

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight: listen to him.

Alleluia!

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

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



Parish Bulletin

Transfiguration of the Lord

5 / 6 August 2023

GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

The Gospel of the Lord

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

1 John 3:2

When Christ appears, we shall be like him,
for we shall see him as he is.

*His raiment was
as white as snow.*



Through the eyes of resurrection faith, Jesus' first disciples came to understand that, during his earthly life, they had caught glimpses of his unique relationship with God. In his life of unswerving fidelity to the Father's will, the glory into which Jesus entered through his passion and death shone through. 'We had seen his majesty for ourselves' wrote Peter.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Matthew 17:5

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.
Listen to him.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Daniel 7:9-10,13-14

As I watched:

Thrones were set in place and one of great age took his seat.
His robe was white as snow, the hair of his head as pure as wool.
His throne was a blaze of flames, its wheels were a burning fire.
A stream of fire poured out, issuing from his presence.
A thousand thousand waited on him,
ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.
A court was held and the books were opened.
I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 96:1-2,5-6,9

**Response : The Lord is king, the
most high over all the earth.**

The Lord is king, let earth rejoice,
let all the coastlands be glad.
Cloud and darkness are his
raiment; his throne, justice and
right. **R**

The mountains melt like wax
before the Lord of all the earth.
The skies proclaim his justice;
all peoples see his glory. **R**

For you indeed are the Lord most
high above all the earth
exalted far above all spirits. **R**

SECOND READING

2 Peter: 1:16-19

It was not any cleverly invented myths that we were repeating when we brought you the knowledge of the power and the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; we had seen his majesty for ourselves. He was honoured and glorified by God the Father, when the Sublime Glory itself spoke to him and said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour.' We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven, when we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have confirmation of what was said in prophecies; and you will be right to depend on prophecy and take it as a lamp for lighting a way through the dark until the dawn comes and the morning star rises in your minds.

The word of the Lord.

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Sunday 9:30 am
Saturday Vigil Mass 6:30 pm
Tuesday to Friday 9:15 am

Confessions
Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary
Tues to Fri 8:45am

Adoration of the Eucharist
Friday before Mass 8:30am

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Wednesday after Mass

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Rosters—12/13 August 2023 19th Sunday Ordinary Time

Time	Commentator/Readers
6.30pm Vigil	Josh Page Fil Ciancio Bronwyn Gleeson
9:30am	Alan Tyson Grace Yeow Maureen Fernando
Children's Liturgy	Nickie Palumbo Jessie Yesudas P
Count team	Paul Halliwell Paul Roocke Danielle Roocke Denise Rutt
Altar and Flowers	Dolores Arboit Christina Wong Sarita Ingham and volunteers

All those who have volunteered please arrive at least 15 minutes before the start time and report to the commentator for that Mass

SUNDAY COLLECTION SUMMARY	29/30 JULY
Planned Giving (Envelopes & Electronic)	\$608.00
Open Plate	\$238.00
PARISH TOTAL	\$846.00

This week's contribution to the Diocesan Presbytery Fund : \$643.

National Vocation Awareness Week
This Sunday throughout the Church in Australia we celebrate National Vocations Awareness Week. This week we affirm and pray for all the baptised who are uniquely called by God. We acknowledge the Single Life, Married Life and Family Life, as well as all Lay Ministries within the Church.

Understanding the Voice to Parliament

Organised by Churches Together SA, with Noel Pearson and Rev Tim Costello as guest speakers.
Sunday 20th August 5pm-6.30pm, Pilgrim Uniting Church, Adelaide



Please remember in your prayers

Fr. Peter Dunn who passed away peacefully on 3rd August 2023 afternoon. May his soul rest in peace.

We pray for those listed and all the deceased relatives and friends of our Parishioners.

Anniversary of death:

Andrew Andrejewskis

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them; present them to God the Most High.

Sick:

We pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish and our relatives and friends who are unwell.

If you know of sick or elderly parishioners who are house-bound in care and would appreciate a visit, please phone and leave a message with the parish office.



Pope Francis @pontifex

I ask you to accompany me with prayer on my Journey to Portugal for World Youth Day. To the Virgin Mary, shining star of the Christian journey who is highly venerated in Portugal, I entrust the #WYD pilgrims and all the young people of the world.

Blessing of Milestone Wedding Anniversaries Sunday September 17

There will be a blessing of milestone marriage anniversaries on Sunday 17th September across the Archdiocese of Adelaide. If you and your spouse are celebrating a significant marriage anniversary this year please notify the parish office so we can acknowledge this event.

Parish Announcements

Celebration of Confirmation and First Holy Communion at St. Joseph's Church Tranmere

On 13th August at 11:15 a.m., young people of our School and Parish will be celebrating Confirmation and First Holy Communion. We ask that you keep them in your prayers at this time. Many of their relatives and friends may be coming to our Church for the first time and we want you to help us by simplifying the car parking process. If all of us at the 9:30am Mass on Sunday 13th August move from Mass promptly and drive out via either exit until 10:25am, then after that through the rear car park gate only, there should not be any issues with visitors wanting to enter from Magill Road at the same time. It will take a little time and care, but we should be able to manage it without too much trouble. There will be marshals to help you. Just look for the hi viz vests. Thank you

Please keep in your prayers the students from St Josephs School and Rostrevor College who will be receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist on Sunday 13th August at 11.15am

Third Special Collection Vocations Appeal












On Sunday 13 Aug, we will have the 3rd special collection for supporting the education and formation of 5-7 men who are seeking to serve the people of the Archdiocese of Adelaide as priests and deacons. We appreciate your generous donation.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter invites couples, priests and religious for a virtual marriage encounter weekend to enrich and revitalise your sacrament of service. It allows you to grow in your relationship with your spouse or community.
What: Virtual weekend via Zoom
When: August 18 – 20
Time: Commencing at 6.30pm Fri, concluding at 4pm Sun
Booking: <https://www.wvme.org.au>


The Kids' Bulletin

Feast of the Transfiguration
August 6th, 2023


 took Peter, James and John up a  Suddenly His  became dazzling white, like the  .  began to speak with Moses and Elijah, who appeared beside Him.  were terrified. Peter said, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. Shall we build  : one for You, one for Moses and one for Elijah?" Then a  came over them, and a voice came out of it and said, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him." Then only  was there with them. Coming down the  , He told  not to tell anyone what happened until after He rose from the dead.

Use the pictures to help read the story from today's Gospel reading!

Looking at Jesus

 In today's Gospel reading, Jesus took three of His Apostles up a mountain where they saw Him shining like the sun, and talking with Moses and Elijah. They were talking about how Jesus was going to go to Jerusalem and be killed. The apostles were amazed and confused. Jesus let His friends see Him in His glory to help them understand why He had to suffer and die. We won't see Jesus in His glory until we see Him in Heaven, but it is good for us to think about the things that He and Moses and Elijah were talking about.

Look at a crucifix or a picture of Jesus on the cross every day. Think about how much He loves you - how much He suffered for you, and the perfect happiness He has waiting for you in Heaven! Try to think of how you can love Him better each day!



Top: 6, 1. Middle: 2, 4. Bottom 3, 5.
Answer to the Transfiguration puzzle:

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