

FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

The Transfiguration of The Lord

August 6, 2017

A View that is Worth The Climb!

The disciples thought they had seen it all. So, when Jesus invited three of the – Peter, James and John—to go on a journey, they had no idea what awaited them. **In the end, what they experienced would change their lives forever.** They would **never** look at Jesus the same way again!

Sometimes as lifelong or “career” Christians, we can take God for granted. We no longer expect to be **utterly astonished** by him when in his presence! In truth as finite beings, we should never believe that we have “seen it all” when dealing with an infinite and omnipotent God! But why did the three disciples have such a powerful encounter with Jesus when they did? For that matter, why do some people have profound experiences of Jesus in ways that we have only dreamed of having? The answer is: **The Mountain.**

Jesus led his disciples up a high mountain. All of us have mountains in our lives ~ many of which go unconquered for years, if at all: Fears never faced, faults never admitted, demons never confronted, risks never taken, vocations never pursued.

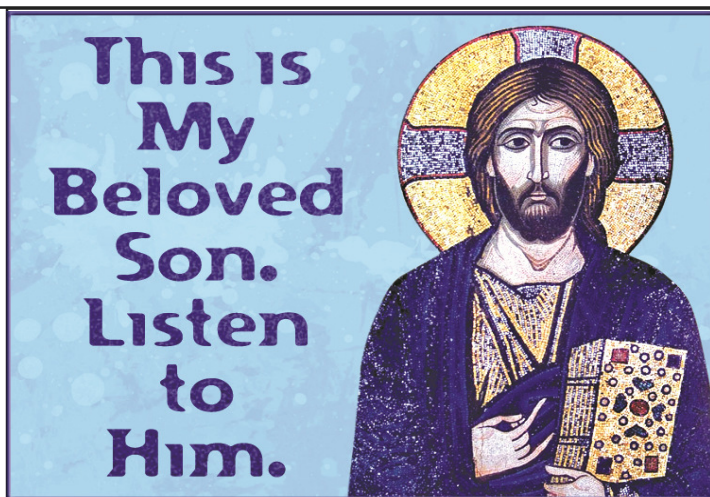
In truth, the real transfiguration that occurred in the Gospel was not what happened to Jesus, but what happened to the three disciples. And the change that occurred in these disciples began, not at the top of the mountain but at the bottom, when they took the first steps to confront the mountain, rather than to **flee** from it.

The key to growing in our faith is realizing that at the top of the mountain ~ which we fear the most ~ is the **encounter with God** that we long for the most. The road less traveled leads to the **blessing** most missed! Don't miss yours!

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Sunday, August 6, 2017

Scripture Readings

The Transfiguration Of The Lord

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14

2Pt 1:16-19

Mt 17:1-9

19th Sunday In Ordinary

1 Kgs 19: 9a, 11-13a

Rom 9:1-5

Mt 14:22-33



8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	Aug	7	Beatrice Alexander	- Living
Tues	Aug	8	Evelyn Morgan	- Living
Wed	Aug	9	Rick Middleton	- Living
Thurs	Aug	10	Brenda Ngwa	- Living
Fri	Aug	11	Sylvia Monroe	- Living

Attendance 727

BIBLE STUDY



Bible Study is on vacation until September. Stay tuned for the return date.

Thank You So Much

For your generous donations to the Catholic Charities/John S. Mulholland Family Foundation Food Drive. The food that was collected will be distributed to food pantries at Holy Name, St. Luke, St. Francis Xavier and St. Thomas More.



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**TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR OUR PARISH SCHOOL.
NEXT SUNDAY'S COLLECTION IS FOR OUR CHURCH RENOVATION FUND. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**

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INFORMATION: 202-667-2608

Catholic Education Corner



Saint Augustine School is now registering for the 2017-2018 school year for grades Pre-K3, Pre-K4 through Eighth. For an application

or more information, please contact Mr. Wilkins, Direction of Admissions at 202-667-2608 or email: admissions@saintaugustine-dc.org



SUNDAY SCHOOL/CCD NEEDS TEACHERS AND ASSISTANTS

Are you interested in religious education? Do you like working with young people? There are openings for teachers and teacher assistants in grades Pre-K to teens. All teachers must complete Virtus training. If you think you would like to be a part of this important ministry, please contact the Church Office at 202-265-1470.



AFRICA AND THE DIASPORA BOOK CLUB

August 16 & 23, 2017

We will be reading *Americanah* by Ngozi Chimamanda Adichie which examines a Black girl growing up in the U.S. and Nigeria. Meetings will be held in Gingras Center from 6:45-8:30pm. For more information, contact Lydia Curtis at maceda@aol.com.



THE CALLED & GIFTED WORKSHOP

**August 18 — 7-9:30pm
August 19 — 9am-3:30pm**

If you missed this powerful discernment workshop at St. Augustine, another workshop is being held at St. Bernadette Church in Springfield, VA for \$35.00. Please see the flyer for more information.



THE MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY NEED YOU!

The Ministers of Hospitality—the Ushers—are looking for a few good men and women aged 18 and older to join this dedicated ministry of the Church. Please see any Usher after Mass for details.

Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound

Gwendolyn Adams
John Adams, Sr.
Beatrice Alexander
Francis Arnold
Ronald Ausbrooks
William Barksdale
Althea Black
Frances Brooks
Charles Brown
Norma Brown
Williams Burgan
Andrew Burton
Angela Callighan
Elizabeth Carter
Phillip Cephas
Billy Chesley
Delores Chisley
Ollie Mae Clark
Ernestine Coghill Howard
Emy-Lou Daley
Pauline Dines
Theola Douglas
Susan Epps
Barbara Ferguson
Julie Fish
Toni Fisher
Richard B. Fowler
Daniel Galloway
Inez Gaskins
Charles Gathers
Rev Bob Gilliam
Butler Grant
Rev Charles Green
Valencia Green
Robert Greenfield

Frances Gulston
Louise Harrison
Grace Hansberry
Brian Harvey
John Harris
Patricia Herndon
Emily Hill
Jeanne Hinckley
Deborah Jackson
Charles Jackson
Marlene Jackson
Malcom Jamison
Eleanor Johnson
Danielle Joy
Paul Joy
Sedonia Labee
Keats Labule
Raymond Lane
Louisa Lee
Mary Leonard
Rev. Malanga
Bernadette Mahoney
Lita Majors
Catherine Mason
Florence Matthews
Floyd McCrory
James McNamara
Rick Middleton
Sylvia Monroe
Arnetia Montague
Evelyn Morgan
Alpha Nacnas
Julius Oben
Colelle Ogbey
Eileen Ogu

Harriet Parker
Marguerite Parker
Gunny David Pauley
Cecilia Penero
Audrey Plaskett
Theresa Purcell
Samiya Rajah
Ze'La Rajah
Cheryl Reynolds
Ashley Redhead, Jr.
Royal Robinson
Ruth Robinson
Lisa Rivera
Gertina Simms
Alise Simmons
Mary Smith
Zedekiah Smith
Donnie Stewart
Don Strong
Mary Helen Swann
Willis Thomas
Juanita Towns
Selma Twitty
Hayden Vaughn
Lillian Vaughn
Terry Vaughn
Shirley Ward
Betty Washington
Elliot Weaver
Cynthia Wilkins
Bernice Williams
Teresa Wilkinson
Lozzie York



PRAY FOR OUR DEAD



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Pastoral Parish Council Meetings are held every 3rd Saturday of the month at 9:00 am in the Gingras Center. Meetings are open to all parishioners.



PARK FREE SUNDAY

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