

**Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord | Year A**  
August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 (Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 | 2 Pt 1:16-19 | Matthew 17:1-9)

During the bitter persecution carried out by King Antiochus in the Greek Empire, the prophet Daniel envisions a glorious kingdom, in which God raised up the Son of Man from the House of Israel. This Son of Man will rule his people. Let us now turn to God with our prayers.

1/ Let all the peoples rejoice because God is King and the Most High over all the earth. For peoples and nations that fear God. We pray that the faithful, led by Pope Francis and guided by pastors, may always proclaim God's glory and justice on earth. Let us pray.

2/ In his second letter, Peter states that God empowered his majestic glory on Jesus, saying, "This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased." For all leaders and rulers of this world. We pray that they recognize the Most High and majesty of Jesus. Let us pray.

3/ Peter, James, and his brother John were privileged to witness the transfiguration of Jesus. Jesus changed into the glorious and majestic Lord before their eyes. For those who are still seeking God and have not yet found him. We pray that whenever they see and experience the good things that Christians do for others in this world, they may turn to God. Let us pray.

4/ Seeing the glory of God descending upon Jesus, Peter, James, and John were put in awe and wonderment. Then, Jesus touched and woke them from their slumber. For our sisters and brothers who, in life, believed in the glory of Jesus, but have now fallen asleep in Christ. We pray that Jesus may awake them to enter the glory of God in heaven. Today we remember **[at 4:30 PM]** Paul Mattingly and Victoria Gagel; **[at 10:00 AM]** Herbert Chism and Deceased Family Members, and Victoria Gagel. Let us pray.

God our Father, in the transfigured glory of Jesus Christ your Son, you strengthen our faith by confirming the witness of your prophets, and show us the splendor of your beloved sons and daughters. As we present to you these our prayers and petitions, we pray that you help us to conform our desires to your will. We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord.