



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"It was about eight days after he said this" is how Luke introduces the climb to the mount of transfiguration. "This" refers to accepting his cross. Think about how perplexing this was to the disciples.

"If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."

It was not guaranteed, much less ponderable, that Jesus would die on a cross. Stoning was more likely and almost happened. They dropped their packs and busied themselves with camp. When it happened the disciples had to be roused from sleep. If Jesus were engaged in conversation with Moses and Elijah, did he acknowledge Peter's idea for building the three tents? In the end the only one speaking to them was the Father. "Listen to him." Later Jesus, back to normal, says "do not speak of this. Keep it to yourself." The "eighth day" is the day that will last forever. Christ will come again. Meanwhile their destiny is in the world down below, boiling in complexity. As they walk some of that rare light leaks out.

—Fr. Andrew

CUPOLA

Envelopes are on the table in the rear of the church for donations to help pay for the scaffolding for the repair, cleaning, and painting of the Coppola above the Altar. \$18,000.00 plus has already been raised and a pledge of \$7,000 more for the Goal of \$38,000.00. Thank you to all who have contributed to this much needed project.



HOLY HOUR

Each Wednesday during Lent we will meet in the yellow room at 7:30 p.m. and conduct "Synodal listening," the directive this year from Pope Francis to meet and to plumb the spirit in our midst for our prophetic future. A Holy Hour from 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. will follow. All are welcome. The meetings will be held bilingually.

—Fr. Andrew



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please join us Friday evenings from March 4th to April 8th for the Stations of Cross in English and Spanish at 7:00 p.m. in the church.



PRAYER FOR POPE FRANCIS

On March 13th we celebrate the eighth anniversary of Pope Francis' election! We invite you to say a prayer for the Holy Father. *"O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably on your servant Francis, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; Grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen."*



ST. TERESA SYNODAL

Fr. Alexis Bastidas, Pastor of St. Teresa Church will have a 3 day retreat/reflection for Synodal Listening titled "Conversion and Testimony." A priest from Venezuela, Msgr. Carlos Viña, who is the Vicar General of the Diocese of Barcelona in Venezuela will be conducting the Synodal. The dates are scheduled for: March 16th, 17th and 18th. Mass begins at 6:30 p.m. and the conference to follow from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. All are welcomed.

SECOND COLLECTION

This week's second collection will be for the continued repairs of the church.



LENTEN RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Monday, April 11, 2022 is Lenten Reconciliation Monday throughout the Archdiocese of New York and the Dioceses of Brooklyn and Rockville Centre. Confessions will be heard from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and then again from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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The Transfiguration of Christ: Part of an iconostasis in Constantinople style. Middle of the 12th century. Saint Catherine's Monastery

MASS SCHEDULE

MARCH 12 - 19, 2022

SATURDAY 3/12

5pm

† Marie Verde/All Souls in Purgatory/
† Anaelba Laguerra/Juan Jimenez/
MARIA KOSMAN FOR HEALTH/



Peter Paul Rubens (1577-1640)
The Transfiguration of Christ, 1605

SUNDAY 3/13

8:30am

† Olga Colon/All Souls in Purgatory/
† Joseph Marino (12th yr. Anniv.)/

10am

† Mercedes Deraben/Santos & Hilda Morales/
† Trinidad Rojas/Todas las Almas de Purgatorio/
† Victor Odalis Gonzalez/Enrique Ilundain/
† Sebastian Fernandez/David Rodriguez/
† Rafael Nuñez (26th yr. Anniv.)/Hector Lopez/
† Deceased Friends & Rodriguez Family/
† Maria (Lola) Sanchez/Mila Rivera/
† Jocelyn Altagracia Galvan/
† Rafael Antonio Nuñez 27th. yr. Anniv.)/

DIVINO NIÑO POR LA SALUD Y PROSPERIDAD DE LA FAMILIA/
RAFAEL PICHARDO POR LA SALUD/

12pm

† Luis Gonzalez/All Souls in Purgatory/
† Joseph Mathews/
SPECIAL INTENTION FOR ADRIANNA AGUILAR & MATT SONACHI/

MONDAY 3/14

9am

† Michael Patras (6th. yr. Anniv.)/
† Jose Francisco Rodriguez/
† All Souls in Purgatory/Mila Rodriguez/
JOSE LIZANDRO COLLADO POR LA SALUD A JESUS
SACRAMENTADO/

TUESDAY 3/15

9am

† Juana del Carmen Collado/Mila Rivera/
† All Souls in Purgatory/Chen Joseph/
† Nancy Scott/
IN HONOR OF ST. JUDE/

WEDNESDAY 3/16

9am

† Ermie Ortiz/All Souls in Purgatory/Li Mary/
† Mila Rivera/Zheng Joseph/Trinidad Rojas/

THURSDAY 3/17

9am

† Norma Goris Almonte/All Souls in Purgatory/
† Marlene Mullins/Mario Santoro/Mila Rivera/
THANKSGIVING TO ST. PATRICK/

FRIDAY 3/18

9am

† Luis Andino Peña/All Souls in Purgatory/
† Mila Rivera/Chen Shi/Zheng Peter/
† Ma Joseph/

SATURDAY 3/19

9am

† Ramon de Jesus Peña/All Souls in Purgatory/
† Luz Ramirez/Mila Rivera/
THANKSGIVING TO ST. JOSEPH/IN HONOR OF ST. JOSEPH/



Duccio di Buoninsegna,
Transfiguration, made for Siena Cathedral, 1311