

May 25, 2014
Sixth Sunday of Easter

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, May 25- Sunday, June 1

Sunday Act 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66; Pet 3: 15-18; Jn 14:15-21

Monday Acts 16: 11-15; PS 149; Joh 15:26-16: 4a

Tuesday Act 16:22-34; Ps 138; Jon 16:5-11

Wednesday Act 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148; Joh 16:12-15

Thursday Act 1:1-11; Ps 47; Joh 1:17-23

Friday Act 18: 9-18; Ps 47; Jon 16:20-23

Saturday Zep 3:14-18a; Pau 12:9-16; Ps Is 12; Luk 1:39-56

Sunday Act 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eup 1: 17-23; Mat 28:16-20

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).

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 – Jay McCann, Amparo Cruz de Gonzalez, Noel Nunnermacker, Louise Lynch, Bill Norris, Shirley Northcott, J.L. Price, Dewayne Price, Janet Johnson, The Gerard Callahan family, Alex Powell, Corey Bock, The James Wetzel family, 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 and we will list them in the bulletin.

Mass Intentions

Sat May 24—Special Intentions for the health of Amparo Cruz rqtst by Fr. Alex
Sun May 25 - Repose of the soul of Kenneth Reed requested by Fran & Dick Smith
Mon May 26-
Tue Mat 27-
Wen May 28-
Thu May 29- Repose of the soul of Maria Wetzel requested by Julie & John Callahan
Fri May 30-
Sat May 31 – Repose of the soul of Chester Urbaniak requested by Donna & Ed Schulz
Sun Jun 1 - Repose of the soul of Lamar Conrad requested by Donna & Ed Schulz

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"

RESPECT LIFE -

"Nothing we do to defend the human person, no matter how small, is ever unfruitful or forgotten. Our actions touch other lives and move other hearts in ways we can never fully understand in this world."

-----Archbishop Charles Chaput, Politics and the Devil:
Living in a World of Unbelief.

LIFE FACTS: Every minute during pregnancy 1 pint of blood is pumping into the uterus exchanging nutrients between mom and child through the umbilical cord

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.

Fetal Development of Hannah May 25 (week 10)

Hannah has fingerprints at ten weeks. The fingers can curve around an object placed in the palm. Hannah can now feel pain. She is having a wonderful time shifting, dancing and playing in the womb. Her mother is coping with many changes as well; nurturing a baby is hard work." "Behold, children are a gift of the Lord; the fruit of the womb is a reward." "Psalm 127-3

Sunday 5/25: Fr. Richard Turner
Monday 5/26: Msgr. David Brockman
Tuesday 5/27: Fr. Gregory Spencer
Wednesday 5/28: Fr. Fred Smuda, O.S.F.S.
Thursday 5/29: Fr. Paul Brant, S.J.
Friday 5/30: Fr. Nicholas Cottrill
Saturday 5/31: Fr. John Granados

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.

Father Paul Brant, SJ, came to Transfiguration of Jesus Catholic Church in 1996 to focus principally on serving the rapidly growing number of Spanish speaking parishioners. He served until 1999, returning again in 2001. Fr. Brant is retired and currently living in Wilson

Pray the Rosary The Rosary will be prayed prior to each weekend Mass and after all the Masses on Friday during May. The prayer



Flower Donation:
Memory of Maria Wetzel from Julie & John Callahan



Sanctuary candle in memory/honor of: Maria Wetzel

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

begins 30 minutes prior to the Mass or immediately after Mass on Friday and will be by a parishioner. Please join us and honor our Mother in heaven.

Breakfast: There will be no Breakfast next Sunday, We look forward to seeing you attend the June 22 event.

★ HONORING: The parish will be honoring Deacon Robert Price on the occasion of his retirement, immediately following the 8:30 AM Sunday Mass on June 22nd at the River Room in the River Landing Country Club. A complete buffet brunch will be served at a cost of \$15 for adults and \$9 for children twelve and under. In order to provide an accurate count of attendees, we need your RSVP by June 15th at the latest. We can accept cash or checks made out to Transfiguration of Jesus Church. Please join us in showing our appreciation to Deacon Price for his many years of service to our parish.

Faith Formation

On Monday, May 19, 2014 fourteen men and women from our parish attended a three hour Safe Environment training class. The class was given by Dr. John Pendergrass, Director of Safe Environment from the Raleigh Diocese. As adults, it is our responsibility that we ensure all children live in a safe and healthy environment. The diocese has made a strong commitment to protect our children. The Diocese of Raleigh has made it mandatory for all people who deal with children in the parish to be certified in this area, this includes: religious education teachers, people who instruct altar servers, and all people associated with children in any parish activity. Some of the people who attended this class will become instructors and will be available to conduct this class for every parishioner who deals with children. Please consider taking this course when it is offered, it is very important for the safety of our children. Pray for the safety of our children as they grow into adulthood and for the instructors as they spread the word.



The **Fortnight for Freedom: Freedom to Serve** will take place from June 21 to July 4, 2014, a time when our liturgical calendar celebrates a series of great martyrs who remained faithful in the face of persecution by political power—St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, St. John the Baptist, SS. Peter and Paul, and the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. The theme of this year's Fortnight focuses on the freedom to serve the poor and vulnerable in accord with human dignity and the Church's teaching.

Bishop Burbidge invites the Faithful to participate in Fortnight for Freedom All are invited to join with **Bishop Burbidge** in the celebration of Mass during the Fortnight for Freedom on **Thursday, June 26 at 6:00 pm** at St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church in

Cary. A reception/picnic sponsored by the Knights of Columbus will follow the service. The Mass is an opportunity to participate in the 14-day Diocesan observance of the Fortnight for Freedom focusing on prayer, education and peaceful public action to protect our right to religious liberty. In addition, please bring baby formula and diapers as a donation to Catholic Charities in honor of the theme of this year's Fortnight which includes a dimension of service. More information and educational resources on the Fortnight for Freedom can be found at www.dioceseofraleigh.org.



From the desk of the historian

Several of our former priests are celebrating their ordination anniversaries this month. Please remember them in your prayers. They are

- **Monsignor Desmond R. Keenan (aka Padre Roberto)** was our administrator for the three months in the fall of 2007 between the service of Father Meares and Father Leon. Msgr. Keenan served in Mexico for many years. He is currently retired and living in Wake Forest. He is celebrating his 65th anniversary as a priest.
- While **Monsignor Gerald L. Lewis** never served as a priest as Transfiguration, he was instrumental in providing much of the information now documented in the history album about our earlier priests. In addition to verifying dates of service of many of our priests, he was most helpful in explaining the Missionary Apostolate Program, This program, established by Bishop Vincent Waters, third Bishop of the Diocese of Raleigh, enabled newly ordained priests the opportunity to begin their work at mission churches under the guidance of a more experienced priest. Transfiguration of Jesus benefited from at least 17 apostolate priests in its early years until the program was disestablished in 1974. Msgr. Lewis currently serves as the Diocese's Archivist and celebrates his 53rd year as a priest.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP This year the Diocese is offering a four-day Catholic summer camp for our middle school students grades 6th, 7th and 8th -- an enriching and exciting way to spend the summer learning more about their faith. Campers will make new friends, get a feel for adventures, meet great speakers and have fun becoming an active member of our church. This event is located at Camp Dixie in Fayetteville. For registrations and more information please check the calendar of events. **Deadline extended until June 15, 2014. For more information:**
<http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org/how/youth/middle-school.aspx>

Soldiers lay down weapons for rosaries LOURDES, France (CNS) -- It looked like any other military parade with bands playing, flags waving and thousands of men and women marching in colorful uniforms decorated with medals and ribbons. But instead of impressive displays of tanks and trucks, troops from dozens of nations fell in line behind religious banners, a large wooden cross and a rose-strewn statue of Mary. Candles and rosaries -- not weapons or rifles -- were held aloft in soldiers' hands.

Such scenes were common during the 56th International Military Pilgrimage to the sanctuaries of Our Lady of Lourdes May 16-18. More than 12,000 retired and active duty military personnel, their families and compatriots from 36 nations took part in the

annual encounter to pray for peace and the spiritual healing of nations and individuals. A large number taking part, and given special prominence in the many processions, were those wounded in the line of duty. Among the military personnel tackling disabilities were about 60 retired or active duty U.S. soldiers together with another 60 caregivers, family members, chaplains and support staff. They were participating in the "Warriors to Lourdes" pilgrimage, sponsored by the U.S. Archdiocese for the Military Services and the Knights of Columbus. The Knights covered the costs for the wounded personnel for the May 13-19 encounter of prayer, healing and friendship in Lourdes.

"It's really been great for both those who have come with a petition in their heart -- suffering in some way, and those who are helping them," Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson told Catholic News Service. With Memorial Day on the horizon and foreign military operations set to wind down, "We don't want to forget those who have sacrificed so much and still need our attention and support -- our wounded warriors. So this is a way of increasing consciousness of their situation," he said.

The Knights, the largest lay Catholic organization in the world, began during World War I to provide their service and help -- especially pastoral and educational support -- for U.S. troops. Expanding their initiatives, last year the Knights began the "Warriors to Lourdes" pilgrimage as another way to offer "spiritual support and spiritual development, and these pilgrimages, we think, are a wonderful way of doing that," Anderson said. "We come to this holy ground to pray for the intercession of our Blessed Mother," said Auxiliary Bishop F. Richard Spencer of the U.S. Archdiocese for the Military Services. The prayers are for "the healing that is so necessary with our men and women who have worn courageously our uniform in battles, especially during the last 12 years of these wars, and now are suffering from their wounds. We pray for healing, patience and understanding," he said.

The pilgrimage was open to non-Catholics who were seeking spiritual reflection and renewal because Lourdes is regarded as a special place of prayer for many Christians, and "they, too, are in need of healing and they, too, trust in the intercession of the Blessed Mother," the Bishop said. Attending during the larger international military pilgrimage was also important for "showing and demonstrating that we can come together to truly yearn and pray for peace," he added. The theme of the international military pilgrimage, "Servant of Christ, Servant of Peace," Anderson said, "really strikes a chord, I think, with all of our women and men in the military and all of us who hope to support them." "Those men and women who sacrifice for our country really are the ones more than anyone else who really want peace," he said.

"Peace is a precious, but fragile" treasure, Pope Francis said in a written message read aloud during the international opening ceremony in the underground Basilica of Saint Pius X May 16. "Soldiers have an irreplaceable role in building peace when they put themselves at the service of the people in guaranteeing order and restoring security," said the message, written and signed on behalf of the Pope by the Vatican secretary of state, Cardinal Pietro Parolin. The Pope expressed his gratitude for the generous service of so many men and women and reminded them that "serving Christ inevitably leads us to serving peace, since it's in Him that we become brothers and sisters, capable of dialogue and peace." *By Carol Glatz Catholic News Service*

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Being a Knight of Columbus is all about giving back to your community and building bonds of brotherhood. If you would like to be a part of our efforts to support our parish and our local community contact Gary Deininger, Grand Knight 665-1071

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- 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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- Feast of the Transfiguration
- Heritage Month Feast
- Christmas Concert & Dinner:

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Sunday, May 25th, 2014 "Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him." Jesus asks us to love Him. When we love our spouse without condition, we are loving the Lord.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Jun 20-22, 2014 in Cary, NC:NON-RESIDENTIAL and Aug 1-3, 2014 in Charlotte, NC . Early sign up is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: <http://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org <<mailto:wmandbethnickles@hotmail.com>> or 704-315-2144.

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Fiscal Year 7/1 through 5/18/2014

STEWARDSHIP	BUDGET REQUIRED	Actual Weekly	Difference YTD
Weekly Offertory	\$ 2,750	\$1,748	
YTD Offertory	\$ 124,550	\$ 125,436	\$886