

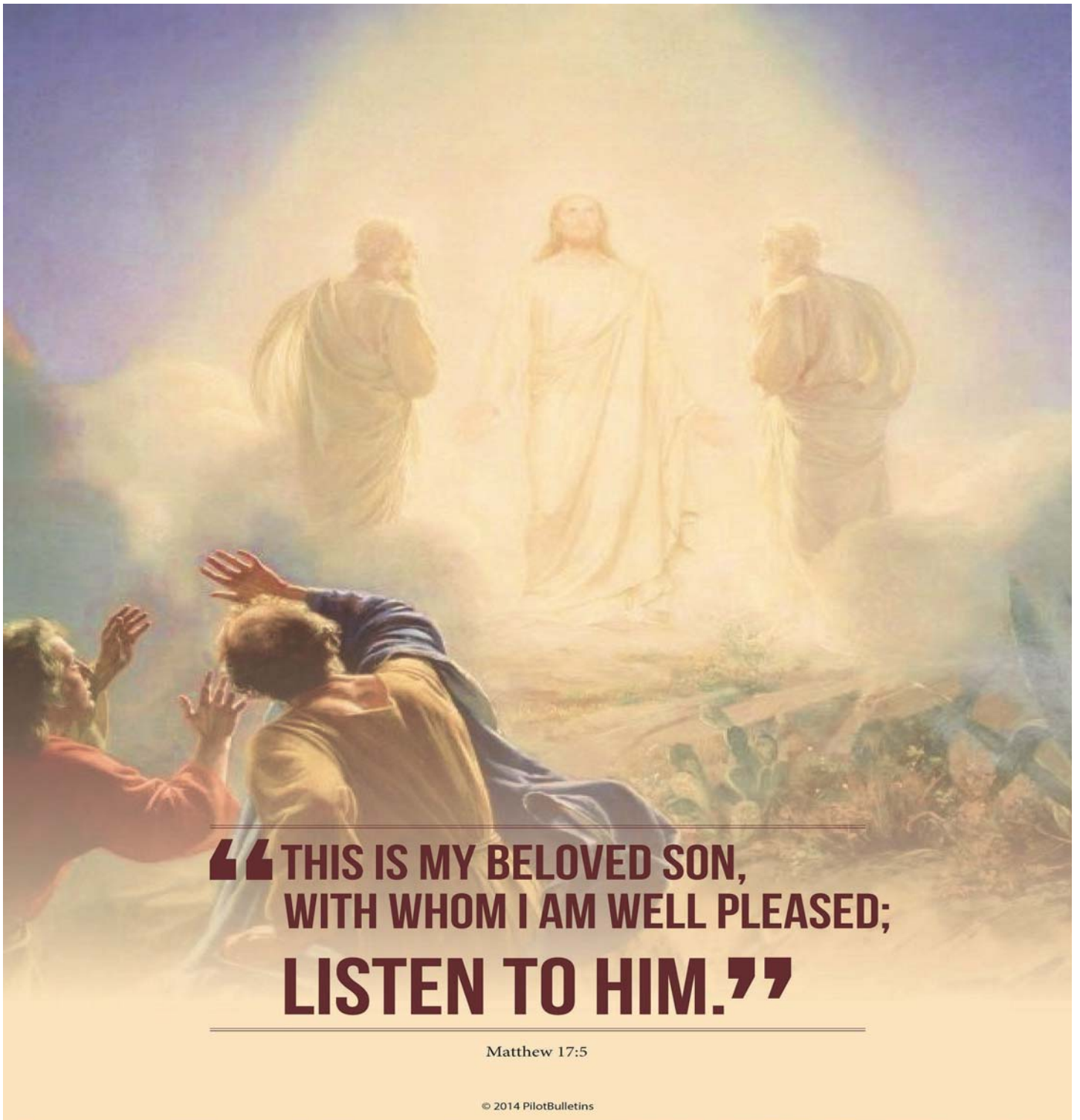


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Matthew 17:5

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AUGUST 20

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Sat August 12	3:15 –3:45pm Confession	St. Dorothy	Fr. Chris Snyder
	4:00pm	St. Dorothy	Fr. Chris Snyder
Sun August 13	8:00am	St. Thomas	Fr Chris Snyder
	10:00am	St. Dorothy	Fr. Walter Carreiro
	12noon	St. Thomas	Fr. Walter Carreiro

**MASS SCHEDULE****Saturday**

4:00 PM at St. Dorothy's Church

Sunday

8:00 AM at St. Thomas Church

10:00 AM at St. Dorothy's Church

12 NOON at St. Thomas Church.

Daily Mass

9AM ST. DOROTHY CHURCH

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
Everyone welcome. It is a wonderful way to begin your day.

SACRAMENT OF THE RECONCILIATION

3:15 to 3:45pm Saturday, before the 4pm Mass at St. Dorothy Church or by appointment

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Congratulations on the birth of your child! Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a Baptism. The instruction for families is offered in St. Thomas Church the last Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM. Baptisms are held in St. Thomas Church the first Sunday at 1:30 PM and at St. Dorothy Church on the third Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM.



II Rachael Langone and Jonathan Furtado

PARISH VOLUNTEERS

A CORI FORM must be completed EVERY YEAR BY ALL VOLUNTEERS,

The new year began July 1, 2023 and will continue through June 30, 2024

NEW (FY) 24 CORI FORMS are available in the sacristy of both churches and at the Parish Office.

A Code of Conduct will be given to All New volunteers when the Cori is returned to be verified.

Again all volunteers must complete a CORI background screening prior to beginning ministry and annually after that.

All Adult Volunteers who may be around youth, including all those in worship ministry, must complete a Protecting God's Children training.

A class will be held Aug 17 in St. Dorothy Church at 6pm Please sign up by going to www.VIRTUSonline.org



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

PARISH PICNIC
Sunday, September 10th
1pm-4pm

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RAIN DATE SUNDAY SEPT 17th

Adult Bible Study Group meets every Tues 5:45PM to 7:30PM in St. Dorothy's Church Hall. All are welcome! Regardless of your knowledge of Scripture, Contact Sylvia Maio 978-207-0359.

Men's Group meet Saturday morning 7am—8am in Sr. Thomas Lower Church. For more information please contact Frederick.j.obrien@verizon.com



Have some doubts about your faith journey? Looking to grow closer to God? Please contact Sr. Mildred (978-658-9363) for more information about beginning or continuing with spiritual direction

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Pope Francis says "One cannot know the Lord without being in the habit of adoring Him in the silence of Adoration" Contact Jean Jordan 339.933.0967



If you love to knit or crochet and would like to join our ministry call Sharon Keefe @ 978.697.1909

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 5

4:00pm

Mr. & Mrs. William Magro
Mrs. Anna Visconti
Meriam Miele

Sunday, August 6

8:00 am

For the People of the Parish

10:00 am

Mary Rose & Jackie Gigante
Angelina Caruso & Mary Puleo
Deceased Members of
Wilmington High School
Class of 1963-1964

Noon

Linda Welch Crane

Monday, August 7

9:00 am

Special Intentions of Erin
Capotostos & family

Tuesday, August 8

9:00 am

For the People of the Parish

Wednesday, August 9

9:00 am

Deceased Members of the
Parish

Thursday, August 10

9:00 am

Special Intentions of Erin
Capotostos & family

Friday, August 11

9:00 am

Kim Sviontek

Saturday, August 12

4:00pm

Robert Gorman
Thomas and Suzanne
Madden

Sunday, August 13

8:00 am

Antonio Cutone

10:00 am

Paone Family
Maria Bellino

Noon

Linda Welch Crane



Tues, Aug 15th is a Holy Day of Obligation

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass schedule

Mon, Aug 14 6:30 pm in St. Thomas

Tues Aug 15 9:00am in St. Dorothy

A NOTE FROM FR. CHRIS

Good morning! Our pastor Father Walter invited me to write a little something to introduce myself, so... here I am!

I was born on February 14, 1971 in Toledo, Ohio, but spent most of my life just north in Michigan (Archdiocese of Detroit). I have two older brothers and a younger sister. On June 27, 1998, I had the honor and privilege to be ordained a missionary priest with the PIME Missionaries.

It is so hard to believe that 25 years have already passed since my ordination! From the Italian youth that I ministered to in Treviso during the first three years of my priesthood I learned about the joy, energy and happiness present in our faith when we put it into action. From the Mixtec Indians that I had the honor of serving in the mission of Cuanacaxtitlan, Guerrero, Mexico I learned how Jesus is present in the simplest of actions, words, surroundings, and people. From the troubled teens that I served at Boys' Village in Wooster, Ohio I learned about God's compassion, forgiveness and endless "second chances" to all of those who seek him with a sincere heart. From the Anglo and Hispanic Communities that I served in Detroit, Michigan for seven years as pastor of All Saints Parish I learned what it means to live Church truly as **family**, where we all share in each other's joys, strengths, weaknesses, challenges... striving to lift each other up as we witness to the presence of the Holy Spirit in all people! From my year of sabbatical studying at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome I learned about true liturgy and true pastoral care. From my 7 years in the Brazilian Amazon – and especially my six years as pastor of St. Benedict Parish in Manaus (with 12 city churches and 30,000 parishioners!) – I learned what it means to work together as one Body of Christ, trusting each other, empowering everybody, and evangelizing through our striving for unity! And from my year serving the Brazilian and American communities in Peabody, I learned patience and friendship... and to be open to whatever God may have in store for these next years! Through it all, I've been blessed so much! I can honestly and truly say that I am so much happier to be a priest now than I was at the beginning!

From our Holy Church I have received so much! From Pope John Paul II I developed a love for our Blessed Mother and for the beauty of Family. From Pope Benedict XVI I developed a greater understanding of the divinity of God and of his Incarnation in Jesus. And from Pope Francis I learned even more about the humanity of Jesus in his forgiveness, compassion, charity and outreach.

To be sure, I still have a ways to go in my own faith formation, but I thank God for the possibility he has given me to know Him and serve Him in these 25 years... encountering Him in all of those places, people, moments and situations when I least expected it. One way or another God has always "got me where I needed to be when I needed to be there"! And now he has brought me here to be a part of this Wilmington family of Transfiguration Parish!

I look forward to getting to know all of you and to share our stories as we journey forward together under the caring and watchful eye of our pastor, Father Walter. May God bless you all!

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In WORD & DEED

Transfiguration of the Lord

Late in spring, my young nieces would stay with me for a few hours while their parents worked. I had them plant an assortment of small flowering plants. During the summer, they often would help me water the garden and marvel at the size and beauty of the flowers that grew so quickly. By summer's end, the mature plants added beauty and grace to an otherwise barren spot.

When Jesus is transformed before the Apostles, he is not just a bright light in a dark moment. He reveals something new and as yet unseen: the glory of the Father, proclaimed in the Law and the Prophets, and now fully seen in the person of Jesus. This is God's love and mercy, promising new hope and new life to the whole world. Encouraged by their vision, the Apostles would be the first to witness to Jesus and to the Gospel.

Every so often, we may get a small insight into faith. An understanding of the Gospel, or a new appreciation for the sacraments or a sense of awe during a special holy day can reinvigorate our faith. It gives us an added incentive to seek the truth or to delve more deeply into our beliefs. It may also be the little spark that renews a faltering faith. Look for those little moments when we are transformed. When we seek the Lord, He is always to be found.

~James Gaffney © Pilot Bulletins



We look upon the transfiguration above all as the celebration of that presence of Christ which takes charge of everything in us and transfigures even that which disturbs us about ourselves. God penetrates those hardened, incredulous, even disquieting regions within us, about which we really do not know what to do. God penetrates them with the life of the Spirit and acts upon those regions and gives them God's own face.

~Kathryn Spink

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2023

TRANSFIG. SUNDAY Aug 6	<i>Transfiguration of the Lord</i> Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/ Mt 17:1-9
MONDAY Aug 7	<i>Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest</i> Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21
TUESDAY Aug 8	<i>Saint Dominic, Priest</i> 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 Aug 9	<i>Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr</i> 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 Aug 10	<i>Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr</i> 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26
FRIDAY Aug 11	<i>Saint Clare, Virgin</i> Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16+21/Mt 16:24-28
SATURDAY Aug 12	<i>Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious</i> Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47+51/Mt 17:14-20
19TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Aug 13	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14/ Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

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WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

Coming in September!

- Cursillo is a joyful and jam-packed three day retreat full of learning, faith sharing, praying, and having fun. The goal is to deepen your faith and strengthen your ability to bring Christ's love and grace into the world.
- The weekend runs from Thursday 9/21 at 7 p.m. through mid-afternoon Sunday 9/24 at the beautiful Notre Dame Spirituality Center in Ipswich.
- Are you curious? Your fellow Parishioners Bob and Cathy Bonin, would love to tell you more! Send an email, to us, -Cathy cabcab27@gmail.com, or Bob rbonin12@yahoo.com and/or please visit the website at www.bostoncursillo.org, or check out [@bostoncursillo](https://www.instagram.com/bostoncursillo) on Instagram.



The Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

WHAT IS THIS FEAST ALL ABOUT?

How are we to understand the Transfiguration? The story of the Transfiguration is also proclaimed on the second Sunday of Lent—a key part of Jesus’ journey towards the Cross. The Catechism of the Catholic Church draws parallels between Jesus’ Baptism and the Transfiguration. Jesus is baptized at the start of his public ministry. His baptism proclaims the mystery of our first regeneration—we die and rise again with Christ. The “Transfiguration ‘is the sacrament of the second regeneration’: our own Resurrection (St. Thomas Aquinas, STh III, 45, 4, ad 2). From now on we share in the Lord’s Resurrection through the Spirit who acts in the sacraments of the Body of Christ. The Transfiguration gives us a foretaste of Christ’s glorious coming, when he ‘will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body (Phil 3:21)’” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 556). During the Prayer after Communion, we pray that God might “transform us into the likeness of your [his] Son, / whose radiant splendor you willed to make manifest / in his glorious Transfiguration.” The Collect, or opening prayer, tells us that the mystery of the Transfiguration “prefigures our full adoption to sonship.” The Transfiguration, initially revealed to Peter, James, and John, reveals to all of us a taste of what is yet to come.



The Transfiguration is the fourth of the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. Spend time praying the luminous mysteries at home today:

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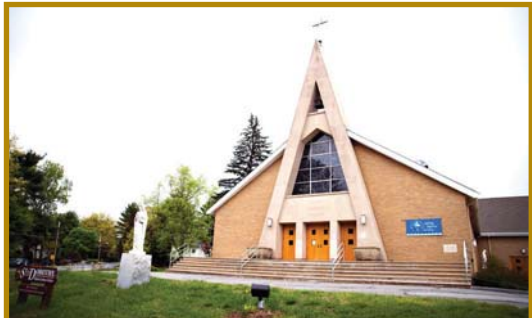
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