

The Transfiguration of the Lord

August 6, 2017

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It is good that we are here. (Luke 9:33)

Put yourself in Peter's place. God had already revealed to him that Jesus was the Messiah (Luke 9:20). And now he is standing with James and John, watching Jesus' appearance change before his eyes.

Even though he knew in his heart who Jesus was, he must have been stunned to see this transformation. It surely renewed his determination to follow Jesus. Coming down the mountain, he undoubtedly felt that nothing could shake his resolve.

Still, it was only a short time later that Peter abandoned his lofty goal and joined the other disciples in an argument about who was the greatest among them (Luke 9:46-48). And when Jesus' passion was at hand, Peter denied three times that he even knew the Lord—after protesting that he would follow Jesus even to prison and death (Luke 22:33-34). Peter eventually did become the “rock” on which Jesus built his church, but it certainly didn't happen overnight!

Isn't this the story of our lives as well? We have all had times of transfiguration—and perhaps there is no better example of this than receiving Jesus in the Eucharist. For a few moments after communion, we feel consoled by his grace and presence. It seems we are on the mountaintop with him. But when we get back to reality, we find we are still basically the same person. We may be a little more charitable or a little more forgiving. But we still have parts of our lives that need to be converted.

You may call this a depressing thought. But really, it's a grace! For it's then we realize how much we need Jesus, and how much more transformation we can still experience. Seeing where we still fall short doesn't have to drive us away from the Lord. If anything, it should push us closer to him. It should move us to receive him with more hope and more trust in his grace. So the next time you are at Mass, look closely at what you are about to receive. Under the veil of bread and wine, Jesus is there, radiant with his Father's love. His arms are outstretched ready to embrace you. Come to him—and let him keep changing you!

“Lord, it is good to be with you at Mass. Help me always to stay open to the transforming power of your grace.”

https://wau.org/resources/article/re_the_transfiguration_of_the_lord/

DAILY MASS READINGS

- Monday:** Numbers 11:4b-15; Matthew 14:13-21
- Tuesday:** *Saint Dominic, Priest (Memorial)*
Numbers 12:1-13; Matthew 14:22-36
- Wednesday:** Numbers 13:1-2,25-14:1,26-29a, 34-35 Matthew 15:21-28
- Thursday:** *Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr (Feast)*
2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26
- Friday:** *Saint Clare, Virgin (Memorial)*
Deuteronomy 4:32-40; Matthew 16:24-28
- Saturday:** Deuteronomy 6:4-13; Matthew 17:14-20
- Sunday:** 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a; Matthew 14:22-33

This Week's Program Schedule

Monday, August 7

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| 8:00AM | Mass | Church |
| 8:30AM | Bible Study | Lounge |
| 6:00PM | Adoration/Reconciliation | Church |

Tuesday, August 8

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| 8:00AM | Mass | Church |
| 6:30PM | Charismatic Prayer Group | Lounge |

Wednesday, August 9

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| 8:00AM | Mass | Church |
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Thursday, August 10

Friday, August 11

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| 4:30PM | Mass | Church |
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Saturday, August 12

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| 3:30PM | Reconciliation | Church |
| 5:00PM | Mass | Church |

Sunday, August 13

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| 9:00AM | Mass | Church |
| 6:00PM | Mass | Church |

Something for our Children!

Can you unscramble the following words from today's Gospel?

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Answers on the next page→

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Give back to the Lord a sacrifice, a share of what the Lord has so generously given to you.

Last Sunday's Offertory: \$ 5,296.20
Mission Appeal: \$ 6,169.39

Thank you and God bless you!

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00PM	Sat., August 5	David Amesquita†
9:00AM	Sun., August 6	Special Intention
6:00PM	Sun., August 6	All Saints Community
8:00AM	Mon., August 7	Freddy Ramirez
8:00AM	Tues., August 8	Margaret Novotny†
8:00AM	Wed., August 9	All Souls
4:30PM	Fri., August 11	Joy Khamis†

2017-2018 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PRESENTATIONS Sunday, 9AM Mass

Jacob de Bos	\$500 Non-Renewable Scholarship
Michaela de Bos	\$500 Non-Renewable Scholarship
Abram Galvez	\$500 Non-Renewable Scholarship
Gabriella Germann	\$1,000 <i>Ellen P. Cielo Memorial</i> <i>Non-Renewable Scholarship</i>
Kathy McMillan	\$500 Non-Renewable Scholarship
Megan Silva	\$500 Non-Renewable Scholarship

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION will be for the benefit of the *Building Fund*. God bless you for your generosity.

WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT: If you are feeling the need to take a break from the busy, noisy and sometimes confusing world in which we live, please consider joining other women from ours and other parishes for a silent retreat under the guidance of Fr. Serge Propst, O.P. at St. Clare's Retreat House in the Santa Cruz Mountains from September 29 — October 1. The theme of this year's retreat is *The Five Primary Ways to Encounter God*. Contact Jean Alt for more information at 209-756-8030.

HELP US WELCOME BACK OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS:

Please bring items, such as snacks, school supplies, gift cards, etc. for our gift bags for the college students to turn in by **Monday, August 21. Please drop off your donations in the containers provided in the lobby.** We have provided a suggestion list as well as a gift card box for your convenience (in lieu of food or other items). Thank you for your continued support!

JOB OPPORTUNITIES: Please see the bulletin board in the lobby for a number of employment opportunities within the Stockton Diocese.

WE WANT YOUR PICTURES! : For those who have signed up to host the traveling statue of Our Lady of Fatima, we want your pictures! Take pictures of Our Lady in your home, at your meal, praying the rosary with you, or whatever you had planned for the time she is in your home. Send your photo(s) in a text to (209) 423-0261 or attach in an email to drromni2@aol.com. These will be posted on our social media pages on our Website.

This week's helpers include ...

Altar Linens ~ Melissa Lawson
Children's Liturgy of the Word ~ Kim Martin
Hospitality Sunday ~ YLI, Queen of Faith

Thank you and God bless you for your unselfish service!

TIPS FOR TITHING

What we give to God is God's share of the blessings we have received from Him. They are needed to carry on the work of God in and through the Church. What we give to God is not charity but is that of our Christian obligation. Charity done for individuals or organizations cannot be a substitute for tithing.

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Please pray for our sick community members and friends:

Gustavo Delgadillo	Socorro Aguilar	Ed H
Peggy Howard	Rita Yonan	Efren Ramirez
Diane Anderson	Linda Seymour	Stephen...
Jim Perdomo	Don Soares	Jean...
Bella Gonzales	Anne Cressio	Denice...
Cynthia Basco	Jackie Ferreira	Donna Lopez
Roland & Edie Ferrari	Lettie Line	Rylee Schmidt
Patti & Tom Scott	Jennifer Daniel	Ed Rocha
Jo Marie Drouillard	Doree O'Connell	Giovanni Sahagun
Joanne Mattos	Isabel Rodriguez	Linda Baca
Craig Pacheco	Reese Derryman	Carol Parks
Jim Drouillard	Margy Wear	Raul Campusano
Kevin Downs	Pam Turner	Patricia Medina
Michelle Dominguez	Linda Hendricks	Shelly...
Edward Lytle	Mara Bratcher	Taylor Holt
Artie Romero	Ray Morris	Katarina Renenger
William Jackson	Kay Placido	Arturo Garcia
Kathy Molina	Janet Fiorini	Cathy Schueber
Cecilia Renenger	Bert Tadina	Maggie...
Juanita Kailiwiwa	Taylor A.	Jeanne Neu
Guadalupe Ramirez-Villegas	Anahi Cisneros	Stuart Diamond
Cory Blanchard	Ann Mangenello	Sharon...
Josephina Camacho	Paula Baca	Terry Diamond
Frank Machado	Edward Tripp	Victor Rodriguez
David Brian Baca	Kristy B.	Robert France
Stephanie Chambers	Ed Chambers	

Your special prayers for these and others suffering from illness are gratefully appreciated. Thank you and God bless you!

Notify the office if you have anyone you would like to place on our list of persons in need of prayer due to illness. So that space will always be available for your loved ones, names will be kept on our list for two months. (However, your prayer requests can be renewed.)

CRE (Children's Religious Education)

Children's Religious Education classes begin on Wednesday, September 6.

Parent meetings will be held at 6:00PM Wednesday, August 30 and Thursday, August 31. Parents please attend ONE of these meetings.

RCIA

Any adult wishing to embrace the Catholic faith or any Catholic wishing to be confirmed should contact Michael Fuller by calling the church office at 669-0473.

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS: BROTHER, TRANSFIGURED, WHITE, LIGHT, MOUNTAIN, VISION. How did you do?

BISHOP'S AWARDS DINNER, Saturday, October 21, 2017 at Church of the Presentation in Stockton. Reserve your tickets today! Call (209) 546-7646 or visit us at: <https://stocktondiocese.org/diocesan-departments/development-2/bishops-awards/reserve-your-tickets/>.

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