

# The Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday, August 6, 2023 Fr. John Honiotes, Pastor

#### Reflection for this weekend's readings from Loyola Press

Today's liturgy invites us to celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. This feast calls to our attention the importance of this event in Jesus' life, further affirmed by its report in each of the Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In Cycle A, the reading for this feast is taken from the Gospel of Matthew. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah and after Jesus predicts his Passion. In each of these Gospels, a discussion of the cost of discipleship precedes the Transfiguration.

In each Gospel, Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear and converse with Jesus. Elijah and Moses are both significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. Moses represents the Law, which guides the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh, and some believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. The appearance of these two figures from Israel's history indicated Jesus' continuity with the Law and the prophets. They also reveal that Jesus is the fulfillment of all that was promised to the people of Israel.

Upon witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, an awestruck Peter offered to construct three tents for them when a voice from Heaven affirms that Jesus is "my beloved Son" and commands the disciples to listen to him. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructed the disciples to keep secret what they had seen until after "the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." Until they witnessed Jesus' Passion and Death, the disciples could not possibly understand what he meant by being "raised from the dead." We, however,

have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of the Transfiguration Gospel, we see an anticipation of Jesus' Resurrection, a foreshadowing of Christ's glory in Heaven, and the promise of our own resurrection.

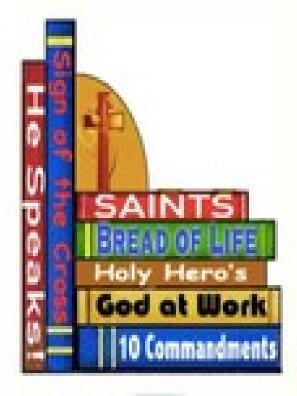


# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15

Masses : 6:30am, 8:30am and 7:00pm

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2023-2024

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

RE Registration forms and schedules for the 2023-2024 school year are available on the front porch of the rectory and also on our website.

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### St. Mary's Golf Outing 2023

Monday, September 11
The Creek 5355 Saratoga Rd.
Morris, Illinois 60450

50/50 Drawing, Raffle Baskets, Live and Silent Auctions, hallenge Holes



Registration begins at 11:00am Shot Gun Start is at 12:00 Noon Dinner is at 5:00pm

If interested in donating a Raffle Basket or giving a Donation, please contact Deb Bols at 815-210-8351 or the rectory at 815-467-2233. Thank you.







Are you an adult who wants to become part of the Catholic Church?

Or perhaps you were baptized but didn't receive any other sacraments but wish to?

Classes start this Fall for adults who are looking to come into full communion with the Catholic Church!

#### Please Pray For the Sick of our Parish Family

Denise Tonarelli Kimberly Gaydula Paul Thien Phu Ken Fosen Tim Kilroy

Sara Lovell Wren Wagoner Baker Family Bayley Webb Lorenzo Benitez Marlena Benitez Judy Stafford Ruth Kesselring Olivia Arenella Lisa Pelton

Robert Fonck Marilyn Wilkens Gerald Magolan Paisly Schad Bill Wizorek Joe Overbeck Jerry Moreno Connie Hamilton Noreen Benda Greg Votta Pat Smania

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please email st.marysminooka@sbcglobal.net or call the parish office at 815-467-2233.

## **Mass Intentions**

Date	Time	Intention	From
Saturday, Aug 5	4:00-4:45pm	Confession	
	5:00pm	Rosalie Jostes	The Family
		Walter & Mary Lou Friant	The Family
Sunday, Aug 6	7:30am	Parishioners	
	9:00am	Francis R. Dollinger	St. Mary's Church
		Scott Tezak	The Family
	11:00am	Larry Nelson	Cheryl Nelson & Family
Monday, Aug 7	8:30am	Benigno Oroczo	Lorenzo & Grace Torres
		Gloria Maxwell	Ken & Jackie Bersano
Tuesday, Aug 8	8:30am	Dennis J. Powers	Michael Powers
Wednesday, Aug 9	8:30am	Sr. Rosemary Small	
Thursday, Aug 10	8:30am	Fr. Mark Fracaro	
Friday, Aug 11	8:30am	Parishioners	
Saturday, Aug 12	4:00-4:45pm	Confession	
	5:00pm	Josephine Quilter	Sharon Gaydula
Sunday, Aug. 13	7:30am	Donald, Gloria, & Anita	
		Maxwell	The Family
	9:00am	Angelo & Fern Paone	The Family
	11:00am	William Klepec	The KC's
		Anne McEvilly	The Family
		Karl Kohl	The O'Hagan Family



Jessica Dempsy

Police & Firefighters Gloria Ziebler If you would like a candle lit outside for a Special Intention, please call the Parish Office 815-467-2233.



Worship Team	<u>Altar Servers</u>	Eucharistic Ministers	<u>Lectors</u>
08/12/2023 @ 5:00pm	Volunteer	Mike Healy	Kathy Sabuco
8/13/2023 @ 7:30am,	Kevin Looney Kasey Looney	Nita Caruso Cindy Creasman	Brenda Rittof
8/13/2023 @ 9:00am	Sara Folsom Alex Folsom	Erica Schramm Meagan Galloway	Mike Schramm
8/13/2023 @ 11:00am	Teagan Saelens	Jessica Folsom Jane Spray	Bruce Ukockis

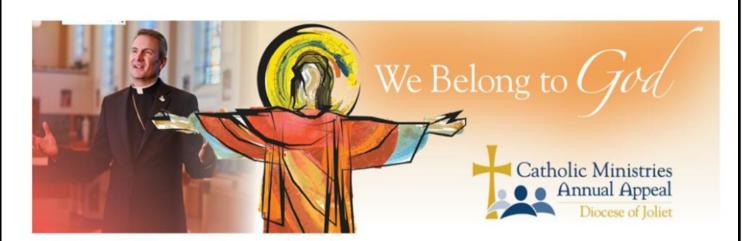
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#### Please Remember St. Mary's in your will or trust

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#### PLEDGE REPORT:

7/30/2023

Parish Goal: \$46,100.00 Amount Pledged: \$40,670.00 Balance Due: \$4,358.00

Please continue to make your 2023 pledge payments. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

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Weekend Masses- Saturday- 5:00pm

Sunday- 7:30am, 9am Livestream

and 11am

Weekday Masses - daily at 8:30am

Confession- Saturday's 4pm-4:45pm

in the Church

Anointing of the Sick - Please call the office