

Transfiguration

The account of the Transfiguration occurs in Matthew, Mark and Luke with subtle differences because each Gospel is addressed to a different community.

Matthew, most likely a Jew came to faith in Jesus as the Messiah, writes to a Christian community with a similar background, though it probably had begin to include Gentiles. Therefore, he writes to show that Jesus fulfills and brings to completion the Old Testament Scripture transcending all previous disclosures of God: the Law (Moses) and the Prophets (Elijah) fade away.

The "bright cloud" recalls God's Presence in the "pillar of cloud" during the Jew's flight from Egypt and God's voice from the cloud at the time of the Lord's Baptism. Here the voice of God from the bright cloud tells us, "Listen to Him". To hear and obey God's word was and *still is* what makes a genuine, holy response.

In 2 Peter 1:12-18 we can see Peter's "transfiguration". .i.e. his growth in holiness.

"I shall not fail to remind you of things like this (... the challenges of the Christian life) although you know them and are already established in the truth. I consider it my duty, as long as I live in the temporary dwelling of this body (with death as a martyr very near), to stimulate you by these reminders. I know that I shall have to leave this body at very short notice, as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to me (... presumably Jesus' prophecy of

Peter's death recorded in John 21:18). Consequently I shall make the most of every opportunity, so that after I am gone you will remember these things.

We were not following a cleverly written-up story when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ - we actually saw his majesty with our own eyes (... during the transfigured appearance of Jesus with Moses and Elijah). He received honor and glory from God the Father himself when that voice said to him, out of the sublime glory of Heaven,

'This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased'

We actually heard that voice speaking from Heaven while we were with him on the sacred mountain (of Mount Hermon or Mount Tabor). The word of prophecy was fulfilled in our hearing! -2 Peter 1:12-18

May your observance of Lent serve to convert you further in your faith and in your sharing in the life of Jesus Christ!

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. 5:30pm for the soul of Sandy Allman at Mary Jane Morgan's request

Sun 9:00am for St. Anna's parishioners

Sun 12:00pm for the soul of Henry Rappe at the Willis family's request.

TREASURE STEWARDSHIP:

Offertory: \$ 10,109.00

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENT MEETING



is this Thursday, March 16th at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Parents, please plan to attend this important meeting if your child is making First Holy Communion in this year.

"GOD AND COFFEE"

today in the Parish Hall at 10:30 a.m. The study is the "SEVEN DEADLY SINS, SEVEN LIVELY VIRTUES"

by Fr. Robert Barron.

Join us today for coffee and spend time with God.



VIRTUS Another **VIRTUS CHILD PROTECTION**

for adults class has been scheduled for Thursday, May 11th at St. Anna's. This 3 hour class will be held from 6-9pm. in the Parish Hall. Everyone over the age of 18 who would like to volunteer for VBS Summer Days or do anything with children or youth must take this class. Registrations can be made at www.virtus.org. This will be the last **VIRTUS** class scheduled until the fall.

A CONFIRMATION RETREAT TEAM MEETING will be held this **Thursday, March 16th** at 8pm (room 105). This is for all adults and youth who are volunteering at the Confirmation retreat on March 25th & 26th.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

The next **WYN (Wednesday Youth Night)** is Wed. 3/22

We will be attending the **Lenten Mission** together as a group. We will meet in the Parish Hall for dinner at 6:00 p.m. and attend the Mission program from 7:00 to 8:00 pm

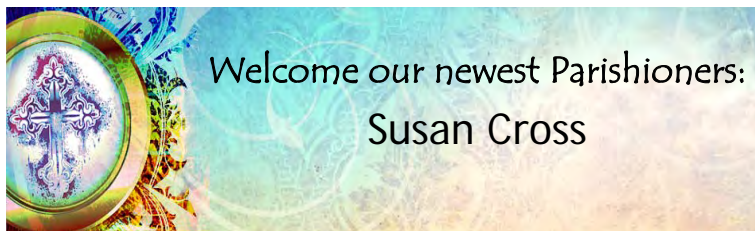


NEED A HAND?
RENT A YOUTH IS BACK!

SPRING RENT-A-YOUTH will be April 29th from 9am to 2pm. Make your reservations early for the youth

of our parish to do some Spring cleaning for you.

Contact Delilah now at 770-773-6259 or delilaht.bararon@gmail.com.



Welcome our newest Parishioners:
Susan Cross

ACES...Active Seniors will meet next Friday, March 17th at 1-3 pm Parish Hall for "GAME DAY!" We will have Card Games, BINGO, Dominions, Trivia, Scrabble, or bring your favorite game to share. Contact Beverly 770-313-2384 or Aida 770-267-2341...



(Don't forget to wear your GREEN!)



Saturday, March 18th, 7 pm in the Parish Hall
Dinner & Music

St. Patrick's Day Party

Tickets on sale After Mass: \$10 adults and \$5 kids

Menu: Cornbeef, Cabbage, and Beverages

St. Anna's Knights of Columbus (Council 14425)



Families of Faith will meet this Sunday at 5:30 in the Parish Hall

OPERATION RICE BOWL 2017

Encounter Nutrition. We encounter Evelina in Zambia as she and other mothers in her community learn new ways to provide nutritious meals for their growing children and families. How do we ensure that those who are hungry have not only food but true nourishment? Visit crsricebowl.org for more!



Did you know...we have a sign that says "NO Truck Turnaround" in the middle of our main entrance drive?

At mass times on the weekend the sign is off to the side. During the week it is placed in the middle of the drive to prevent trucks from using our parking lot as a turnaround. May be you have noticed the damage the trucks have done in the past. So be careful when turning in the parking lot...**now you know!**



Stations of the Cross is every Friday during Lenten starting at 6pm, then head to the Parish Hall for



The FRY-Day Nights Fish Fries

Take out boxes are available

Abbey Hospice is seeking volunteers! Please contact Rachael at 770-464-5858, or email at volunteer@abbeyhospice.com

Do you want to order altar flowers? Contact Jessica in the office to schedule your arrangement!



2017 Annual Appeal

St. Anna's goal for 2017 is **\$33,000** we have raised

\$34,475.00 in pledges,

\$1,475.00 over our goal!!

For those of you who have not had an opportunity to make a pledge or a gift this year, but still desire to be a part of the 2017 campaign, please visit appeal.archatl.com or you may contact Nancy Stoehr at 404-920-7600 or annualappeal@archatl.com.

Meeting times for the week:

- OLPH - Every Mon. @ 3pm (102/3)
- Men's CRHP - Mon. 3/13 @ 6:30pm (101)
- Women's CRHP - Mon. 3/13 @ 6:30pm (108)
- Centering Prayer - Every Mon. @ 7pm (Chpl)
- Be My Rock - Tues. 2/14 after mass (PH)
- RCIA/RCIC - Every Tues. @ 7:15pm (107/8)
- Parish Bible Study - Every Wed. @ 10am (105)
- Parish Council - Wed. 3/15 @ 7pm (105)
- Adult Choir Rehearsal - Wed. 3/15 @ 7pm
- Adoration - Every Fri. @ 6am-12pm (Chpl)

WEEKLY VERSES
A week's worth of God's Word

March 12 thru March 18
Saturday: Confessions
begin at 4 PM

- Sunday:** Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33(32):4-5.18-19.20.22. / 2 Tim 1:8b-10. / Mt 17:1-9.
- Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10. / Ps 79(78):8.9.11.13. / Lk 6:36-38.
- Tuesday:** Is 1:10.16-20. / Ps 50(49):8-9.16bc-17.21.23. / Mt 23:1-12.
- Wednesday:** Jer. 18:18-20. / Ps 31(30):5-6.14.15-16. / Mt 20:17-28.
- Thursday:** Jer. 17:5-10. / Ps 1:1-2.3.4.6. / Lk 16:19-31.
- Friday:** Gn 37:3-4.12-13a.17b-28. / Ps 105(104):16-17.18-19.20-21. / Mt 21:33-43.45-46.
- Saturday:** Micah 7:14-15.18-20. / Ps 103:1-2.3-4.9-12/Lk 15:1-3.11-32.

Nursery

Available for Mass

9:00 Mass

12:00 Mass

Mar. 12 - Marianna Tanner

Mar. 12 - Joyce Stodghill

Mar. 19 - NEED SOMEONE!

Mar. 19 - Yaricxa Roman