Sacred Heart Retreat in Alhambra. Treat yourself or a special lady in your life to a daily refuge or a full weekend getaway. Let's have a great turnout of Transfiguration ladies! This year's retreat will be held March 29 to 31, 2019. The theme is "In You, all find their home." For more information please call Sonya Robertson at 323.291.4846. Reservations must be complete by March 10th.

Pray for our 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, Ramona Clark, Agnes Cooper, Edward Cousin, Juanita Davis, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Jayden Dunn, Nigel Dunn, Alton Duhon, Gwen Files, Cynthia Fortier, Teresa Franklin, Judy Felton-Gardner, Avis Gibbs, Barbara Harris, Darren Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Janie Jackson, Aaron Katz, Briana Katz, Barbara Lagarde, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Mercedes LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Vydred Manor, Sister Marianna, Dorothy Okoye, Aliyah Patterson, Wiley R. Pugh, Vickie Race, Andrea Raggette, Doris Rogers, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Chris Simon, Joan Spencer, Dorothy Stanley, Annie Starks, Leila Thomas, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, Mabel Walton, Johnnye Washington, and Alice Williams.