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August 6, 2023 ▪ The Transfiguration of the Lord

Prayer for the feast of the Transfiguration

By Philip Kosloski



This Byzantine hymn asks God for his divine light to shine upon all of us.

In many ways the feast of the Transfiguration is a feast of light. It focuses on that radiant light emanating from Jesus and gives us a glimpse of the glory that is to come.

Here is a short Byzantine hymn that is also a prayer, asking God to shed his divine light upon all of us.

You were transfigured on the Mountain, O Christ God, showing Your Disciples as much of Your glory as they could hold. Let Your eternal light shine also upon us sinners, through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Giver of Light, glory to You.

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Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 PM

Sunday

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

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Dinner and a Show!

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Prayer for Protection from Hurricanes

*God, Our Father, Creator and Lord of the universe,
you have set the earth on its foundation
and all the elements of nature obey your command.*

*We humbly beseech you to keep us safe from all dangers
and calm the storm that threatens us.*

*May we be secure in your loving protection
and serve you always with grateful hearts.*

*We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.*

Amen.



**“Life in the Spirit”
Prayer Group**

Monday evenings at 7:00 pm
in Courtyard Hall.

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August 6, 2023

Written by
THE
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Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 | 2 Pt 1:16-19 | Mt 17:1-9

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

According to the dictionary definition, to be transfigured is to “transform into something more beautiful or elevated.” This is what we see happening in Matthew’s Gospel today: Jesus takes his closest disciples up the mountain and there he is transformed – he is *transfigured* – before them: “His face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light.” He is also joined by Moses and Elijah as a sign that he is the fulfillment of God’s promises of old. Jesus completes the old covenant that God made with his people and brings us the new covenant of salvation. The Transfiguration parallels the Baptism of the Lord in that we once again hear God speaking from the heavens to say, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” But during the Transfiguration, God adds the words, “Listen to him.” That’s a command not just for his disciples there on the mountain but for us today as well.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In elementary school, we were often reminded to listen. I remember one teacher who made a point to impress upon our class that listening is different from hearing. It is easy to hear, but to listen, you need to take the time to understand what is being said. In his letter today, Peter is urging us to listen to the prophetic message of Jesus. He says, “You will do well to be attentive to it” and then compares doing so to being “a lamp shining in a dark place.” The world today can be a very dark place, but we don’t have to be content to live in the shadows. By following Jesus’ example and commands, we can bring light – along with hope and joy – to our corner of the world. Sometimes that takes courage, though. It might involve making uncomfortable or unpopular choices, but Peter promises that the “day will dawn.” When that happens, we will undoubtedly see the fruits of our good works in our efforts to build God’s kingdom.

PRAY This week, let us pray in both words and actions as Jesus taught us. If the Lord’s Prayer is not already part of your daily prayer routine, try incorporating it this week. Then, look for ways to follow in the footsteps of Jesus by reaching out to someone who may appreciate a phone call or a visit.



Transfiguration of Jesus by Carl Bloch, CCO



Are You Hoping to Receive One of the Seven Sacraments With Us?

Matrimony

Congratulations on your engagement! Every Diocese in Florida requires at least six months preparation before marriage. Please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for an appointment before setting a date.

Baptism

We are honored that you would like to choose Blessed Trinity Catholic Church for the baptism of your child! We ask that you please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for information regarding the pre-baptism class before scheduling a baptism.

Office Hours

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Closed for Lunch Noon to 1 pm

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 5, Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major in Rome

8:00 a.m. Nino Sangiore (Dec)

Saturday, August 5, Vigil for The Transfiguration of the Lord

4:00 p.m. James Lawler & Pat Sullivan (Dec)

Sunday, August 6, The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:00 a.m. John Marchese (Dec)

9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

11:30 a.m. John Gray & Bill Isaac (Dec)

Monday, August 7, Memorials of Saint Sixtus II, Pope and Martyr and Companions, and Saint Cajetan, Priest

8:00 a.m. Carole Huff (Dec)

Tuesday, August 8, Memorial of Saint Dominic, Priest

8:00 a.m. Margaret T. Mays (Dec)

Wednesday, August 9, Memorial of Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 a.m. Mass for Vocations

Thursday, August 10, Feast of Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

8:00 a.m. Jose Taramona (Dec)

Friday, August 11, Memorial of Saint Clare, Virgin

8:00 a.m. Rose Di Benetdo (Dec)

Saturday, August 12, Memorial of Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

8:00 a.m. Carole Huff (Dec)

Saturday, August 12, Vigil for The Nineteenth Sunday in OT

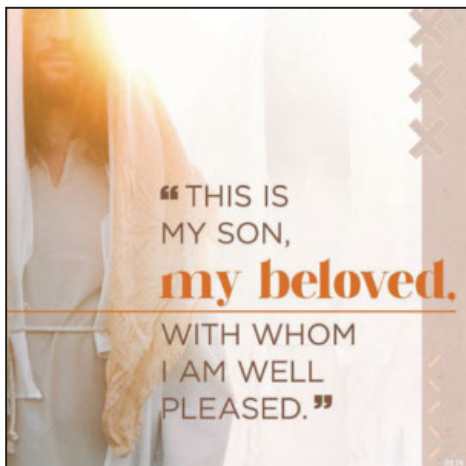
4:00 p.m. Bill Hueston (Dec)

Sunday, August 13, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Michelle Zere (Dec)

9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Marlene Romani (Dec)



Journeying Through Grief

“Grief is not a sign of weakness. It is a tribute to the loved one who died, and a healthy response to our heart ache.”

If you would like to be part of a Grief-Support “group” or you would prefer “one on one” support, please call Rachel between 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the parish office, 727-867-3663

Prayer for Priests & Future Priests

Eternal Father, We lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them, heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

08/06 • Rev. Brian Fabiszewsk
08/07 • Rev. Emery N. Longanga
08/08 • Rev. Viet Nguyen
08/09 • For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life
08/10 • Rev. Edwin Palka
08/11 • Vincent Washburn, Seminarian
08/12 • Rev. Theodore Costello

These are the names of the active priests and seminarians in our Diocese. Remember our Bishop has designated Wednesdays as Diocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please continue to pray that more young people will hear and answer God's call to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

Vocations

Are you called to serve the family of the Lord and share the Father's love as a priest, deacon, sister or brother?

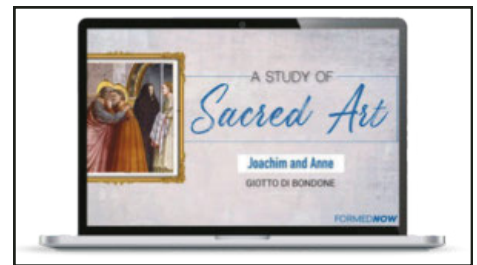
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Stewardship Prayer

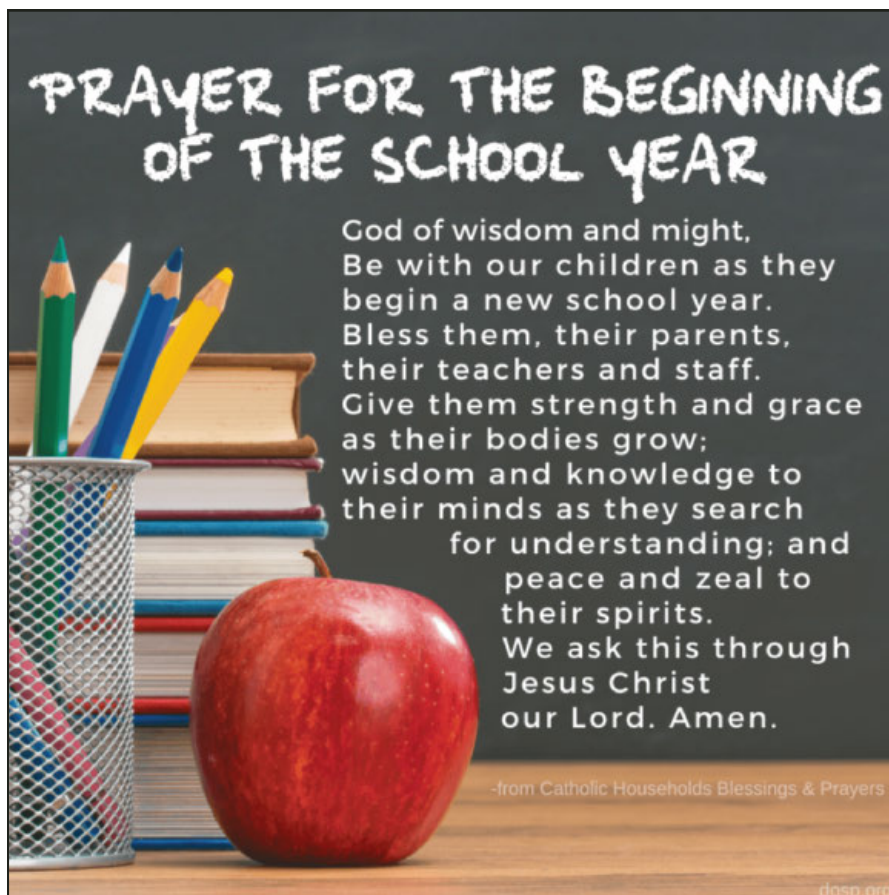
O Divine Giver of all gifts, grant us the daily graces we need to follow closely in the footsteps of Jesus in the way we live out our lives and make use of our gifts.

Daily, may we renew with You our small part of the world by allowing Your will to be accomplished in and through us.

Help us to trust in Your love for us and to grow in our fidelity and relationship with You.

We thank You for the trust You place in us as stewards of our personal gifts. May the Holy Spirit guide us in placing our time, talent and treasure at the service of each other so that together we may faithfully witness the Christian message and thus become Your holy people.

Amen



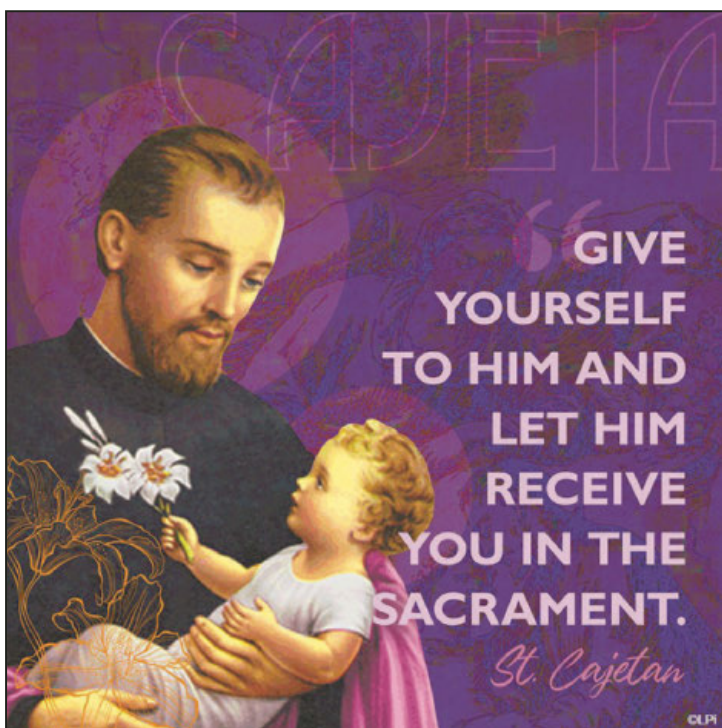
EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

There are times in our lives that we get the chance to see a glimpse of heaven. It may be through the love of another, loved one or stranger. Sometimes it may even be an event that seems unexplainable, perhaps even supernatural. These occurrences may be the answer to prayer or they may surprise us by coming out of nowhere. But no matter their nature or origin, they give us hope and strength to carry on through life.

When we journey on a pathway of stewardship, we are bound to experience moments of grace where we see even the smallest seeds we planted grow into something amazing. At these moments, we are reminded that God is real and that our stewardship is not in vain. The giving of our gifts and talents is not just a response to God's calling. The giving is one way that God breaks through into the lives of others. As we use what God has given us for his glory, he uses us as instruments of grace to be truly present to others.

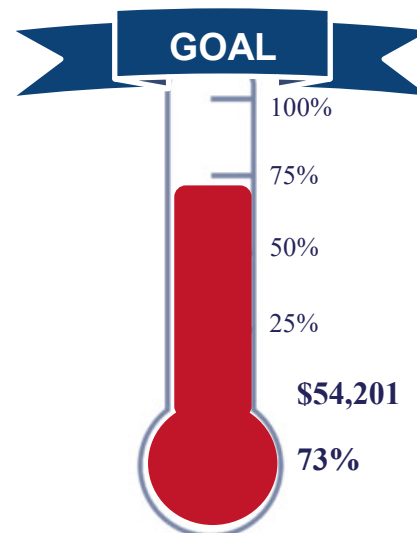
The greatest example of this occurs at the Mass. Through the hands of an ordained priest taking the gifts of bread and wine, God is really present with us. When we then take Christ into our bodies, we accept the offer to take him into the world to others. The world cannot see Jesus in us with human eyes, but through our works of stewardship, they can see Jesus in us. One could say they even have a chance to see a glimpse of heaven.

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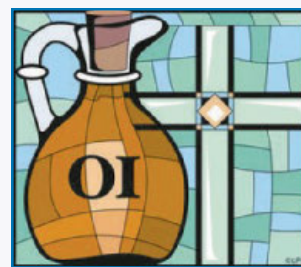
St. Anthony's Prayer for Peace of Mind

O holy Saint Anthony, your deep faith in Jesus Christ comforted your heart, especially during times of trial and distress. Help me grow in faith, so I may experience peace of mind and heart in my present needs (Here mention). Free me from undue anxiety, needless worry, and burdensome fears. Grant me sure confidence, unflinching trust in God's loving mercy and daily serenity. ~ Amen

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Oliphant, Sean
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Anointing of the Sick

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If you or a close family member would like to be added or removed from our prayer list, please contact the parish office at 727-867-3663.



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