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Jesus really is the Son of God

The Transfiguration of Jesus

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Oh, to be on that mountain! What a priceless experience for Peter, James, and John. If they had ever doubted, if they wondered whether Jesus was really who he said he was, their confidence surely got a boost on the day of the Transfiguration. Before their very eyes, Jesus' divine beauty radiated gloriously while the two ancient prophets also appeared in miraculous manner. And to top it off, the voice of God the Father spoke from the heavens and confirmed that it was all true: Jesus really is the Son of God!

Why did Jesus reveal himself in such a remarkable way to these men? Perhaps we have an answer in today's epistle. Peter writes, "We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain." Peter mentions this fact in order to confirm his credibility as a preacher as he goes on to say, "We possess the prophetic message that is altogether reliable. You will do well to be attentive to it." Because of the mission that Peter had to help shape and nurture the Church in its earliest days, his position as an "eyewitness" to the Transfiguration helped to gain the attention, and the faith, of his hearers.

So although we were not there during this holy apparition, we have the benefit of it. We, and the faithful through the ages, have heard the testimony that Jesus is truly our God from those who saw in person that it was for real. In this way, the Transfiguration is able to bolster the faith of many, not just the three men who were there that day. May we have the grace to allow the feast we celebrate today to truly deepen our faith.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Sat Evening: 7pm Eamonn, James, Edward & Ellen
Rooney (A), Paul & Mary O'Neill (A),

Luke Maples (M.M.)

Sun: 9.30am Joseph & Mary Hurley (A),
Con Carroll (A), Cecil Donoghue (B.R.), also deceased
members of the Carroll & Donoghue Families

Sun: 11.30am Joseph & Nellie Jones (A),
Ned & Kathleen Mangan (A), Teresa & Tommy O'Neill

Mon: 9.30am Paul & Bernie Carolan & (Living)

Tues: 9.30am Patrick & Elizabeth Joyce (A),

Wed: 9.30am

Thurs: 9.30am

Fri: 9.30am

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If you wish to make a donation to the Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund you can do so in our Parish Shop. All donations go to support the Diocese taking sick pilgrims to Lourdes each year for the annual pilgrimage on 7th September.

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Mass Times

Sunday Vigil: (Saturday Evening) 7.00pm

Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am

Monday - Friday: 9.30am

Saturday morning: No Mass

BAPTISMS

Second Saturday of each month at 12.00pm

Fourth Sunday of each month at 12.30pm



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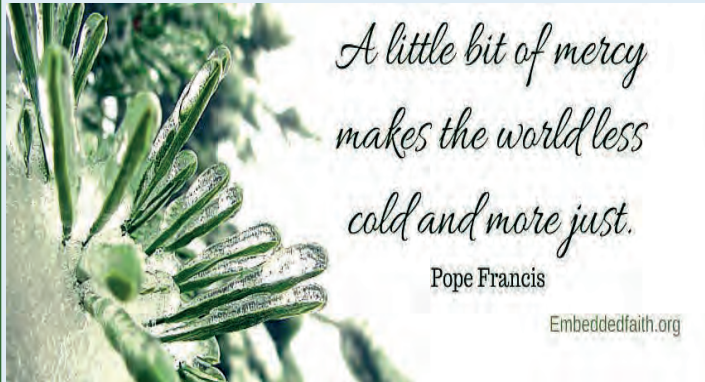
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Bring All the Family! We invite you and all your family to come along to the launch of the one-year programme of preparation for World Meeting of Families 2018, which will take place at the Knock Shrine, County Mayo, on Monday 21st August 2017, the Anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady. This day of celebration will include the celebration of the Eucharist, workshops and faith and fun activities for all the family. The WMOF2018 Icon will be presented at Mass in the Basilica at 3pm and then begin its journey around the Dioceses of Ireland. Registration & Tickets for WMOF2018 Registration for the World Meeting of families in 2018 is now open. Visit the Tickets Section on www.worldmeeting2018.ie to access information on the different type of tickets and registration available. Accommodation booking is also available online at time of registration through the same booking form on the website.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

QUESTION:

On August 10 we celebrate the feast of St. Lawrence. Can you tell us a bit about him?

ANSWER:

Little is known about Lawrence other than he was a deacon during the reign of Emperor Valerian from 253-259. In 258, Valerian began a persecution of the Roman Church. Lawrence was in charge of the purse for the church of Rome. Roman officials demanded that the riches of the church be handed over to them. Lawrence asked for a few days to gather them.

Lawrence took the money he had charge over and distributed it to the poor of Rome. Then he gathered all the homeless and poor together. When the officials came again demanding the riches of the church, Lawrence pointed to the destitute and homeless, saying that these were the true riches of the church. For this he was imprisoned and tortured, and put to death by burning on a gridiron. It is said that as he was dying, he told his executioners to turn him over because he was done on one side and needed to be fully cooked for the Lord.

Lawrence continues to be a model for us today. The church needs continual reminders that its riches are the people. The primary purpose and mission of the church is to be continually sensitive to the needs of all God's people, most especially the least of our brothers and sisters.

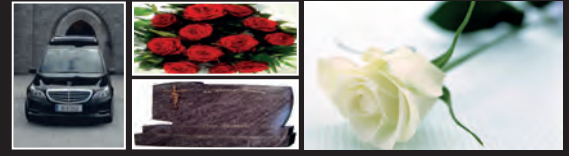
INSPIRATION

Today our Gospel presents us with the story of the transfiguration of Jesus. We hear God say, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Because of our baptism, we share in the same intimate relationship with the Father that Jesus has.

This intimate relationship we have with God can transform us, just as it transformed Jesus. We, too, can radiate with love and newness of life and then help in transforming and positively impacting the lives of others. How has your relationship with God transformed you?

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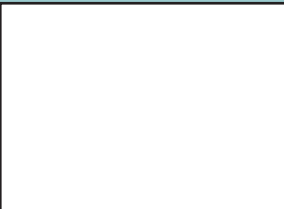
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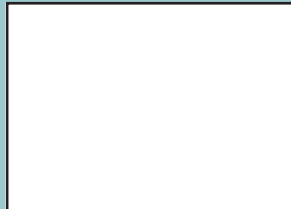
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