

St. Thomas More Church

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The Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday, August 6th 2017



EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS WEEKLY LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil
5:00PM

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00-4:45PM

Sunday

7:30AM, 9:00AM, 12:30PM

10:45AM *Spanish*

English

Daily: Mon-Sat

8:30AM

Holy Day Masses

8:30AM, 7:00PM

Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements regarding
Baptisms, Funerals, and Quinceañeras



For Sacraments of Matrimony, please contact the
Parish Office six months prior to the date of the wedding

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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| Monday-Thursday | 9:00AM - 7:30PM | <i>Closed 1:00 - 2:00PM</i> |
| Friday | 9:00AM - 7:00PM | <i>Closed 1:00 - 2:00PM</i> |
| Saturday | 9:00AM - 1:00PM | |

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School Website: stthomasmorealhambra.org

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I saw one like a Son of man coming on the clouds of heaven (Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14).

Psalm — The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth (Psalm 97).
Second Reading — Be attentive to the prophetic message, as to a lamp shining in a dark place (2 Peter 1:16-19).

Gospel — Jesus was transfigured, and his clothes became white as light (Matthew 17:1-9).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or
Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35;

Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14; Rom 9:1-5;
Mt 14:22-33

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — En una visión, Daniel vio a alguien como el Hijo del hombre ante el trono del Anciano recibiendo poder, honor y reino (Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14).

Salmo — Reina, el Señor, alégrese la tierra (Salmo 97 (96)).

Segunda lectura — Jesús es el Hijo muy amado en quien el Padre se complace (2 Pedro 1:16-19).

Evangelio — Jesús, unido a Elías y a Moisés se transfigura en la presencia de Pedro, Santiago y Juan (Marcos 9:2-10).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Nm 11:4b-15; Sal 81 (80):12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Martes: Nm 12:1-13; Sal 51 (50):3-7, 12-13;
Mt 14:22-36 o Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Miércoles: Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35;
Sal 106 (105):6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

Jueves: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Sal 112 (111):1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Viernes: Dt 4:32-40; Sal 77 (76):12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28

Sábado: Dt 6:4-13; Sal 18 (17):2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20

Domingo: 1 Re 19:9a, 11-13a; Sal 85 (84):9-14; Rom 9:1-5;
Mt 14:22-33

Collections for 7/30/17

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| 5:00 PM | \$906.00 |
| 7:30 AM | \$992.00 |
| 9:00 AM | \$1,372.00 |
| 10:45 AM | \$587.00 |
| 12:30 PM | \$899.00 |
| By mail/online | \$736.00 |
| Bldg Fund | \$282.00 |
| Air Conditioning | \$405.00 |
| Altar Society | \$25.00 |
| Total | \$6,204.00 |

Thank You

Gracias



Safeguard the Children



New abuse prevention brochure available

There is a lot that goes into preparing for the new school year, and it's important to remember to talk about safety. These are a few tips to consider: (1) meet all of your child's teachers, (2) discuss school bathroom behavior (no one should go into a stall with a child for any reason), (3) occasionally walk your children to their class instead of using the carpool line.

To request a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Three Things that Simply Must Be Done" Email jvienna@la-archdiocese.org or Call (213) 637-7227.

Knights of Columbus Fundraiser!



Fun, Family, Pizza!

The Knights will be having a fundraiser at Shakey's Pizza Monday, August 7th from 6-9pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

2234 W. Valley Blvd.
Alhambra, CA 91803
Phone: 626-289-7851



Movie Knight

Friday, August 11

-FREE ADMISSION-

Parish Hall

The Knights of Columbus invite you to Movie Knight in the Parish Hall.

Movie: To Be Announced



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Facebook

www.facebook.com/StThomasMoreAlhambra

2017-2018 Registration For

St. Thomas More Catholic School

Kindergarten through eighth grade new student applications are being accepted for the 2017-2018 school year. The application form is also available at www.stthomasmorealhambra.org or by contacting the school office at 626/284-5778. Please don't hesitate to contact the school office during Summer if you have any concern, question, or schedule for a tour.

Registration for Religious Education Classes

Registration for grades 1-8, will be held throughout the summer from Mondays through Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. at the O'Neill Center.

Please bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate if you are registering for First Communion classes.

Parish Notes

To keep cool air circulating inside the church during the summer heat, please keep all doors closed at all times. Your cooperation is appreciated and will help us all keep cool.

I will be on vacation for three weeks starting 7/27, and I will return on 8/18. During this time, Fr. O'Neill will be here at St. Thomas More and will help with any questions you may have.

Fr. Thai Le

Sunday Breakfast

Please join us in the hall for



Dork Ribs in Green Sauce, Eggs and Chorizo, Huevos Rancheros, Menudo, Coffee and Donuts

8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Sponsored by Youth Ministry

CURRENT EVENTS

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| Saturday, August 05, 2017 | | |
| Sunday, August 06, 2017 | | |
| 8:00AM -2:00 PM | Breakfast | Hall |
| Monday, August 07, 2017 | | |
| 9:30AM | Legion of Mary | Ministry Center |
| 7:00PM - 9:00PM | Youth Band Practice | Church |
| Tuesday, August 08, 2017 | | |
| 9:00AM - 9:30AM | Our Lady of Wisdom Prayer Group | Church |
| 7:00 PM | Grief Support | Ministry Center |
| 7:45PM | English Choir Practice | Church |
| Wednesday, August 09, 2017 | | |
| 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM | Mother of Perpetual Help Novena | Church |
| 7:00 PM | Bible Study | Ministry Center |
| Thursday, August 10, 2017 | | |
| 1:00PM | Mission Circle | Ministry Center |
| 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM | Youth Nights | Ministry Center |
| 8:00 PM | Spanish Choir Practice | Church |
| Friday, August 11, 2017 | | |
| 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM | Eucharistic Adoration | Church |
| 6:00 PM | Knights of Columbus Movie Knight | Hall |
| Saturday, August 12, 2017 | | |
| Sunday, August 13, 2017 | | |
| 8:00AM -2:00 PM | Breakfast | Hall |

MASS SCHEDULE

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| Saturday, August 05, 2017 | | |
| 8:30 AM | Fr. O'Neill | Parishioners of STM |
| 4:00PM | Fr. O'Neill | Confessions |
| 5:00 PM | Fr. Donovan | Patrick Yiu† Francisco Ramon Montiel † |
| Sunday, August 06, 2017 | | |
| 7:30 AM | Fr. Donovan | Teresa Vickie Phan † Peter Sinh Nguyen † |
| 9:00 AM | Fr. Donovan | Antonio & Consuelo Catalan† |
| 10:45 AM | Fr. Ruiz | Rafael Garcia Sr.† |
| 12:30 PM | Fr. Cruz | Jose Padilla † |
| Monday, August 07, 2017 | | |
| 8:30 AM | Fr. Donovan | Arnel Del Castillo: Birthday |
| Tuesday, August 08, 2017 | | |
| 8:30 AM | Fr. O'Neill | Parishioners of STM |
| Wednesday, August 09, 2017 | | |
| 8:30 AM | Fr. Donovan | Parishioners of STM |
| Thursday, August 10, 2017 | | |
| 8:30 AM | Fr. Donovan | Parishioners of STM |
| Friday, August 11, 2017 | | |
| 8:30 AM | Fr. Donovan | Parishioners of STM |
| Saturday, August 12, 2017 | | |
| 8:30 AM | Fr. O'Neill | Alfonso Santamaria † |
| 4:00PM | Fr. O'Neill | Confessions |
| 5:00 PM | Fr. Donovan | Patrick Yiu† |
| Sunday, August 13, 2017 | | |
| 7:30 AM | Fr. Manni | Teresa Vickie Phan † Peter Sinh Nguyen † |
| 9:00 AM | Fr. Manni | Parishioners of STM |
| 10:45 AM | Fr. Ruiz | Ernesto Perez † |
| 12:30 PM | Fr. Manni | Maria Laura Cardoza: Birthday |

Please Pray for the Sick

Fr. Jeremiah O'Neill

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| A Anita Alderete | G Gavin Gutierrez | P Laura Pagano |
| Mariano Aoanan | Ricardo Gutierrez | Tony Pagliotti |
| George Astacio | Carolina Guzman | Sharon Palmiter |
| Rosa Astacio | H Memo Herrera | Arpie Pezeshkian |
| Brianna Ayestas | Sally Herrera | R Dolores Ramirez |
| B Douglas Barquero | I Selvia Inado | Maria Rosa Ramirez |
| Bertha La Barreda | J Darwin Jenkins | Ramon Ramos |
| Roy Barrientos | Dennis James Johnson | Julieta Reta |
| Patricia Bernal | Gary Jones | Maria T. Riley |
| Andy Bouffard | K Mary Keffer | Armando & Maria Rivera |
| Louie Bouffard | Theresa Kryszek | Michael Angelo Rodriguez |
| Steven Brown | L Bill Lamb | Rosalia Rodriguez |
| Tod and Rose Marie Brown | Anfrea Leija | Mike Romano |
| Ida Bustos | William Lievense | Ana Romo |
| C Jessica Cabrera | James Lindgren | Daniela Garcia de la Rosa |
| Rita Campanella | Yee See Lipsun | Virginia Rosales |
| Gloria Cancio | Eleanor Lopez | Alissa Roybal |
| S. Cano | Brother Martin Lorenzini | Clare Ryan |
| Burt Carranza | Bonnie Luna | S Mason Saldaña |
| Evelin Carranza | Elvira Luna | Virginia Sanchez |
| Erik M. Casillas | Rafael & Gerardo Luna | Sisi Shum |
| Blanca & Procoro Castañeda | M Gilbert Madrid | Uldarica Sison |
| Jessica Cerda | Cely Magpantay | Eddie Souza |
| Joan Cervantes | Salvador Maldonado | Anne Steidl |
| D Roger Davila | Anna Maraldo | Dorian Suarez |
| Jesus M. Dulay | Edgardo Marin | U Leticia Ureno |
| E Maria Endara | Francis Meyer | V Richard Valdes |
| Malia Estrada | Jean Miceli | Michael Velasco |
| F Ruth Fabela | James Montague | Ricardo & Felicidad Villegas |
| Pat Fernandez | N Carey Nakayama | Theresa Mai Vu |
| Tony Filosa | Gloria Natividad | Therese Huyen-Duong Thi Vu |
| G Mariano G. | Huy Nguyen | W Jean Reyes Williams |
| Juan Garcia | Mario Nieto | Martha Willox |
| Ramona Garcia | | Janny Wong |
| | | Jennifer Wong |
| | | Z Christine Zampese |

Pray for the Dead

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| Richard Angulo | Francisco Ramon Montiel |
| Isaiah Gabriel Gutierrez | Peter Sinh Nguyen |
| Susan Iqzalde | Ernesto Perez |
| Carmen Ianes | Dean Smith |



Hello!

As we celebrate The Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, the Gospel tells us that the Apostles Peter, James, and John witnessed a remarkable event that they had never experienced before – the *glory* of God as Jesus was transfigured before them. The three Apostles did not fully comprehend what was happening and they were terrified by His transfiguration.

There is a reason for these Apostles' surprise. Before His transfiguration, the Apostles thought that Jesus was just simply a wise man, preacher, teacher, and a person that they could get along without feeling threatened. They were comfortable to be around Him. It's no wonder they were surprised as they realized this person they thought they knew was not just a nice man or a preacher; He was the Son of God! Peter, James, and John were forever changed by His Transfiguration.

Jesus still transfigures during the Eucharistic celebration. He touches all the participants in a mysterious love and healing power in the Scriptures and in each celebration. His Body and Blood. Thus, whenever we are participating in the Eucharist, we are reminded that Jesus wants to heal us through the power of God's Word – to be more attentive when we are listening to His words. When the Gospel is proclaimed, God is speaking to His people! The power of God's Word and the Eucharist transforms our lives as He did n of God. awith the first Apostles. We will be different; growing each time we participate in the Eucharist. We are forever changed by the mystery of the His healing power. Don't miss that!

Unfortunately, some people still do not believe in the love of Christ in the Eucharist. They may come to the Mass, but their minds may be busy thinking about something else. Some come to the Eucharist merely to fulfill a Sunday obligation. Some come to Mass because of habit, routine, or to please someone! Many even do not believe in the Mass and insisting, "Jesus died for my sins, and I don't need to do anything else." Unfortunately, this *brilliant* idea only serves to justify their closed minds. Consequently, there will be no transfiguration for them.

Whatever feelings, faith tradition, or life-experiences we may have, Jesus is present in the Eucharist from bread and wine transfigured to His Body and Blood for our salvation and life. This is the unfolding power of love that Our Lord is bestowing upon His people every day. We are transformed by His Power each time we receive His Word, His Body, and His Blood. If we believe in His Power, we will be able to change ourselves and others.

We have the power of knowing that every person has the capacity to change; to be better no matter what habit or situation he or she is enduring. We have the power to transform our bad habits, our lack of kindness, our discouraged personalities, and our hateful thoughts and behaviors into the people that God has always wanted us to be. We must trust in the power of Our Lord and allow Him to transform us to be more like Him. Through His Power, we will grow each day, and other people around will see us as a true model of His Transfiguration.

God bless!

Fr. Thai

¡Hola!

Al celebrar la Fiesta de la Transfiguración del Señor, el Evangelio nos dice que los apóstoles Pedro, Santiago y Juan fueron testigos de un acontecimiento extraordinario que nunca antes habían experimentado: la gloria de Dios como Jesús se transfiguró delante de ellos. Los tres Apóstoles no comprendían completamente lo que estaba sucediendo y estaban aterrorizados por Su transfiguración.

Hay una razón para la sorpresa de estos Apóstoles. Antes de su transfiguración, los Apóstoles pensaban que Jesús era simplemente un hombre sabio, un predicador, un maestro y una persona que podían seguir adelante sin sentirse amenazados. Ellos estaban cómodos para estar cerca de Él. No es de extrañar que se sorprendieron cuando se dieron cuenta de esta persona que pensaban que sabían que no era sólo un buen hombre o un predicador; ¡Él era el Hijo de Dios! Pedro, Santiago y Juan fueron cambiados para siempre por Su Transfiguración.

Jesús sigue transfigurándose durante la celebración eucarística. Él toca a todos los participantes en un misterioso amor y poder sanador en las Escrituras y Su Cuerpo y Sangre. Por lo tanto, cuando estamos participando en la Eucaristía, se nos recuerda que Jesús quiere sanarnos a través del poder de la Palabra de Dios-para estar más atentos cuando estamos escuchando Sus palabras. Cuando el Evangelio es proclamado, Dios está hablando a Su pueblo! El poder de la Palabra de Dios y de la Eucaristía transforma nuestras vidas como lo hizo con los primeros Apóstoles. Seremos diferentes; Creciendo cada vez que participamos en la Eucaristía. Estamos cambiados para siempre por el misterio de Su poder sanador. ¡No te lo pierdas!

Desafortunadamente, algunas personas todavía no creen en el amor de Cristo en la Eucaristía. Pueden venir a la Misa, pero sus mentes pueden estar ocupadas pensando en otra cosa. Algunos vienen a la Eucaristía simplemente para cumplir una obligación del domingo. ¡Algunos vienen a la misa por el hábito, la rutina, o por complacer a alguien! Muchos ni siquiera creen en la misa e insisten: "Jesús murió por mis pecados, y no necesito hacer nada más". Desafortunadamente, esta brillante idea sólo sirve para justificar sus mentes cerradas. En consecuencia, no habrá transfiguración para ellos.

Cualesquiera que sean los sentimientos, la tradición de fe o las experiencias de vida que tengamos, Jesús está presente en la Eucaristía desde el pan y el vino transfigurados a Su Cuerpo y Sangre para nuestra salvación y vida. Este es el poder de despliegue del amor que Nuestro Señor está concediendo a Su pueblo cada día. Somos transformados por Su Poder cada vez que recibimos Su Palabra, Su Cuerpo y Su Sangre. Si creemos en Su Poder, podremos cambiar a nosotros mismos ya los demás.

Tenemos el poder de saber que cada persona tiene la capacidad de cambiar; Para ser mejor no importa qué hábito o situación él o ella está durando. Tenemos el poder de transformar nuestros malos hábitos, nuestra falta de bondad, nuestras personalidades desalentadas y nuestros pensamientos y comportamientos odiosos en las personas que Dios siempre ha querido que fuéramos. Debemos confiar en el poder de Nuestro Señor y permitir que Él nos transforme para ser más como Él. A través de Su Poder, creceremos cada día, y otras personas alrededor nos verán como un verdadero modelo de Su Transfiguración.

¡Dios bendiga!

P.Thai