#### EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of Feeding the Five Thousand

#### They All Ate and Were Satisfied

Our Lord in a desert place changed a few loaves into many, and at Cana turned water into wine. Thus before the time came to give men and women His own Body and Blood to feed on, He accustomed their palates to His bread and wine, giving them a taste of transitory bread and wine to teach them to delight in His Life-giving Body and Blood.

He gave them things of little value for nothing to make them understand that His supreme gift would be given yet more freely. He gave them for nothing what they could have bought from Him, what in fact they wanted to buy, to teach them that He asked them for no payment.

When it was not permitted them to give Him the price of bread and wine, which they could have done, they certainly could not pay Him for His Body and Blood.

Moreover, as well as giving freely He lovingly coaxed us, offering us these small things without charge to attract us and cause us to go and receive something greater and beyond all price. He awakened our desire by things pleasing to the palate in order to draw us to that which gives life to the soul. He gave a sweet taste to the wine he created to show how great is the treasure hidden in His Life-giving Blood.

St. Ephrem the Syrian

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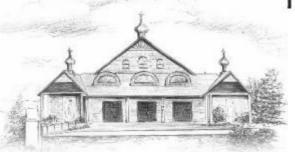
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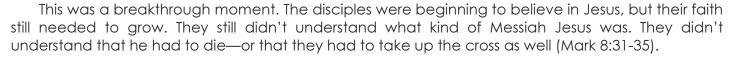


"Living the Word of Christ Together"

# August 6: Transfiguration

Have you ever wondered why Jesus was transfigured? He never announced it. His apostles never suspected it. The event was never repeated. So why did he do it? Let's look at a bigger picture to try to get some answers.

From the day he first called them, Jesus showed his disciples that he had come from God. He performed many miracles. He taught with authority. He revealed God's mercy. Then when he asked them."Who do you say that I am?" Peter answered, "You are the Messiah" (Mark 8:29).



So the Transfiguration proved that Jesus wasn't just another prophet of God; he was God's Son! It also showed that even though Jesus had to die, he would also rise to a glory beyond their imagining.

God transfigured Jesus as a way of strengthening the disciples—and all of us as well. It was a moment of encouragement before they started their journey to Jerusalem, the place of the cross. But more than this, the Transfiguration gives us a glimpse of the glory that Jesus had before coming to earth, the same glory that he now enjoys as he sits on his heavenly throne. And even more than this, the Transfiguration is a promise for us. It reveals the glory that awaits each of us at the end of our lives—if we remain faithful to the Lord.

We are all works in progress. We all have our flaws. But we are also being "transfigured" day after day. So accept Jesus' invitation. Follow him, and you'll be changed "from glory to glory" as your faith continues to grow (2 Corinthians 3:18).



Tuesday is a Solemn Holyday. The liturgy will be celebrated outdoors at the St. John Paul II Chapel at 7:00 p.m. Members of the Ladies' Auxiliary will provide light refreshments afterwards. Fruit will be blessed at the close of liturgy (bring enough to leave some behind for the St. Mary Hospitality House—that's where the weekend mirovanije \$\$ will be heading).

### August 4, 2019

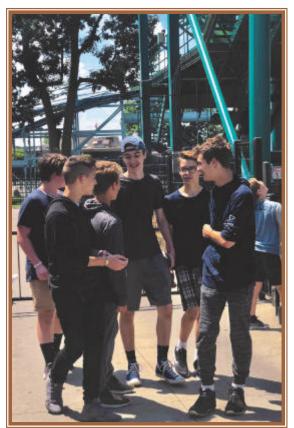
# Glory to Jesus Christ!

**Liturgy Schedule** 

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|--------------|------------|--|---|-------------------------|--|
| Monday       | August 5   | 8:00 a.m.                                | †Edward Keshock by Mary Jo Keshock                  |                         |  |
| Tuesday      | August 6   | Solemn Holyday:                          | Transfiguration                                     |                         |  |
|              |            | 7:00 p.m.                                | †Steve Riebe by Kathy S                             | Strobel                 |  |
|              |            |  | Outdoor Liturgy at St. Joh                          | nn Paul II Chapel       |  |
| Wednesday    | August 7   | 8:00 a.m.                                | †Mary Choma by Dorothy Sabo                         |                         |  |
| Thursday     | August 8   | 8:00 a.m.                                | <b>†Joseph Kochis</b> by Deacon Bill/Nancy Fredrick |                         |  |
| Friday       | August 9   | 8:00 a.m.                                | †Josephine Ziller by Bob Karges                     |                         |  |
| Saturday     | August 10  | 4:00 p.m.                                | Intention of the Parishioners                       |                         |  |
| Sunday       | August 11  | 10:00 a.m.                               | <b>†Margaret Konkowski</b> by Husband, Ralph        |                         |  |
|              |            | <b>Altar Servers</b>                     | Lectors   | Greeters                |  |
| August 6     | 7:00 p.m.  | J. & J. Kodek                            |   |                         |  |
| August 10    | 4:00 p.m.  | C. & G. Lupia                            | D. Sedlak   | D. & S. LaFleur         |  |
| August 11    | 10:00 a.m. | G. Karaffa, A. Per<br>R. Percic, D. Tytk | •   | H. Oros & J. Klinkovsky |  |

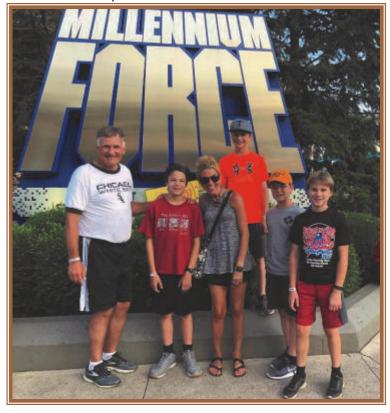
Many people suffer loneliness because they are sitting instead of serving.

# Altar Server Outing to Cedar Point



Older boys getting set to hit the coasters

Younger servers with Father and chaperone Shalimar Masters





The annual **Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Mariapoch**in Burton is scheduled for **August 17-18.** Noted speaker **Dr. Ray Guarendi** will present
"Laughter: The Sanity of
Family" at 2:00 on the 18th. A

rosary to end abortion will be said at the Fatima Shrine at 2:45 (let by Marie Lupia). The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated by Bishop Milan and area priests (including Fr. Bruce) at 4:00. The cafeteria will open at noon through supper after the liturgy. The Saturday highlights include a teen and family talk with Bishop Milan at 7:30 followed by a campfire. Deacon Bill is the Director of the Shrine. Bob Dirda runs the kitchen and daily operations.

#### The Week Ahead

- The Advisory Board will meet at 8:00 on Tuesday (at the pavilion following the Holyday Liturgy).
- Sandwich making will take place on Saturday, 9:30, in the Education Center.



We are planning a "Gigantic Garage Sale" for September 28. If you'd like to rent a table, the cost is \$20. Two tables for \$15. Up to five tables for \$10 each.

"Donated" items will be accepted starting in August. (No books or clothing.) Drop-offs can be made in the Education Center. For more information contact **David Petruno** (404-386-5989). Proceeds from this event will go toward the renovation of the bar.

#### Nautica Queen Brunch

There are still openings for the Ladies' Auxiliary sponsored Nautica Queen Brunch on August 25. Boarding starts at noon. (Meet on the dock between noon and 12:15 to receive tickets.) The cost is \$35. The cruise is from 1:00-3:30. Contact Jean Karaffa for tickets or more information (216-513-3854).



We welcome to the parish John Kocevar from Walton Hills. We hope you feel at

home in a hurry! (He started coming here after having a conversation with **Bishop Milan** at a Knights of Columbus 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification!)

## Your Weekly Offering

July 28, 2019

Sunday: \$3,615.00 e-giving: 40.00

11 Student Envelopes: 11.00

Cash: 85.00 Candles: 285.00 Holy Days: 25.00

Building Fund: 20.00 **Total:** \$4,081.00

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# Banns of Marriage III

Laurissa Primuth & Joseph Matesevac

#### Men's Fellowship Group

The Men's Fellowship Group (open to any man 18 and over) will gather at the pavilion for food and fellowship on August 26 at 6:00. The meat will be provided. Please bring a snack/side and/or beverage. Contact Jim Hritz if you'll be coming (440-237-5237).

#### Women's BLESS Group

The women's BLESS (Byzantine Ladies' Encountering Sacred Sources) Group will hold a potluck at the home of Darlene Hritz on August 26 at 6:00. (Please RSVP if you'll be coming at 440-237-5237.) This is open to all women 18 and over.) The fall session will begin on September 30. The text will be "He Leadeth Me" by Fr. Walter Ciszek. (If you want a book ordered, let Darlene know by September 5. The cost is around \$14.)

Someone you know may need this information:

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# St. Joseph Byzantine Catholic Church ECF (Eastern Christian Formation) 2019 Registration

Book fee is \$15 per child — \$30 maximum per family.

Please complete and return by September 8

| Family Name:   |   |
|--|---|
| Name(s) of Parent(s):  |   |
| Address:   |   |
| E-mail:  |   |
| Primary phone: ( ) Emergency phone: (  |   |
| List each child attending ECF. Please indicate allergy, medical information that will be helpful for the ECF teacher to know about | · |
| Child's Name: Important Information:   |   |
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Questions can be sent to our ECF Coordinator— Debbie Fekete at feketedm@cox.net

PARISH

**ACTIVITY CENTER & HALL RESERVATIONS:** 440-526-0016

**CONFESSIONS:** One half hour before liturgies for fifteen minutes and by request

MEN'S CLUB: 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

LADIES' AUXILIARY: 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

A-OK CLUB: 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

**COFFEE SOCIAL:** Every Sunday after liturgy

**EASTERN CATHOLIC FORMATION (ECF) CLASSES:** Sundays 9:00 a.m.-10:20 a.m.

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