

## August 6th 2023

### Collect

O God,  
in the transfiguration of your Son  
you confirmed the mysteries of the faith  
by the witness of Moses and Elijah,  
and in the voice from the cloud  
you foreshadowed our adoption as your children:  
make us, with Christ,  
heirs of your glory,  
and bring us to enjoy its fullness;  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### 1st Reading

#### Daniel 7:9-10

**9** So King Darius put the decree in writing.

**10** Now when Daniel learned that the decree had been published, he went home to his upstairs room where the windows opened toward Jerusalem. Three times a day he got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to his God, just as he had done before.

### Psalm

#### Psalm 97

**1** The LORD reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice.

**2** Clouds and thick darkness surround him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

**3** Fire goes before him and consumes his foes on every side.

**4** His lightning lights up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

**5** The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth.

**6** The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all peoples see his glory.

**7** All who worship images are put to shame, those who boast in idols— worship him, all you gods!

**8** Zion hears and rejoices and the villages of Judah are glad because of your judgments, LORD.

**9** For you, LORD, are the Most High over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

**10** Let those who love the LORD hate evil, for he guards the lives of his faithful ones and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

**11** Light shines on the righteous and joy on the upright in heart.

**12** Rejoice in the LORD, you who are righteous, and praise his holy name.

## **2nd Reading**

### **Peter 1:16-21**

**16** for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy.”

**17** Since you call on a Father who judges each person’s work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear.

**18** For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors,

**19** but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

**20** He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake.

**21** Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

## **Gospel**

### **Mark 9:2-10**

**2** After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them.

**3** His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them.

**4** And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

**5** Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.”

**6** (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

**7** Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: “This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!”

**8** Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

**9** As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**10** They kept the matter to themselves, discussing what “rising from the dead” meant.