

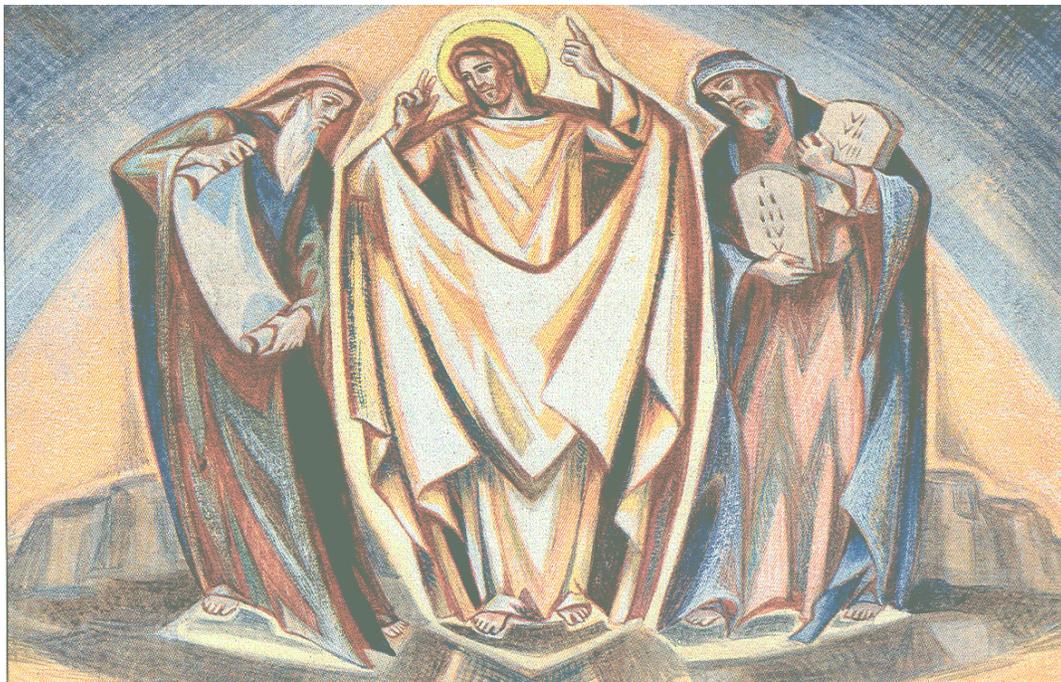
# Church of the Transfiguration

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July 17, 2016

**Mission Statement: "Transfiguring Our Community Through Faith"**



**Rev. Mario L. Borges, Pastor • Rev. Terence O'Malley, Parochial Administrator**  
**Deacon Martin J. Leach • Deacon John A. Mignano • Deacon Timothy L. Moore • Deacon Burton J. Rigley**

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

**Saturdays 4:00 p.m.**

**Sundays 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.**

**Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. (Except First Fridays - 9:30 a.m.)**

**Communion Service - Saturdays, 8:00 a.m.**

## CONFESSIONS

**Saturdays 3:00-3:45 p.m.**

**BAPTISMS:** Pre-baptismal class is required. Class is held the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Marian Room, Parish Hall. Please call the Parish Office, 538-7941, to register.

**MATRIMONY:** Six months advance notice required. Please call the parish office.

**WEDDING COORDINATOR:** Mel Speed  
(510) 909-9334 or [melspeed@live.com](mailto:melspeed@live.com)

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

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Director, Patrice Ballinger  
(510) 537-1502 or [TransfigCCD@aol.com](mailto:TransfigCCD@aol.com)

**RCIA:** Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults  
Please call the parish office.

**MUSIC MINISTRY:** Director, Alexander Katsman  
(510) 538-7941, Ext. 302 or [Transfig\\_Music@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Transfig_Music@sbcglobal.net)

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY:

Eucharistic Ministers, Stephen and Carina Kowalewski  
Lectors, Barbara Mehan  
Altar Servers, Clarence Decano  
Youth Liturgy, Michelle Gilman

**FINANCE COUNCIL:** Chairman, Mark Zaleski

**PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:** Catholic Youth Organization (CYO), 60 Plus or Minus Club

**SAINT VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY:** (510) 274-0830  
Serving our community.

## SICK & HOMEBOUND MINISTRY:

Claudia Paquette, (510) 537-8986

**STEWARDSHIP:** Chairperson, Ed Coelho, (510) 881-5705

**WINGS "Women in God's Spirit":** Bobbie Blackard, 510-581-4149

**HALL MANAGER:** Pat Ballinger, (510) 537-1502

**HALL RENTAL MANAGER:** Ann McAusland, 510-239-7941

**YOUTH MINISTRY:** (510) 581-5870 or  
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## PARISH OFFICE:

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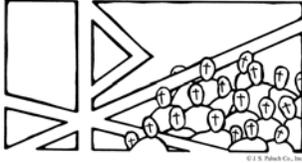
**Hours:** 8:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m., Monday-Thursday  
(Closed between 12:00 & 1:00 p.m.)

Friday, 9:00 a.m. — 12:00 Noon - Saturday & Sunday—Closed

Secretary, Gloria Meeker

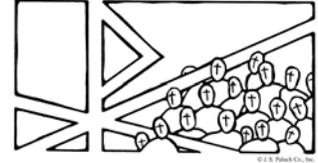
Secretary/Bookkeeper, Phyllis Moore

# Transfiguration Catholic Church



## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 17, 2016

It is [Christ] whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.  
— Colossians 1:28b



### Mass Intentions (July 16-23, 2016)

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| Sat.   | 4:00p.m.  | For the People  |
| Sun.   | 7:30a.m.  | John Leli   |
|        | 9:00a.m.  | Elvira Gomes  |
|        | 11:00a.m. | Giuseppa, Nunzio, Vincenzo Latora,<br>Paola Vitale, Mike & Rita Basozki |
| Mon.   | 8:00a.m.  | Augusto & Eduina Silva and Family                                       |
| Tues.  | 8:00a.m.  | Jim Green   |
| Wed.   | 8:00a.m.  | Veronica Silva  |
| Thurs. | 8:00a.m.  | Joel Sousa  |
| Fri.   | 8:00a.m.  | Robert Hansen   |
| Sat.   | 4:00p.m.  | Anna Nguyen, Maria & Mark Tran  |



Dear Parishioners,

### A Message from the Pastor

I want to express our parish gratitude to Sean Cooper for the 12 years of ministry at Transfiguration. He will be leaving for a full-time job at Shopkick.

He will continue to be an active member of the parish, but no longer responsible for coordination of the Liturgy Ministry.

We all wish him success in his new job.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Mario L. Borges

### Coffee and Donuts

 Steve & Susie Dennis will be hosting coffee and donuts this Sunday after the 9:00a.m. Mass. Stop by and enjoy the fellowship.

### Pancake Breakfast

We will **not** have a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday after the 7:30 and 9:00 Masses in the months of July and August. We will resume on September 25th.

### Adult Bible Study

 Monday evening, July 18, 2016 in the Marian Room, Parish Hall, 7:00-8:30p.m. No sign-up required, just drop in. Free will offering.



### Baptism Class

The next Baptism class will be Tuesday, August 9, 2016. Please call the Parish Office to register.

**Thank you for advertising in our bulletin.  
We appreciate your support!**

### For Your Information

When writing your checks for regular or special collections, please make all checks payable to Transfiguration Church (a request made by our bank). The Church will then send one total check for each special collection to the designated charity. Also, please write in the memo portion of your check the name of the collection to which you are donating. This will help the office to give you proper credit. Thank you for your support!

### Stewardship Corner

The collection total for the weekend of:  
**July 9th & 10th — \$8,256.00**  
(compared to \$12,000 average weekly stewardship goal)

Thank you for continuing in your stewardship role of providing for the upkeep of our parish community.

**Remember Transfiguration in your Will and Living Trust**

### St. Vincent de Paul Meeting Sunday, July 17th, 10:00a.m.

**Note: We will meet in the Rectory  
instead of the Parish Hall.**



We extend a warm welcome to new parishioners. Please pick up a registration form in the vestibule of the church and return it to the Parish Office. This helps us to serve you better.

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The French Revolution is hardly a “treasure” in our story, yet in 1789 it began to dismantle the way the world was organized: feudalism. The collapsed society had three basic divisions: those who work, those who fight, and those who pray. There wasn’t a great deal of movement among the ranks, yet one way to move out of the workers and the fighters was in the direction of the folks who prayed. These were the First Estate, the clergy.

One of the key persons in any manor or village was the priest. He could read, at least a bit, and so was the source for pronouncements and news from government and Church. He was assigned to celebrate the sacraments frequently and in conformance with certain rules.

Seminaries did not exist before the Reformation. Astute Protestant reformers then forced the Catholic world toward a more educated and able clergy. Before that, young men apprenticed with a priest to learn the essentials, and would be presented to the bishop for ordination. Other priests emerged from the university system, where students were required to be invested as clerics. Still others were monks, ordained not so much for ministry outside the monastic walls, but to offer Mass only for the intentions of the community’s benefactors.

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### TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a**  
**Second Reading: Colossians 1:24-28**  
**Psalm 15**  
**Gospel: Luke 10:38-42**

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 12:38-42  
Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-8; Mt 12:46-50  
Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10; Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, 15, 17; Mt 13:1-9  
Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 26:6-7ab, 8-11; Mt 13:10-17  
Friday: Jer 3:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
Saturday: Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30  
Sunday: Gen 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-3, 6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: St. Camillus de Lellis  
Wednesday: St. Apollinaris  
Thursday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi  
Friday: St. Mary Magdalene  
Saturday: St. Bridget of Sweden; Blessed Virgin Mary

### Deadline for Bulletin

The deadline for items in the bulletin is Monday, 4:30p.m.  
Thank you for your support!

## WATCH YOUR POSTURE

Our posture is often a tip-off to our hospitality and reverence for the Lord. Note the actions of Abraham as he greeted the Lord in the presence of three men who appeared near his tent. He ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them. He bowed to the ground as he met them. He and Sarah, his wife, hastened to prepare a meal and bring food and water to their guests.

In the Gospel story, Jesus’ friend Mary sat at his feet in order to listen to him speak.

How do we welcome and reverence the Lord? What do our actions show? Do we remember the Lord’s presence in the Blessed Sacrament? How do we welcome the Lord in the scripture readings? How do we acknowledge his presence in our brothers and sisters, both at Mass and afterwards?

Whether we kneel, stand, or sit in the Lord’s presence, may our hearts and minds always be attuned to him.

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### Cursillo Ministry

Our parish has a rich tradition of Cursillo ministry that has spanned decades, and are happy to welcome you to join us, whether you are a Cursillista, or if you would simply like to learn more about the Cursillo ministry.

### Lucky SHARES has Changed!

Say *goodbye* to that old SHARES card, and say *hello* to: Lucky Shares powered by eScrip! This is good news for those of us who hate having to carry around that one extra card in our wallets! Here's what you'll need to do in order to start earning 3% for Transfiguration:

- Go to [www.escrip.com/shares](http://www.escrip.com/shares)
- Click on the store where you shop (Lucky or Food Maxx)
- Click "**Sign Up**" if you don't have an eScrip account, **OR** "**Add Phone/Card**" if you already have an eScrip account
- Provide requested information: zip code, name, and e-mail)
- Search for "**Church of the Transfiguration**", and click the checkbox to choose Transfiguration as the charity you're supporting
- Add your phone number

That's it! Then, next time you shop, just type in your phone number at the register each time before you pay, and Transfiguration will receive 3% of your qualifying purchases!

### BLOOD DRIVE

**Sunday, July 24, 2016, 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.**  
**Transfiguration Lower Parking Lot**

Give blood. Go hybrid.  
Donate blood July 16 – August 31 and be entered to win a Toyota Prius (donated by Stevens Creek Toyota).  
To schedule your life-saving appointment, go to [www.bloodheroes.com](http://www.bloodheroes.com), click on "Locate a Blood Drive" & enter Sponsor Code: COTT or contact Sunita D’Costa at 510-733-2500 or; [dcostasu@gmail.com](mailto:dcostasu@gmail.com). Donors Registered Online Receive Online Rewards Points.

**LETTER FROM POPE FRANCIS**  
**THE “JOY OF THE GOSPEL” CONTINUED...**

**The Church’s Missionary Transformation—#142**

*Words which set hearts on fire*

Dialogue is much more than the communication of a truth. It arises from the enjoyment of speaking and it enriches those who express their love for one another through the medium of words. This is an enrichment which does not consist in objects but in persons who share themselves in dialogue. A preaching which would be purely moralistic or doctrinaire, or one which turns into a lecture on biblical exegesis, detracts from this heart-to-heart communication which takes place in the homily and possesses a quasi-sacramental character: “Faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ” (*Rom 10:17*). In the homily, truth goes hand in hand with beauty and goodness. Far from dealing with abstract truths or cold syllogisms, it communicates the beauty of the images used by the Lord to encourage the practise of good. The memory of the faithful, like that of Mary, should overflow with the wondrous things done by God. Their hearts, growing in hope from the joyful and practical exercise of the love which they have received, will sense that each word of Scripture is a gift before it is a demand.

**Fr. Terry’s Remarks**— Good effective and affective communication is so difficult, it is only when you stand before a congregation and attempt to communicate with them that it begins to dawn on you how hard it is to even begin. We have to dialog to communicate, there has to be a genuine interaction between the homilist and the people of God. Pope Francis tells us today: "a preaching that would be purely moralistic or doctrinaire or one that turns into a lecture on biblical exegesis detracts from this heart-to-heart communication which takes place in the homily and possesses a quasi-sacramental character. " How many of us even think that the homily in our Masses are heart-to-heart affairs? So many of us feel: " I hope he doesn't take too long." whereas in genuine communication time flies. We all need to invest much more in our homilies; a people eager to share in the words and actions of Christ, and homilists eager to share the love and passion of Christ effectively. We need openness, humility and love on all sides. People need to know and feel that their Scripture is first of all a gift and only when they have appreciated the gift will they feel the desire to respond. Our faith is about God first loving us and us responding in kind.