August 6, 2023 The Transfiguration of The Lord



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Father's Corner

Jesus led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them.

In the toasty days of summer, who wouldn't like to climb a high mountain where it's cool and refreshing? When Peter, James, and John were invited by Jesus to go up a "high mountain," they were not prepared for what would occur there and for where the journey would lead them. Something new was going to happen.

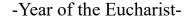
As we come halfway through the period of Ordinary Time, the mystery of the Transfiguration of the Lord grants us a precious moment of enlightenment when we see Jesus clearly in all his glory, and hear God clearly tell us who Jesus is - "my beloved Son".

This revelation strengthens our resolve to continue to listen to whatever Jesus has to tell us ("listen to him" says the Father), and encourages us to continue walking with him to Jerusalem where "the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Because of the Transfiguration, we can see what is entirely new in where we are going as disciples of Christ, we can hear how we are to get there, we can follow fearlessly the One who leads us; Jesus our Good Shepherd.

We have the benefit of discernment. We see and believe that Jesus died and is now risen from the dead. We know what the Transfiguration prefigured for Jesus and for us. Jesus' new covenant promises us a share in his risen Life. We receive that share when we listen to Jesus, live the Gospel way of life he taught, and empty ourselves for others as he did. We live already a transfigured life. We live already the "new" Jesus inaugurated.

Stay blessed.



Why must a validly ordained priest (or bishop) celebrate the Consecration during the Eucharistic Prayer of the Mass?

On the night of the Last Supper, when Jesus instituted the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, He also instituted the Sacrament of the priesthood, called Holy Orders. He made it clear He wanted them to continue to make present the same Sacrifice He had given at the Last Supper and on Calvary. Therefore, priests have received their power from Jesus through an unbroken chain of apostolic succession from the Apostles through the bishops down history to today.

By the words of Consecration prayed by a validly ordained priest (or bishop) during Mass, the bread and wine become the real Body and Blood of Christ.

Without the priest, there would be no Sacrifice of the Mass. The power of consecration by an ordained priest brings the living Christ objectively to the altar.

Our Prayer Corner

Ed Weitekamp, Greg Weitekamp, Jeff Brown, Drake Lucas, Carrie Alkire, Kathy Beckmier, Joe Cray, Brant Weitekamp, Chuck Sale, Cindy Sale, Martha Reed, Janet Locander, Steve Mundhenke, Mikah Marten

To add a name to the prayer list, please email Kateri at kmarten@stmrm.org and specify how many weeks you'd like that name to appear for (1 week up to a maximum of 12 weeks). You're always welcome to re-add the name at the end of this period if the need for prayer is still present, but this will help keep the list focused and fresh.

If you know of a parishioner that you'd like added to Father's visitation list, please let him or Kateri know.

Tuesday, August 15th

The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation

St. Raymond - 6:30 pm

Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women announce 95th annual convention: Christ is Alive

Wednesday, Sept. 27 \parallel 8 am – 4:30 pm At Sacred Heart Griffin High School's west campus. 11:00 am Mass at St. Agnes Church with Bishop Thomas John Paprocki. Key-note speaker: Cathy Becker, the director of faith formation for St. Agnes Parish. Talk: "New maps for a new landscape" will guide participants in looking at the changing landscape of people involved in our faith, find the fixed landmarks, and how to chart a new map with new routes to bring people back to the faith, engage new seekers of the faith, and find hope in our faith. Registration: \$50.00 (includes morning refreshments and lunch.) Registration forms can be found in the back of each church or at **dio.org**. Questions, contact Janet Zimmerman at Janetzim14@yahoo.com or 217-494-4743.

Information regarding Father's vacation

Father will be gone on vacation through September 1st. There will be no weekday Masses during that time.

Weekend Mass coverage while Father is gone:

August 5/6: Fr Thaddeus Adukus (Fr Teddy) August 12/13: Fr Thaddeus Adukus (Fr Teddy) August 15 The Assumption : Fr. John Burnette August 19/20: Fr Steve Pohlman August 26/27: Fr Steve Pohlman

St. Raymond's Adoration will continue as usual while Father is gone.

In case of an emergency need of a priest: contact Fr. Tom Hagstrom at (217)779-3153 He is the dean of the Jerseyville Deanery and will either care for the need or arrange for another priest to.

Reconciliation Times

Confession will continue as usual while father is gone

St. Maurice - Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

St. Mary - Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

St. Raymond - Sunday 7:00 am - 7:30 am

St. Maurice

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, August 6 10:00 am Carl Goebel

(Thelma Goebel)

Sunday, August 13

10:00 am Leon & Marilyn DeBrun on their 65th Wedding Anniversary

St. Maurice Flowers & Plants

Dorothy Dautel has been doing a great job decorating the church & taking care of the flowers and plants. Please do not water any flowers or plants unless asked to do so by Dorothy. Thanks!

Ministry Schedule

<u>August 6</u>

LECTOR Catherine O'Connell USHER Marilyn Boston, Linda Sheedy, and Mark Langen EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS Ed Goebel, Marietta Dunkirk, and Charlie Golitko SERVERS Emma, Lucas, and Noah Grundy

Collection for July 30	
Envelopes & Loose Cash	\$795
Church Improvement Fund	\$600
Candle Fund	\$
Total Collections:	\$1,395

August 13

LECTOR Dereke Dunkirk USHER Marilyn Boston, Linda Sheedy, and Mark Langen EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS Larry Goebel, Dale Brockamp, and Catherine O'Connell SERVERS Nathaniel and Nicholas DeBrun

Finance Council

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St. Raymond

August Ministry Schedule

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, August 6 8:00 am Wanda Miller

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Sunday, August 13

8:00 am Thanks for Blessings Received (Toots Walch)

Sunday, August 15 -The Assumption of Mary 6:30 pm Richard Norris

(Jack & Patti Christian)

If anyone is ever interested in serving at Mass, contact Lindsay Pope 217-836-4544

Verne Pinkston LECTOR Tim Mizera CANTOR HOSPITALITY Denny Rosenthal EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS Larry Weitekamp Dianne Hampton HOMEBOUND MINISTER: Aug 6 - Mary & Julie Krager Aug 13 - Dick Lyons Aug 20 - Carl Marten Aug 27 - Noller/Morehouse SERVERS: Aug 6 - Denny Held Aug 13 - Dan Held Aug 15 - Avery & Luke Pope Aug 20 - Avery & Luke Pope Aug 27 - Morgan Hampton

Collection for July 30Envelopes and Loose\$1,600Candle offering\$96Bell Tower Fund\$Building Fund\$St. Louis Catholic School\$Total Collections:\$1,696

Finance Council Bill Held Marlene Marten John Barto Allen Poggenpohl Fr. Florent

St. Mary

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, August 5

5:00 pm Bob Seelbach (Marjorie Millburg)

Saturday, August 12

5:00 pm Deceased Members of the Stieren and Aheren Families (Carol Hupp)

Farmersville K of C Monthly Breakfast

3rd Sunday of the Month (Except in March) August 20th 7:30 am to Noon at the Farmersville K of C Hall

Extraordinary Minister Schedule

Aug	5 - Mary Ann Rimini
-	& Glenn Rovey
Aug	12 - Patty Clarke
•	& Mary Ann Rimini
Aug	19 - Mary Jane Schmid
•	& Patty Clarke
Aug	26 - Glenn Rovey
C C	& Mary Jane Schmidt

Lector Schedule

Aug 5 - Tony Krager Aug 12 - Dan Martin Aug 19 - Kathy Rovey Aug 26 - Carol Hupp

Sep 2 - Mary Jane Fuchs

Collection for July 29	
Envelopes & Loose	\$1,265
Candle Fund	\$20
Maintenance Fund	\$
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$1,285

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