

March 30, 2014  
Fourth Sunday of Lent

# Transfiguration of Jesus Catholic Church

## Pastor

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## Deacon

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## Mass Schedule:

Mondays – no mass  
Tuesdays -- 5:30 pm  
Wednesdays -- no mass  
(mass in Magnolia at St. Clara)  
Thursdays -- 8:30 am  
Fridays -- 9 am  
Saturdays at 5 pm (English)  
and 7 pm (Spanish)  
Sundays at 8:30 am  
See Bulletin for possible changes

## Adoration:

Thursday after Mass until  
6:00 p.m.

## Reconciliation:

Thursday after Mass and  
Saturday before Mass or  
by appointment

## Fr. Alex Office Hours:

Thursday: 9:30-11am or  
feel free also to set an  
appointment by email.

## Mass Intentions and Mass Cards

Geri Cullen  
910-285-7334

## Parish Council Chair:

Huck Booz

## Financial Council Chair:

Mark Hopkins



## 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.

## Sunday, March 30- Sunday, April 6

Sunday Sunday 1 sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; eph 5:8-14; jn 9:1-41

Monday Is: 65:17-21; PS 30; Joh 4:43-54

Tuesday Ez 47:1-9, 12;0 Ps 46; Joh 5:1-16

Wednesday Is 49:8-15; Ps 145; Jh 5:17-30

Thursday Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106; Jhn 5:31-47

Friday Wis 2:1a, 12-22; ps 34; Jhn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday Jer 11:18-20; Ps; Jhn 7:40-53

Sunday Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130; Ro 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

The  
Word  
of God

## Important Information

Parish Registration: Welcome to our parish. New members are asked to call the Parish office to register. Current parishioners who relocate are requested to inform us of your move. To **update your registration information**, please contact Elaine Masinick ([emasininck@gmail.com](mailto:emasininck@gmail.com)).

If you know of anyone who is ill, bereaved, or celebrating a significant anniversary, please contact **Pat Swinson at 285-5996** so she can send a card from the parish to the family. Pat will need the name, address and information on the occasion in order to do so.

**Homebound Ministry:** If you know of someone who is homebound and would like to receive the Holy Eucharist, please contact Deacon at 285-7426.

In need of a Priest: Father Alex can be contacted at 910-285-1876 should you have an emergency or any life and death situation that requires a priest.

## Sacraments

Baptism: Parents must attend 2 preparation classes prior to having your child baptized. Please schedule an appointment with Father Alex or with Deacon Price to discuss this procedure.

Marriage: The marriage preparation program for the Diocese of Raleigh takes six months. Call the parish office to schedule an appointment with Father Alex.

Sacrament of Penance: Thursday after Mass, Saturday before Mass or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call Father Alex if anyone is in need of this sacrament

**Prayer List** – Bill Norris, Shirley Northcott, J.L. Price, Dewayne Price, Janet Johnson, Noel Nunnermacker, Elizabeth Edwards, The Gerard Callahan family, Alex Powell, Corey Bock, The James Wetzell family, Glen Powell, Karen Deso and all members of the military especially those in harm's way.

At the beginning of each month, The Prayer List will start a new prayer list. If someone, friend or family is sick, please let us know by emailing [eileenhirshkind@aol.com](mailto:eileenhirshkind@aol.com) and we will list them in the bulletin.

### Mass Intentions

Sat Mar 29 - Repose of the soul of Barbara Garro rqtst by Anita & Bob Wagner  
Sun Mar 30 - Repose of the soul of Michael Melody rqtst by JoAnn & Huck Booz  
Mon Mar 31-  
Tue Apr 1-  
Wen Apr 2-  
Thu Apr 3-  
Fri Apr 4 - Repose of the soul of Edward Patram requested by Fr. Alex Gonzalez  
Sat Apr 5 - Repose of the soul of Barbara Garro requested by Pat & Dennis Gasparini  
Sun Apr 6 - Repose of the soul of Larry Wilburn requested by Deacon & Mrs. Jo Price

*John 11:25-26: Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die"*

Contact Geri Cullen to schedule Mass Intentions 910-285-7334

### **RESPECT LIFE -**

"Bekind, especially with the infirm. Love them well...Oh yes! Be kind. It is a great grace God is giving you. In serving the aged, it is He Himself whom you are serving."

-- St. Jeanne Jugan, Founder of the Little sisters of the Poor

**Fetal Development of Hannah** Tradition teaches us Christ was conceived on the Feast of the Annunciation. We will watch the parallel development of "Hannah" in the womb beginning on March 25 (Feast of the Annunciation) until December 25.

**(week 2)** Hannah has implanted in the wall of her mother's uterus which typically takes place about 6 days after conception. Immediately, physical changes start taking place with the mother. The placenta starts to form. The placenta protects the child and provides nutrients to the new baby. The mother's uterus will increase its capacity by 1000 times during pregnancy. "for nothing will be impossible for God." Luke 1:37

**(Week 3)** Multiplying and developing rapidly, Hannah's cells are separating into those that will form her body and organ systems. Before the second week is over, her cells have separated into those that will give rise to the brain, the nervous system, skin, digestive system, muscles, bones, and circulatory system.

I praise you, so wonderfully you made me . . . my bones were not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, fashioned as in the depths of the earth. (Psalm 139)

Pray for Our Priests:

Sunday, March 30: Fr. Charles Miller  
Monday, March 31: Msgr. Joseph Ntuwa  
Tuesday, April 1: Pope Francis  
Wednesday, April 2: Bishop Michael Burbidge  
Thursday, April 3: Fr. Michael Lasky, O.F.M.  
Friday, April 4: Msgr. Patrick McCabe  
Saturday, April 5: Fr. Thomas Gumprecht, S.A.

### Prayer for Priests by St. Therese de Lisieux

O Jesus, Eternal Priest, keep you priest, Fr. (name the priest), within the shelter of Your Sacred Heart, where none may touch him. Keep unstained his anointed hands, which daily touch Your Sacred Body. Keep unsullied his lips, daily purpled with Your Precious Blood. Keep pure and unearthly his heart sealed with the sublime mark of the priesthood. Let Your holy love surround him and shield him from the world's contagion. Bless his labors with abundant fruit and may the souls to whom he ministers be his joy and consolation here and in heaven his beautiful and everlasting crown. Amen.

Prayer for the Pope: Lord Jesus, shelter our Holy Father the pope under the protection of Thy Sacred Heart. Be Thou his light, his strength, and his consolation.



### **Flower Donation:**



### **Sanctuary candle in memory/honor of: Angelene Dixon**

Donating Flowers and Sanctuary Candles to decorate our Altar and Church is a great way to honor our beloved ones!

Envelopes are available in the vestibule to schedule flower and candle donations

Prayer for the Bishop: O God, Shepherd of all the faithful, look with favor on Your servant whom you have placed in charge of Your Church here. Help him, by Your love and Your grace, to teach us truly and to rule us wisely. Give him courage when times are difficult. Grant that his people will listen to him. May he always have the happiness of knowing that we are respectful and obedient to him, and thereby to Christ our Lord, whose representative we believe him to be. May he inspire those whose shepherd he is, by his words and example, so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Seminarians:** Beginning in April our seminarians' birthdays will be published in our bulletin along with their mailing addresses. It will be thoughtful and supportive to send them birthday greetings or other correspondence.

Erik Reyes April 2  
C. Allende  
Col Talpan Centro 14000  
Tlalpan. D. F.

Michael Coveyou April 15  
558 South Ave  
Weston MA 02493

Miles Casanova April 25  
100 Wynnewood Road  
Wynnewood, PA 19096

**Flowers:** We have started to collect envelopes for the flowers for Easter Mass. We encourage you using the envelopes; however, if someone wants to donate something specific in remembrance of a loved one, we do want only white flowers and they must be at the hall the Saturday before Easter by 11:00AM.

**Catholicism Adult Formation Program March 20th – April 17<sup>th</sup>:** The Catholicism series will continue every Thursday through April 17. Please join us Thursday mornings following Mass or at 6:30 PM to develop a deeper understanding of our Faith. Each lesson stands on its own so feel free to attend when you can.

The program was a successful and enjoyable event last year. We hope that you will join us this year every Thursday, from March 20 until April 17. There will be classes at 930am & a repeat class @ 6:30 pm. **Please come and join us for coffee and an exciting learning experience on Thursday mornings after Mass. Thursday evenings there will be lively discussions while enjoying dessert. This is a rewarding way to enhance our Lenten experience.**

**Courage/Encourage-** Courage, an apostolate of the Roman Catholic Church and the Diocese of Raleigh, ministers to those with same-sex attractions (Courage) and their loved ones (Encourage). Courage and

Encourage have been endorsed by the Pontifical Council for the Family. Contact Fr. James Fukes, O.F.M. Conv at 919-742-5584 for CONFIDENTIAL inquiry. Browse the global website: <http://www.couragerc.net> or the diocesan website: <http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org/how/cfe/courage.aspx> for more information and resources.

#### **INFORMATION ABOUT LENT AND HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:**

April 3 & 10 at 9:15P & 6:30P: Catholicism Series II

Fridays of Lent:

9:00 AM Daily Mass (\*See Schedule for cancelations)

9:45 AM Stations of the Cross (English)

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Spanish)

Monday, March 31 at 6:30 PM: Lenten Penance Service (see Next week's bulletin for information about other dates and places for Lenten Penance Services)

*Holy Week:*

Tuesday, 2:00 PM Chrism Mass at St Michael's in Cary

Thursday, 6:00 PM Mass of the Lord Supper, Bilingual at Transfiguration

8:00 PM Mass of the Lord Supper, Spanish at Santa Clara.

Good Friday: 3:00 PM Solemn Good Friday Service with Adoration of the Cross, Bilingual at Transfiguration.

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross at Transfiguration

5:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Live) followed by Good

Friday Service at Santa Clara

Holy Saturday, 11:00 AM: Morning Prayer & Blessing of the Easter baskets.

Easter Vigil: 8:30 PM Great Easter Vigil Mass, Spanish at Santa Clara  
NO MASS AT TRANSFIGURATION CHURCH

Easter Sunday: 8:30 AM Mass-English at Transf. with Sacraments of Initiation

10:15 AM Mass – Bilingual at Transf.

11:30 AM Mass-Spanish with Sacraments of Initiation at Transf.

4:00 P Mass-Spanish with Sacraments of Initiation at Santa Clara

Week after Easter Sunday: Church and Office closed the whole week.

#### **Pope Francis to Canonize Blessed John XXIII and John Paul II on April 27, 2014, Divine Mercy Sunday The Conclaves, Names and Mottos of John XXIII and John Paul II**

**John XXIII** Pope Pius XII died in October of 1958. He had been Pope for nearly 20 years. Now Cardinals from around the world journeyed to Rome to choose his successor. As he was leaving Venice, the now 76-year-old Cardinal Roncalli heard someone wish him, "Good luck!" The Cardinal laughed. "The best luck that could happen to me would be to return here in two weeks," he said.

We remember Pope John XXIII as smiling and open, but this veteran diplomat was never naïve. Before the doors closed on the Conclave to elect a Pope, Cardinal Roncalli realized that his peers considered him a strong candidate. It took four days and eleven ballots, however, before the crowd in Saint Peter's Square saw white smoke. Inside the Sistine Chapel, Cardinal Roncalli received the formal request, "Do you accept election?" He responded, "At the sound of your voice, 'I am made to tremble, and I fear' (Ps. 119)." But with great humility, he accepted.

John XXIII was the first pope to take the name of "John" in more than 500 years. The name "John" had become associated with a famous antipope, so previous Popes had avoided it. "I choose John..." Cardinal Roncalli said, "a name sweet to us because it is the name of our father, dear to me because it is the name of the humble parish church where I was baptized, the solemn name of numberless cathedrals scattered throughout the world, including our own basilica St. John Lateran." He chose as his motto *Obedientia et Pax*

(Obedience and Peace). "If peace was the outward hallmark of Pope John, obedience constituted his inner disposition," said Pope Francis on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Pope John's death. John XXIII's coat of arms features a Lion, representing the evangelist Saint Mark, the patron saint of Venice, where Cardinal Roncalli had been Patriarch before the Conclave.



**John Paul II** The sudden death of John Paul I saddened the universal Church, and no doubt raised sighs in the College of Cardinals, who now had to repeat the work they thought they had completed just a month before. In the days leading up to the Conclave, two Italian Cardinals, archrivals, were spoken of as favorites to be elected. While many respected the brilliance of Cardinal Wojtyla, the idea that a non-Italian would ever be Pope seemed far-fetched.

What actually goes on inside a papal Conclave is secret, but over the years most historians have agreed that the Cardinals began to move to the Polish candidate as they realized that no Italian could quite gather the required number of votes. Finally, on the eighth ballot, the Church had a Pope from Poland. Asked if he accepted election, Cardinal Wojtyla said, "With obedience in faith to Christ, my Lord, and with trust in the mother of Christ and the Church, in spite of great difficulties, I accept."

Becoming the third Pope in 1978, Cardinal Wojtyla chose a name that honored and reflected a continuation of the work begun by Pope Paul VI and John Paul I, his predecessors. Pope John Paul II chose *Totus Tuus* (All Yours) as his motto because of his great devotion to Jesus through Mary. On his papal coat of arms, there is the letter "M" under a golden cross recalling the presence of Mary in the Redemption. Years later made him a Cardinal. Pope Paul died in 1978, and Cardinal Wojtyla was actually spoken of as a possible successor, despite the fact that he was only 58 and Polish. But the Conclave elected an Italian, Cardinal Albino Luciani, who became Pope John Paul I. Thirty-three days later, however, he died suddenly, and the Chair of Peter was empty again.

**Project Rachel** If you are suffering from an abortion, experience the love of Jesus Christ at a Project Rachel weekend retreat May 30-June 1. The weekend retreat, for both women and men, will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, and the sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service, and a Mass of the Resurrection. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion. For more information or to register for the retreat, contact Project Rachel at [projectrachel@nc.rr.com](mailto:projectrachel@nc.rr.com) or call (919) 852-1021. **Brochures in English and Spanish are located vestibule.** The cost is \$125 for lodging, meals and all retreat materials. If you have a financial burden, some assistance is available. Registration deadline is May 23, 2014

**Diocese of Raleigh Advance Directive** Legal and medical issues related to the planning for the end of life can be complicated and difficult. The Diocese of Raleigh has created a resource which expresses our Catholic teaching about the sanctity and beauty of life, while assisting the faithful in the practical decisions that must be made at the end of life. This Advance Directive document, which includes a Healthcare Power of Attorney with definitions, instructions and the appointment of a health care agent, was prepared in consultation with both Catholic Bioethics and legal experts in the applicable laws of the State of North Carolina. This resource is recommended to you for your use to assist in creating a legal document that reflects your wishes for the end of your own life or that of your loved one. You may download a copy of this document by accessing the following web address:

[www.dioceseofraleigh.org/how/pro-life/publications.aspx](http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org/how/pro-life/publications.aspx).

Information to be added to the bulletin must be emailed to [eileenhirshkind@aol.com](mailto:eileenhirshkind@aol.com) by Tuesday 10pm to appear in the upcoming bulletin. If you would like to receive an email copy, please visit [www.catholicweb.com](http://www.catholicweb.com) or email [eileenhirshkind@aol.com](mailto:eileenhirshkind@aol.com)



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- Adoration: Pat Gasparini (285-4727), Donna Schulz (285-0711)
- Altar Guild: Tish Vandiver (285-4737), Barbara Crecco (665-1231)
- Altar Servers: Peter Huemiller (385-6281)
- Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors, Ushers: Rosanna Hirshkind (285-8647)
- Magnificat: Kathy Lord (285-8008)
- Music: Lara Capparuccia (910-324-5540)

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**Pastoral Care: Deacon Price (285-7426)**

- Bereavement & Hospitality: Kathy Lord (285-8008), Julie Couch (665-1068)
- Greetings: Pat Swinson (285-5996)
- Homebound Eucharistic Ministry: Deacon Robert Price (285-7426)
- Prayer Shawl: Delores Huemiller (385-7891)
- Prayer Tree: Geri Cullen (285-7334), Lita Hopkins (285-2830), Cheryl Partyka (285-6661)

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- First Sunday Breakfast: ,Melissa James (271-8221), Lillian Jimenez (665-1022), Judy Matthews (289-1738)
- Feast of the Transfiguration
- Heritage Month Feast
- Christmas Concert & Dinner:

**Works of Mercy: Mike Vandiver (285-4737)**

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**BAA:**

Goal: 17,026 dollars  
Total pledged: 14,861 dollars  
Percent of goal contributed 87%  
Percent participation 54%  
Thank you to all parishioners who have contributed.  
OUR GOAL IS 100% PARTICIPATION

March 23, 2014

Fiscal Year 7/1 through 3/9/2014

STEWARDSHIP	BUDGET REQUIRED	Actual Weekly	Difference YTD
Weekly Offertory	\$ 2,750	\$1,378	
YTD Offertory	\$ 102,650	\$ 102,126	\$(514)