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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturdays 4:00 pm

Sundays 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Mon-Fri 8:00 am (Except First Fridays - 9:30 am)

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CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm

BAPTISMS

Please call the Parish Office to register.

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Six months advance notice required. Please call the parish office.

FUNERALS

Please contact the funeral home of your choice and then the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, YOUTH MINISTRY & RCIA

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PARISH OFFICE

Hours: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday - Wednesday (until further notice)

(Closed for lunch 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm)

Secretary, Elmer Serrano - Rectory.Office@TransfigCV.org

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**A Message
from the
Pastor**
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

This week on November 1st, the Church celebrates ALL SAINTS DAY, A Holy Day of Obligation. On November 1st, all saints: canonized or beatified, and the multitude of those who have lived lives like ours, who are in heaven and are only known to God, are remembered. They were baptized, marked with the sign of faith and were faithful to Christ's teaching. They have gone before us to their heavenly home and they call on us to follow them. The feast of All Saints should inspire us to imitate them. My friends, we all have been given a universal call to holiness. This call invites us to follow in the footsteps of the Lord so that one day we will share in the heavenly vision as do the saints we honor. As we celebrate The Solemnity of All Saints, we need to hear Christ speaking the words of the Beatitudes to us personally. These blessings will lead us to share in the joy of the saints. Immediately following The Solemnity of All Saints is the Commemoration of the All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) on November 2nd. On this day, The Church prays for all who await the day when they will join in heavenly glory and be joined to the company of the saints. Our prayers, the prayers of the Church, can and are united with those of the saints to assist the faithful departed, our departed loved ones, to enter into the joy of the kingdom of heaven. Keep in mind that at each Mass the priest celebrant remembers all those who have fallen asleep in Christ and prays that God grant them a place of happiness, light and peace. There is no Mass in which the Church does not pray for the faithful departed. On November 2nd, the Church directs its prayers for all the faithful departed, asking that no soul be left behind, but all our departed loved ones share in the joy of the kingdom of heaven. Pray to the saints for their intercession. Pray for the faithful departed. Celebrate The Solemnity of All Saints and the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed this week.

All Saints Day Masses: Our Lady of Grace 8:15 AM, Transfiguration Church 9:30 AM, Our Lady of Grace 12 Noon, Latin Mass 7:00 PM, Transfiguration Church 7:30 PM

All Souls Day Masses: Our Lady of Grace Church 8:15AM Transfiguration Church 9:30AM

Fr. Raphael

Wine Distribution

A number of parishioners have been inquiring on the resumption of wine distribution during Mass. Due to the limited number of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist this request was put aside but not forgotten. In the meantime, a suggestion was made with the number of Eucharistic Ministers currently available. What about receiving communion at the center aisle only. The wine distribution will be on the left and right side of the center aisle. We can give this a try and go from there. What do you think? Please let us know.

Elmer Serrano/Puri Serrano
EME Coordinators

Christmas Holiday Boutique!

Coming soon: The Transfiguration Christmas Holiday Boutique! If you are a crafter or know someone who is into crafts and would like to sell them at our Christmas Boutique please prepare for November 23 and 24 and contact Vivian Zaleski at: vivzaleski@sbcglobal.net or call her at (510) 331-9920 and leave a message.

Price to rent a table is \$50 and proceeds go to the church. You keep all the sales! It's a great way to build community and to sell your crafts!

Coffee and Donuts



Mario & Lili Fabian will be hosting coffee and donuts this Sunday after the 9:00 a.m Mass. Stop by and enjoy the fellowship.

Stewardship Corner

The collection total for the weekend of:

Oct. 19th thru Oct. 20th — \$7,234.00

Catholic Home Missions — \$980.00

Bishop's Appeal — \$13,989.00 41.63% of Goal

(compared to \$12,000 average weekly stewardship goal) parish community.

Bulletin Deadline

The deadline for items in the bulletin is Monday, 4:30pm.

Thank you for your support!

Annual Inventory

Please be aware that we will be conducting parishioner count for the whole month of October. Ushers will going around the pews taking count. Thank you!

What does the Ministry of the Lector mean to me?

When I was first approached to be a lector in 2002, I had already been contemplating the idea and I knew God was calling me to the ministry. Having been in the Transfiguration lector ministry for more than 22-years, I have grown in my own faith, a deeper understanding of the Sacred Scriptures as I prepare and reflect on the readings.

The ministry of a lector is a deeply spiritual and rewarding experience.

This proclamation is a sacred act, as it makes present the living Word of God to the assembly. The ministry requires dedication as well as thorough preparation: prayer and reflection invoking the Holy Spirit guidance, study the scripture passages to understand its context and significance, allowing me to internalize the message and convey the living Word of God with reverence, authenticity, clarity and conviction.

A lector is a servant of the Lord who brings people to life for all to hear.

Cynthia Bosch

Dinner with the Franciscans

Save the Date—November 9th

Stack Center at 6:00pm

Planning for the celebration of the *43rd Year of the Province of St. Joseph of Cupertino* is underway! Make plans to dine and enjoy an evening with our Franciscans as we raise funds supporting the Franciscan Seminarians. Cost is \$40 per person. Enjoy a delicious dinner by Star Catering, Wine and Beverages, Silent Auction and 50/50 Raffle! *We thank the Knights of Columbus for organizing this yearly event.*

Night of Remembrance

We will be celebrating our loved ones that have passed this year 2024. If you would like to join us in this "Night of Remembrance" please complete the form located at the tables at the back of the church.

WINGS (Women in God's Spirit)

WINGS is a faith enhancement group that encourages Spiritual growth through prayer, scripture study, Catechesis, life sharing and community.

Our meeting will be at the Transfiguration Church Hall.

Next Meeting: Thursday, Nov. 7, 2024
9:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

Speaker: Kathy Roberts
Topic: "For Such a Time as This"

For further information or, if you would like to attend, please contact: Rose Anne Ryken
RARYKEN39@gmail.com

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Jeremiah 31:7-9

Psalm — 126

Second Reading — Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel — Mark 10:46-52

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May your words, O Lord, be in my thoughts, on my lips, and in my heart. May they guide my life and keep me near to you.

Mass Intentions

(Oct. 26, 2024—Nov. 1, 2024)

Sat.	4:00 p.m.	Spcl Int Estelo Pita
Sun.	7:30 a.m.	Spcl Int George and Mary Jane Thompson
	9:00 a.m.	For The People
	11:00 a.m.	Fr. John Crumlish
Mon.	8:00 a.m.	Rodrigo Hernandez
Tues.	8:00 a.m.	Zenaida Castro
Wed.	8:00 a.m.	Mercedes Sinlao
Thur.	8:00 a.m.	Angelina Cariaga Operario
Fri.	9:30 a.m.	For The People
	7:30 p.m.	For The People

SVdP's Bingo/Dinner Fall Fundraiser **Tickets are SOLD OUT!**

Thank you so much for all your support and generosity in helping us make this fundraising event possible. This weekend, we will continue to sell the [50/50 Raffle Tickets](#) after all Masses for \$5 each, cash only.

Winners need not be present to win!

100% of the proceeds go directly to helping people in need in our local community.

Please Note

Friday, **November 1, 2024 is 1st Friday**, and All Saints Day. This is a Holiday of Obligation.

Mass Schedules are:

Morning Mass is at 9:30 a.m.

Evening Mass is at 7:30 p.m.

All Souls Day/Nov 2nd at 9:30 a.m.

It's a Party! November 15th 6pm

Fr. Kevin's 40th Ordination Anniversary Celebration is on Friday, November 15th at 6pm. Transfiguration and Our Lady of Grace will get together for this potluck celebration at the Transfiguration Church Hall. Wear your dancing shoes!

We will provide water, juice and coffee. There will be cake for dessert.

Please plan on bringing either an **APPETIZER** or an **ENTRÉE** only.

Sunita D'Costa



Monday evening, Oct. 28, 2024 in the Marian room, **7:00-8:00 p.m.** Please arrange Zoom connectivity with Mike Dresen at m.dresen@comcast.net. if attending remotely. Free will offering.

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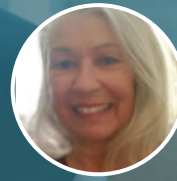
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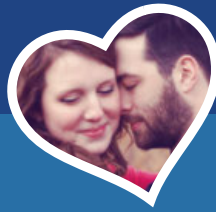
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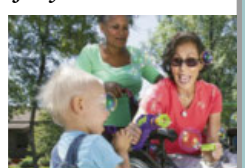
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