



# *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## *The Transfiguration of the Lord*

*Monday,  
August 5, 2018*

In Year B, the reading for the Transfiguration comes from Mark's gospel. (The Transfiguration also appears in the other two synoptic gospels, Matthew and Luke.) In Mark, Jesus takes Peter, James, and John up a high mountain, apart from the other apostles and disciples.

There, Jesus is transfigured (changed in form and appearance) and appears in dazzling white clothes. Elijah, the great prophet, and Moses, through whom the Israelites were given the law, appear with Jesus. A cloud appears, overshadowing them, and a voice states, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Jesus charges the three to not share with anyone what they had seen "except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead." They keep their experience to themselves, pondering what Jesus meant by rising from the dead.

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

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/rosaries/fourth-luminous-mystery-the-transfiguration.cfm>

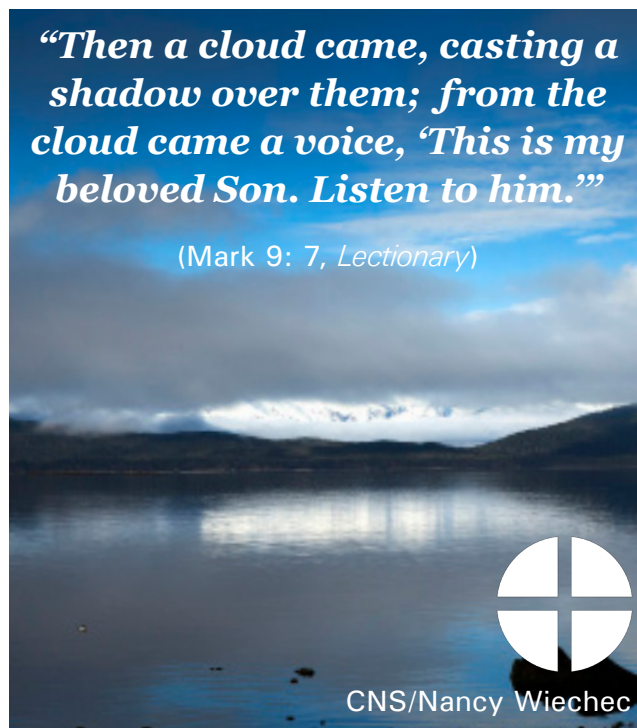
## *Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr*

*1891–1942  
Feast Day—August 9*

The youngest of 11 children of a devout Jewish mother in Wroclaw, Poland, Edith Stein was an atheist by her teens. After studying philosophy in Germany, she was deeply affected by reading the autobiography of St. Teresa of Avila. Baptized a Catholic in 1922, she joined the Discalced Carmelites in Cologne in 1933, taking the name Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. Fleeing the Nazis, she moved to a convent in Echt, Netherlands, but was arrested with non-Aryan Christians after the Dutch bishops protested Nazi deportations. She was martyred at Auschwitz.

***"Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, 'This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.'"***

*(Mark 9: 7, Lectionary)*



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