

"Young man, I say to you, arise!" Lk 7:14

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Reading 1: GN 12:1-4A  
 Responsorial: PS 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22  
 Reading 2: 2 TM 1:8B-10  
 Alleluia: MT 17:5  
 Gospel: MT 17:1-9

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MATTHEW 17

## JESUS TRANSFIGURED

### Jesus Shows His Glory



In today's Gospel reading Jesus took three of His apostles up a mountain and gave them a vision of His true glory. He shone as bright as the sun- so bright they could hardly look at Him. But did you know that what they saw was only a tiny bit of the true glory of God?

It was so beautiful that Peter wanted Him to stay that way. He offered to build tents for Jesus and Moses and Elijah, who appeared with Him. But the joy of this moment wasn't meant to last forever. It was just a little taste of Heaven.

Jesus gave this experience to the three apostles just a little while before He went to Jerusalem to suffer and die on the cross. He knew that they would be terrified and very sad when He died so He gave them a preview of the glory He would go back to after He rose from the dead. That way they knew they had a reason to hope even when He was killed.

Sometimes we have awful things to suffer through too. Maybe a friend will move away or one of our grandparents will die. But we never have to give up hope because we know that eventually everyone who loves Jesus will live in total happiness in Heaven.



### The Kids' Bulletin

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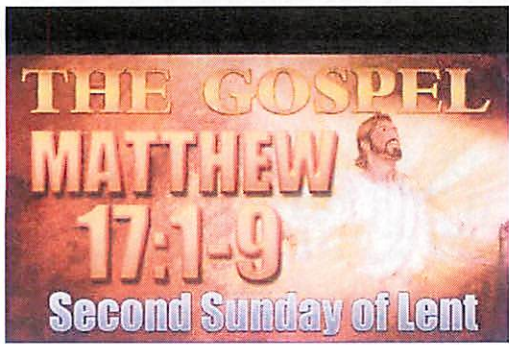
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What did Peter, James and John hear from the bright cloud when Jesus was transfigured on the mountain?

Look in the mirror to find out!





## Background on the Gospel

For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration. Each year on the

first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The story of Jesus' Transfiguration is told in the three Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In each of those Gospels, the Transfiguration follows Jesus' first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection.

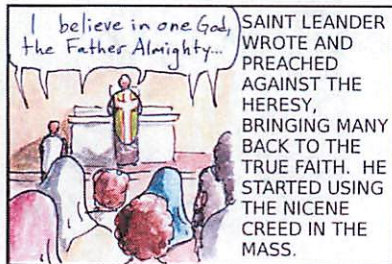
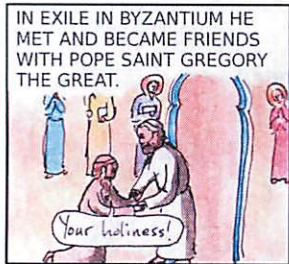
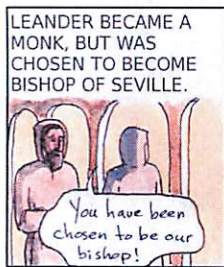
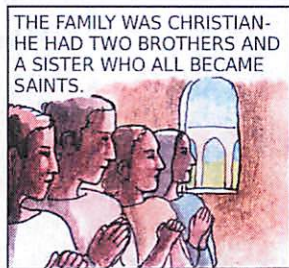
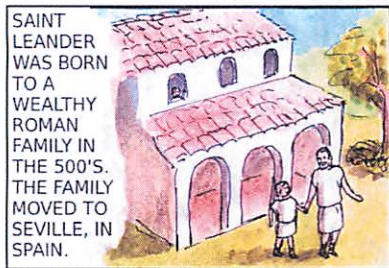
On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word.

The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew's Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an "inner circle" among Jesus' disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest..

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## Saint Leander of Seville

March 13



SAINT LEANDER DIED AROUND THE YEAR 600. WHEN HE DIED HIS BROTHER BECAME THE NEW BISHOP. BECAUSE THE LEADERS HATED THE TRUTH, BISHOP LEANDER HAD RISKED HIS LIFE TO TRY TO CONVERT PEOPLE. WE CAN LEARN FROM HIM THAT WE SHOULD ALWAYS TELL THE TRUTH ABOUT THE FAITH.

## Word Find

JESUS took Peter, JAMES, and JOHN his brother, and led them up a high MOUNTAIN by THEMSELVES. And he was TRANSFIGURED before them; his FACE SHONE like the SUN and his CLOTHES became WHITE as LIGHT. And behold, Moses and ELIJAH appeared to them, conversing with him. Then PETER said to Jesus in reply, "LORD, it is GOOD that we are here. If you wish, I will make THREE tents here, one for you, one for MOSES and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright CLOUD cast a SHADOW OVER them, then from the cloud came a VOICE that said, "This is my beloved SON, with whom I am well PLEASED; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they FELL prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "RISE, and do not be AFRAID." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus ALONE.

Find all the words in CAPITALS above in the puzzle. Use the left-over letters to fill in the blanks below.

After all this happened, Jesus told the disciples not to tell anyone

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