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Marietta, GA

**AUGUST 2018**



In giving birth you retained your virginity, and in dormition you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos. You were translated unto life, being the Mother of Life. And thus by virtue of your intercessions you deliver our souls from death.

# **HOLY TRANSFIGURATION**

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Orthros..... 8:30 am    Divine Liturgy..... 10:00 am

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**FROM I-75 Exit at 267-A. At 1st light, turn right (Sandy Plains Road). Continue for 3-4 miles until you see a CVS Pharmacy on your left. At that light turn left onto Trickum Rd. Proceed Approx 1/2 mile. Church will be on your left. You can't miss it!**

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### IS THERE SUCH A THING AS ORTHODOX CULTURE?



The answer to the question of the existence of Orthodox Culture is not only a strong affirmative one, but also historically rooted in the formation of the Early Christian community.

So, what is, then, Orthodox Culture and where does it come from? How was it established and what effect has it had on people over the centuries?

Clearly, Christianity has its roots in first century Judaism. The early Christians were Jews who recognized their Messiah in the person of Jesus Christ. They continued to practice their Judaic traditions until the Temple of Jerusalem was destroyed in 70 AD.

After the destruction of the Temple and their expulsion from the Jewish synagogues (around the years 95-98 AD) on account of

their influence on the rest of the members of the synagogue - converting them to the crucified and risen Jesus Christ - these early Jewish Christians had to develop their own practices apart from the rest of the Jews. Hence, we see the beginning of a new culture, rooted in Judaism (various traditions and practices, especially the Ten Commandments), but further informed and shaped by the "Good News" of the Messiah who had revealed salvation in a new way, elevating those who would follow His teaching to new heights of spiritual existence. Christians were asked to live under a new commandment; to love God with all their heart and mind, to love one another, to even love their enemies, to acquire purity of heart through meekness, control of their lusts and vices and a complete trust and surrender to God's mercy and loving care. New culture was being created based on the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Baptism in the name of the "Father, Son and Holy Spirit" was now the door into this new illumination and life. Regularly partaking of the Gifts, which the Lord Jesus Christ left them through His words at the Last Supper, His Body and Blood, becomes now the center of their gatherings (the Eucharist), where the sacrifice is now bloodless, since the Lamb of God was sacrificed once and for all. People approached the Holy Eucharist as the antidote to death and the door to eternal life. The expectation of eternal life, a better existence beyond the sufferings of the present one provided hope then and continues to do so for those who realize how transient and fleeting this world is. The spiritual power provided by surrendering to Christ as the Savior provides the ability to transcend the difficulties of this life.

The central event of Christianity becomes now the new Passover - Pascha, the Resurrection of the Lord. Forty days of fasting and self-denial are established as the path to the Passion of the Lord, a return to the Garden of Eden, a new ascend to the top of Mount Sinai, where God is now fully revealed in the person of the Risen Lord, shining His Light in the World. Like the ascend of Moses of old, the primary goal of this Lenten period is for the human passions to be reigned in, for the Christian to gain control over his/her sinful urges and manage to offer himself to God purified from desires and sins through fasting, confession, prayer and almsgiving so that he may encounter the Lord on the summit. The encounter transforms the person, lifts him/her up from the worldly to the heavenly. It provides, joy, hope and love beyond human understanding.



The ancient Psalms continued to be used to sing glory to God, but new prayers and hymns were also developed to express the new truths, which Christ had revealed. New music was now added to the hymns to make Christian gatherings beautiful to the ear. Incense, just as in the old Jewish worship, was also used to bring fragrance to the space through the sense of smell, signifying also the prayers of the faithful rising up to God. The daily worship cycle continued to begin at sunset, but the Sabbath was now moved to reflect the centrality of the Resurrection to the "first day of the week", the new Sabbath, which was now renamed as "the Lord's Day", the Day of the New Creation. The worship cycle of the year also moved on from the ancient Jewish feasts (which were now seen as prefigurations of the events of Christ's life) to reflect the New Revelation of the life, teachings and miracles of the Messiah - everything always centered on the Primary Event, the Resurrection and transformation of humanity in Christ.

As people died in the persecutions, they were declared martyrs, witnesses to the new way of life of the Kingdom of God which is already present in us. The days of their martyrdom became signposts of salvation, birthdays into the Kingdom of God, and were placed on the calendar. People visited their tombs and remembered their lives and sacrifice drawing their witness for strength and courage to fight the good fight. The culture of the veneration of the martyrs and saints was established.

Beautiful paintings depicting the life and miracles of Jesus were introduced to beautify the worship space, but also as teaching tools for those who could not read the Holy Scriptures. The culture of the veneration of the Holy Icons was established.

Christians remembered the words of the Lord to the Samaritan woman that God is Spirit and can be worshipped everywhere. Hence, beautiful buildings (Naoí - Temples) began to appear everywhere as replacements of the Jewish Temple. These buildings were dedicated and consecrated following the ancient Jewish practice as found in the Old Testament and a culture of sanctification of the places of Christian worship was established. The relics of the martyrs were placed in the holy altars to continually remind Christians that the Church, founded on Christ was being nourished and strengthened by the witness of those who loved Him much and sacrificed their earthly lives so that they may become partakers of the Divine Life.

Controversies with regard to the expression of the Faith arose. This gave the leaders of the Church the opportunity to develop a process of dealing with conflicts. The culture of the Local as well as the Ecumenical Councils was formed. Tremendous theological treatises were written. The Faith was being slowly further clarified as the Holy Fathers, inspired by their faith in the Risen Lord and the power of the Holy Spirit dealt with both theological as well as disciplinary issues. The Creed of Faith was formulated, the books of the New Testament were sorted out, the Holy Canons, dealing with governance and moral behaviors, were established.

During the fourth and fifth centuries (after its liberation from persecutions) Christianity became a significant force, which slowly transformed the cruel and lustful Greco-Roman society to a gentler, more peace-loving culture than any previous one in the history of humanity. The teachings of Christ about human behavior, as found in the Holy Scriptures of the New Revelation (the New Testament), were slowly implemented as laws by the new Christian Roman Empire. This Empire (known today as the Byzantine Empire) lasted for over a thousand years, providing in its embrace the experience of the Kingdom of God on earth within the culture and traditions of the Orthodox Church. It is this same culture that we have inherited. It is this same culture that can transform us today, as well, if we enter and embrace it.

*J Fr. Panayiotis*





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## **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

### **August 2018**

**August 1, Wednesday,** Blessing of the Water 11:00 am.

Beginning of the Fast of August. Oil and wine is allowed only on Saturdays and Sundays. Fish is allowed on August 6 for the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Savior.

**Wednesday Evening:** Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

**August 2 and 3, Thursday-Friday, Evening:** Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

**August 4, Saturday Evening:** Great Vespers 5:00 pm

**August 5, Sunday.** Tenth Sunday of Matthew. Fore-feast of the Transfiguration.

Orthros 8:30 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

**Evening: Great Vespers** begins at 6:00 pm - the Transfiguration of the Savior

Reception to follow the Great Vespers in our Parish Hall. **Parish Feast-Day.**

**August 6, Monday.** The Transfiguration of the Savior. **Parish Feast-Day.**

Orthros 8:30 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am, followed by coffee and social time in our church hall - *Today we eat fish.*

**August 6-10, Monday-Friday. Evening:** Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

**August 11, Saturday.** Great Vespers 5:00 pm

**August 12, Sunday.** Eleventh Sunday of Matthew. Forefeast of Dormition of the Theotokos

Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

**Sunday Evening:** Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 5:00 pm

**August 14, Tuesday. Evening:** Great Vespers, Dormition of the Theotokos 6:00 pm

**August 15, Wednesday. Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos.**

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

**August 18, Saturday Evening:** Great Vespers 5:00 pm

**August 19, Sunday.** Twelfth Sunday of Matthew.

Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

**August 25, Saturday Evening:** Great Vespers 5:00 pm

**August 26, Sunday.** Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew. Feast of St. Phanourios.

Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

**August 28, Tuesday. Evening:** Great Vespers 5:45 pm. Beheading of St. John the Fore-Runner

**August 29, Wednesday.** Remembrance of Beheading of St. John the Fore-Runner (the Baptist)

Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am. *This is a day of strict fasting.*

## ***The Transfiguration of our Lord on Mount Tabor***

Celebrated on August 6

### **Hymn of the Feast**

*Apolytikion of the feast*

(Grave Tone)

"You were transfigured upon the mountain, O Christ our God, showing to Your disciples, Your glory as much as they could bear. Do also in us, sinners though we may be, shine Your everlasting light, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Giver of Light, glory to You."

### **Commentary:**

Our Lord had spoken to His disciples many times not only concerning His Passion, Cross, and Death, but also concerning the coming persecutions and afflictions that they themselves would endure. Since all these evils were near at hand, but the enjoyment of good things which they hoped to receive in their stead was yet to come, our Savior desired to give them full assurance, evidently and openly, concerning that glory which is prepared for those who endure to the end. Therefore, fulfilling that which He had promised shortly before, that "there be some standing here which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in His Kingdom" (Matt. 16:28), He took His three foremost disciples and ascended Mount Tabor, where He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as the light. Suddenly, together with this dread and marvelous effulgence of light, there appeared those pinnacles of the Prophets, Moses and Elias, who spoke with the Lord Jesus concerning His saving Passion which was about to take place. Standing before Him as reverent servants, they showed that He is the Lord of both the living and the dead, for Moses came forth from Hades, having died many centuries before, and Elias, as it were from heaven, whither he had been taken up while yet alive. After a little while a radiant cloud overshadowed them and out of the cloud they heard that same voice which had been heard at the Jordan at the Baptism of Christ, testifying to the Divinity of Jesus and saying: "This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well-pleased; hear ye Him" (Matt. 17: 5).

Such are the marvels, truly worthy of God, celebrated in this present feast, which is an image and prefiguring of the future state of the righteous, whose splendor the Lord spoke of, saying: "Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun" (Matt. 13:43). It is because of this that the Kontakion of this Feast is said daily (when there is not a great feast) in the Service of the Typica in perpetual commemoration of the glory that will be the lot of the Saints. According to tradition, the Lord's Transfiguration came to pass forty days before His Crucifixion; this is why the Transfiguration is celebrated forty days before the Exaltation of the Cross.

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## ***The Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary***

Celebrated on August 15

On August 15 we celebrate the Dormition (Falling Asleep) of the Most Holy Virgin Mary the Theotokos, the one who gave birth to our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ.

### **Hymn of the Feast**

*Apolytikion of the feast*

First Tone

In giving birth, O Theotokos, you have retained your virginity, and in falling asleep you have not forsaken the world. You who are the Mother of Life have passed over into life, and by your prayers you do deliver our souls from death.

### **Hymns from the Vespers Service**

From the Lity. Tone Plagal of the First

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.*

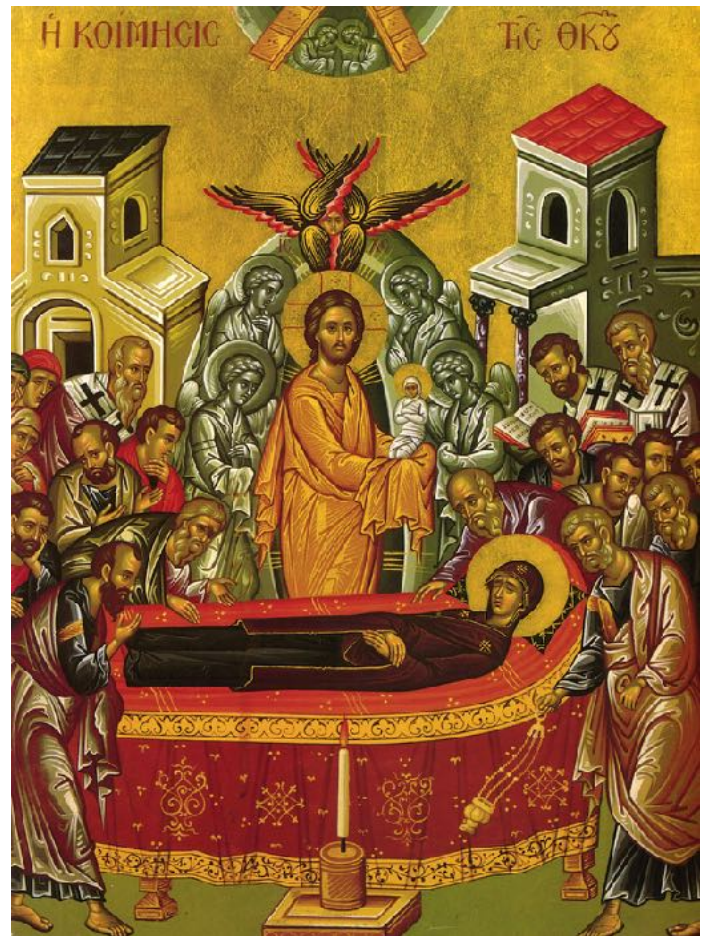
Come, O gathering of those who love to keep the feasts, come and let us form a choir. Come, let us crown the Church with songs, as the Ark of God goes to her rest. For today is heaven opened wide as it receives the Mother of Him who cannot be contained. The earth, as it yields up the Source of life, is robed in blessing and majesty. The hosts of angels, present with the fellowship of the apostles, gaze in great fear at her who bore the Cause of life, now that she is translated from life to life. Let us all venerate and implore her: Forget not, O Lady, your ties of kinship with those who commemorate in faith the feast of your all-holy Dormition.

*Now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.*

Sing, O ye people, sing ye the praises of the Mother of our God: for today she delivers her soul, full of light, into the immaculate hands of Him who was made incarnate of her without seed. And she entreats Him without ceasing to grant the inhabited earth peace and great mercy.

*From the Aposticha. Fourth Tone.*

Come, O ye people, and let us sing the praises of the pure and most holy Virgin, from whom the Word of the Father ineffably came forth incarnate. Let us cry aloud and say: Blessed are you among women and blessed is your womb that held Christ. Having delivered your soul into His holy hands, do you, O most pure, entreat Him for the salvation of our souls.



*From the Aposticha.*

*Tone Plagal of the 4th (by Sergios of the Holy City)*  
*Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

At your departing, O Virgin Theotokos, to Him who was ineffably born of you, James the first bishop and brother of the Lord was there, and so was Peter, the honored leader and chief of the disciples, and the whole sacred fellowship of the apostles. In discourses that showed forth heavenly things they sang the praises of the divine and amazing mystery of the dispensation of Christ our God; and they rejoiced, O far-famed Virgin, as they buried your body, the origin of the Life and holder of God. On high the most holy and venerable of the angelic powers bowed in wonder before this marvel, and said one to another: 'Open wide your gates and receive her who bore the Creator of heaven and earth. With songs of praise let us glorify her precious and holy body, dwelling-place of the Lord on whom we may not gaze.' Therefore we too, as we keep your feast, cry out to you, O far-famed Lady: Raise up the Christian horn and save our souls.



**Saint Kosmas Aitolos, the New Hieromartyr and Equal-to-the-Apostles (+1779)**  
**August 24th**



Saint Kosmas the Aitolian, or Patrokosmas, as he is called, is a figure in both church and national history who in the 18th century cast his light upon the path which the Greeks would follow a little before the outbreak of the Struggle for Liberation. He was the son of devout parents who brought him up accordingly, and he came from the village of Mega Dendron in Aitolia.

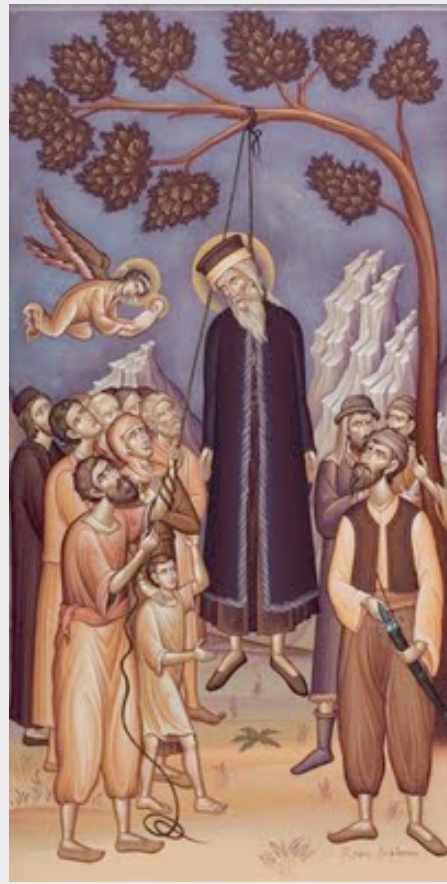
His aptitude for learning took him to the school run by the Vatopedi Monastery on the Holy Mountain, where he studied under teachers famed for their learning. When the Athonite Academy fell into decay, the young Kostas (his name in the world) went to the Philotheou Monastery. There he was tonsured a monk and given the name of Kosmas and zealously engaged in many ascetic practices. At the request of the fathers of the Monastery, he was ordained a priest.

St. Kosmas had a burning desire to be of service to his brothers in Christ who were suffering so many hardships. The enslavement of many years with the subsequent degradation of life, ignorance, and the decline into barbarity in behaviour were the scourges of the mass of Christians. The reflections of St. Kosmas on this situation led him to go out to the people and begin a series of preaching tours. As his thoughts matured, with the permission of the fathers of the Monastery, around 1760 he left for Constantinople, where he received the blessing of the Patriarch Seraphim II.

St. Kosmas began his preaching from the enslaved Capital itself. He then went to Nafpaktos, Mesolonghi, and other areas, returning to Constantinople in 1774. With the permission of the new Patriarch Sophronius II, the Saint resumed his apostolic task. He returned for a little while to Athos, but his love for the Church's flock led his steps to Thessaloniki, Veria, and other parts of Macedonia. From there, he moved on to Acarnania and Aitolia, as far as Arta and Preveza.

Because of the large crowds which followed him, the Saint used to preach on open plains, always with the permission of the local bishop and aga (local Turkish official). His words were simple, but filled with the Holy Spirit. It was his custom wherever he was going to preach to tell the people to construct a wooden cross. He would then place a stool which he carried with him against the cross and preach standing upon it. The cross would remain as a reminder of his preaching. (cont.--> )

## Saint Kosmas Aitolos, the New Hieromartyr and Equal-to-the Apostles (+1779) August 24th



St. Kosmas preaching to the people - Martyrdom of St. Kosmas by the Turks - Finding of St. Kosmas' body

The Saint urged the Christians to build schools so that their children could learn about the Faith and be well-grounded in Christian piety. He would speak to them about the services of the Church, explain to them the value of repentance and confession, warning them against sin and urging them to lead lives of goodness.

As with the Apostles, St. Kosmas' preaching was often confirmed by miraculous signs. The Saint was admired and even feared by many Turks, and hated by many Jews. They spread unfounded accusations against him and slandered him to Kurt Pasha, to whom they offered money if he would put St. Kosmas to death. Kurt Pasha conspired with the hodja of the village of Kolikontasi in Albania that a trap would be set for St. Kosmas. On the pretext that the Pasha wished to see him, they took the Saint to a remote spot and hung him on August 24th, 1779. His murderers stripped the sanctified body of the Saint, tied a stone to it, and threw it into the river. The local Christians looked for his corpse, but could not find it. In a miraculous manner it rose to the surface and was pulled out by Papa Markos, the priest of the All-Holy Theotokos of the Presentation Monastery, which is near Kolikontasi, and buried it at the back of the sanctuary. Many other miracles followed the martyr's death of the Saint, and he was quickly established in the mind of the people not only as a martyr but as a true apostle.



## ***The Beheading of St. John the Forerunner and Baptist***

*Celebrated on August 29*

### **Hymn of the Feast**

*Apolytikion of the feast*

(Second Tone)

The memory of the just is celebrated with hymns of praise, but the Lord's testimony is sufficient for thee, O Forerunner; for thou hast proved to be truly even more venerable than the Prophets, since thou was granted to baptize in the running waters Him Whom they proclaimed. Wherefore, having contested for the truth, thou didst rejoice to announce the good tidings even to those in Hades: that God hath appeared in the flesh, taking away the sin of the world and granting us great mercy.

**Commentary:** The divine Baptist, the Prophet born of a Prophet, the seal of all the Prophets and beginning of the Apostles, the mediator between the Old and New Covenants, the voice of one crying in the wilderness, the God-sent Messenger of the incarnate Messiah, the forerunner of Christ's coming into the world (Esaia 40: 3; Mal. 3: 1); who by many miracles was both conceived and born; who was filled with the Holy Spirit while yet in his mother's womb; who came forth like another Elias the Zealot, whose life in the wilderness and divine zeal for God's Law he imitated: this divine Prophet, after he had preached the baptism of repentance according to God's command; had taught men of low rank and high how they must order their lives; had admonished those whom he baptized and had filled them with the fear of God, teaching them that no one is able to escape the wrath to come if he do not works worthy of repentance; had, through such preaching, prepared their hearts to receive the evangelical teachings of the Savior; and finally, after he had pointed out to the people the very Savior, and said, "Behold the Lamb of God, Which taketh away the sin of the world" (Luke 3:2-18; John 1: 29-36), after all this, John sealed with his own blood the truth of his words and was made a sacred victim for the divine Law at the hands of a transgressor.

This was Herod Antipas, the Tetrarch of Galilee, the son of Herod the Great. This man had a lawful wife, the daughter of Arethas (or Aretas), the King of Arabia (that is, Arabia Petraea, which had the famous Nabatean stone city of Petra as its capital. This is the Aretas mentioned by Saint Paul in II Cor. 11:32). Without any cause, and against every commandment of the Law, he put her away and took to himself Herodias, the wife of his deceased brother Philip, to whom Herodias had borne a daughter, Salome. He would not desist from this unlawful union even when John, the preacher of repentance, the bold and austere accuser of the lawless, censured him and told him, "It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife" (Mark 6: 18). Thus Herod, besides his other unholy acts, added yet this, that he apprehended John and shut him in prison; and perhaps he would have killed him straightway, had he not feared the people, who had extreme reverence for John. Certainly, in the beginning, he himself had great reverence for this just and holy man. But finally, being pierced with the sting of a mad lust for the woman Herodias, he laid his defiled hands on the teacher of purity on the very day he was celebrating his birthday. When Salome, Herodias' daughter, had danced in order to please him and those who were supping with him, he promised her -- with an oath more foolish than any foolishness -- that he would give her anything she asked, even unto the half of his kingdom. And she, consulting with her mother, straightway asked for the head of John the Baptist in a charger. Hence this transgressor of the Law, preferring his lawless oath above the precepts of the Law, fulfilled this godless promise and filled his loathsome banquet with the blood of the Prophet. So it was that that all-venerable head, revered by the Angels, was given as a prize for an abominable dance, and became the plaything of the dissolute daughter of a debauched mother. As for the body of the divine Baptist, it was taken up by his disciples and placed in a tomb (Mark 6: 21 - 29). Concerning the finding of his holy head, see February 24 and May 25.



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# THOMAS & ELIZABETH: MISSIONARIES TO GUATEMALA

## Missions Presentation: Sunday, August 5

Thomas and Elizabeth Manuel are excited to announce that they will be serving as long-term missionaries for the Orthodox Church in Guatemala. God willing this September, they will serve as teachers and witnesses to the Mayan people, encouraging and modeling life of faithful Orthodox, while assisting in the development of the mission in Guatemala. They have been drawn to serve in Guatemala based on past experiences in the country and are overjoyed to have the opportunity to return and to serve. Over the past ten years there has been an explosion of Orthodox Christianity in Guatemala. At the moment there are over one hundred villages of Orthodox Christians being served by five clergy and a small team of missionaries. Find out more about the work being done in the Orthodox Church in Guatemala visit the website, [www.mayanorthodoxy.com](http://www.mayanorthodoxy.com).

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# Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church

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## Festal Worship Services

for the Transfiguration of our Lord, God, and Savior, Jesus Christ

**Great Vespers on Sunday, August 5th, 2018 at 6pm**

His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios of Atlanta will preside.

A dinner will follow the Vespers Service.

**Orthros & Divine Liturgy on Monday, August 6th at 9am & 10am**

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## DAILY BIBLE READINGS - AUGUST

8/1/2018	Wednesday:	Hebrews 11:33-40;12:1-2		Matthew 10:16-22
8/2/2018	Thursday:	Acts 6:8-15;7:1-5,47-60		Mark 12:1-12
8/3/2018	Friday:	II Corinthians 1:12-20		Matthew 22:23-33
8/4/2018	Saturday:	Romans 15:30-33		Matthew 17:24-27;18:1-4
8/5/2018	Sunday:	John 21:1-14	I Corinthians 4:9-16	Matthew 17:14-23
8/6/2018	Monday:	Luke 9:28-36	II Peter 1:10-19	Matthew 17:1-9
8/7/2018	Tuesday:	II Corinthians 2:14-17;3:1-3		Mark 9:2-9
8/8/2018	Wednesday:	II Corinthians 3:4-11		Matthew 23:29-39
8/9/2018	Thursday:	Acts 1:12-17, 21-26		Matthew 24:13-18
8/10/2018	Friday:	II Corinthians 4:13-18		Matthew 24:27-33, 42-51
8/11/2018	Saturday:	I Corinthians 1:3-9		Matthew 19:3-12
8/12/2018	Sunday:	John 21:14-25	I Corinthians 9:2-12	Matthew 18:23-35
8/13/2018	Monday:	II Corinthians 5:10-15		Mark 1:9-15
8/14/2018	Tuesday:	II Corinthians 5:15-21		Mark 1:16-22
8/15/2018	Wednesday:	Luke 1:39-49, 56	Philippians 2:5-11	Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28
8/16/2018	Thursday:	I Timothy 3:13-16;4:1-5		Luke: 9:51-57, 10:22-24, 13:22
8/17/2018	Friday:	II Corinthians 7:10-16		Mark 2:18-22
8/18/2018	Saturday:	I Corinthians 1:26-31;2:1-5		Matthew 20:29-34
8/19/2018	Sunday:	Matthew 28:16-20	I Corinthians 15:1-11	Matthew 19:16-26
8/20/2018	Monday:	II Corinthians 8:7-15	Mark 3:6-12	
8/21/2018	Tuesday:	II Corinthians 8:16-24;9:1-5		Mark 3:13-21
8/22/2018	Wednesday:	II Corinthians 9:12-15;10:1-7		Mark 3:20-27
8/23/2018	Thursday:	Philippians 2:5-11	Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28	
8/24/2018	Friday:	II Corinthians 11:5-21	Mark 4:1-9	
8/25/2018	Saturday:	Titus 1:1-5;2:15;3:1-2, 12-15		
8/26/2018	Sunday:	Mark 16:1-8	I Corinthians 16:13-24	Matthew 21:33-42
8/27/2018	Monday:	II Corinthians 12:10-19	Mark 4:10-23	
8/28/2018	Tuesday:	II Corinthians 12:20-21;13:1-2		Mark 4:24-34
8/29/2018	Wednesday:	Matthew 14:1-13	Acts 13:25-33	Mark 6:14-30
8/30/2018	Thursday:	Galatians 1:1-3, 20-24;2:1-5		Mark 5:1-20
8/31/2018	Friday:	Hebrews 9:1-7	Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28	





## STEWARDSHIP CORNER



### *Stewardship Message*

One day, a person complained to his priest that the Church and Christianity is one continual “give, give, give.” To which the priest replied, “Thank you very much for the finest definition of Christianity I have ever heard. You’re right, Christianity is all about a constant “give, give, give.” God giving His only Son to the world to show His unconditional love. His Son Jesus giving His life on the cross to forgive our sins and destroy death. Then our Lord’s disciples giving all they had to make sure God’s Good News of love was preached to all people everywhere. They not only gave away their homes and businesses, but even gave up their lives as martyrs in gratitude to God!

In 2018, we have received 338 pledges. Thank you to the families who have submitted their 2018 Membership/Stewardship Pledge.

Our 2018 Membership/Stewardship goal is to receive **400** Membership/Stewardship Pledges. We have a long way to go to reach this goal and need everyone’s support. We are currently 62 pledges behind our 2018 goal. Please turn in your 2018 Pledge card as soon as possible.



It is offering our blessings back to God that He will be able to continue His forgiving, healing, liberating, empowering, transfiguring, loving ministry through the Church. For God, Infinite though He is, has chosen to work through us, through our gifts, to continue His saving work in the world today.

Fr. Anthony M. Coniaris

**Have you submitted your Stewardship Form? If not, please do so today.**

# *You are a Member of the Church!*

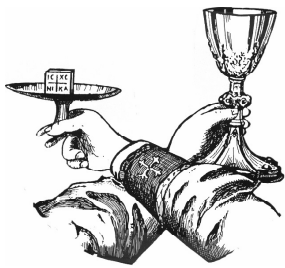
## *Are you a Steward also?*

A question always asked by our parishioners is "How can I be a member of the Parish? I am already an Orthodox Christian. Isn't that enough?"

The answer to this is very simple: All people baptized and chrismated (confirmed) in the Orthodox Church are automatically members of the Church, but it takes a little more to be "members in good standing" in the Orthodox Church and in the Parish. First, it is required that a person be married in the Church and live their life as an Orthodox Christian, participating in the Holy Sacraments, in order to be in good standing within the Orthodox Church. If one has been married outside the Orthodox Church or has gone through a civil divorce and has not obtained a Church divorce may not be in good standing with the Church. Please check with the priest of the parish in order to find out where you are.

### **How can one be a member of the Parish?**

It takes participation in the parish by supporting the operation and ministries of the parish to be a member in good standing. In order to do that, you have to fill out the Membership/Stewardship Form and indicate on it how you are going to participate in the Parish with your Time, Talents and Treasure. When you join the Parish in this way you make a Pledge to God that you will support the work of the Church with the gifts He has given you so that the Gospel may be preached and people may be saved through the ministries of the Church. **Please join us at Holy Transfiguration and serve God with us!**



*"YOUR OWN GIFTS,  
OF YOUR OWN,  
WE OFFER UNTO YOU."*

### **WHAT IS THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE PARISH'S STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY?**

Most of the parishioners seem to think that the primary purpose of the Stewardship Ministry is to collect money for the operation of the parish. However that is not what Stewardship is about – the collection of funds is a secondary purpose of stewardship.

Stewardship is about our relationship with God and our desire to connect with Him. It is about our Love for God and His work of Salvation. It is about our salvation and the salvation others.

Stewardship is also about our sharing of what God has given us to spread the Gospel and help others to come to Him. We do this by donating our time and talents to serve His Church, but we also donate money to support the ministries of the Church for the salvation of all. Our Stewardship enables the Local as well as the Universal Church to do the work of salvation.

### **The Necessity of Stewardship**

Our Parish depends on the Stewardship of its members. Our Parish is funded by us.

Let us offer to our Parish from the Gifts of God to us. Let us offer in proportion of His Gifts to us. Let us bring our offering with a joyful heart.

You will be Blessed greatly if you support the work of our Parish and the work of His Church.

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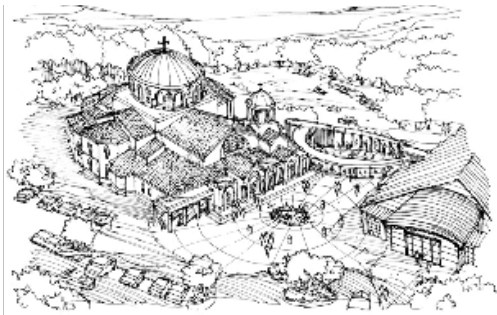
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Mr. & Mrs. Matt Zakreski  
Mr. & Mrs. Marco Zavala  
Mrs. Angela Ziros  
Ms. Eleftheria Zoheir

**Total: 338**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Congratulations to Elton and Mary Longshore on celebrating their 69th wedding anniversary!  
We Miss You!!

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All Ministry Leaders:

Our next Council of Ministries meeting will be on **Tuesday, August 21st** at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Be sure to bring a second ministry member with you to the meeting. This person should be someone who will be able to take over the ministry responsibility after your term is up.

A light meal will be served.

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***"As Iron Sharpens Iron, One Man Sharpens Another" (Proverbs 27:17)***

### **Upcoming Events -- Block your Calendar**

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- \* August 18      Adopt a Highway
- \* August 26      Holy Transfiguration Homecoming Picnic
- \* September 20      Chapter Meeting - Kick Off Dinner
- \* September 27-30      Atlanta Greek Festival
- \* October 7      Pancake Breakfast #1
- \* October 13      Adopt a Highway

Your Board has been very busy planning a jam-packed event calendar. Please come to any and all that you are able to attend. We understand that everyone is busy and that you have numerous choices on how to spend your free time. If you believe in the AHEPA ideals, and want to associate with like-minded Christian men, please join us and attend when you can.

For those of you who are not members of AHEPA, consider joining our Chapter, it is just \$75 per year. If you still have questions about our Chapter or are interested in becoming a member of this great organization. Please feel free to contact any of the Board members below.

Keath Paxten, Zack Kollias, Ron Sprouse and Jim Burke



## **Welcome to the 2018/2019 Catechism School Year!**

We are excited to greet this year's batch of students who are eager to learn about their faith and grow their relationship with God. Our entire staff is returning this year, so you should recognize the names of our incredibly loving and devoted teachers:

- PreK: Maria Tingas, Christina Sarmir, Tina Isaac
- Kindergarten: Mary Miltiades, Annette Jacobs
- 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Grades: Jenny Basis, Jennie Miltiades
- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grades: Stacey Levantis, Vaivos Vlachos
- 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grades: Cedric Dunkerly, Matushka (Presbyteria) Patty Brown
- 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grades: Tim Voulopos, David Lukens
- 9<sup>th</sup> - 12 Grades: Tim Tassopoulos, Leslie Hansard
- Director: David Linebaugh
- Assistant Director: Deb Buchan

Classes start immediately after Holy Communion and finish around 12:10 p.m. In order to keep a quiet and focused classroom environment for the entire length of class, we ask for parents' cooperation as follows:

- For PreK, K, and 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grades, parents should come to the classrooms to pick up your children. Please keep the hallway conversations at a low volume to respect the ongoing classes.
- For the older grades, we respectfully ask parents to wait either in the downstairs lobby or even better, please enjoy meeting people at coffee hour until your student comes up to find you there.

Classes are located downstairs in the classrooms. Same layout as last year. Names are by the doors.

PreK students must be 3 by Sept 1<sup>st</sup> of this year. Kindergarten must be 5 by Sept 1<sup>st</sup> of this year.

### **Important calendar dates:**

- Sunday August 12<sup>th</sup> – Youth ministries registration during coffee hour
- Sunday August 19<sup>th</sup> – Youth ministries registration during coffee hour
- Sunday August 26<sup>th</sup> – Catechism Agiasmos (blessing of the water) at the end of Liturgy for all Catechism teachers and students, who will then go to the classrooms for a brief introductory class.
- Sunday September 2<sup>nd</sup> – No classes, Labor Day weekend
- Sunday September 9<sup>th</sup> – First full day of classes



All are Invited to Join us for Our

**Annual**

**Homecoming Picnic**

**and Ministry Kick-off**

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Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
immediately following the  
Divine Liturgy

***BBQ with all the fixings!***

***Ministry info and sign-ups!***

COME SEE OLD FRIENDS...

AND MEET NEW ONES!!!



Rain or Shine in the Parish Hall



Holy Transfiguration ~ 3431 Trickum Road, Marietta, GA 30066



# HELLENIC DANCE



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Greek Dance Workshop:**

Strongly recommended for middle school and high school Greek Festival dancers and all instructors. Required for HDF instructors and dancers. Open to all.

**Saturday, August 18, 2018, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., in the Olympic Gym** - with Master Instructors Christos Papakostas, Professor of Anthropology and Ethnology at the University of Athens, and Theoharis Xirouhakis, owner of "Soul of Crete" Greek Folk Dance School in Hania, Crete. They will be joining us to teach ANYONE INTERESTED Greek Folk Dances from the regions of Epiros/Thessaly and Crete. Marietta dancers and instructors are FREE – anyone else, it's \$35 at the door.

### **Marietta International Folk Dance Exhibition**

Strongly recommended for all dancers, instructors, and dance families.

**Saturday, September 15, 2018, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. in our Amphitheater.** WE NEED EVERYONE TO VOLUNTEER; this will be a big fundraiser for us! Please mark your calendars now. We will need help with set up and break down, vending drinks, dancers, and hosts for the other groups that are coming. Help make this event a success. More information will be coming soon. Anyone who would like to offer assistance, please contact us at [mariettahellenicdance@gmail.com](mailto:mariettahellenicdance@gmail.com).

## **DON'T FORGET**

### **Homecoming Picnic:**

**Sunday, August 26, 2018, 12 p.m.** Be sure to come by the Hellenic Dance Ministry table to register your children for Hellenic Dance and to give all of your updated contact information for the year.

### **Communications:**

Please let us know if you would like to be added to the Hellenic Dance email list to receive communications about all things related to dance for the coming year. [mariettahellenicdance@gmail.com](mailto:mariettahellenicdance@gmail.com)

## **DONATION OPPORTUNITIES**

### ***Agios Nicholas List***

If you would like to donate something to the Hellenic Dance program and help us prepare for the Festival at the same time, we have a great opportunity for you! The Hellenic Dance Ministry has started a "wishlist" of music CDs that we need to add to our library for our festival performances. You can view the "wishlist" at <http://www.greekmusic.com/WishlistSearch.asp?opt=search> or go to the [www.greekmusic.com](http://www.greekmusic.com) website, click on "find a wishlist," and type "Paulina Vastakis" as the list's name.

### ***Donate used dance shoes***

If you or your child has used dance shoes, please don't forget that you can donate them to the program. Paulina Vastakis can take your gently used dance shoes at church any Sunday!



## **HELLENIC STUDIES 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR REGISTRATION HAS STARTED**

- **CLASSES START** Monday, August 13
- **NOW TWICE A WEEK**
- Mondays and Wednesdays  
5:30pm to 7:00pm

We will continue to offer **youth, adult and Biblical Greek courses** as well as our new **Ellinomatheia** (advanced Greek Language) course.

Please contact us at [\*\*hellenicstudiesmarietta@gmail.com\*\*](mailto:hellenicstudiesmarietta@gmail.com)

- if you're a returning student or parent and plan to attend again this year
- if you are new to the program this year
- if you have any questions about the program

**Please send us an email message if you have not yet received registration information.**





HTGOC FOOD PANTRY  
DISTRIBUTION DATES FOR  
Remainder of 2018 5:30 – 6:30 PM

**August 21**

**September 25**

**October 16**

**November 20**

**December 18**

**2019 ~ Happy New Year!**

**January 22**

**February 19**

**March 19**

**April 16**

**May 22**

**June 18**



## JULY PHILOPTOCHOS NEWSLETTER

The Philoptochos Panagia Chapter would like to welcome everyone back from summer travels and vacation with the **Welcome Back Luncheon** on **Sunday, August 19** immediately following the Divine Liturgy in the Atrium. Come and find out about the new play Ellen Linebaugh is organizing for our Fall Fundraiser on **October 20<sup>th</sup>**. Last year's Death by Dessert was a fun and exciting evening. Find out about the 2018 Mystery Dinner Theater!

We are starting the month of August with 95 members. We have spent \$212.46 for social services in July.

On Wednesday, July 25, our Goyans stuffed the backpacks with school supplies. They completed 29 backpacks, 16 for second grade students at Park Street Elementary school and 13 for sixth graders at Marietta Sixth Grade Academy, both part of the Marietta City School System. Thank you to our 16 Goyans who worked so diligently and to our parish for contributing so generously.



Our **Visitation Committee** requests that if you are aware of anyone in our parish who may need a visit, a card or a phone call, please contact Niki Gess at [n.gess@concast.net](mailto:n.gess@concast.net) or call 770.973.9673.

On Thursday July 26 we serve a hot meal of Greek chicken, rice, salad to 81 people at Must Ministries. Thank you to Mary Ellen Knuchel, Dorothy Botni, Kim Moustoukas, Thea Blalock, Annette Jacobs, Elaine Paulson, Pat Koutouzis, Dorothy Macris, Athena Burke and Michael Gavalas who helped prepare the food, and serve the meals. If you would like to participate with the **Soup Kitchen**, please contact Athena Burke at [ibgreek@bellsouth.net](mailto:ibgreek@bellsouth.net).

# Welcome Back Luncheon

Sunday, August 19  
*Following Divine Liturgy*

Enjoy a delicious lunch for *only* \$10!  
Pastichio, Salad, Bread, Dessert & Drink

🌸 Speaker: Matthew Pieper, Executive  
Director of Open Hand.

🌸 2018 Fall Fund Raiser Kick-Off

Not a member of Philoptochos?  
No Problem!

Everyone is invited to the  
luncheon!



Hosted by Philoptochos





## NEWS YOU CAN USE!

**How time flies!! It seems like yesterday everyone was happy to see summertime. Many of our seniors were proud to see our grandchildren graduating, with many of them looking forward to attending college in the fall. Well, fall is just around the corner, and we reminisce about when we were young, when we graduated, when we were married...what and why we chose the profession we did.**

**Our next get together will be a "jam session". We are asking everyone to share his or her memories when they were young. Remember, a day without laughter is a day wasted. More to follow on this subject.**

**Our board had a short emergency meeting in July for the purpose of deciding what our fundraiser will be for the rest of this year. We decided that raffling baskets would be the best approach for seniors. Beginning in mid-August, we will start selling raffle tickets each Sunday after church. The drawings will be held at our Christmas Party to be held on Sunday, December 2nd.**

**We have decided that the proceeds from the raffle will help us take two short trips. One will be to Tarpon Springs in early January 2019. The other trip will be a surprise which we will announce when we get the details finalized.**

**Our last get together was fun but disappointing because turnout was low. We should support all the ministries in our church. All of us work so hard to please. We thank those members that were able to attend, and please know that we appreciate all our members. Please stay with us. We hope to make the rest of the year to your liking! HAVE FUN!!!**

**In Christ's Name,**

**Connie Stratigos**

# Rummage Sale



**Saturday, August 11th 8am - 3pm**

## **Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church**

**3431 Trickum Road  
Marietta, GA  
at the Parish House (old Church office)**

Proceeds benefit the  
Holy Transfiguration Food Pantry  
Ministry

### **Items for sale include:**

- **Apparel for all ages**
- **Furniture & Rugs**
- **Sporting Goods**
- **Books**
- **Linens**
- **Shoes**
- **Jewelry**
- **and more...**

*Payment by Cash or Check  
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Holy Transfiguration  
3431 Trickum Road  
(at the Brick House -  
Park in Church Parking Lot)

Sandy Plains Rd.



**DONATIONS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**  
Please see guidelines attached.



Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church

## Rummage Sale

**VOLUNTEER, DONATE, SHOP !!!**

This parish services the East Cobb/ Marietta Community and parish families in need through our Food Pantry Ministry, which is open to pre-qualified recipients, and is conducted monthly in partnership with MUST Ministries and the Sprayberry High School's Food Pantry.

Your donations of time, talent and treasure will help provide funding through the Rummage Sale for the benefit of our pantry recipients.

We have listed some ideas below so YOU can help make this year's Rummage Sale a success!

**DONATE** - Drop off your CLEAN, sellable items such as:

Treasures and Women's Boutiques (see details below), Women's, Men's, Children's Clothing, Infants Clothing, Small Furniture (such as coffee tables), Rugs, Lamps, Jewelry, Accessories, Hardware & Tools, Pets & Patio & Yard Equipment, Garden & Plants including live potted plants & flowers, Toys & Games, Linens, Sports/Exercise/Handicap Equipment, Bicycles, Housewares, Glassware, Small Appliances and Electronics (including cell phones and computer equipment), Books, CDs & Office Supplies, Shoes, Luggage, Pictures & Frames.

**NOTES: Please be mindful of space limitations and your ability to lift and unload your donations.**

**Speciality Items** - If you are donating especially nice clothing or other items, please mark it "PRIORITY". This notation will indicate that we should treat with special care and consider them for one of our specialty areas where it will have the most value - for the more delicate, designer, and finer items - providing the special handling and visibility they deserve. Examples include Antiques, Collectibles, Fine China, Crystal, Vintage Dolls, Painted & Sculpted Artwork, Custom Furniture, Religious Articles, Designer Clothes & Accessories, Fur Coats, Custom & Estate Jewelry, and much more ...

To donate items, please mark "HTGOC Rummage Sale" and bring to the Rummage Sale Donation Drop-off area located in the old office building during the Dates and Times noted to the right.

Donation receipts are available upon request.

**VOLUNTEER** - Adult & Youth Volunteers are needed before, during and after the sale. Come meet and work with great people and join the fun! We can use help in setup & sales during the DROP-OFF and SHOP times listed here, and especially for tear-down & cleanup on Saturday afternoon.

We can use your time and talent for Accepting and sorting donations, SETUP, PRICING, sales, runners, cashiers, equipment testers, CLEANUP and general helpers. Every volunteer makes a great impact!

**Student volunteers** - Earn Community Service Hours!

To volunteer or schedule donation drop-offs: Please contact

Isabelle Dymond  
icdymond1@gmail.com

(404) 502-8343

or

Maria Alberts  
maria.alberts29@gmail.com  
(404) 966-6694

### DONATION DROP-OFF Information

Donation drop-offs accepted at the Church House during the dates and times below.

Thursday, Aug. 2      5:30PM - 8:30PM

Sunday, Aug. 5      1:00PM - 2:30PM

Tuesday, Aug. 7      5:30PM - 8:30PM

Wed., Aug. 8      5:30PM - 8:30PM

Friday, Aug. 10      3:00PM - 9:00PM

**PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF YOUR UNWANTED, UNSELLABLE ITEMS.**

**ANY ITEMS THAT ARE DIRTY, DAMAGED OR OTHERWISE UNSELLABLE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

**Items we cannot take:** dirty, damaged or non-working items, stuffed animals, textbooks, encyclopedias, draperies, CRT televisions, CRT computer screens, big Christmas Trees, non-LED Christmas lights, mattresses, pillows, any gas engines, large furniture and entertainment centers, large exercise machines.

### Other donations we could use during our sale:

Snacks and bottled water for our volunteers and paper products for serving lunch. Also grocery bags, sturdy hangers and loaner electric fans.



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## **PLACE**

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# Conference Schedule

## Friday, September 21

- 7:00 pm Welcome, Opening Prayer
- 7:15 pm Synthesis of the Holy Fathers on Spiritual Practices, Part 1 - Ken Boa
- 8:15 pm Break
- 8:30 pm Q & A's; Discussion - Fr. Panayiotis, Robin Darling Young, Ken Boa

## Saturday, September 22

- 8:30 am Continental Breakfast
- 8:45 am Welcome, Opening Prayer
- 9:00 am What Can the Early Christian Church Teach Us About Spiritual Training, Part 1 - Robin Darling Young
- 10:00 am Q & A's; Discussion - Fr. Panayiotis, Robin Darling Young, Ken Boa
- 10:30 am Break
- 10:45 am What Can the Early Christian Church Teach Us About Spiritual Training, Part 2 - Robin Darling Young
- 11:45 am Q & A's; Discussion - Fr. Panayiotis, Robin Darling Young, Ken Boa
- 12:15 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm Spiritual Practices on Mt. Athos Today - Fr. Panayiotis
- 2:00 pm Q & A's; Discussion - Fr. Panayiotis, Robin Darling Young, Ken Boa
- 2:30 pm Break
- 2:45 pm Synthesis of the Holy Fathers on Spiritual Practices, Part 2 - Ken Boa
- 3:45 pm Q & A's; Discussion - Fr. Panayiotis, Robin Darling Young, Ken Boa
- 4:15 pm Announcements, Prepare for Vespers, Closing Prayer - Fr. Panayiotis
- 5:00 pm Vespers (Optional)

## Sunday, September 24

- 1:00 pm Welcome, Opening Prayer
- 1:15 pm Connecting Spirituality with Worship in the Ancient Christian Church - Robin Darling Young
- 2:15 pm Q & A's; Discussion - Fr. Panayiotis, Robin Darling Young, Ken Boa
- 2:45 pm Break
- 3:00 pm Comparing the Ancient Christian Church and Contemporary Personal and Corporate Expressions of Worship and the Spiritual Life - Ken Boa
- 4:00 pm Q & A's; Discussion - Fr. Panayiotis, Robin Darling Young, Ken Boa
- 4:45 pm Announcements, Prepare for Vespers, Closing Prayer - Fr. Panayiotis
- 5:00 pm Vespers (Optional)

**Dr. Kenneth Boa** is a writer, teacher, speaker, and mentor working largely with business and professional people in the Atlanta area, throughout the country, and around the world. He is President of Reflections Ministries. His website, KenBoa.org, has an abundance of free resources. Ken holds a BS from Case Institute of Technology, a ThM from Dallas Theological Seminary, a PhD from New York University, and a DPhil from the University of Oxford in England.

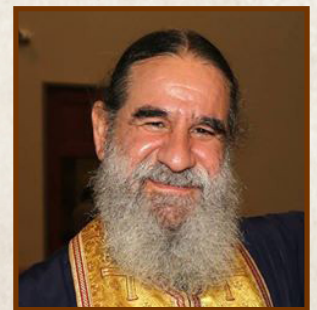


**Dr. Robin Darling Young** is Associate Professor of Spirituality at Catholic University in Washington, DC. She has published and lectured widely on topics in the history of early Christianity and its thought, including the areas of scriptural

interpretation, the history of asceticism and monastic thought, and the Christian cultures of ancient Syria and Armenia. She holds a BA from Mary Washington College, and a MA, PhD from the University of Chicago.

**The Rev. Dr. Panayiotis Papageorgiou** was born on the island of Cyprus. He has served as a priest in the US and Cyprus and taught Orthodox Theology and Spirituality in Cyprus, Jerusalem, Canada and the US. Presently,

he serves as pastor of Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church, in Marietta, Georgia. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Chemical Engineering from City College, New York, a Master of Science in Chemical Engineering from the University of Notre Dame, a Master of Divinity from Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Brookline, MA and a PhD in Early Christian Studies from the Catholic University of America in Washington, DC.





# August 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>29 9th Sunday of Matthew</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>11:40 AM A 3 month Memorial Service is given</li> <li>11:45 AM A Memorial Service is given by Nikki</li> <li>11:45 AM A 2 year Memorial Service is given by Nikki</li> <li>12:00 PM Hellenic Dance</li> <li>12:15 PM Doulgerakis /</li> </ul>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Pickleball</li> <li>10:45 AM Kafenion</li> </ul>	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Summer Bible Study</li> <li>11:00 AM Aglamos—the Blessing of the Waters</li> <li>6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos</li> <li>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</li> <li>7:00 PM Summer Bible Study</li> </ul>	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Young Children's Playdate</li> <li>6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos</li> <li>6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos</li> </ul>	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2:00 PM HOPE/JOY Pool Party (tentative)</li> <li>4:00 PM Byzantine Music Lesson</li> <li>5:00 PM Great Vespers</li> </ul>
<p>5</p> <p>10th Sunday of Matthew... Transfiguration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>11:30 AM Presentation by Guatemalan Missionaries, 12:15 PM Panov family coffee/fellowship hour</li> <li>6:00 PM Great Vespers—Forefeast of the Transfiguration</li> <li>8:00 PM Feast of the</li> </ul>	<p>6</p> <p>Transfiguration... Jesus Christ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy (followed by a coffee and social time in our Parish Hall)</li> <li>6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos</li> </ul>	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Pickleball</li> <li>10:45 AM Kafenion</li> <li>6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos</li> <li>6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Summer Bible Study</li> <li>6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos</li> <li>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</li> <li>7:00 PM Summer Bible Study</li> </ul>	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Young Children's Playdate</li> <li>6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos</li> <li>6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball</li> <li>7:00 PM Philoptochos Board Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos</li> </ul>	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:00 AM Food Pantry Rummage Sale</li> <li>10:00 AM Set-up for Reid Reception</li> <li>4:00 PM Byzantine Music Lesson</li> <li>5:00 PM Great Vespers</li> <li>6:00 PM Rental: Reid Reception</li> </ul>
<p>12</p> <p>11th Sunday of Matthew... the Theotokos</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos</li> </ul>	<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies begins</li> </ul>	<p>14</p> <p>Forefeast of the Do... the Virgin Mary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Pickleball</li> <li>10:45 AM Kafenion</li> <li>6:00 PM Great Vespers—Dormition of the Theotokos</li> </ul>	<p>15</p> <p>The Dormition of the... the Virgin Mary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:45 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</li> <li>7:00 PM Summer Bible Study</li> </ul>	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Young Children's Playdate</li> <li>6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:30 AM AHEPA Adopt-A-Highway</li> <li>8:00 AM Bulgarian Divine Liturgy</li> <li>8:30 AM Catechism Teachers' Workshop</li> <li>10:00 AM Hellenic Dance Workshop</li> <li>4:00 PM Byzantine Music Lesson</li> <li>5:00 PM Great Vespers</li> </ul>
<p>19</p> <p>12th Sunday of Matthew</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>12:30 PM Philoptochos Welcome Back Luncheon</li> </ul>	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> </ul>	<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Pickleball</li> <li>10:30 AM Prime Timers Board Meeting</li> <li>10:45 AM Kafenion</li> <li>5:30 PM Pantry Distribution</li> <li>6:30 PM Council of Ministries</li> </ul>	<p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>7:00 PM Summer Bible Study</li> <li>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</li> </ul>	<p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Young Children's Playdate</li> <li>11:30 AM Soup Kitchen (Philoptochos)</li> <li>6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball</li> <li>6:30 PM Philoptochos Book Club</li> </ul>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1:30 PM Fall Altar Boy Workshop</li> <li>4:00 PM Byzantine Music Lesson</li> <li>5:00 PM Great Vespers</li> </ul>
<p>26</p> <p>13th Sunday of Matthew... the Pharisees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>12:00 PM Homecoming Picnic</li> </ul>	<p>27</p> <p>Holy Martyr Phanourios</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> </ul>	<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Pickleball</li> <li>10:45 AM Kafenion</li> <li>5:45 PM Great Vespers—Benediction of St. John the Fore-Runner</li> <li>6:30 PM Parish Council Strategic Planning Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>29</p> <p>Remembrance of... the Baptist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</li> <li>7:00 PM Summer Bible Study</li> </ul>	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Young Children's Playdate</li> <li>6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>31</p>	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11:00 AM Aglamos—the Blessing of the Waters</li> <li>12:00 PM Baptism of Isidora (Thais' baby)</li> <li>4:00 PM Byzantine Music Lesson</li> <li>5:00 PM Great Vespers</li> </ul>



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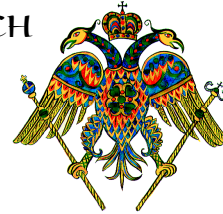
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DATE	PC DUTY	ACOLYTES	GREETERS	PROSFORO	USHERS
8/5	P. Markley/S. Tingas	All Teams	S. Gianaris/K. Johnson	C. Costarides/M. Driscoll/I. Dymond	P. Bilson/A. & K. Lilly/A. Zakreski
8/12	M. Jacobs/J. Papastrat	All Teams	P. Koutouzis/M. Zavala	S. Gianaris/N. Kakissis/E. Kay	T. Argentis/E. Nikolas/A. Reale/C. Sprouse
8/19	E. Linebaugh/H. Mavromatidis	All Teams	M. Alberts/S. Lukens	P. Koutouzis/L. Lopus/I. Michaels	D. Botni/K. Johnson/B. Reid/M. Strakes
8/26	K. Bilson/Z. Kollias	All Teams	S. Linebaugh/E. Markley	J. Miltiades/M. Miltiades/M. Neocleous	J. & I. Dymond/S. Kargas/M. Zavala

### **St. James Altar Servers:** Captain-Gabriel Mavromatidis

Chris Bridgers, Evan Bilson, Andrew Bourgeois, Aaron Brown, Matthew Buchan, Constantine Gavalas, Alex Goldsholl, Jack Goldsholl, Yianni Gormanos, Gabriel Hennenfent, Kris Kollias, Nicholas Levantis, Nicholas Lukens, Jeremy Mavromatidis, Jacob Mavromatidis, Aubrey Moraitakis, George Moraitakis, Angelo Nichols, Matthew Paulson, Angelos Powell, Mitchell Starks, Niko Tiller.

### **St. John Altar Servers:** Captain-Matthew Azimzadeh

Christopher Alberts, Steven Ardagna, Andrew Bass, Theo Bliss, Anthony Bundros, Christian Coleman, Carter Copses, Jay Copses, Mason Copses, Nick Danos, Cole Foster, Alex Gekas, Kaleb Hotnog, William Jansma, Alexander Morgan, Tommy O'Brien, Evan Papadopoulos, Alexander Thorne, Braden Thorne, Csaba Wagner, Romeo Wagner

### **St. Peter Altar Servers:** Captain-Morgan Lilly

Zach Bethune, Hal Bradford, III, Brody Brooks, Yianni Costarides, Nicholas Demakis, Manuel Frangis, Stephen Harrah, Zayne Isaac, Luke Melissas, Alek Nikolich, Matthew Shanahan, Evan Strakes, Michael Tsogas, Leo Tzavaras, Ted Tzavaras, Gianni Vacratsas, Stefano Vacratsas, Michael Vastakis, Panayiotis Vlachos.

**Note:** If your son is not listed and should be, please contact Fr. Paul.