

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 19, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

Love . . . one another. (John 13:34)

That seems pretty easy, doesn't it? Be nice, take care of the people you're close to, maybe give some money to the poor. But is this all that Jesus means? Or does he have a different idea? Let's look at the context of this command to get some idea.

Jesus has just washed his disciples' feet, and Judas has left on his mission to betray him. Jesus knows he will not be with his friends much longer as the cross begins to loom large in his mind. So when he tells his disciples to love one another as he loved them, he is calling them to a love that mirrors his own love—a love that is selfless and sacrificial, a love that flows from God's unconditional love for each person on earth.

This way of loving would set apart Jesus' followers because it is so different from the way most people think of love. Jesus' love washed the feet of his betrayer. It forgave those who nailed him to the cross. It reached across cultural lines to embrace Samaritans and Gentiles. It extended healing to the marginalized and political rivals.

It's this kind of love that won people over in the first century: they saw believers caring for outcasts like widows and orphans and holding their possessions in common. But it has also won people over throughout history: people saw Christians nursing plague victims in the Middle Ages, believers risking their safety to hide Jews during World War II, and more recently, Pope St. John Paul II forgiving the man who shot him.

Awe for the saints who loved like this might make you think it's impossible for you, but this call to love isn't just for the saints. Jesus has touched your life, and he lives in you, just as he did the saints. How did they do it? They experienced Jesus' love firsthand, and it changed the way they loved the people around them. That very same thing can happen to you.

"Today, Jesus, teach me to love as you love."

Deacon Mark Race, Administrator

School Mass and BBQ Fundraiser

On **Sunday June 2** at the 10AM Mass, Transfiguration School will honor their graduates. The Preschool, Kindergarten, and 8th grade classes will lead the liturgy and present musical selections for the Transfiguration community. Following all Masses, the school will also host a BBQ fundraiser to support the school's technology program. We look forward to seeing you.

ACCW News

Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women invites all women of the Archdiocese to attend the **Annual Spring Mass** on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 9:45AM at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels located at 555 W. Temple Street in L.A. The celebrant will be Reverend Monsignor James Gehl, Spiritual Advisor. For more information call Helen Argusta at 323.295.9024.

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday	Acts 14:21-27, Ps 145:8-13, Jn 13:21-35
Monday	Acts 14:5-18, Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday	Acts 14:19-28, Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday	Acts 15:1-6, Jn 15:1-8
Thursday	Acts 15:7-21, Jn 15:9-11
Friday	Acts 15:22-31, Jn 15:12-17
Saturday	Acts 16:1-10, Jn 14:18-21
Sunday	Acts 15:1-29, Ps 67:2-8, Jn 14:23-29

Mass Intentions

Saturday	May 18
5:15 PM	Intention of all Mothers
Sunday	May 19
8:00 AM	Intention of all Parishioners
10:00 AM	Soul of Maurice Simon
12:15 PM	Soul of Angela Dupré
Monday	May 20
8:00 AM	Intention of all Mothers
Tuesday	May 21
8:00 AM	Intention of all Mothers
Wednesday	May 22
8:00 AM	Intention of Cynthia Richardson
Thursday	May 23
8:00 AM	Intention of Michael Patterson
Saturday	May 25
5:15 PM	Intention of Cynthia Richardson
Sunday	May 26
8:00 AM	Intention of all Parishioners
10:00 AM	Souls of Yvonne, Jackeline, Dilcia, & Wilfred Morgan, Jr.
12:15 PM	Soul of SSgt. Conrad A. Robinson

Weekly Offering for May 12, 2019

\$5531.83 Tithes and Offering
61.00 Building Fund
41.00 "We Care"

Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity

Today at all masses you will have an opportunity to give to the Cardinal McIntyre Fund for Charity. Please be as generous as possible. Your support is appreciated.

SAVE THE DATE

Transfiguration's St. Vincent dePaul Society
ANNUAL WALK-A-THON
Saturday June 15, 2019 at 7AM

St. Vincent dePaul

Bundle Sunday

On **Sunday, June 9** our Parish is having a Bundle Sunday for the Society of St. Vincent dePaul Thrift Stores. Please bring your usable clothing and usable household items on this day. Their truck will be at our church parking lot. Please help in their endless efforts to assist the needy. They are in great need of furniture and large appliances. Call them for pick-up of any heavy items at 323.224.6280 or 800/97-HELP-1.

Stewardship Thought

*"I give you a new commandment: love one another.
I have loved you, so you also should
love one another." (JOHN 13:34)*

It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes strength and courage to love someone when we feel unappreciated, used or feel our opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage to "love my neighbor" when he may be someone I don't like, someone I don't know or someone that doesn't look like me.

Memorial Day Mass

Will Be Celebrated at Holy Cross Cemetery
5835 W. Slauson Avenue, Culver City, CA 90230

Monday, May 27, 2019 at 10:00AM

Principal Celebrant: Most Reverend Bishop Edward Clark

ALL ARE INVITED!

Memorial Day Holiday

The church office will be closed on
Monday, May 27, 2019 in observance of Memorial Day.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

LaVerne Agnew, Cyd Michelle Anderson, Brian Argusta, 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, Agnes Cooper, Edward Cousin, Juanita Davis, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Jayden Dunn, Nigel Dunn, Alton Ramona 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, Sally Price, Wiley R. Pugh, Vickie Race, Andrea Raggette, Doris Rogers, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Chris Simon, Joan Spencer, Dorothy Stanley, Annie Starks, Sandra Sterling, Leila Thomas, Iris Turner, Mabel Walton, Johnny Washington, and Alice Williams.