



Transfiguration of Jesus Catholic Church

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weeds Among the Wheat

July 23, 2023

This Week (July 22 - 29)			In the HORIZON	
Saturday	4:30 PM	Confession	July 22-23, 2023	
	5:00 PM	Vigil Mass	Cindi Peterson to speak about exceptional children in advance of Bill Lord Golf Tournament after Communion	
Sunday	8:30 AM	Mass (English)	August 6, 2023	
	11:00 AM	Mass (Spanish)	9: 00 AM Parish Founding Anniversary bilingual mass	
	1:00 PM	Mass (Spanish – Santa Clara)	10:00 AM Parish Summer Picnic Games/Cultural Presentations	
Monday	9:00 AM	Mass	August 13, 2023	
	7:00 PM	Online Rosary	12PM – 6 PM Santa Clara Summer Festival	
Tuesday		Father’s Day-Off	Spanish Mass Time Change	
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Weekday Mass (Santa Clara)	Starting on August 20, 2023 the Spanish is moved to 10:30 AM. Spanish Weekday Mass begins on September 11 at 7 PM (6PM – 7 PM Adoration)	
Thursday	9:00 AM	Weekday Mass		
		Morning Prayer/Adoration		
Friday	9:00 AM	Mass		
Saturday	1:00 PM	Quinceañera (Santa Clara)		
	4:30 PM	Confession		
	5:00 PM	Vigil Mass (English)		

Our Mission

To love and know more profoundly our Catholic faith, worship the Lord, minister to our members and to further spread our faith in the community.

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Office Hours

Mon. 9-12 PM

Tue. Day-off

Wed. 9-12, PM in Sta. Clara

Thur. 9-12, 4-6PM

Fri. 9-12, 4-6PM

Call to make an appointment

Adoration

Thurs. 9:30-10:30 AM

Reconciliation

Thur. during Holy Hour

Sat. 4:30 PM or by appointment

Weekend Mass Schedule

Transfiguration of Jesus

Saturday 5:00 PM English

Sunday 8:30 AM English

11:00 AM Spanish

Santa Clara Mission

1:00 PM Spanish

The Pope's Monthly Intention (July):

For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle A

First Reading

Wisdom 12:13,16-19

God has shown himself to be a God of justice and mercy.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 86:5-6,9-10,15-16

A prayer to God for mercy.

Second Reading

Romans 8:26-27

The Spirit intercedes for us with God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:24-43

Jesus offers parables about the Kingdom of Heaven and explains them to his disciples.

Background on the Gospel Reading

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers three parables to describe the Kingdom of Heaven. He also explains why he speaks to the crowds in parables and interprets the parable of the sower for the disciples. This reading is a continuation of Jesus' discourse that we began reading last Sunday.

All three parables use commonplace experiences to describe aspects of the Kingdom of Heaven. The first parable is longer and more detailed than the next two, and it alerts us to the two-fold reality of the Kingdom of Heaven. The beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven can be found in this world. The fruition of the Kingdom of Heaven, however, will not be realized until the final judgment. In the meantime, as Jesus' explanation to the disciples cautions, any effort to judge the progress of the Kingdom of Heaven is premature. Only God, in the final judgment, will distinguish the fruit of the Kingdom of Heaven and offer its reward.

The second and third parables call to our attention the abundance that will result from the small beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven. Just as a mustard seed—the smallest of all seeds—will become a large bush, so too God will bring his Kingdom to full bloom. As a small amount of yeast will leaven the entire batch of bread, so too God will bring about the expansion of his Kingdom. In each case the image is of the superabundance that God brings out of even the smallest of signs of the Kingdom.

Contained within these parables are words of caution as well as words of consolation. In the parable of the sower we are warned against judging others. To judge and uproot the "weeds" prematurely will harm the wheat; final judgment rests with God. In the parables of the mustard seed and the yeast, we are consoled by the message that God can work wonders and produce abundance from even the smallest beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven. www.loyolapress.com

Monthly Finances	June 2023 Budget	June 2023 Actual	June 2023 Actual Expenses
Offertory	\$15,000	\$14,217	
Maintenance/Others	\$2,308	\$2,778	
Total Expense		(11.12)	\$12,815.83
TOTALS	\$17,308	16,983.88	\$4,168.05

Mass Intentions/Intenciones de la Misa

Sat. 5:00 PM + Ashley Pelham Bock requested by Julia Callahan
 Sun. 8:30 AM + Ron Crecco requested by Rosanna Hirshkind
 11:00 AM *Pro Populo*
 Mon. 9:00 AM +Charlie Schaeffer requested by Pat Schaeffer

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK (PRAYER TREE)

Prayer Tree Requests should be sent to all three committee members. This is to ensure that no prayer request goes unanswered. Also, please make sure that permission is given by the person or family needing prayer, to send out the request.

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Dear Jesus, we turn to You in the time of illness. O dearest Comforter alleviate our worry with your gentle love. We place our sick under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge whatsoever you do, you do for the love of us.

Readings of the Week/Lecturas de la Semana

Sun	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43
Mon.	Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42
Tue.	Saint James, Apostle 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28
Wed.	Saints Joachim and Anne <i>Memorial</i> Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Mt 13:1-9
Thur.	Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Mt 13:10-17
Fri.	Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23
Sat.	Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus Ex 24:3-8/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Liturgical Ministers/Ministros Litúrgicos

Ministries	5:00 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Greeters	K Pulzone	M Russell C Russell	Jorge, Tino, Jorge
Transporter	M Francis	M Masinick	Jorge, Tino, Jorge
Lectors	S Bertoldi M DellaRossa	P Jazowski G Stracuzza	Olga Viviant
EMC's	D Conte J Couch	M Orłowski P Harran B Harran	Marina Marta
Altar Servers	M McCarthy	Miguel, Adriana	Joseph, Sofia Jairo, Dorian

Renewing Our Call to End the Death Penalty

... we bishops have focused on how our faith and teaching can offer a distinctive Catholic perspective on crime and punishment, responsibility, and rehabilitation. These reflections do not focus on the death penalty as our primary concern. In this context, however, we wish to renew our call for an end to capital punishment.

The administration of the death penalty is often seen as a major sign of some of the failings within the American criminal justice system. Capital punishment is cruel, unnecessary, and arbitrary; it often has racial overtones; and it fails to live up to our deep conviction that all human life is sacred: "Our witness to respect for life shines most brightly when we demand respect for each and every human life, including the lives of those who fail to show that respect for others. The antidote to violence is love, not more violence."

The new evangelization calls for followers of Christ who are unconditionally pro-life: who will proclaim, celebrate and serve the Gospel of life in every situation. A sign of hope is the increasing recognition that the dignity of human life must never be taken away, even in the case of someone who has done great evil. Modern society has the means of protecting itself, without definitively denying criminals the chance to reform (cf. *Evangelium Vitae*, no. 27).

<https://www.usccb.org/resources/responsibility-rehabilitation-and-restoration-catholic-perspective-crime-and-criminal#conclusion>

How Many Times May the Eucharist be Received on One Day?

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HOW MANY TIMES MAY THE EUCHARIST BE RECEIVED ON ONE DAY?

As many have rightly quoted canon 917, the faithful may receive Holy Communion AGAIN on the same day only during the celebration of the Eucharist in which the person participates. The authentic Latin text of the code uses the word ITERUM which is accurately translated as "AGAIN" as in "a second time." The current interpretation is that a person may receive Holy Communion TWICE if they have participated in TWO Masses on the same day. Prior to the 1983 Code, Vatican II had limited the second reception of Holy Communion to special occasions and Masses. Now, it seems, that the law allows a broader usage in that no distinction is made for the second or first Mass. A third Mass and receiving Communion a third time on the same day appears NOT to be in conformity to the spirit of the law nor to current practice and interpretation. As stated before, the fear of multiplying "Communions" as if one could QUANTIFY grace and the infinite value of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, led the Church to restrict reception to twice a day.

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At what moment can I show reverence (either bowing or genuflecting) before receiving Holy Communion?

General Instruction of the Roman Missal, No. 160, states: *"When receiving Holy Communion, the communicant bows his or her head before the Sacrament as a gesture of reverence and receives the Body of the Lord from the minister. The consecrated host may be received either on the tongue or in the hand, at the discretion of each communicant. When Holy Communion is received under both kinds, the sign of reverence is also made before receiving the Precious Blood."*

[No. 161] *"If Communion is given only under the species of bread, the priest raises the host slightly and shows it to each, saying, 'Corpus Christi' (The Body of Christ). The communicant replies, 'Amen,' and receives the Sacrament either on the tongue or, where this is allowed and if the communicant so chooses, in the hand. As soon as the communicant receives the host, he or she consumes it entirely."*

The text does not specify the moment of this bow of reverence and there are few other specific norms. The original text does not specify a bow but merely refers to an act of reverence to be established by the bishops' conference. Some conferences have included the option of making either a genuflection or a bow.

In practice the act of reverence may be made either just before receiving or while the person immediately before oneself is receiving. It really depends on the number of communicants. **Here at Transfiguration, we are adapting the practice of showing reverence before receiving the Body of Christ and the Blood of Christ while the person immediately before oneself is receiving.** This is to be observed to avoid hitting the hand of the minister distributing either the sacred Body of Jesus or His most Precious Blood.