

# EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

March 3, 2019

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*Dear Parishioners,*

*Remove the wooden beam from your eye first. (Luke 6:42)*

People love to judge other people and give advice, even when they don't have much to offer. It can be kind of cute to see children spouting off about topics they know nothing about, but it gets a little scarier when they grow up. Depending on how serious the topic is, it can become downright dangerous, like "the blind leading the blind."

As Jesus points out in today's Gospel, we can be particularly prone to offering unnecessary, as well as ill-conceived, advice in the spiritual or moral realm. It can seem so clear to us what needs to happen in someone's life that it's hard to hold back. But when it comes to our own lives, we are more cautious because we see the big picture, and we know there is no quick and easy fix.

Only God sees the true big picture. And because he does, he treats us with unending patience, grace, and mercy. What a comforting truth this is! You can rest peacefully, secure in the faith that your heavenly Father has you in the palm of his hand.

But here too is where a major challenge lies: God sees everyone's big picture. He has every person in the palm of his hand—even the people you understand the least. This means that you can leave everyone else to his care. You don't have to worry about changing them!

Of course, you should love the people around you and be involved in their lives. But try to do it by treating them with the same merciful, loving approach that God has. Seek to understand and empathize, not condemn and overadvise.

Think of one person whom you are most tempted to judge or give advice to. Now try to isolate one conversation you have had in the last day or two when you gave in to the temptation to try to fix him or her. How could you have offered grace and love instead? Finally, watch for the next conversation, and lead with love rather than correction.

*"Lord, help me to reflect your grace and love to the people around me."*

*Deacon Mark Race, Administrator*

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>March 2</b>
5:15 PM	Soul of Maurice Simon
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 3</b>
8:00 AM	Souls of Roland and Glendon Hithe
10:00 AM	Intention of all Parishioners
12:15 PM	Soul of Yula Wilkes
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>March 5</b>
8:00 AM	Intention of Elizabeth Quinn
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 10</b>
10:00 AM	Soul of Daisy Pratt
12:15 PM	Intention of all Parishioners

## DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday	Sir 27:4-7, Ps 92:-2-16, Lk 6:39-45
Monday	Sir 17:20-24, Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday	Sir 35:1-12, Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday	Jl 2:12-18, Mt 6:1-18
Thursday	Dt 30:15-20, Lk 9:22-25
Friday	Is 58:1-9a, Mt 9:14-15
Saturday	Is 58:9b-14, Lk 5:27-32
Sunday	Dt 26:4-10, Ps 91:1-15, Lk 4:1-13

## WEEKLY OFFERING

February 24, 2019

\$2639.00 Tithe and Offering  
105.00 Building Fund  
11.00 "We Care"



## 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.

## Bible Study

How many times have you seen the 1942 movie *Casablanca* and thought, "Great movie... for Lent"? Join Bible Study Monday, March 4 at 7PM, as we present this classic movie for our Lenten Reflection theme, "A Beautiful Friendship". Return Monday March 11 at 7PM to begin our five week study based on the movie and the beautiful friendship between us and our Creator.

**RCIA** *Come, learn or renew your Catholic faith...*

**Tuesday, March 5, 2019** at 7PM. The topic will be about the "Sacrament of Holy Orders" by Fr. Stanley Ihouma at Holy Name of Jesus, 2190 W. 31<sup>st</sup> Street in Los Angeles.

## Ash Wednesday Masses

March 6, 2019

8am Daily Mass

9:30am School Mass

6pm Mass

*Distribution of Ashes at all Services.*

## Thoughts on Fasting

Lent should be more than a time of fasting.

It should be a joyous season of fasting.

Lent is a time to fast from certain things and to feast on others.

*Fast* from discouragement: feast on hope.

*Fast* from idle gossip: feast on purposeful silence.

*Fast* from anger: feast on patience.

*Fast* from discontent: feast on gratitude.

*Fast* from pessimism: feast on optimism.

*Fast* from suspicion: feast on truth.

*Fast* from bitterness: feast on forgiveness.

*Fast* from complaining: feast on appreciation.

## Transfiguration Church & School

### ANNUAL FISH FRY RAFFLE

1st Prize: \$1000.00

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$500.00

3<sup>rd</sup> 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 12, 2019 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 March 8.*

## Pray for our sick...

LaVerne Agnew, Cyd Michelle 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, Vyldred 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, Iris Turner, Mabel Walton, Johnnye Washington, and Alice Williams.