

August 11, 2019

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The Gospel according to John

20:11-18 (8th Matins Gospel)

But Mary stood outside by the tomb weeping, and as she wept she stooped down and looked into the tomb. And she saw two angels in white sitting, one at the head and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. Then they said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him.” Now when she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, and did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?” She, supposing Him to be the gardener, said to Him, “Sir, if You have carried Him away, tell me where You have laid Him, and I will take Him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to Him, “Rabboni!” (which is to say, Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, ‘I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.’” Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that He had spoken these things to her.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2019 8th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 7. Afterfeast of the Transfiguration. Holy Martyr and Archdeacon Euplus (Euplius) of Catania (304). Martyrs Basil and Theodore of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—1098). St. Theodosius (Prince Theodore of Ostrog) of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—1438). Virgin Martyr Susanna and those with her: Martyrs Gaius, Pope of Rome, Presbyter Gabinus, his brother and the father of Susanna, Maximus, Claudius, and his wife Praepedigna and their sons Alexander and Cutias (295-296). St. Niphon, Patriarch of Constantinople (Mt. Athos—1515).

FIRST ANTIPHON

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His name, give glory to His praise!

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

The crash of Thy thunder was in the whirlwind; Thy lightning lighted up the world; the earth trembled and shook.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

Thou art clothed with honor and majesty, who coverest Thyself with light as with a garment.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

SECOND ANTIPHON

Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the Great King! **O Son of God who wast transfigured on the mount, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!**

And He brought them to the mountain of His holiness, this mountain which His right hand had won! **O Son of God who wast transfigured on the mount, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!**

The Mount Zion which He loved, He fashioned for His holy abode. **O Son of God who wast transfigured on the mount, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. Only-begotten Son and immortal Word of God, Who for our salvation didst will to be incarnate of the holy Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, Who without change became man and wast crucified, O Christ our God, trampling down death by death, Who art one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit: save us!

THIRD ANTIPHON

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever! (Tone 7) Thou wast transfigured on the Mount, O Christ God, revealing Thy glory to Thy disciples as far as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light shine upon us sinners! Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Giver of Light, glory to Thee!

As the mountains are round about Him, so the Lord is round about His people, from this time forth and forevermore. (Tone 7) Thou wast transfigured on the Mount, O Christ God, revealing Thy glory to Thy disciples as far as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light shine upon us sinners! Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Giver of Light, glory to Thee!

O Lord, who shall sojourn in Thy tent? Who shall dwell on Thy holy hill? (Tone 7) Thou wast transfigured on the Mount, O Christ God, revealing Thy glory to Thy disciples as far as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light shine upon us sinners! Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Giver of Light, glory to Thee!

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in His holy place? (Tone 7) Thou wast transfigured on the Mount, O Christ God, revealing Thy glory to Thy disciples as far as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light shine upon us sinners! Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Giver of Light, glory to Thee!

TROPARIA

(Tone 7) By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death! To the thief, Thou didst open Paradise! For the myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy! And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art risen, granting the world great mercy!

(Tone 7) Thou wast transfigured on the Mount, O Christ God, revealing Thy glory to Thy disciples as far as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light shine upon us sinners! Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Giver of Light, glory to Thee!

(Tone 4) In truth you were revealed to your flock as a rule of faith, a model of meekness, and teacher of abstinence, so you won the heights by humility, and riches by poverty, O Holy Father Nicholas, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

KONTAKION

(Tone 7) On the mountain wast Thou transfigured, O Christ God, and Thy disciples beheld Thy glory as far as they could see it; so that when they would behold Thee crucified, they would understand that Thy suffering was voluntary, and would proclaim to the world that Thou art truly the radiance of the Father!

The Prokeimenon in the Seventh Tone: The Lord shall give strength to His people! / The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

v. Offer to the Lord, O ye sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!

THE READING FROM THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS (1:10-18)

Brethren: I appeal to you by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brethren. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I am thankful that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius; lest anyone should say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that,

I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Alleluia, Tone 7

v. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy Name, O Most High!

v. To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth by night.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW (14:14-22) At that time, as Jesus went ashore he saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Then he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

O Lord, we will walk in the light of Thy countenance, and will exult in Thy name forever! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE SYNAXARION

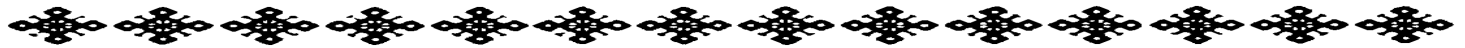
On August 6 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the divine Transfiguration of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ.

Verse: Tabor was glorified above earth's every region When it looked upon God's nature shining in glory.

On the sixth Christ transformed His form as a man. This glorious event is recorded in the Gospels of Mark (9:2-13), Luke (9:28-36 in Matins) and Matthew (17:1-9 in Liturgy). In the third year of His preaching, the Lord Jesus often spoke to His disciples of His approaching passion and His glorious Resurrection. So that His impending passion would not totally weaken His disciples, the All-wise Savior wanted to show them His divine glory before His passion on the Holy Cross. (This is why we sing the Katavasias of the Holy Cross on this day.) For that reason, He took Peter, James and John with Him and went out at night to Mount Tabor. The Lord took only three disciples on Tabor because the Lord did not want to leave the unworthy Judas alone at the foot of the mountain so that the betrayer would not, by that, justify his betrayal. Our Lord was transfigured on a mountain and not in a valley to teach us two virtues: love of labor and godly-thoughts. For, climbing to the heights required labor and height represents the heights of our thoughts, i.e., godly-thoughts. Moses and Elijah appeared in order to destroy the erroneous thought that the Christ is one of the prophets; that is why He appears as a King above the prophets and that is why Moses and Elijah appear as His servants. Until then, our Lord manifested His divine power many times to the disciples but, on Mount Tabor, He manifested His divine nature. This vision of His Divinity and the hearing of the heavenly witness about Him as the Son of God would serve the disciples in the days of the Lord's passion, in strengthening of an unwavering faith in Him and His final victory. Unto Christ God be glory and dominion unto the ages. Amen.

The celebration of the feast continues until August 13.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH AND BLESSINGS OF

Health & blessings for Tom Branoff

Linda Branoff

Health & blessings for Peter Branoff

Linda Branoff

Mary, Anna, Tom

Alex & Magda Popoff

God's blessings for good health to Tom, Peter & Linda Branoff

Angelo & Christine

Good health to all our grandkids & their parents

Angelo & Christine

Fr. Tom, Fr. Paul, Fr. Joe, Fr. Dimitrie, Fr. Anthony, Matushka Rose Marie, Angelo,

Christine, Tommy, Reggie, Alex, Irene, Rimi, Allen, Deborah, Susan, Luba, Kosta,

Stojan, Mira, Bosa, Christopher, Jeanette, Nicholas, Margaret, Dorothy, Joseph, Ted,

Marlene, Gladys, my family and friends

Joe Tome

Special Intention

Joe Tome

Fr. Joe Abud-successful surgery & good healing

Dorothy Goodman

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR BLESSED REPOSE

Evdokia & Ivan Ponomarenko

Lucy Hogg

Our sweet grandson Andrew

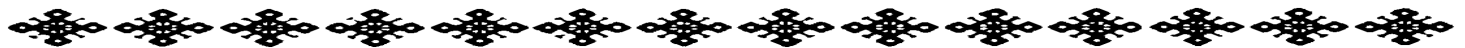
Angelo & Christine

Peter Popoff

Alex & Magda Popoff

Goldie Johnson & Helen Koski (1 yr.) Blessed Repose~ Memory Eternal

Dorothy Goodman & family



WELCOME to all our friends and visitors. Please join us in our fellowship hall.



COFFEE & DONUTS are provided today by the Goodman & Neely family in memory of Goldie Johnson and Helen Koski (1 yr.).

RUMMAGE SALE Thank you for all of the donations & help that made this year's sale successful.

CHURCH SCHOOL PLANNING MEETING will take place today, August 11th, following the Divine Liturgy. Anyone interested in helping out with this year's Church School Program (teachers, aides, substitutes, etc.) are encouraged to attend as we begin our initial preparations for the year.

DORMITION MONASTERY PILGRIMAGE August 14th & 15th. **Dormition of the Theotokos** will also be celebrated at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church Wednesday, August 14th at 6 pm with Vespers followed by Lenten snacks and Thursday, August 15th Divine Liturgy at 10 am.

SHRINE FEAST/PICNIC Sunday, August 18th – outdoor Liturgy followed by lamb picnic (freewill offering). Bring a dish/dessert to pass. Volunteers are needed Saturday after Vespers to set up the pavilion for the Liturgy! Volunteers are needed to break-down the pavilion after Liturgy on Sunday!

FOOD/WATER GIVEAWAY Catholic Charities is giving food & water to the families in the parishes that help them. All are welcome! August 22nd from 11 am-1 pm in the parking lot of the Center for Hope at 812 Root St.

FLOWERS FOR THE SHRINE FEAST If you would like to donate toward the cost of the flower blanket for the celebration of the Theotokos on August 18th, please contact the office or put your donation in the offering plate. The cost is \$125.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING is August 13th at 6:30 pm. The meeting information will be emailed on the 12th. Please contact the office if you are unable to attend.

OUR CHARITY MINISTRIES

HOPE IN A BOX is collecting razors, shaving cream/lotion for the month of August. Place the items in the blue box in the hall. Catholic Charities Community Closet will distribute the items.

FOOD DRIVE Place non-perishable food items in the other blue box in the hall.



BINGO Sunday, September 8th after Divine Liturgy.

COMMUNITY PET BLESSING on September 10th at 6:30. St. Mary Magdalene provides a pet blessing in conjunction with adopt-a-pet.

KONEVETS QUARTET Tuesday, September 17th at 6:30 pm. Please spread the word! If you would like to host the quartet overnight that evening following the concert, please see Fr. Matthew.

Weekly Schedule:

Today 1 year Parastas for Goldie Johnson and Helen Koski
Church School planning meeting
12:30 pm Moleben to the Theotokos (Shrine)

Tuesday, Aug 13

6:30 pm Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, Aug 14

Eve of the Dormition
9:30 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Adult Ed
6 pm Vespers & Artoklasia at Assumption followed by Lenten snacks

at Dormition Monastery – August 14

5 pm Light Supper
6:30 pm Vigil with Lamentations

Thursday, August 15

DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS

10 am Divine Liturgy at Assumption followed by meal

at Dormition Monastery – August 15

9 am Akathist, 3rd Hour, 6th Hour, Vesting of the Hierarchs
9:45 am Procession to Pavilion
10 am Hierarchal Divine Liturgy
12:45 pm Lunch
2:30 pm Mystery of Holy Unction Service
5:30 pm Vespers
6:30 pm Supper

The Bookstore will be open except during the services.

Saturday, August 17

5 pm Vespers followed by Confessions

Volunteers needed to set up the pavilion for the Liturgy!

Sunday, August 18

8 am Volunteers needed to complete the set-up of the pavilion
9:45 am Procession with the icon of our Lady of Iveron – No Hours
10 am Divine Liturgy in the Pavilion followed by the Picnic
Volunteers needed to set up the pavilion for the Liturgy!

Offerings for the week August 4th, 2019

Weekly Offerings	\$ 2,398.00
Estimated Average Weekly Expenses	\$ 3,236.00
	\$ -838.00

65 people were in attendance on Sunday, August 4th.

The Birthgiver of God, unsleeping in intercessions and in protections unwavering hope, tomb and death did not rule for as Mother of Life He who dwelt in her ever-virgin womb moved her into life. – **Kontakion of the Dormiton**