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Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord - Matthew 17:01-09

“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; ...listen to him.”

What can we learn from the Transfiguration?

Authority: Jesus is in the presence of Moses and Elijah. Moses is the liberator of the Jews. He brought the law to the people. Elijah is one of the most powerful and dramatic prophets of the Old Testament – demonstrating God’s power and authority time and again. Even at the end of his life, Elijah does not die. Rather, he is taken up. In the presence of these two individuals, Peter suggests the building of three tabernacles, but the voice of Heaven elevates Jesus above Moses and Elijah. There is room for only one tabernacle. Peter later recalls this event and reaffirms the authority placed upon Jesus in this event. Jesus’ spiritual glory becomes visible to those with Him, and Mark even seems to struggle in describing this event. This visually reinforces Jesus’ role as **“God among us”**. God’s glory is revealed in Jesus. John 14:7-10 records Jesus equating Himself with the Father, and He claims knowing Him is akin to knowing God the Father. In II Corinthians 4:6, Paul writes Jesus is the light of God’s glory. His word, and our reflection of His glory should be growing every day. Jesus is elevated to a position of authority unattained by other Bible figures. Yet, He remains dedicated to the will of the Father. He demonstrates kindness and concern toward others, regardless of external factors. Our lives should reflect His determination and attitudes with the goal of attaining our “transformation” which will come on the last day.



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<i>“Trust in the LORD with all your heart” Proverbs 3:5</i>	

Starting a New Ministry? Things to Consider.

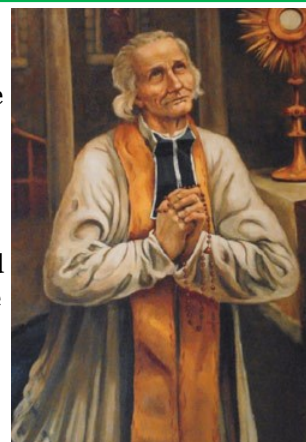
Many of us, at one time or another, have thought about starting a new ministry, but never really get beyond that point. Usually it is because we have no idea where to start. Here are a few steps for you to consider to begin the process, 1) Build a Prayer Team.

Find people who love you and believe in you to pray for your new endeavor. 2) Align the Ministry to Your Calling. 3) Define Your Objective. 4) Find the Right People to assist and support you. 5) Identify “Your Gifts” (Time, Talent and Treasure) and what gifts will need to be supplied by others. 6) Create a budget; consider sources of funding, and other necessary resources (like volunteers). Then Set Your Budget. 7) Establish a Timeline and make it flexible enough so adjustments can be made as needed.



August 04: St John Vianney—Patron Saint of Parish Priests

The patron saint of Parish Priests is St. Jean Marie Baptiste Vianney. In English: Saint John Vianney. He was born on May 8, 1786 in the village of Dardilly in France. After serving a time in the army during the Napoleonic period he entered seminary formation to become a priest. Unfortunately, he was a poor student and struggled with all his studies. He had a particularly difficult time with Latin. Many, including his formation directors and instructors in the seminary and his own bishop, had serious doubts regarding his suitability for the priesthood. John Vianney persevered however and was ordained a priest in 1815. His bishop, based upon his lack of abilities, sent him to the remotest backwater village of his diocese, the village of Ars. There Fr. John Vianney spent the rest of his life except for one brief period when he tried to flee the duties and pressures of parish life, to find a quiet place where he could pray in peace and solitude. It was not in God's plan for him and he soon returned to Ars. He was a man of great dedication to his call to be a priest and to serve his people. He preached in a very simple manner, had a great love of the Blessed Sacrament and the Blessed Mother and had a special devotion to St. Philomena. Through his work as a confessor he brought about a spiritual renewal which touched, not only the people of his parish, but all of France. He regularly spent 14 to 18 hours a day in the confessional surviving on only a few hours of sleep and a diet of boiled potatoes. As the word spread of his extraordinary abilities as a confessor, thousands, including bishops and aristocracy, made the journey to Ars in order to receive his spiritual counsel. Thus a man who started his life as one who very few thought would ever amount to anything became, by the time of his death in 1859, the vehicle for thousands of conversions. He is, for us today, an example of how God works wonderfully through those who dedicate their lives to him and who seek to do his will. John Vianney, a humble parish priest, is regarded by the Church as one of its great figures simply because he was faithful. **John Vianney was canonized by Pope Pius XI in 1925.** He is the only diocesan priest ever to be canonized. He is the patron saint of clergy throughout the world.



Join us for Bible Study

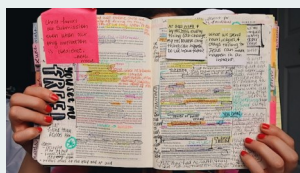
1st and 3rd Thursday
1:00 & 7:00 PM
Via ZOOM

1:00 pm Meeting
ID: 87233018319
Passcode: 689472

Contact:
Carolyn James
(323) 394-5441

7:00 pm Meeting
ID 811 5705 8134
Passcode: 6FuFf7

Contact:
Elsie Dixon
(310) 410-2962



Important Holy Days during August

Feast of St John Vianney (August 04)
Feast of the Transfiguration (August 06)
Feast of the Assumption (August 15)
Feast of St. Dominic (August 8)
Queenship of Mary (August 22)
Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist (August 29th)



Dormition ("Falling Asleep") of the Mother of God???

The "Dormition" of the Mother of God is a Feast which celebrates the "falling asleep" (death) of Mary the Theotokos (God-bearer), and her being "taken up" into heaven (bodily assumption). It is celebrated on 15 August as the "Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God". In Western Churches the corresponding feast is known as the "**Assumption of Mary.**" Christian canonical scriptures do not record the death or Dormition of Mary. Hippolytus of Thebes, a 7th- or 8th-century author, writes in his partially preserved chronology of the New Testament, Mary lived for 11 years after the death of Jesus, dying in AD 41. The use of the term "**dormition**" expresses the belief she died, without suffering, in a state of spiritual peace. This belief does not rest on any scriptural basis, but is affirmed by Orthodox sacred tradition. Some apocryphal writings testify to this opinion, though neither the Orthodox Church nor other Christians accord them scriptural authority. The Orthodox understanding of the Dormition is compatible with Roman Catholic teaching, and was the dominant belief within the Western Church until late in the Middle Ages, when the slightly different belief in the bodily Assumption of Mary into heaven began to gain ground. Pope Pius XII declared the latter a dogma of the Catholic Church in 1950.





Join us for Coffee and Donuts

**After 10:00 Mass
Every Sunday!**

WHERE? In the Hall



"We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just a slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation." Author Un-

Have you ever wondered what an Altar Server Does???

Altar Servers carry the cross, the processional candles, hold the book for the priest celebrant when he is not at the altar, carry the incense and censer, present the bread, wine, and water to the priest during the preparation of the gifts or assist him when he receives the gifts from the people, wash the hands of the priest, assist the priest celebrant and deacon as necessary. Servers respond to the prayers and dialogues of the priest along with the congregation. They also join in singing the hymns and other chants of the liturgy. Servers should be seated in a place from which they can easily assist the priest celebrant and deacon. The place next to the priest is normally reserved for the deacon.



St. Bernadette KPC Ladies Auxiliary, Court #162
invite you to



**with Our Annual School Supply Round-up July 9th
to August 3rd, 2023**

All Parishioners who would like to participate this year, we are encouraging you to purchase school supplies and backpacks in preparation of our students returning to the classroom; There are several ways to participate this year:

1. Shop at your local stores to purchase school supplies & backpacks (i.e. Target, Staples, Office Depot, Dollar Tree, 99 Cent Store, Rite Aid, Walgreens, etc.) and Bring items to the church rectory.

Or 2. If you prefer to Shop from Home, go to www.amazon.com Then type in **Elementary School Supply Pack** and have shipped directly to the church:
KPC Ladies Auxiliary Court #162
c/o St. Bernadette Church Rectory
3825 Don Felipe Dr.
Los Angeles, CA 90008.

Or 3. You are welcome to Mail-in or Drop-off your donation by making the check Payable to: "St. Bernadette KPC Ladies Auxiliary, Court #162" and in the memo section please put "School Supplies".

Please submit your generous gift or donation on or before August 3rd 2023.
We will have the School Supply Blessing and Giveaway during Mass on Saturday-August 5th at 4 PM and Sunday-August 6th at 10 AM.

This Is the Last Week to Bring Your Donated School Supplies

Lined Paper, Pads for Preschoolers,
Pens, Pencils, Pencil Sharpener,
Eraser, Glue, Binders,
Scissors, Spiral Notebooks,
Coloring Crayons,
Colored Pencils,
Washable Markers,
Highlighters, Rulers,
Pocket Folders, Masks
Pencil Pouches, Mini Staplers
Packs of Tissue Hand Sanitizer
***All backpacks will be disbursed
to the children and teens
of our parish***

DON'T MISS THIS!

**Our Very Popular "Friday Prayer Group"
Resumes Friday, July 14, 2023 in the Rectory**

For More Information:

Contact Dolly Guidry at (323) 293-0056



**Please submit your Bulletin Articles and Pulpit Announcements
AT LEAST TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE.**

If you have questions, pls contact the office at (323) 293-4877



LITURGY SCHEDULE

**AUGUST 07, 2023
MONDAY
TO SUNDAY,
AUGUST 13 2023**

Monday, August 07, 2023

**8:00 Communion Service-
Live-Streamed and In-Person**

Tuesday, August 08, 2023

**8:00 Communion Service-
Live-Streamed and In-Person**

Wednesday, August 09, 2023

**8:00 am Mass
Live-Streamed and In-Person**

***Thursday, August 10, 2023**

**8:00 am Mass
Live-Streamed and In-Person**

***Friday, August 11, 2023**

**8:00 am Mass
Live-Streamed and In-Person**

***Saturday, August 12 2023**

**3:00 pm Reconciliation
4:00 pm Vigil Mass**

Sunday, August 13, 2023

**10:00 am Mass
Coffee & Donuts
Parish Hall
Following Mass**

**Other Sacraments
(as Scheduled)**

Mass Intentions

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***LOTW: Liturgy of the Word**

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MSGR LORETO GONZALES
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DAVID CHRISTENSEN
EMANUEL HOLDER
CLARENCE DIXON
MARGARITA HURST
MARINA AYALA

(OFFICE VOLUNTEERS)
TERESA CARPER

1 Corinthians 15:58

*Oh Lord, help every worker to
work wholeheartedly for the
church. Help them to remember
the work they do in the church is
not in vain as Your Word
declares Your work is never
wasted.*



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*Mass Intentions

Saturday August 05, 2023:

Deacon Emile and Anona Adams, RIP

Sunday, August 06, 2023:

Byron Hithe, RIP

Brian Evans

Suggested Donation? \$10.00 each

Did you know? August 05/06, 2023

Healthy boundaries to create an environment of trust

Adults have a responsibility to share information about themselves in age and scenario-appropriate ways to the children in their care. Being authentic does not necessarily mean sharing every detail, but rather, being approachable, honest, and caring.

Oversharing information, especially inappropriate information, can lead to boundary violations and inappropriate behavior. For more information on setting boundaries, read the VIRTUS® article:

“Barriers to Implementing Strong Boundaries” lacatholics.org/did-you-know/



YOU'RE INVITED TO
SAINT BERNADETTE CATHOLIC CHURCH
FREE **FREE**



WITH FREE PIZZA & BEVERAGES

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19TH 5PM
EL SÁBADO, EL DÍA 19 DE AGOSTO 5PM

PARISH HALL (SALON DE LA IGLESIA)
3825 DON FELIPE DRIVE, LOS ANGELES CA 90008



CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT
SPACE IS LIMITED
LLAMAR A LA PARROQUIA PARA HACER RESERVACIONES
ESPACIO ES LIMITADO
323-293-4877

CALL AND LEAVE A MESSAGE AT THE PARISH OFFICE WITH YOUR NAME, THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE
IN YOUR PARTY AND YOUR PHONE NUMBER. MINORS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.
HAGA LA LLAMADA HOY Y DEJE UN RECADO CON TU NOMBRE, LA CANTIDAD DE PERSONAS EN TU
FAMILIA Y TU CELULAR. MENORES TIENEN QUE ESTAR ACOMPAÑADOS CON UN ADULTO.