

Bulletin

Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish

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July 12, 2009. Fifteenth Sunday in ordinary time.

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What do you expect from the Church, which is not only the hierarchy (the leaders) but all of God's people, you and I included? What is its mission? There are conflicting ideas. Many are in favor of a kind of civil religion which stands for the status quo and stern patriotism. We think of political prayer breakfasts, worship services in the White House, and of how civil religion would approach the draft evasion versus how it should be done in the light of the Gospel.

The Church is stripping itself of the many human-made burdensome matters that had accumulated over the centuries and designedly going back to a more original evangelical pattern. Change causes friction. This is necessary and even good. Both "progressives" and "conservatives" in the Church need one another's corrective attitude. The bond of love and mutual respect should keep us together.

Questions for reflection

The priest said to Amos, "Off with you, visionary, flee to the land of Judah! There earn your bread by prophesying but never again prophesy in Bethel."

- Do you criticize those who belong to another group, creed, or opinion, without considering the flows in your own position?
- What can you learn from those who think differently?

God has made known the mystery of the divine will, set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of times, to sum up all things in Christ, in heaven and on earth.

- How does God's plan to "sum things up" come in conflict with the human tendency to break things apart?
- How can we become reconcilers and healers of a broken world?

"Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them."

- When has forgiveness been shown to you?
- When have you struggled most in order to forgive?
- What remains unforgiven in your life?

FAITH RESPONSE:

Read a book that explores a new viewpoint. Listen to an opponent's side of the story without judgment. Get a spiritual director who's willing to be tough on you. Consider an opinion in which you may be wrong.

HOLY MASSES

Sunday July 12, 2009. Fifteenth Sunday in ordinary time.

9:00am Holy Mass for + Stefania Maciag req. by Mary Kotula.

11:00am Polska Msza za parafian.

Sunday July 19, 2009. Sixteenth Sunday in ordinary time.

9:00am Holy Mass for + Elmer Sherman req. by Dores Sherman.

11:00am Polska Msza za parafian.

Events and activities

Responsorial Psalm for today is: Lord let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Please check this out; our new website: www.transfigurationpncc.org

Please pray for all the sick and shut-ins especially for: Caren Lagerstrom, Joseph Zavatsky, Jean Manowiecki, Edmund Satulla, Bp. Anthony Rysz, Bp. John Swantek, Fr. Senior Eugeniusz Stelmach, Julia Paluszek, Theodore Ciulac, Catherin Zglobicki, Jennie Corrigan, Frank Kusniesz and all in need of our prayers.

Beatitudes for Carers

Blessed are those who care and who are not afraid to show it - they will let people know they are loved.

Blessed are those who are gentle and patient - they will help people to grow as sun helps the buds to open and blossom.

Blessed are those who have the ability to listen - they will lighten many a burden.

Blessed are those who know how and when to let go - they will have the joy of seeing people find themselves.

Blessed are those who, when nothing can be done or said, do not walk away, but remain to provide a comforting and supportive presence - they will help the suffer to bear the unbearable.

Blessed are those who recognize their own need to receive, and who receive with graciousness - they will be able to give all the better.

Blessed are those who give without hope of return - they will give people an experience of God.

Sacrament of Baptism: Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Arrangement should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.

Emergencies, Sickness and Death should be reported to the rectory office immediately.

Welcome to Our Visitors - We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please introduce yourself to the Pastor after Mass, please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. Please remember that you are always welcome to join us in worship at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish.

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