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The Transfiguration of the Lord
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Gospel Meditation on the Transfiguration of Jesus

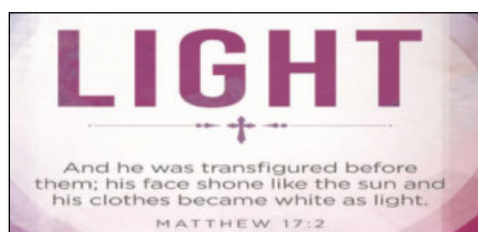
What is Christianity finally about? These days if you ask almost anyone who doesn't know the Bible you'll probably hear an answer like this: "Being a good person" or "following the golden rule." No offense to the golden rule, but our faith is simply much stronger than that. This week's Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord is a luminous example of this.



Jesus becomes radiantly and overwhelmingly beautiful. The glory of God literally shines forth from His body and even His clothes. Here we see that Christianity is not mainly a moral system, but a relationship with God in Christ, one that finally makes human beings gloriously beautiful.

Now we can see our good and bad deeds in a new and de-centered way. Our morality isn't about a heaven or hell scorecard. It's about lives open (or closed) to transfiguration, lives capable of revealing the glory of God in Christ to the world. Spouses, children, friends, co-workers, priests, consecrated women and men, and so on—we are all called to let the beauty of Jesus make our lives beautiful, little by little. His beauty in us is the center of our faith.

~ Father John Muir ~



Last Opportunity to Register for this year's St. Peter's Annual Golf Outing!
Don't Miss Out on a Great Time with Your fellow parishioners!

Noon on Sunday, August 13th

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Location: Twin Lakes CC, Twin Lakes, WI

9 holes of golf includes a cart, light snack and dinner—\$100 per person (Plus a 9 hole gift certificate)
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Registration forms can be found at Church entrances and on our website.

Forms can be dropped off with your payment at the Parish Office or dropped in the Offertory Basket using an envelope labelled "Golf Outing".

A member of the Knights of Columbus will be outside the main entrance of the Church after all Masses.

Ticket Orders Forms for the Woman of Inspiration Dinner
For Our St. Peter's "Woman of Inspiration"
Dorothy Scichowski

Sunday, September 17th at 4:00 pm
at The Church of Holy Apostles in McHenry

Don't forget to pickup a bulletin next weekend to read about all the latest news and events happening in and around the parish as well as your Ticket Order Form for the Woman of Inspiration Dinner.



Ticket Order Forms can also be found at the front and side entrances of the Church or downloaded from our parish website.

We would Greatly Appreciate if you return your Ticket Order Form no later than Sunday, August 27th with your check made payable to: St. Peter's Women's Ministry.

ONCE YOU UNDERSTAND THE EUCHARIST, YOU CAN NEVER LEAVE THE CHURCH. NOT BECAUSE THE CHURCH WON'T LET YOU BUT BECAUSE YOUR HEART WON'T LET YOU.

~ ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA ~

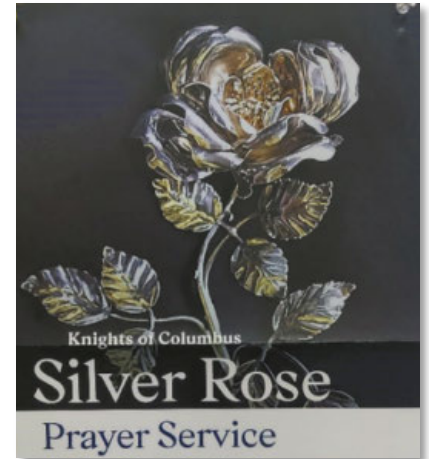
Knights of Columbus Sponsored Silver Rose Prayer Service

Friday, August 18 at 8:00 am

A Silver Rose on a nine-month pilgrimage will be the centerpiece of a special prayer service at St. Peter's Church in Spring Grove on August 18 at 8:00 a.m. in the Church proper. This program is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #12302 in Spring Grove to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe and to express both international unity and dedication to the sanctity of human life.

The journey of the Silver Rose begins each year in March and ends on December 12, on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. During that time, Silver Roses travel from town to town along eight routes throughout North America. Several of those routes begin in Canada and end in Mexico. The Silver Rose Program began in 1960, when the first rose—a real, live one—was blessed by a bishop in Ontario. The rose then traveled to New York and then to Texas where it was taken across the border into Mexico. The rose ended its pilgrimage at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey on December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. To better ensure future annual trips, a Silver Rose was ultimately made. Today, due to the popularity of the program throughout the North American continent, eight Silver Roses travel unique routes. In 2001, when Carl Anderson, Past Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus, expanded the Silver Rose Program, he commented: *"Through [the Silver Rose Program] we honor not only Our Lady of Guadalupe and express the unity of the [Knights of Columbus], but we also reaffirm the Order's dedication to the sanctity of human life. It is to the Blessed Mother that we turn in prayer as we work to end the Culture of Death that grips our society. As we think in terms of 'One Life, One Rose,' it is most appropriate that we turn to Our Lady of Guadalupe who made known her will through Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses."*

Share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life by participating in this meaningful pilgrimage. The Silver Rose Program demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Canada, the United States and Mexico, through a series of prayer services promoting the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady. Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners and community members to pray for Respect for Life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.



Join us as we pray all four mysteries of the rosary, every Wednesday evening starting at 6 o'clock.

Blessed rosaries can be found hanging on the wall, just to the left of the statue of our Blessed Mother. Take one as a FREE gift from our Knights of Columbus. Pray it daily, and it becomes a weapon in spiritual warfare.



St. Peter's annual financial report, for the end of the 2022-23 Fiscal Year, has been approved by our Parish Finance Council. Registered members are welcome to review the report by contacting our bookkeeper for an appointment, Mary K. Yager at 815-675-2288 x 205. She and the pastor are also happy to discuss ways in which you can increase your own personal giving.

2023 World Youth Day Message | Pope Francis
"Mary arose and went with haste" (Luke 1:39).
Pray that this simple message enters the hearts of all our youths and goes forth with haste!

The Apostles' Creed series - part 2 (of 5)

This five-week series breaks down the 12 articles of the Apostles Creed, the essential of our faith.

(Source material excerpted from Catholicworldmission.org, contributed by Rev. John Trigilio, Jr. and Rev. Kenneth Brighenti).

The early Church was designed to spread the glory of God and the apostolic faith that was shared from Jesus' teachings and His disciples. Baptismal candidates would memorize these and practice their teachings.

Article 3: **Who was Conceived by the Power of the Holy Spirit and Born of the Virgin Mary.**

This article affirms that Jesus has human nature in the sense that He was born of a human mother, the Virgin Mary. At the same time, Jesus also has divine nature because He was born of the Holy Spirit and not a human father. Jesus Christ is considered both man and God, fully divine and fully human.

Article 4: **He Suffered Under Pontius Pilate, Was Crucified, Died and Was Buried.**

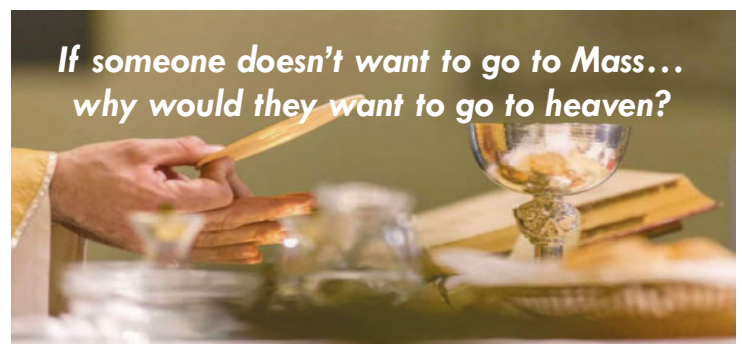
Jesus was both divine and human, meaning He felt pain and could die, which He did on Good Friday. It was under Pontius Pilate that Jesus was crucified and killed. The mention of Pontius Pilate, by name, places the crucifixion within human history. Pilate was an actual human person, appointed by Caesar to be the Roman Governor of Judea. This puts the life and death of Jesus within a chronological and historical context. It also reminds us that one can't blame the death of Jesus on all Jews, as some have erroneously done over the ages. While certain religious leaders conspired against Jesus, the actual death sentence was given by a Roman and carried out by Roman soldiers.

(to be continued next week)



**FOR THE WEEKENDS
OF 8/5 - 8/13/2023**

The Mass		For	
THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M.			
ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm		Stan & Elaine Brandstetter
Sun	7 am	†	Walter & David Kornacki
	9 am	†	Leon Metz
	11 am		Witek Family
Tuesday - Friday, Rosary Prayed at 7:30 a.m.			
Tues	8 am (1)	†	Ed Curry
	(2)	†	John Davis
Wed	8 am (1)	†	Walter Kula, Jr.
	(2)	†	Norm Glandon
Thur	8 am	†	Pat Eckman
Fri	8 am	†	Henry Kukol
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M.			
ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	Joseph Carey
Sun	7 am	†	Larry Janousek, Jr.
	9 am	†	Raymond & Veronica Green
	11 am	†	Eduardo Taala



***If someone doesn't want to go to Mass...
why would they want to go to heaven?***

A pastor had been invited for supper at a farmer's home. They had just finished an excellent chicken dinner when the minister saw a rooster strutting through the yard.



"That's certainly a proud-looking rooster," the pastor commented.

"Yes, sir," replied the farmer. "He has every reason to be proud! One of his sons just entered the ministry!"

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD			
Saturday 8/5 4:00 pm	Chad Franckowiak	Deacon Mark	Chad Franckowiak Phil Webb
Sunday 8/6 7:00 am	Eleanor Murphy	Dennis Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim David Smid
9:00 am	Joanne Prato	Lori Olmstead	Paul Leali Ron Hlavin
11:00 am	Sandi Wesinger	Sharon Ellicson	Mike Gordon Tom Straley
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 8/12 4:00 pm	Nettie Toms	Kathie Toms	Gary Miller George Gemberling
Sunday 8/13 7:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Deacon Mark	Shaun Gosselin Scott Hastings
9:00 am	Ardie Arnold	Mary Seil	Tom Fanella Larry Hauser
11:00 am	Peggy Mack	Mike Gullifor	John Ellicson Rich Yager
Extraordinary Ministers for the Homebound August 6th - Transfiguration of the Lord Deacon Mark, Maria Sullivan, Georgene Keim & Steve Besetzny August 13th - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Kathleen Van Ella, Bev Schmitt, Paul Serio & Mary Seil			

Transfigured

We have all had moments when we seem to get a glimpse of Heaven.

For me, they come with the Sacraments: in the pew following my First Communion, kneeling before the bishop as he sealed my forehead with oil at my Confirmation, standing opposite my husband on our wedding day, cradling my newborns as the priest poured holy water over their little foreheads, claiming them for Christ.

Moments when the veil between this world and the one to come is pulled away, and our hearts cry out: *"Lord, it is good we are here."*

Like Peter at the Transfiguration, we desperately wish the feeling would last forever. We want to hang onto the certainty, the confidence and the joy that radiates from our souls. We want to spend forever looking upon the transfigured face of Christ.

But we are not in heaven yet. We raise our eyes, seeing only this world before us, the words of Jesus ringing in our ears: *"Rise, and do not be afraid."*

"His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not be taken away, His kingship shall not be destroyed" (Daniel 7:14).

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ~



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from July 30th through August 12th for **† Sean Michael Gutekunst**. May this light which reminds us of Jesus' True Presence in the Sanctuary Welcome them into eternal peace.



Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we place into your hands, all fellow parishioners we know and love, who are ill or injured and in need of Your healing touch. Jesus, be with them all, especially:

Deanna Adducci	Ronald Klein
Gina Adducci	Bob Kretchmer
Anna Boettjer	Loman Kubista
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Phyllis Ehlers	Caroline Madson
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Lynn Geske	Carole Nowicki
Ryan Gough	Jim Nowicki
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Patricia Hodnik	Betty Rygiel
Brian Hoskins	Debbie Schaff
Patti Jindra	Jacob Shapiro
Edward Johnson	Nicole Spatz
Lee Jones, Sr.	David Thomas
Diana Kattner	Jodi Zaremba

If you know someone who is sick and asking for prayer, but they are not registered members of our parish family, please allow us to solicit support for them by adding their names to our Prayer Chain Ministry. Just visit **StPeterCatholicChurch.org** and **after clicking where it reads CONTACT US, simply follow the directions under PRAYER REQUEST.**

A Vessel of God's Grace

We are each asked to share God's love with others. How much we allow ourselves to be filled with God's grace will determine what we can share with others. We fill up with grace when we frequent the Sacraments, pray, and study our faith. After all, if we don't practice our own faith how can we help someone to become excited about theirs?

Website: StPeterCatholicChurch.org

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1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 6th - Transfiguration of the Lord

• **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 6:45 am**

Monday, August 7th

• **SVdP Zoom Meeting - 12:00 pm**

Tuesday, August 8th

• **K of C Business Meeting - Parish Hall - 7:00 pm**

Wednesday, August 9th

• **Spiritual Warfare Rosary - Church - 6:00 pm**

Thursday, August 10th

• **Prayers & Squares - Parish Hall - 1:30 pm**

• **Grief Support Group - Upstairs Conference Room - 5:00 pm**

• **Choir Practice - 7:00 pm**

Friday, August 11th

Saturday, August 12th

• **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all Night until 6:45 am**

Sunday, August 13th - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

• **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 6:45 am**

CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD

Every Saturday from 3:00 until 3:45 p.m.

*Or call the Parish Office to schedule
an appointment!*



ST. PETER'S MISSION STATEMENT

As parishioners of St. Peter's Catholic Church, we strive to imitate Jesus' example of prayer, fellowship, love and service.



PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS - Msgr. Jarmoluk is eager and happy to baptize children whose parent(s) are practicing the Catholic faith and registered members of St. Peter's Parish. Please call the Parish Office for additional requirements and information.

MARRIAGES - Please contact Father before you set a date, at least six months in advance.

HOLY COMMUNION - Parishioners confined to their homes, for an indefinite length of time due to illness or advanced age, may call the Office and request that the Holy Eucharist be brought to them on Sunday mornings.

REGISTRATION - New members should register by either calling the Parish Office or visiting us online at StPeterCatholicChurch.org

HOSPITAL VISITS - If you wish Father to visit during your stay in the hospital, please call him at the Parish Office and he will be happy to do so. Likewise, if you wish to be added to our Prayer Chain, let us know by calling (815) 675-2288

FUNERALS ARRANGEMENTS - are to be made in consultation with Father.

ANOIDING OF THE SICK - If you or someone you know is sick, injured or being admitted to a hospital and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick, call the Parish Office without delay.

Should there be an emergency after normal business hours, please call (815) 675-2339

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Tuesday, August 8th - Parish Hall - 7:00 pm

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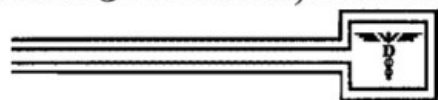
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