"We all have those pleasant surprises in life: an unexpected visitor comes to us when we least expect it. Perhaps a family member announces an engagement or an addition to the family. Maybe at work we get that raise that is even higher than we could've anticipated. All of these moments are surprises to be sure, but they are aren't just that. They change life in a way that makes it even better than before.



God does not limit Himself in our lives to working in just the ways we might expect or want. Look at the example of

Abraham. God gives him far more than he could've ever expected - a son, even at the old age that he and Sarah had attained. Or when he asked for Abraham to sacrifice that son - this truly was unexpected. Abraham remains faithful, and even though he doesn't actually sacrifice his son, he is greatly blessed by his faith. Or when it comes to Jesus in the Transfiguration - He appears to the disciples in a way that they are not used to, but in a way that is pleasantly surprising, and one that prepares them for the trials yet to come.

All too often, we try to limit God to where we are comfortable with Him operating. We like Him helping when things get too hard, or perhaps when something very unexpected happens in life. Yet, God wants to work in even bigger and more majestic ways- and

perhaps to give us some pleasant surprises as well!

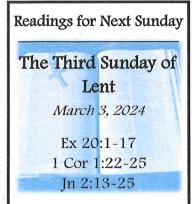
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Adoration at St. Denis Parish from 7:30~10:00pm on Tuesdays Confession from 7:30~8:00pm

Come away from the busyness and rest a while with our Lord in the Eucharist!

Are you and I willing to open up to let God give us those pleasant surprises and blessings along the way?

-Fr. Belken



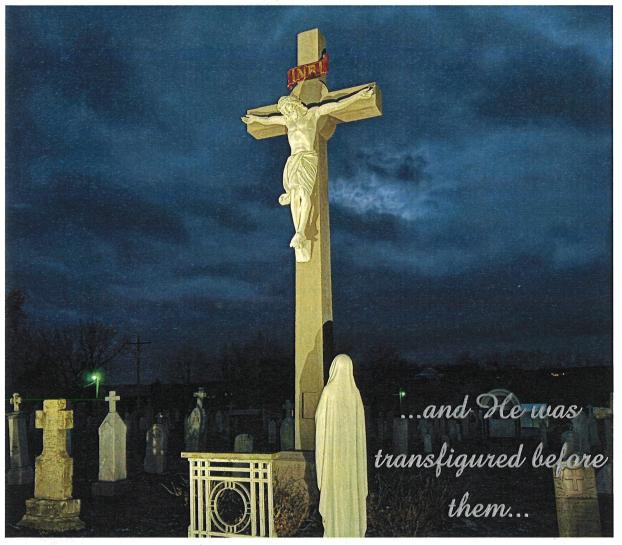


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