

# SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD  
(AUGUST 6)

## COLLECT

Father in heaven, whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain, and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem: give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross that in the world to come we may see him as he is; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING

*Dan 7.9–10,13–14*

A reading from the book of Daniel.

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened.

As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*from Ps 97*



**R.** The Lord is King, the Lord is King,  
most high above all the earth. (*All repeat*)



The Lord is King, let the <sup>l</sup> earth rejoice,  
let the multitude of the <sup>l</sup> isles be glad.  
Clouds and darkness are <sup>l</sup> round about him,  
his throne is just-<sup>l</sup>ice and right. **R.**

The heavens de-<sup>l</sup>clare his righteousness,  
and all the peoples <sup>l</sup> see his glory.  
For you Lord are most high over <sup>l</sup> all the  
earth,  
exalted far a-<sup>l</sup>bove all spirits. **R.**

Light has sprung up <sup>l</sup> for the righteous,  
and joy for the <sup>l</sup> true of heart.  
Rejoice in the <sup>l</sup> Lord you righteous,  
and give thanks to his <sup>l</sup> holy name. **R.**

## SECOND READING

*2 Pet 1.16–19*

A reading from the second letter of Peter.

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia.**

From the bright cloud the Father's voice is heard:

This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

**Alleluia.**

## GOSPEL READING

*Lk 9.28-36*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now about eight days later Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah" – not knowing what he said. As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!" And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone.

And they kept silent and told no-one in those days anything of what they had seen.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Holy God, receive the offerings we bring before you this day, and bring us also to that radiant glory which we see in the transfigured face of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## SOLEMN BLESSING

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, fill you with radiance and scatter the darkness from your path. **Amen.**

Christ, the Sun of Righteousness, gladden your eyes and warm your heart. **Amen.**

Christ, the Dayspring from on high, draw near to guide your feet into the way of peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing ...