

Philoptochos News

- As we celebrate Transfiguration's 25th Anniversary, we take pause to also recognize the fact that Patriarch Athenagoras founded the Philoptochos organization which has been in existence since 1931, Seventy-nine years ago. On Nov. 1st, Philoptochos observed the feast day of our patron saints, Cosmas and Damianos. We are the largest women's philanthropic organization in the United States in terms of money donated to charitable causes. Philoptochos gives support to many charities (see the list in our pamphlet). As of November 1st, Philoptochos has grown to 63 fantastic members. We are so blessed! Today a second tray will be passed for the Holy Cross & Helenic College. Through your generosity we can continue to be an effective ministry for Transfiguration. Thank you for all of your help!
- Save the date!!! Saturday, November 20th from 9:00am to 5:00pm our 2nd Annual Holiday Bazaar will be happening! We will have many vendors offering a wide variety of wares. In order for this project to be successful, we need your participation! Please plan to come and shop for the holidays, enjoy some Greek food and show your support. Everyone counts! The more shoppers we have, the more vendors will want to participate next year.
- Scrip cards are available at the Philoptochos table for your weekly shopping. These cards give Transfiguration money that doesn't cost you any extra. We have HEB, Home Depot, Starbucks, just to mention a few. The holidays are coming, so think in terms of stocking stuffers for a small gift!
- Effie Ambrose is chairing the annual Christmas card drive. Place your name on the list now so that you will not miss out! We can wait for payment later.
- The Bookstore is preparing for a very Merry Christmas with our Orthodox ornaments and decorations, special stocking stuffers, books and lots of new items to make your holiday very special.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

DIANA ANGELO - NOV 14H
EFFIE AMBROS - NOV. 19TH
STEPHANIE O'BRIEN - NOV 28TH

IOCC Metropolitan Committee of Austin presents

2010 International Wine Fest

Saturday, November 13, 2010 ~ 4-8pm
at the Twin Liquors Marketplace at Hancock Center
1000 E. 41st St. (next to HEB)



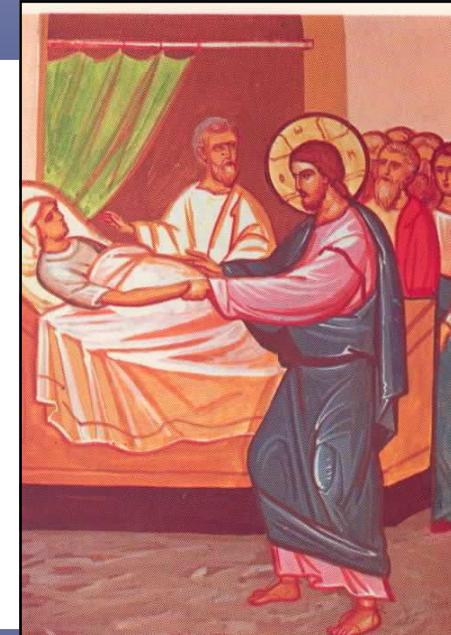
Join us for live Entertainment and a Silent Auction featuring
unique artwork, gifts and local business services.

This event will benefit international disaster relief and development aid around the world in
places such as HAITI, RUSSIA, PAKISTAN ----through IOCC.

**PLEASE CONSIDER BEING A SPONSOR OF THIS EVENT AND SUPPORT
THE INTERNATIONAL ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES!
WE HAVE DIFFERENT LEVELS OF SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE -
CONTACT BRANDON SUEHS OR LIZ STRONG ABOUT BEING A
SUPPORTER OF IOCC.**

**SUNDAY BULLETIN
NOVEMBER 7, 2010**

7TH SUNDAY OF LUKE



TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

414 ST. STEPHEN'S SCHOOL ROAD
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78746

(512) 329-6363 WEBSITE - TRANSFIGURATION.ORG

SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

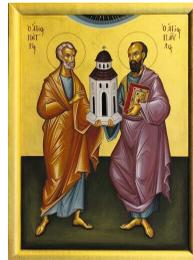
ORTHROS 8:45AM; DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 AM

Reverend Fr. Vasileios Flegas, Proistamenos

NOVEMBER 7, 2010 - 7TH SUNDAY OF LUKE

EPISTLE - EPHESIANS 2: 14 - 22

Brethren, for Christ is our peace, the One Who made the both one, and broke down the middle wall of the hedge, having abolished by ordinances the enmity—the law of the commandments—in His flesh, in order that He might create in Himself the two into one new man, making peace, and might thoroughly reconcile them both in one body to God through the Cross, having slain the enmity by it. And He came and preached the good tidings, peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then ye are no longer strangers and sojourners, but fellow citizens of the saints and of the household of God, who were built up on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the cornerstone, in Whom every building, being joined together, increaseth to a holy temple in the Lord, in Whom ye also are being built up together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.



Ἀδελφοί, Χριστός ἐστὶν ἡ εἰρήνη ἡμῶν, ὁ ποιήσας τὰ ἀμφότερα ἓν, καὶ τὸ μεσότοιχον τοῦ φραγμοῦ λύσας, τὴν ἔχθραν ἐν τῇ σαρκὶ αὐτοῦ, τὸν νόμον τῶν ἐντολῶν ἐν δόγμασιν, καταργήσας· ἵνα τοὺς δύο κτίσῃ ἐν ἑαυτῷ εἰς ἓνα καινὸν ἄνθρωπον, ποιῶν εἰρήνην, καὶ ἀποκαταλλάξῃ τοὺς ἀμφοτέρους ἐν ἐνὶ σώματι τῷ θεῷ διὰ τοῦ σταυροῦ, ἀποκτείνας τὴν ἔχθραν ἐν αὐτῷ· καὶ ἔλθὼν εὐηγγελίσατο εἰρήνην ὑμῖν τοῖς μακρὰν καὶ τοῖς ἐγγύς· ὅτι δι' αὐτοῦ ἔχομεν τὴν προσαγωγὴν οἱ ἀμφότεροι ἐν ἐνὶ πνεύματι πρὸς τὸν πατέρα. Ἄρα οὖν οὐκέτι ἐστὲ ξένοι καὶ πάροικοι, ἀλλὰ συμπολιταὶ τῶν ἁγίων καὶ οἰκεῖοι τοῦ θεοῦ, ἐποικοδομηθέντες ἐπὶ τῷ θεμελίῳ τῶν ἀποστόλων καὶ προφητῶν, ὄντος ἀκρογωνιαίου αὐτοῦ Ἰησοῦ χριστοῦ, ἐν ᾧ πᾶσα οἰκοδομὴ συναρμολογουμένη αὖξει εἰς ναὸν ἅγιον ἐν κυρίῳ, ἐν ᾧ καὶ ὑμεῖς συνοικοδομεῖσθε εἰς κατοικητήριον τοῦ θεοῦ ἐν πνεύματι.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS: Sunday, November 7, 2010

Youth Choir Practice

The children's choir will practice today immediately following Sunday School.

GOYA Basketball Practices

Our basketball practice will be at O'Henry Middle School, beginning at approximately 12:50.

Questions? Contact Pete or Cynthia Price - colovasprice@austin.rr.com

The registration website for the 2011 GOYA Basketball Tournament is now open and can be found at:

<https://www.goyahoops.net/>.

HOPE/JOY

**Parents! Please join us for our next HOPE/JOY event....Family Night!
On Saturday, November 13th we will all meet for Vespers at 6:00pm followed by a fun evening of
dinner, games, crafts and a variety of activities!
Contact Tom or Allison Gouris for more information or to find out how you can help!**

YAL (Young Adult Leadership)

The Orthodox Young Adults of St. Elias will be hosting a CAMPING TRIP for all YAL on the weekend of November 19th - 21st at Garner State Park. Cost is \$25.

Please contact Nikolas Haidamous if you would like to attend. nikolashaidamous@gmail.com

GOLF

Fr. Vasileios is leading the ladies in a discussion of Elder Paisius' newest book [Spiritual Awakening](#). **Next class is Tuesday, November 9, from 9:30 to 11:30. - hope to see you there!**

Greek School

Classes will be Tuesday evenings from 6:45pm to 8:00pm.

A DAY IN ETHIOPIA

Saturday, November 13 - 12:00 to 3:00pm

Transfiguration will be hosting a charity event to help the villagers of Wello, a province in the highlands of Ethiopia. They are hoping to begin a cottage industry of Bee Keeping which will help them provide for themselves the basic needs such as clean water, food, clothing and educational supplies.

Please come and enjoy a delicious homemade Ethiopian meal and help support this project!

Choir Rehearsal

Sue Stevens is leading choir rehearsal for anyone interested in learning how to chant.

The rehearsals are on Saturdays at 5:15pm before Vespers. You can contact Sue at sues@lavoce.us if you have any questions.

**Thank you to today's Coffee Hour Sponsors:
Petropoulos, Phocas, Phoumivong-Naresh, Pon**

Thank you to last week's Coffee Hour Sponsors:

Papadatos, Papanikolaou, Pappas, Pavlos

Next week's Luncheon Sponsors:

Gianakopoulos

Today's ushers are:

Chris Harris and Sami Yagnam

Next week's ushers will be:

Elizabeth George

Saint Lazarus the Wonderworker of Mt Galesius

Saint Lazarus the Wonderworker of Mt Galesius near Ephesus was born in Lydia, in the city of Magnesium. An educated young man who loved God, Lazarus became a monk at the monastery of St Sava, the founder of great ascetic piety in Palestine. He spent ten years within the walls of the monastery, winning the love and respect of the brethren for his intense monastic struggles.

Ordained to the holy priesthood by the Patriarch of Jerusalem, St Lazarus returned to his native country and settled near Ephesus, on desolate Mount Galesius. Here he saw a wondrous vision: a fiery pillar, rising up to the heavens, was encircled by angels singing, "Let God arise and let His enemies be scattered."

On the place where the saint beheld this vision, he built a church in honor of the Resurrection of Christ and took upon himself the feat of pillar-dwelling. Monks soon began to flock to the great ascetic, thirsting for spiritual nourishment by the divinely-inspired words and blessed example of the saint, and a monastery was established there.

Having received a revelation about the day of his death, the saint told the brethren. Through the tearful prayers of all the monks, the Lord prolonged the earthly life of St Lazarus for another fifteen years. St Lazarus died at 72 years of age, in the year 1053. The brethren buried the body of the saint at the pillar upon which he had struggled in asceticism. He was glorified by many miracles after his death.

The Holy 33 Martyrs of Melitene

The Holy Martyr Hieron of Melitene and Those with him The holy martyr Hieron was born in the city of Tiana in great Cappadocia. Raised by a pious mother, he was a kindly and good Christian.

The co-ruling emperors Diocletian (284-305) and Maximian (284-305) sent a large military detachment headed by Lysias to Cappadocia to eradicate Christianity there, and also to conscript healthy and strong men into the imperial army. Among those pressed into service, Lysias also ordered his men to draft Hieron, who was distinguished by his great physical strength and dexterity. But Hieron refused to serve emperors who persecuted Christians. When they attempted to seize him by force and bring him to Lysias, he took a stick and started beating the soldiers who had been sent to bring him. The soldiers scattered, ashamed of being defeated by a single man. Hieron then hid himself in a cave with eighteen other Christians. Lysias would not risk losing his soldiers by storming the cave.

Upon the advice of Cyriacus, one of Hieron's friends, Lysias lifted the siege of the cave and withdrew his detachment. Then Cyriacus persuaded Hieron not to offer resistance to the authorities. He and the other new conscripts and accompanying soldiers were sent to the nearby city of Melitene.

Soon Hieron had a vision in his sleep, in which his impending martyrdom was foretold. Lysias told the soldiers gathered at Melitene to offer sacrifice to the pagan gods. Hieron and another thirty-two soldiers refused to do this, and openly confessed their faith in Christ. Then the persecutor gave orders to beat the martyrs, and to cut off Hieron's arm at the elbow. After cruel tortures they threw the martyrs into prison barely alive, and they beheaded them four days later.

A certain rich and illustrious Christian by the name of Chrysanthus ransomed Hieron's head from Lysias. When the persecutions finally ceased, he built a church on the place where they executed the holy martyrs, and he placed the venerable head in it. The bodies of all the executed saints were secretly buried by Christians. In reign of the emperor Justinian, during the construction of the church of Hagia Eirene (Holy Peace), the venerable relics were uncovered and found incorrupt.

The other martyrs are: Hesychnus, Nicander, Athanasius, Mamas, Barachius, Callinicus, Theogenes, Nikon, Longinus, Theodore, Valerius, Xanthius, Theodoulos, Callimachus, Eugene, Theodochus, Ostrychius, Epiphanius, Maximian, Ducitius, Claudian, Theophilus, Gigantius, Dorotheus, Theodotus, Castrichius, Anicletus, Themelius, Eutychnus, Hilarion, Diodotus and Amonitus.

NOVEMBER 7, 2010 - 7TH SUNDAY OF LUKE

GOSPEL - ST. LUKE 8: 41-56

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and had spent all her living upon physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἀνθρωπὸς τις προσῆλθε τῷ Ἰησοῦ ᾧ ὄνομα Ἰαΐρος, καὶ οὗτος ἄρχων τῆς συναγωγῆς ὑπῆρχε, καὶ πεσὼν παρὰ τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ παρεκάλει αὐτὸν εἰσελθεῖν εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ, ὅτι θυγάτηρ μονογενῆς ἦν αὐτῷ ὡς ἐτῶν δώδεκα καὶ αὐτὴ ἀπέθνησκεν. Ἐν δὲ τῷ ὑπάγειν αὐτὸν οἱ ὄχλοι συνέπνιγον αὐτόν. Καὶ γυνὴ οὖσα ἐν ῥύσει αἵματος ἀπὸ ἐτῶν δώδεκα, ἣτις [ιατροῖς προσαναλώσασα ὅλον τὸν βίον] οὐκ ἴσχυσεν ἀπ' οὐδενὸς θεραπευθῆναι, προσελθοῦσα ὀπισθεν ἤψατο τοῦ κρασπέδου τοῦ ἱματίου αὐτοῦ, καὶ παραχρῆμα ἔστη ἡ ῥύσις τοῦ αἵματος αὐτῆς. Καὶ εἶπεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς, Τίς ὁ ἀψάμενός μου; ἀρνούμενων δὲ πάντων εἶπεν ὁ Πέτρος, Ἐπιστάτα, οἱ ὄχλοι συνέχουσίν σε καὶ ἀποθλίβουσιν. Ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν, Ἥψατό μου τις, ἐγὼ γὰρ ἔγνωνα δύναμιν ἐξεληλυθυῖαν ἀπ' ἐμοῦ. Ἰδοῦσα δὲ ἡ γυνὴ ὅτι οὐκ ἔλαθεν τρέμουσα ἦλθεν καὶ προσπεσοῦσα αὐτῷ δι' ἦν αἰτίαν ἤψατο αὐτοῦ ἀπήγγειλεν ἐνώπιον παντός τοῦ λαοῦ καὶ ὡς ἴαθη παραχρῆμα. Ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτῇ, Θυγάτηρ, ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέν σε· πορεύου εἰς εἰρήνην. Ἔτι αὐτοῦ λαλοῦντος ἔρχεται τις παρὰ τοῦ ἀρχισυναγώγου λέγων ὅτι Τέθνηκεν ἡ θυγάτηρ σου, μηκέτι σκύλλε τὸν διδάσκαλον. Ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς ἀκούσας ἀπεκρίθη αὐτῷ, Μὴ φοβοῦ, μόνον πιστεύσον, καὶ σωθήσεται. Ἐλθὼν δὲ εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν οὐκ ἀφήκεν εἰσελθεῖν τινα σὺν αὐτῷ εἰ μὴ Πέτρον καὶ Ἰωάννην καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ τὸν πατέρα τῆς παιδὸς καὶ τὴν μητέρα. Ἐκλαίον δὲ πάντες καὶ ἐκόπτοντο αὐτήν. Ὁ δὲ εἶπεν, Μὴ κλαίετε, οὐ γὰρ ἀπέθανεν ἀλλὰ καθεύδει. Καὶ κατεγέλων αὐτοῦ, εἰδότες ὅτι ἀπέθανεν. Αὐτὸς δὲ κρατήσας τῆς χειρὸς αὐτῆς ἐφώνησεν λέγων, Ἥ παις, ἔγειρε. Καὶ ἐπέστρεψεν τὸ πνεῦμα αὐτῆς, καὶ ἀνέστη παραχρῆμα, καὶ διέταξεν αὐτῇ δοθῆναι φαγεῖν. Καὶ ἐξέστησαν οἱ γονεῖς αὐτῆς· ὁ δὲ παρήγγειλεν αὐτοῖς μηδενὶ εἰπεῖν τὸ γεγονός.

HYMNS FOR TODAY

Resurrection Hymn (Baris Tone)

*“O Lord by Your sacred Cross You abolished death,
and granted unto the thief blessed paradise.
The Myrrh bearers ceased lamenting and turned to joy.
The apostles did preach the Good News at Your command,
that You had risen from the dead O Christ Our God,
bestowing mercy upon the world evermore.”*

Hymn for St. Lazarus of Mount Galesion the Wonderworker

“In thy vigilant prayers, thou didst drench thy pillar with streams of tears; by thy sighings from the depths, thou didst bear fruit a hundredfold in labours; and thou becamest a shepherd, granting forgiveness to them that came to thee, O our righteous Father Lazarus. Intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.”

Hymn for Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

*“Metemorforthis en to ori, Christe o Theos, dixas tis mathites Sou tin doxan Sou,
kathos I dynando Lampson ke imin tis amarto lis to fos Sou to aidion,
presvies tis Theotokou Fotodoto doxa Si.”*

*“When O Christ our God Thou wast Transfigured on the mountain
Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy disciples in proportion as they could bear it.
Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners. Through the intercessions of the Theotokos,
O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee.”*

Kontakion

*“A protection of Christians unshamable, Intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, reject not,
the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us, for you are good;
Your loving help bring unto us, Who are crying in faith to you:
Hasten to intercede and speed now to supplicate, As a protection for all time,
Theotokos, for those who honor you.”*

Receiving Holy Communion

The sacrament of Holy Communion is reserved for only baptized and/or chrismated Orthodox Christians who have properly prepared by fasting, prayer and confession. The Orthodox Church is not in sacramental communion with any other church outside the Orthodox Christian Faith. If you would like information about the Orthodox Church and becoming an Orthodox Christian, please see Father Vasileios after services.

Please allow the Church School children and teachers to go to Holy Communion first so they can leave for their classes. All others should wait until the ushers dismiss you by rows to receive Communion.

MEMORY ETERNAL

Memorial service today is for:

Irene Vamvoras-Sockler (1 year), aunt of Mary Katherine Bakiris;
and for all of our departed Philoptochos sisters

WELCOME VISITORS!

*We welcome all new visitors who worshipped with us this morning.
Please join us next door after service for coffee and fellowship.
There is material in the entrance of the church regarding ministries and events
of our community. Please sign our guest book!*

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH

*Dolly, Betty, Arlena, Sophie, Archie, Lou, Thomas, Kathy, Suzanne, Pat, Steve, Nina, Phyllis,
Katheryn, Panayioti, Anna, Margaret, Sami, Ibrahim, Mary, George, Susan, Matthew, Ellen,
Gary, Katina, Nelda, Nick, Elaine, Fotini, Malone, Tracy, Richard, Lilly, Kimberly, Dion, Jamil,
Dimitrios, Lisa, Maggie, Mindy, Joan, Nakis, Estela, Micky, Kiane, Lari, Ed, Sally, Mariana,
Brian, Kaeley, Tristan, Matt, Jeff, Sophia, Konstandinos, Angela, Jennifer, Rose Marie, Elia,
Bilyana, Maria, Mai Oy, Susan, Mara*

THIS WEEK'S SERVICE SCHEDULE

FEAST OF THE HOLY ARCHANGELS - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8 - **AT THE MONASTERY:**
HOURS 7:30AM; DIVINE LITURGY 8:00AM; LUNCH 10:00AM

ORAT

ST. ELIAS ORTHODOX CHURCH - 408 E. 11TH ST.
ORTHROS 9:00AM; LITURGY 10:00AM

FEAST OF ST. NEKTARIOS - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9
ORTHROS 8:00AM; LITURGY 9:00AM

FEAST OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13
ORTHROS 8:00AM; LITURGY 9:00AM

SATURDAY GREAT VESPERS - NOVEMBER 13 - 6:00PM