



Transfiguration of Jesus Catholic Church

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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 30, 2023

Hidden Treasures

This Week (July 30 – August 6)		
Saturday	1:00 PM	Quinceañera (Santa Clara)
	4:30 PM	Confession
	5:00 PM	Vigil Mass
Sunday	8:00 AM	Rosary
	8:30 AM	Mass (English)
	11:00 AM	Mass (Spanish)
	1:00 PM	Mass (Spanish – Santa Clara)
	3:00 -6:00 PM	Hispanic Heritage Use of the Hall
Monday	9:00 AM	Mass
	7:00 PM	Online Rosary
Tuesday		Father's Day-Off
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Weekday Mass (Santa Clara)
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)
Sunday	9:00 AM	71st Anniversary Mass

In the HORIZON	
August 6, 2023	
9:00 AM	Parish Founding Anniversary bilingual mass
10:00 AM	Parish Summer Picnic Games/Cultural Presentations
August 13, 2023	
12PM – 6 PM	Santa Clara Summer Festival
Spanish Mass Time Change	
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)	
July 29 – August 21, 2023	
HD&L collection of school supplies to support the different schools in the Duplin county area.	
September 1: Bill Lord Gold Tournament	

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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Mass Intentions and Mass Cards

Donna Schulz - 910-285-0711

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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.

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle A

First Reading

1 Kings 3:5,7-12

Solomon pleases God when he asks for a wise and understanding heart to better govern the people.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 119:57,72,76-77,127-130

The law of the Lord is more precious than silver and gold.

Second Gospel Reading

Romans 8:28-30

God chose us to be conformed to the image of his Son.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:44-52

Jesus teaches about the Kingdom of Heaven.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel concludes three weeks of readings from the 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel. Throughout these three weeks we have heard Jesus' teaching crowds about the kingdom of heaven, and we have heard Jesus interpret some of his teachings for the disciples. In this week's Gospel, Jesus offers three more short parables.

The first two parables describe the great value of the kingdom of heaven. In the first parable, Jesus says that the kingdom of heaven is like a buried treasure that is worth possessing even if it means giving up everything else. In the second parable, Jesus proposes that the kingdom of heaven is like a pearl of great worth for which one will sell everything else to possess. These parables teach us that we are to place everything we value in the service of the pursuit of the Kingdom of God.

The third parable that Jesus proposes in today's Gospel is different from the first two, but it is reminiscent of the parable of the sower heard in last week's Gospel. The kingdom of heaven is compared to fishing with a wide net. After the fish have been collected, the good fish are kept and the bad fish are thrown away; so too, in the final judgment, will the wicked and the righteous be separated.

Today's Gospel concludes with a curious statement about the scribe who understands the kingdom of heaven. Here a metaphor is offered: this scribe is like the head of a household who "brings from his storeroom both the new and the old." The scribes referred to here are experts of Mosaic law. It is possible that Jesus is here instructing the early Christian community on how to proceed in the interpretation of Jewish law with respect to Jesus' "new" teaching. Jesus' teaching about the kingdom of heaven does not replace the Jewish tradition; it interprets it in a different light.

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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 + Magaret Nunnermacker requested by Rosanna Hirshkind
 Sun. 8:30 AM +
 11:00 AM *Pro Populo*

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	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52
Mon.	Saint Ignatius of Loyola Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Mt 13:31-35
Tue.	Saint Alphonsus Liguori Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Mt 13:36-43
Wed.	Ex 34:29-35/Mt 13:44-46
Thur.	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Mt 13:47-53
Fri.	Saint John Vianney Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Mt 13:54-58
Sat.	Lv 25:1, 8-17/Mt 14:1-12

Liturgical Ministers/Ministros Litúrgicos

Ministries	5:00 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Greeters	B Jaco	D Kusnierz M Kusnierz	Jorge, Tino, Jorge
Transporter	B Jaco	B Harran	Jorge, Tino, Jorge
Lectors	M DellaRossa B Russell	P Harran B Harran	Lizbeth Avril
EMC's	C Partyka J Couch	R Hirshkind P Harran B Harran	Viviant Tino
Altar Servers	M McCarthy	Neil Leah	Joseph, Sofia Jairo, Dorian

15th Annual Knights of Columbus L.A.M.B Tournament in support of the Duplin County Schools Exceptional Children. Since its inception, Bill Lord Memorial Golf Tournament has raised about \$90,000.00 benefitting the County's School Exceptional Children.

The Knights, under the auspices of the Least Among My Brethren (LAMB) Foundation of NC, Inc, will be sponsoring the Bill Lord Memorial tournament on September 1st at River Landing so mark your calendars and come out and continue to support our exceptional children. All are welcome to play.

Sponsorship and entry forms are available from:

Event Chairman: Daniel Kusnierz, 301-526-8929 or DanKusnierz@comcast.net
 Event Coordinator: Mike Vandiver, 910-271-4444 or mtvandiver@gmail.com



FORMATION COLUMN

Striking the Breast

When reciting the Confiteor at Mass, all strike their breast one time when saying, “through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault.” The gesture has always been part of the post-Vatican II Mass. Prior to the Council, the priest and servers recited the Confiteor to each other and struck their breast three times. The gesture was reduced to a single strike.

Also prior to the Council, people struck their breast during the Lamb of God and the “Lord, I am not worthy” before Communion. However, these gestures were not carried into the post-Vatican II Mass. Some people have struck their breast during the Kyrie and the Glory to God, but this was never officially requested.

Today, when the priest recites Eucharistic Prayer I, he strikes his breast when saying the words, “To us, also, your sinful servants.” Along with the Confiteor, these are the only two instances of striking the breast in the post-Vatican II Mass. In both cases, the gesture accompanies an acknowledgment of sin.

The gesture has biblical origins. In the Old Testament, women beat their breasts as a sign of loss—the maidens of Nineveh at the conquest of their city in the Book of Nahum (2:7), and the women of Jerusalem at the devastation of their pleasant fields and fruitful vines in Isaiah 32:12.

The New Testament offers two references, both in the Gospel of Luke, and these probably link more directly to the later liturgical practice. The tax collector, in contrast to the Pharisee, beats his breast while praying, “O God, be merciful to me a sinner” (18:13). Those who witnessed the death of Jesus on the Cross return home beating their breasts (23:48). When we strike our breasts during the Confiteor, we acknowledge that we are sinners, and that our sins have consequences.

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Human Life and Dignity School Supplies Donation Drive

Education is the key to a child's future. There are children here in Duplin County who cannot afford school supplies. The Human Life and Dignity Committee of Transfiguration welcomes donations of any of the following to help children lacking resources be appropriately equipped for the upcoming school year. School starts August 28 here in Duplin County. Your contribution to a child's future may be dropped in a box in the vestibule or on Julia Callahan's front porch starting on July 22 until August 20. School social workers will distribute your donations to those who need them most.

Markers Pencils (fat for small fingers; #2's for older children) - Rulers - Glue sticks - Erasers (for ends of pencils or the pink kind) - Paper for 3-ring notebooks - 1" 3 ring notebook binders - Packs of subject dividers
Highlighters - Blunt scissors - Composition notebooks - Scissors
(blunt tips for smaller children; Fiskars is a good brand) - backpacks

Items for the classroom: Kleenex - Clorox wipes - Hand sanitizer

