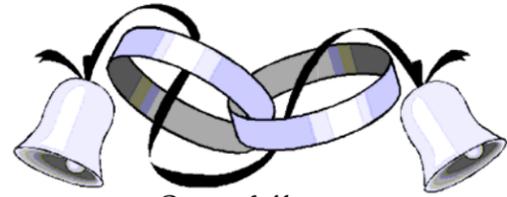


### Women's Faith Sharing Group



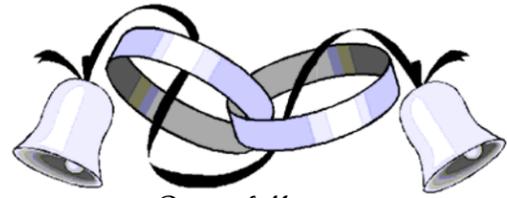
The next gathering for the Women's Faith Sharing Group is Thursday, Aug. 18, at Mount St. Joseph from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Our day will consist of Liturgy, lunch (\$9.00), meeting (reflecting on our favorite Bible stories of Mercy) and alone time for prayer, meditation and spending time with the sisters.

RSVP by noon on Aug. 15. For more info or ride call Diane (304-233-8574). All are welcome to attend part of the day or experience the entire day of love, service and faith sharing.



**Banns of Marriage**  
*Erin Mazzecca & Michael Anderson*  
**August 13, 2016**

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**Banns of Marriage**  
*Ryan Murphy and Morgan Kirsch*  
**August 20, 2016**

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First Publication



**PARISH PICNIC**  
*Sunday August 28, 2016*  
*Mass starts at 12:30PM*  
*Haller Shelter*  
*Oglebay Park*  
*( by pool )*



**IT'S TIME TO REGISTER**  
for the 2016-2017 Faith Formation Year! Classes start Sunday September 11 at 9:15am . First Communion and Confirmation in the Cathedral offices, RCIA in the Rectory. Registration is open until August 29. Email or call Debbie Fahey to register or get more information.  
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**Sunday Masses:** 6:00 p.m. Saturday; 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

**Weekday Mass:** 12:05 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9:00 a.m. Saturday.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** 11:15-11:50 a.m. Friday; 5-5:45 p.m. Saturday.

**Sacrament of the Sick and Communion to Homebound:** Call the parish office anytime to make arrangements.

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Sister Mary Bowman, SFCC, Pastoral Associate for Ministry to the Sick

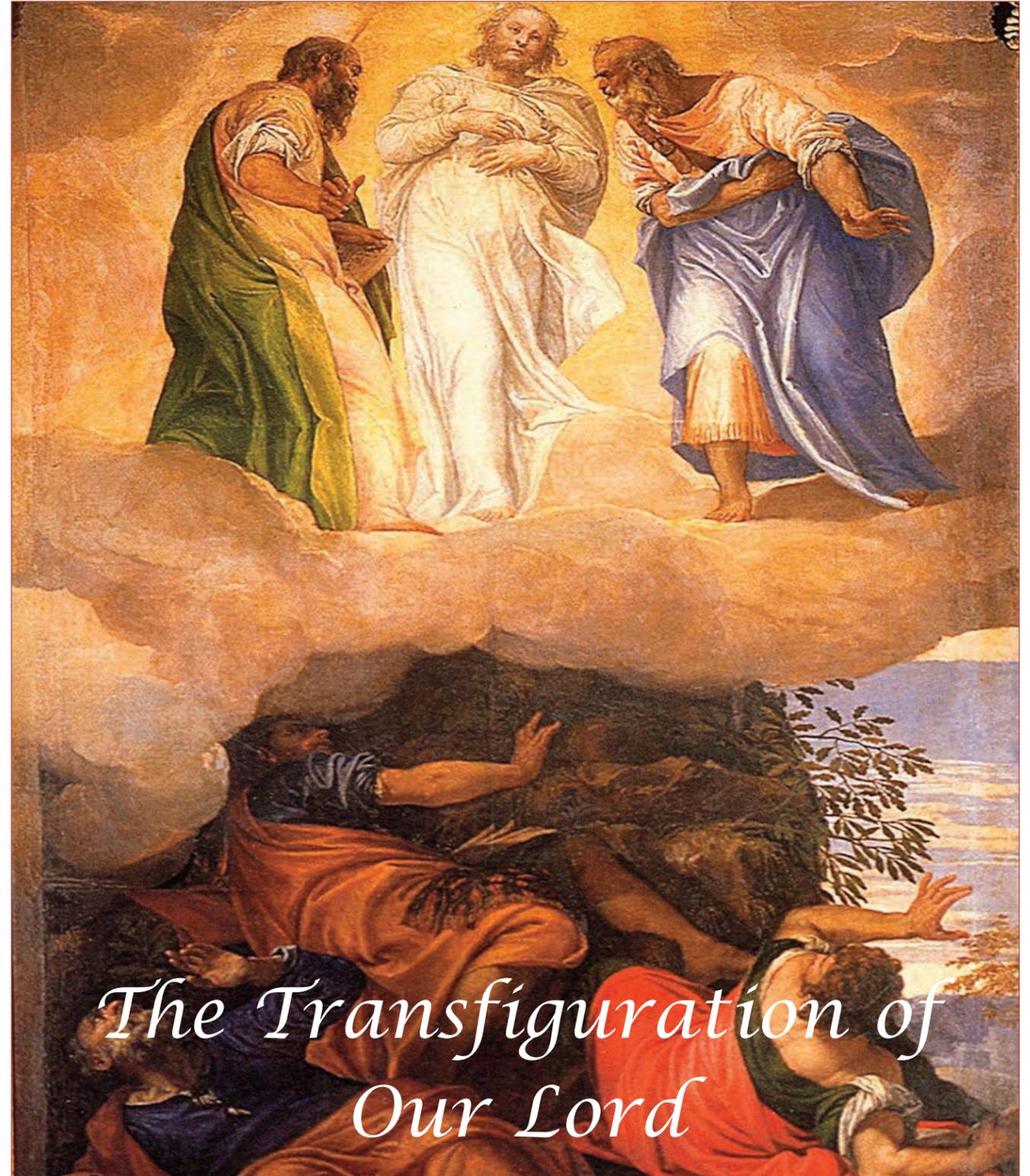
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Mr. Albert Lutz, Sexton

# Il Corriere del Duomo

*Weekly Journal for the Cathedral of St. Joseph*



## The Transfiguration of Our Lord

## Christian Awareness

**By: Alex J. Nagem**

A friend of mine, Ric Thompson, showed me pictures of his fishing camp in Canada. The camp is on one of the many islands in the Canadian lakes. Many of the pictures of the area surrounding the camp included the art of stacked rocks called a cairns. The rocks of various size and shape are stacked on each other without any adhesive. They are balanced one upon the other. The tower of rocks can be from a few inches to several feet tall. Some of the rocks in the center of the stack are smaller in size than the one placed precariously on top. The stacks can be used as a guide for boaters and hikers, and for ceremonial purposes. For many, the true meaning has been lost over the years since their creation. The art formations of these stacks captivated my attention. But then, I am also one to stare at the sky as my thoughts travel as freely as the clouds I am watching. In their younger years, my daughters would find colored rocks and give them to me as presents. I appreciated their thoughtfulness as they would spend time finding the right rock of color and size to give me. Being a loving dad, I would accept the rocks with excitement. I have a few of these rocks on my desk at home today. Others have been tucked away in a memory box. These are some of the simple gifts they have given me that make me smile. Ya, I am a sentimental kind of guy.

One day, as I was reading nothing in particular and listening to a TED broadcast, I noticed the four largest rocks on my desk. Thinking of the pictures Ric shared with me of stacked rocks, I attempted to stack the four on my desk in one try. The base rock is large, the second of smaller size, the third is larger than the second, but not as large as the first, and the top rock is smaller than the third. It worked! Nice job for a beginner. The broadcast that I was listening to was of the talk Amy Tan gave on "Where Does Creativity Hide?" In

the broadcast, she tells how she came across a man on the beach stacking rocks in various formations. His response when she asked why he was stacking the rocks was, "With everything in life there is a place of balance." A little serendipity took place since I had just completed my stacking of rocks when she mentioned this story.

From a young age the base for my Christian religion was taught by devoted religious orders in Catholic schools. There was a discipline to religious thought and behavior which was to bring balance to life. The discipline focused on behavior in and out of Church and words spoken to others. All became a strong base for the future and new experiences that would be faced. I perceive Christian faith to be similar to the stacking of rocks. We try to live a Christian life, but there seems to be something each day that sways our thinking or allows words to be spoken in haste. I am thankful for the continued opportunity of the cleansing provided by Confession to help counter balance the sway in life. We are told in Proverbs 24:16, "For though a righteous man falls seven times, he will rise again, but the wicked stumble into calamity." Without a balance in the cairns the rocks will tumble. Without the balancing effect of Christian thought we will stumble and fall or worse, turn away from faith. This may sound pretty elementary but if we look at our life yesterday or just a few hours ago was our behavior well balanced? Did we say or do something that made us think about our actions or feel at fault? How would we act without God in our life? I won't dwell on that hellish thought.

I look for a balance each day. Some are a natural balance provided by God that we may overlook. God balanced each day with light and darkness allowing for a time to work and rest. He balanced nature with seasons allowing for a time of rejuvenation and harvest, and a dormant time to rest. In 1965, the folk rock group, The Byrds, released a song titled "Turn!

Turn! Turn! The song is from the Bible verses in Ecclesiastes 3:1-8, "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven; a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to reap that which is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build..." We search for a balance in our life and God has provided the instructions. Prayer helps us to focus and bring balance to the sways in our life. But, just as you cannot hurry when you stack one rock upon another to create any formation of height, prayer should not be hurried to reach the height of God.

The past few weeks my thoughts have been cluttered. I spend many mornings walking and staring at the cloud formations, the blue sky and the morning sunlight beaming through the clouds. In my office I have a statue of the Blessed Mother. The blue sky and white clouds resemble the color of paint on her dress. I imagine the blue sky is a reminder that Mary is always praying for us. God knows we need prayer. No matter where we look in the sky there is blue. Even on dark, stormy days, there is an eventual opening in the clouds to reveal the blue sky...Mary's continued prayers. The blue sky or the star filled night is always there, just as God is always with us. I imagine the stars at night are the stars that are depicted surrounding the crown of Mary. These are my thoughts that help bring balance and provide hope for the troubles of the day. They may appear to be formed from an imagination fed by strong coffee and lack of a long, good night sleep, but they originate from a love affair I have with my faith.

"The heavens are telling of the glory of God. Their expanse is declaring the work of His hands," Psalm 19:1.

My prayers are said with you mind, as I hope I am remembered in yours.

**Vocatus Atque non Vocatus, Deus Aderit"**  
Alex J. Nagem

## The Balancing Act of Faith

## Mass Intentions and Readings

### Sunday—July 31st—EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 6:00p Mass for The Parishioners  
8:00a Mass for +Francis B. Schulte Anniversary of Installation 1985  
10:30a Mass for +Francis B. Schulte Anniversary of Installation 1985  
RDGS: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17 Col 3:1-5, 9-11 Lk 12:13-21

### Monday—August 1st—Saint Alphonsus Liguori, doctor of the Church

12:05p Mass for Helen Monica Holt  
RDGS: Jer 28:1-17 Ps 119:29, 43, 79-80, 95, 102 Mt 14:13-21

**Alphonsus**, died 1787; lawyer; founded (1732) the Redemptorists, today numbering some 5,400 members; opposed Jansenism, stressing Christ's love and Mary's help; bishop of Saint' Agata dei Goti; master of moral theology; patron of confessors and moral theologians.

### Tuesday—August 2nd—Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, bishop; Saint Peter Julian Eymard, priest

12:05p Mass for Genevieve McCarroll  
RDGS: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 Ps 102:16-23, 29 Mt 14:22-36

**Eusebius**, died in 371; considered the founder of the canons regular in the West; defender of St. Athanasius; exiled to Palestine by Constantius; with St. Hilary, an opponent of Arianism.

**Peter**, died in 1868; born at La Mure d'Iserre, France; founded the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament, today numbering some 900 members, devoted to the worship and apostolate of the Eucharist as the center of life of the Church and society; in 1858 founded the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament, a contemplative women's community; influenced the founding of the Eucharistic Fraternity for the laity, the Association of Priest Adorers, and international Eucharistic congresses.

### Wednesday—August 3rd—18th Week of Ordinary Time

12:05p Mass for Joseph & Sarah Truini  
RDGS: Jer 31:1-7 (Ps) Jer 31:10-12b, 13 Mt 15:21-28

### Thursday—August 4th—Saint John Vianney, Priest

12:05p Mass for Robert Schlosser  
RDGS: Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:12-15, 18-19 Mt 16:13-23

**Jean Marie Vianney**, died 1859; universally known as the "Cure of Ars"; compassionate spiritual counselor who spent usually no less than eleven hours every day in the confessional in the winter, sixteen in the summer; patron of priests and the parish clergy.

### Friday—August 5th—The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major—First Friday

11:15a Confessions

12:05p Mass for CCHS Class of 1948  
12:40p Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
RDGS: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7 (Ps) Dt 32:35c-36b, 39abcd, 41 Mt 16:24-28

Following the declaration of Mary as "God Bearer" by the Council of Ephesus in 431, Pope Sixtus III erected in Rome this oldest basilica in the West dedicated to the Mother of God.

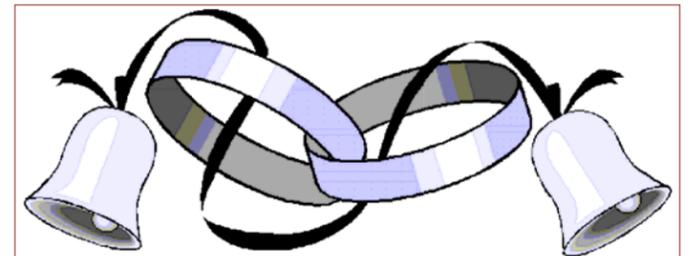
### Saturday—August 6th—THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

9:00a Mass for Sue Clemm  
5:00p Confessions  
6:00p Mass for Brian Cornett  
RDGS: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 2 Pt 1:16-19 Lk 9:28b-36

Celebrated by 5th c. East Syrians, this feast was inserted into the regular calendar in 1457 by Pope Callistus III to celebrate the defeat, announced in Rome on Aug. 6, of the Turks at Belgrade.

### Sunday—August 7th—NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a Mass for Helen Monica Holt  
10:30a Mass for the Parishioners  
RDGS: Wis 18:6-9 Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22 Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12 Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40



### Banns of Marriage Steven Campbell and Jamie Baron August 6, 2016

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