

HOLY TRANSFIGURATION

EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from Saint Paul's Second Universal Letter to the Corinthians Chapter 1 Verses 10-19: BRETHREN, be more zealous to confirm your call and election, for if you do this you will never fall; so there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Therefore I intend always to remind you of these things, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to arouse you by way of reminder, since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me. And I will see to it that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things. For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honor and glory from God the Father and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," we heard this voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word made more sure. You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew Chapter 17 Verses 1-9: At that time, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain apart. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his garments became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is well that we are here; if you wish, I will make three booths here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces, and were filled with awe. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of man is raised from the dead."

Today's Apolytikion (Dismissal Hymn) is that of Tone Seven (Grave):

Μετεμορθώθης εν τώ ὄρει Χριστέ ο Θεός, δείξας τοίς Μαθηταίς σου τήν δόξαν σου, καθώς ἠδυναντο, Λάμπρον καί ἡμίν τοίς αμαρτωλοίς, τό φῶς σου τό αἶδιον, πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, φωτοδότα δόξα σοι.

DEKAPENTAVGOUSTO SCHEDULE: Paraklesis Monday Aug 7 @ 10am, Paraklesis Wednesday Aug 10 @ 10am, Orthros and Liturgy for the Dormition of the Theotokos Tuesday Aug 15 Orthros @ 9am followed by Liturgy.

YAL CONFERENCE LABOR DAY WEEKEND: Are you ready to FULFILL your purpose? The Young Adult League (YAL) Conference over Labor Day Weekend 2023 in Orange County, California is where you want to be! This will be the fifth YAL Conference since 2019 hosted by the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco and promises to be bigger and better than ever!

STEWARDSHIP: We invite you to prayerfully consider sharing the resources given to you by God by filling out our Stewardship card and pledge for 2023 today! Cards are available at the pangari and information wall. *"All things are possible to the one who believes in Christ."* Mark 9:23

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP - SAVE THE DATE: We will resume our monthly Men's Fellowship meetings on **Thursday September 7th** following a short break for the summer. The program consists of a social hour, a short prayer service in the chapel, and dinner followed by a spiritually centered discussion. These meetings provide a great opportunity for us to reconnect with our friends, our community, and our faith. Our last two meetings had over three dozen attendees including several men from neighboring parishes and even inquirers to Orthodox Christianity! The meetings are open to all men ages 18 and up. If you are interested in joining this new and growing ministry or would like to **RSVP** to attend our next event, please contact Jim Rakos at jim.rakos@annunciation.org.

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

●The next Board Meeting will be on Sunday, August 13. All Philoptochos members are welcome to attend

●*Κοίμησις τῆς Θεοτόκου, Dormition of the Theotokos*

On August 15th immediately following the Divine Liturgy, the Philoptochos will be hosting a brunch. The cost will be \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 12 yrs and under. Tickets can be purchased at the door. The proceeds will help support our many Metropolis and National Philoptochos ministries.

●*Pastry baking schedule for food festival*

- 8/9 (Wed) Koulourakia assemble and bake
- 8/11 (Fri) Kourambiethes assemble and bake
- 8/30 (Wed) Baklava assemble
- 8/31 (Thurs) Baklava bake
- 9/7 (Thurs) Galaktoboureko assemble

Please contact Grace Koutoulas at Grace.Koutoulas@annunciation.org if you are interested in helping out.

*“The Church shall be a home for
Orthodox Christians from every
ethnic and national background. It
shall be a house of prayer for all
humankind, in which the Holy
Name of our Triune God shall be
extolled and all of creation
sanctified.”*

