

# THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD < A (18th Sunday In Ordinary Time)

August 5-6, 2023

MC: Greeting

Entrance song

STAND

Introduction by the Celebrant

**ENTRANCE ANT. [Father, Son, and Spirit]  
In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared.  
The Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved  
Son, with whom I am well pleased. Listed to Him.**

Penitential Act

The transfiguration affirms the exaltation of Christ in anticipation of his eternal glory. How often have we examine our faith before the Lord:

(pause)

Lord Jesus, your revelation prefigured the splendor of heaven where we will see God face to face:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Jesus Christ, you exhort us to follow you on the way of the Cross and of sacrifice;  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, with your promise of salvation, we acquire the seed of eternal life: Lord, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Absolution:

In your mercy, forgive us, Lord.  
Sustain us on our journey  
and lead us to everlasting life.

**R/ Amen.**

Glory to God in the highest

C: Collect [Listening to Christ]

O God, who in the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son confirmed the mysteries of faith by the witness of the Fathers and wonderfully prefigured our full adoption to sonship, grant, we pray, to your servants, that, listening to the voice of your beloved Son, we may merit to become co-heirs with him. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.  
**R/ Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

SIT

First Reading Dn 7:9-10, 13-14

[Clothing White As Snow]

Daniel's vision portrays the son of man who has power, glory, and dominion. Thousands minister to him. His dominion is everlasting.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Daniel

As I watched:  
Thrones were set up  
and the Ancient One took his throne.  
His clothing was snow bright,  
and the hair on his head as white as wool;  
his throne was flames of fire,  
with wheels of burning fire.  
A surging stream of fire  
flowed out from where he sat;  
Thousands upon thousands were ministering to him,  
and myriads upon myriads attended him.  
The court was convened and the books were opened.  
As the visions during the night continued, I saw  
One like a Son of man coming,  
on the clouds of heaven;  
When he reached the Ancient One  
and was presented before him.  
The one like a Son of man received dominion, glory,  
and kingship;  
all peoples, nations, and languages serve him.  
His dominion is an everlasting dominion  
that shall not be taken away,  
his kingship shall not be destroyed.

The word of the Lord.

**R/ Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 97 [The Lord Most High]  
**R./ The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.**

The LORD is king; let the earth rejoice;  
let the many island be glad.  
Clouds and darkness are round about him,  
justice and judgement are the foundation of his throne. (R.)

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord,  
before the Lord of all the earth.  
The heavens proclaim his justice,  
and all peoples see his glory. (R.)

Because you, O Lord, are the Most High over all the earth,  
exalted far above all gods. (R.)

Second Reading 2Pt 1:16-19 [Peter, an Eyewitness]  
Peter was an eyewitness of the Transfiguration of the Lord Jesus in power and glory. He proclaims Jesus's message with authority: His teaching is trustworthy and reliable.

A reading from the second Letter of Saint Peter  
Beloved: We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that unique declaration came to him from the majestic glory, "This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

## In Communion with the Saints

May he make of us an eternal offering to you, so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect, especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her Spouse, with your blessed Apostles and glorious Martyrs, and with all the Saint, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unailing help.

## Intercessions: For the Church

May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity your pilgrim Church on earth, with your servant N. our Pope and N. our Bishop, the Order of Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you have gained for your own. Listen graciously to the prayers of this family, whom you have summoned before you: in your compassion, O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the world.

## For the Dead

To our departed brothers and sisters and to all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom. There we hope to enjoy for ever the fullness of your glory through Christ our Lord, through whom you bestow on the world all that is good.

## Concluding Doxology

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever, and ever.

**Amen**

Communion Rite

STAND

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

Priest:

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant us peace in our days,  
that, by the help of your mercy,  
we may be always free from sin  
and safe from all distress,  
as we await the blessed hope  
and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

People:

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory  
are yours, now and for ever.**

## Sign Of Peace

Priest : Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your  
Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I  
give you; look not on our sins, but on the  
faith of your Church, and graciously grant  
her peace and unity in accordance with  
your will. Who live and reign for ever and  
ever.

People : **Amen**

Priest : The peace of the Lord be with you  
always

People : **And with your Spirit.**

Priest : Let us offer each other the sign of peace

## Breaking of the Bread

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

**Have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

**Have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

**Grant us peace.**

Reception of Communion

KNEEL

Priest : Behold the Lamb of God, behold him  
who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of  
the Lamb.

People : **Lord, I am not worthy  
that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word  
and my soul shall be healed.**

Priest : The body of Christ.

Answer : **Amen**

Priest : The blood of Christ.

Answer : **Amen**

Communion

Prayer after Communion

[In Christ's Likeness]

STAND

May the heavenly nourishment we have received,  
O Lord, we pray, transform us into the likeness of  
your Son, whose radiant splendor you will to  
make manifest in his glorious Transfiguration. Who  
lives and reigns for ever and ever. **R/ Amen.**

General Announcements

SIT

Blessing

STAND

May the glory of God, which surpasses all  
understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the  
knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, our  
Lord Jesus Christ. **R/ Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father,  
and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on  
you and remain with you for ever. **R/ Amen.**

Let us go in peace and in the light of the Lord.

**R/ Thanks be to God.**

We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain. Moreover, we possess the prophetic message that is altogether reliable. You will do well to be attentive to it, as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

*The word of the Lord.*

**R/ Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia** Mt 17:5c [*Listen to Him*] **STAND**

**R/ Alleluia, alleluia.**

This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

**R/ Alleluia, alleluia.**



*"He was transfigured before them."*

**Gospel** Mt 17:1-9 [*Face Like the Sun*]

*Jesus becomes transfigured before Peter, James and John. God speaks to us: "This is my beloved Son,.....listen to him."*

**R/ The Lord be with you.**

**R/ And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**R/ Glory to you, O Lord**

Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother, John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone.

As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Homily**

**SIT**

**I believe in God**

**STAND**

**General Intercessions**

It is good for us to be here, united in faith and prayer. Trusting in the Father's love, we now offer him our prayers:

*(Pause)*

That the Church will radiate the beauty of the transfigured Jesus at mount Tabor, through her preaching, teaching and outreach to the world. Let us pray to the Lord:

**Lord, let your light shine on us.**

That the mystery of the Transfiguration will inspire many young people to respond to the call of vocation to the priesthood or to consecrated life. Let us pray to the Lord:

**Lord, let your light shine on us.**

For the poor, the sick, the hungry, the homeless, and all those who live in the shadow of darkness: that the brightness of Christ's love will shine on them and raise them up. Let us pray to the Lord:

**Lord, let your light shine on us.**

Lord Jesus, You are the head of the Church, we humbly seek your providence of the St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish, the grace to see the vision of glorious Lord in his transfiguration and to be the Light to the nations.

Let us pray to the Lord :

**Lord, let your light shine on us.**

We pray for those intentions offered for the Mass and for our personal intentions .....

*(Pause)*

Let us pray to the Lord:

**Lord, let your light shine on us.**

Loving Father, at the miracle of the Transfiguration, the disciples were blessed to hear your voice. May we always live their obedience and faith. Through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**SL: Offertory hymn**

**SIT**

**Liturgy of the Eucharist**

**Preparation of the Bread**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

*All : Blessed be God for ever.*

**Preparation of the Wine**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,

for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

*All : Blessed be God for ever.*

**Invitation To Prayer**

**STAND**

Priest : Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**People : May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Holy Church**

**Prayer over the Offerings**  
**[Cleanse Us from Sin]**

**STAND**

Sanctify, O Lord, we pray, these offerings here made to celebrate the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son, and by his radiant splendor cleanse us from the stains of sin. Through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**The Eucharistic Prayer**

**STAND**

*Introductory Dialogue*  
The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them up to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right and just**

**Preface** [*Sharing Christ's Glory*]

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

For he revealed his glory in the presence of chosen witnesses and filled with greatest splendor that bodily from which he shares with all humanity, that the scandal of the Cross might be removed from the hearts of his disciples and that he might show how in the Body of the whole Church is to be fulfilled what so wonderfully shone forth first in its Head.

And so, with the Powers of heaven, we worship you constantly on earth, and before your majesty without end we acclaim:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts....**

**Eucharistic Prayer No. 3**

**KNEEL**

**Praise to the Father**

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

**Invocation of the Holy Spirit**

Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration that they may become the Body and ✠ Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

**The Lord's Supper**

For on the night he was betrayed he himself took bread, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

**Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is my Body, which will be given up for you.**

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice and, once more giving thanks, he said the blessing and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

**Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is the chalice of my Blood, the Blood of the new and eternal covenant, which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.**

**Do this in memory of me.**

**Memorial Acclamation**

*Priest : The mystery of faith.*

*All : When we eat this Bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.*

**The Memorial Prayer**

Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven, and as we look forward to his second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice.

**Invocation of the Holy Spirit**

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church and, recognizing the sacrificial Victim by whose death you willed to reconcile us to yourself, grant that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son and filled with his Holy Spirit, may become one body, one spirit in Christ.