

**YEAR A, AUGUST 6,  
THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD:  
MASS**

*The First Lesson. The Reader begins*

**A Reading from the Second Letter of Peter**

I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to arouse you by way of reminder, since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me. And I will see to it that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things. For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honor and glory from God the Father and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” we heard this voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word made more sure. You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the

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morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by the impulse of man, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.  
*The Reader concludes* The Word of the Lord.

### **Psalm 99:5–9**

*At Said Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading Psalm 99, verses 5 through 9, as found in the red Prayer Book on page 729.

*(The Reader repeats the above information as needed.)*

*At Sung Mass the Reader says*

Please join me in reading the psalm as found in the service bulletin.

5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
and fall down before his footstool; \*  
he is the Holy One.

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- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \*  
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*  
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 “O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; \*  
you were a God who forgave them,  
yet punished them for their evil deeds.”
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him upon his holy hill; \*  
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

*Please turn the page to lead the Gospel Acclamation.*

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## **The Gospel Acclamation**

*The Reader leads the appointed acclamation.*

*Reader* Alleluia.

*People* Alleluia.

*Reader* This is my Son, my beloved; \*  
with whom I am well pleased.

*People* Alleluia.

*The Reader returns to his or her seat.*

## **The Holy Gospel**

*The Minister says* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Minister* ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord  
Jesus Christ according to  
Matthew.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain apart. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his garments became white as light. And behold, there appeared to

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them Moses and Eli'jah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is well that we are here; if you wish, I will make three booths here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Eli'jah." He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces, and were filled with awe. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of man is raised from the dead." And the disciples asked him, "Then why do the scribes say that first Eli'jah must come?" He replied, "Eli'jah does come, and he is to restore all things; but I tell you that Eli'jah has already come, and they did not know him, but did to him whatever they pleased. So also the Son of man will suffer at their hands." Then the disciples understood that he was speaking to them of John the Baptist.

*The Minister says*                      The Gospel of the Lord.

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