



#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p. m. Sunday

8:00 & 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

First Sunday Tagalog (Filipino) Mass (It will resume on August 6, 2023.) 4:00 p.m.

> Weekdays Monday—Friday 8:15 a.m. Saturdays 9:00 a.m.

Mass and Novena
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wednesdays
7:00 p.m.

First Friday 8:15 a.m. 7:00 p.m. (no Mass)

Adoration Wednesdays 6:00—6:45 p.m. First Friday 9:00 a.m.—5:45 p.m.

Confessions Saturdays 3:30—4:30 p.m. or by appointment

> Rosary Monday—Friday 7:25 a.m.

Coffee Social will resume on September 3, 2023

# Parish and School Staff

Pastor Rev. Gary T. Villanueva

Deacon

Deacon Robert Villanueva

Parish Accountant
Diane Alexander

Parish Admin. Assistant Leah Flores

Parish Youth Ministry Coordinator/Admin. Help Sr. Emily Bautista, MCST

Parish School of Religion Coordinator:

Sr. Luzviminda Domingo, MCST

Director of Music Ministry Rebecca Bautista

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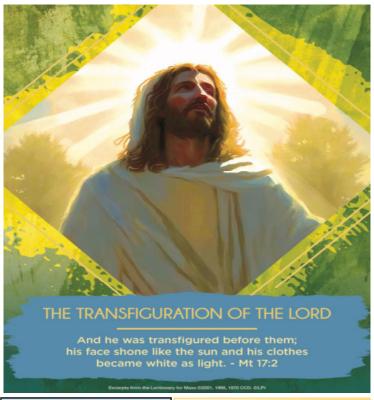
Fr. Dewan Hall Coordinator TBA

School Principal Jennifer Whelan

School Bookkeeper Nicole Vickers

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### Parish Office

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schooloffice@stccatholic.org
School Website:
http://www.stccatholic.org

#### **BAPTISMS**

Please call the Parish Office for information and to schedule Baptism Preparation Class.

#### BAPTISM AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR OLDER CHILDREN

Please contact the Parish School of Religion, Sr. Luzviminda Domingo, MCST at 301-567-6113.

#### MATRIMONY

Please contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to a proposed wedding date to speak with a priest.
Reservation of the church is required before other preparations such as receptions are made.

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK/ COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please contact the Parish Office

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While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

- Mt 17:5

## REFLECTIONS THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

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 stranger 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

# READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 6, 2023

Sunday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/ Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/ 2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

**Monday:** Nm 11:4b-15/ Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/ Mt 14:13-21

**Tuesday:** Nm 12:1-13/ Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/ Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/ Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/ Jn 12:24-26

Friday: Dt 4:32-40/ Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/Mt 16:24-28

**Saturday:** Dt 6:4-13/ Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Rom 9:1-5/ Mt 14:22-33

# REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

#### **Our Sick and Suffering**

Especially Patria Palacios (2Jul23). Simon Perez, Jr., Rachel Fisher, Tess Samoy, Ellamae Hulsey, Jeanne Pike, Cathy McGarrigan, Grace Macaranas, Violeta dela Pena, Charles McClain (23Jul23). Mary Ann Flores, Gloria King, Vivian Pane, Angelia-Marie Mathis (30Jul23).

#### **Our Beloved Dead**

Especially Lourdes Razon, Roseanne Marie Moorehead, Concepcion Bravo, Brian P. Smith, Virginia Moran, Matilde de Bodmer, Rogelio David, Venerando Dinglasa, Margaret Galeng, Jacob Paguio, Mother Teodora Juan. Aaron Egana.



#### Monday, August 7

8:15 a.m. +Mary LoMedico

#### Tuesday, August 8

8:15 a.m. Miguel Titus Rodrigo (Birthday)

#### Wednesday, August 9

8:15 a.m. No Morning Mass

7:00 p.m.. Leah Flores (Birthday)

### Thursday, August 10

8:15 a.m. +Rogelio "Ral" David

### Friday, August 11

8:15 a.m. +Angela Olazo

### Saturday, August 12

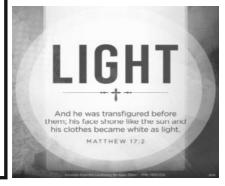
9:00 a.m. Jeanne Pike (Special Intention) 5:00 p.m. +Corrado Maruca

#### Sunday, August 13

8:00 a.m. +St. Columba Parishioners 10:00 a.m. +Galo Gonzales 12:00 p.m. +June Thomas

# PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY INCLUDING:

Especially Tiffany Williams; Peter John Ifurung; PFC Mark J. Venancio: Andrew Alexander; Lt. Victor Barba; 1st Lt Peter Agboli; Krystol Christian Dudly: Samoy; Derrell Thomas Jahaira Best; Kevin Myers; Delange Monks, Marquette Young, Capt. Daryll Garcia.



#### SCHOOL NEWS, EVANGELIZATION, CHRISTIAN FORMATION, ADMINISTRATIONS, STEWARDSHIP AND SERVICE



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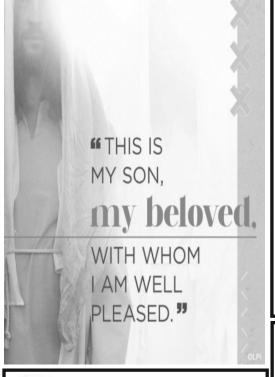
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#### **VOCATIONS CORNER**

Please continue to pray for our fellow parishioner who is aspiring for Holy Orders.

Seminarian Chukwuma Collins Odigwe is currently studying Theology in Saint John Paul II Seminary, Washington, D. C.

Let us continue to pray for more vocations to the priesthood, the permanent diaconate and the religious life. If you know of anyone who feels such a calling, please give them encouragement and advise them to speak with Father Gary or any of the MCST sisters.





St. John's Gospel begins on Wednesday, September 6

1:00 - 2:00 p.m. (Chapel)

8:00 - 9:00 p.m. (Father Dewan Hall)



**TAGALOG MASS WILL** RESUME ON SUNDAY, **AUGUST 6,** 2023

Every 1st Sunday of the Month @ 4:00 p.m.

#### COLLECTIONS

#### SUNDAY OFFERING

Month of May 2023 \$39,754.00

#### **COMPARISON**

Month of May 2022 \$30,015.00

YEAR-TO-DATE (UPDATED) JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, **2023** \$400,359.00 JULY 1, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022 \$394,882.00

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH

#### PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

If you already pledged and opted for electronic bank or credit card withdrawals. Please set-up your account through Parish Giving. Go to www.stcolumbcatholic.net and click the Parish Giving link. If you need help, please call the parish office at 301-567-5506. Thank you for your support.

#### **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN STATUS**

Total Amount Goal: \$860,000.00

Amount collected as in May 2023: \$1,865.00

#### PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING (go to

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