

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS: Sunday, September 23, 2012

Guess Who Is Turning 60?

Steve Levendakes' 60th birthday is on Sept. 28, but we thought that we would celebrate today! Please join us for cake and in wishing Steve Levendakes a **happy birthday** during our coffee hour!

Philoptochos News

- ◆ Our first meeting for this year will be our Membership Tea on Saturday, Sept. 29, 12:00pm at home of Ellen Apostolakis, 1349 Patterson Rd. 78733. Join us for good food and wonderful fellowship!
- ◆ Our membership drive is underway! Stop by the Philoptochos table to sign up!
- ◆ Please support our Scrip Card Project: *"Fundraising While You Shop!"*
HEB special!!! If you use an HEB gift card to purchase gasoline at one of their stores, you will receive **12 cents off of each gallon!** You can purchase HEB gift cards at the Philoptochos table. Keep your eyes open because very soon we will be starting a new and easy way to shop for all of your favorite gift cards online!

REMINDER FOR PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

The deadline to submit your own photo of your family for our new parish directory is **September 30th!** You can email it to Anita Jones at anita.o.jones@austin.rr.com, or hand it to her at church.
There is one photo sitting date still available next week, September 30th.
Please take this opportunity to become a part of our extended Transfiguration Church family. Thank you!

Mark your calendar now for one of Austin's most beloved, delicious, and fun-filled festivals—the St. Elias Mediterranean Festival scheduled for SEPTEMBER 28TH & 29TH.

Friday 6 - 11 and Saturday Noon - 11 pm.
Free Admission Saturday, Noon to 4:00 p.m.!!

Fr. David Barr has graciously given many free admission tickets to our community! If you would like some, please stop by the Philoptochos table to pick them up!



Thank you to today's Coffee Hour Sponsors:
Edgell, Edwards, Apostolakis, Evgenides, Ferrua

Thank you to last week's Coffee Hour Sponsors:
Dietz, Dow, Draina, Eagle, Ebeling

Next week's Coffee Hour Sponsors are:
Ford, Foster, Garwood, Gatlin, Georgantonis

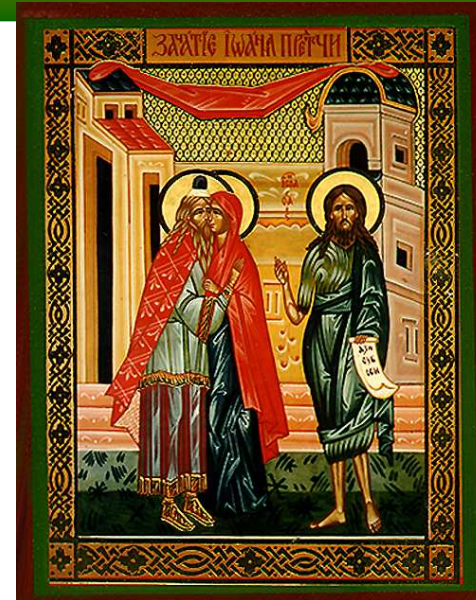
Thank you to today's ushers:
Pat Mitchell, Chrissie Spiropoulos, David Horwedel

Thank you to last week's ushers:
Maria Miller, Kevin & Tricia Koriath

Next week's ushers are:
Ioannis Ousaklidis, Dr. Jerry Burks, Liz Strong

**SUNDAY BULLETIN
SEPTEMBER 23, 2012**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LUKE
FEAST OF THE CONCEPTION OF
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**



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

Reverend Fr. Vasileios Flegas, Proistamenos
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Hymns for Today

Resurrection Hymn (Baris Tone)

*“Katelisas to Stavro Su ton thanaton ineoxas to listi ton parathison
ton Miroforon ton thrinon meteuales ke tis.*

Sis apostolis kirittin epetaxas oti anestis Christe o Theos parehon to kosmo to mega eleos.”

“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 the Conception of St. John the Forerunner

Rejoice, O thou barren one who hadst not borne until now;

for lo, in all truth thou hast conceived the lamp of the Sun,

and he shall send forth his light over all the earth, which is afflicted with blindness.

Dance, O Zacharias, and cry out with great boldness:

The one to be born is the blest Prophet of God Most High.

Hymn for the Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

“Metemorfothis en to ori, Christe o Theos,

dixas tis mathites Sou tin doxan Sou, kathos i dynando

Lampson ke imin tis amartolis to fos Sou to aidion,

presvies tis Theotokou Fotodota 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 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.”*

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SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK:

Feast of Sts. Thekla and Silouan: Monday, Sept. 24- Orthros at 9:00am; Divine Liturgy at 10:00am

Falling Asleep of St. John the Theologian: Wednesday, Sept. 26-

Orthros at 9:00am; Divine Liturgy at 10:00am

Great Vespers: Saturday, September 29- 5:00pm

HOPE/JOY NEWS

Sunday School Fundraising Cake Auction

All students are asked to bake cakes and bring them, wrapped in portable fashion, to sell at the Cake Auction on October 7! This is our Sunday School's only fundraiser, and it's an opportunity for our children to learn true stewardship as they invest their time and talents in the parish!

Our Annual Roller-Skating Social is tonight!

Please join us at Playland Skate Center from 5:30-7:30.

Pizza will be served, so please let Elissa Bjeletich know if you plan to be there!

HOLY HOUSE!

Our third annual Holy House is coming up!

Saturday, October 27, 6:00-8:00pm

All students are welcome as GOYAns present exciting scenes from the Bible at Holy House!

The GOYAns will have an “After” Dance Party beginning at 8:00pm!

GOYA NEWS

Join us for canoeing with the SOYO teens
of St. Elias on Lady Bird Lake -
Sat, Oct 7 at 1:00pm

2012 Southern Region Fall Retreat!

The 2012 Southern Region GOYA Fall Retreat will be held
November 30 - December 2 at

Pine Cove Outback Retreat Center in Columbus, Texas.

Retreat registration cost is \$120.

GOYAns, ages 11-18, are invited to retreat away from every day challenges for a weekend of growth and fellowship. Go online to register: <http://youth.denver.goarch.org/events/2012-events/2012-southern-region-fall-retreat>

GOYA BASKETBALL

It is basketball time again!

Registration for the Metropolis B'Ball Tournament will open soon.

If you are interested in being part of the TGOC team (no experience necessary!), [there will be a brief informational meeting on Sunday, Sept. 30 at 12:30pm in the conference room.](#)

Or you can contact Pete or Cynthia Price at: colovasprice@austin.rr.com



OCF (Orthodox College Fellowship)

OCF will begin meeting **every Tuesday**
at the Campus Business Center (CBA 4.348) at 6:30pm.

(Become a member of their facebook group [University of Texas OCF](#) to keep up with all the events & info!)

YAL (Young Adult League)

The Young Adults will continue their Bible studies here at Transfiguration on Thursday September 27, 6:30 pm.

If you'd like to join the YAL email list, please email austin.oya@gmail.com

GOLF (Greek Orthodox Ladies Fellowship)

The ladies' study group will continue meeting on Tuesday mornings at 10:00am! We are studying the book [Crazy John](#). All women are invited to attend this beautiful study time together.

Children are welcome, too!

Contact Whitney Papadatos with any questions- wpapadatos@hotmail.com



Monday, October 8, 2012
12:30 Shotgun - Scramble
Lakeway Country Club, Live Oak Course

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Lunch by **Arby's** at 11:30 am
Dinner by **Outback Steakhouse**



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Presented by the Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church (TGOC)
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Greek School News

The Greek School classes have begun!

ALL CLASSES MEET
EVERY FRIDAY
from 6:30 -8:00pm
Here at Transfiguration

Contact Katerina Costuros if you have
any questions-
katerina_costuros@yahoo.com

Greek Dancing for Our Youth

Our youth dancers have been asked to perform at
the St. Elias Mediterranean Festival in September!

They will be performing on Saturday evening
around dinner time.

If your students are interested in being a part of one
of these 2 groups (you do not need to have
previous experience...come and learn with us!),
please contact the following:

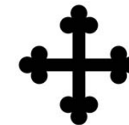
1- *Ellinaki* (2nd - 5th grades)
contact Eleni Ackerman at
eleni_ackerman@yahoo.com

2- *Levendia* (6th - 12th grades)
contact Cynthia Price at
colovasprice@austin.rr.com

September 23, 2012 - First Sunday of Luke

Epistle - Galatians 4: 22-27

For it hath been written that Abraham had two sons: one by the maidservant, and one by the free woman. But on the one hand, the one of the maidservant hath been born according to the flesh; and on the other hand, the one of the free woman through the promise, which things are allegorized. For these are the two covenants: one indeed from Mount Sinai which bringeth forth to slavery, which is Agar— for the Agar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and correspondeth to the present Jerusalem, and she doth slave with her children— but the Jerusalem above is free, which is Mother of us all. For it hath been written: “Rejoice, thou barren, who bearest not; break forth and cry thou who travailest not; for many are the children of the desolate more than of her who hath the husband.”



Ἀδελφοί, Ἀβραὰμ δύο υἱοὺς ἔσχεν· ἓνα ἐκ τῆς παιδίσκης, καὶ ἓνα ἐκ τῆς ἐλευθέρης. Ἀλλ' ὁ μὲν ἐκ τῆς παιδίσκης κατὰ σάρκα γεγέννηται, ὁ δὲ ἐκ τῆς ἐλευθέρης διὰ τῆς ἐπαγγελίας. Ἄτινά ἐστιν ἀλληγορούμενα· αὐταὶ γὰρ εἰσὶν δύο διαθήκαι· μία μὲν ἀπὸ ὄρους Σινᾶ, εἰς δουλείαν γεννώσα, ἣτις ἐστὶν Ἄγαρ. Τὸ γὰρ Ἄγαρ Σινᾶ ὄρος ἐστὶν ἐν τῇ Ἀραβίᾳ, συστοιχεῖ δὲ τῇ νῦν Ἱερουσαλήμ, δουλεῖ δὲ μετὰ τῶν τέκνων αὐτῆς. Ἡ δὲ ἄνω Ἱερουσαλήμ ἐλευθέρη ἐστίν, ἣτις ἐστὶν μήτηρ πάντων ἡμῶν· γέγραπται γάρ, Εὐφράνθητι, στείρα, ἢ οὐ τίκτουςα· ῥῆξον καὶ βόησον, ἢ οὐκ ὠδίνουσα· ὅτι πολλὰ τὰ τέκνα τῆς ἐρήμου μᾶλλον ἢ τῆς ἐχούσης τὸν ἄνδρα.



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At that time, Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret. And he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.



Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκεῖνῳ, ἐστῶς ὁ Ἰησοῦς παρὰ τὴν λίμνην Γεννησαρέτ, καὶ εἶδε δύο πλοῖα ἐστῶτα παρὰ τὴν λίμνην· οἱ δὲ ἀλιεῖς ἀποβάντες ἀπ' αὐτῶν ἀπέπλυναν τὰ δίκτυα. ἐμβὰς δὲ εἰς ἓν τῶν πλοίων, ὃ ἦν τοῦ Σίμωνος, ἠρώτησεν αὐτὸν ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς ἐπαναγαγεῖν ὀλίγον· καὶ καθίσας ἐδίδασκεν ἐκ τοῦ πλοίου τοὺς ὄχλους. ὡς δὲ ἐπαύσατο λαλῶν, εἶπε πρὸς τὸν Σίμωνα· ἐπανάγαγε εἰς τὸ βάθος καὶ χαλάσατε τὰ δίκτυα ὑμῶν εἰς ἄγραν. καὶ ἀποκριθεὶς ὁ Σίμων εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἐπιστάτα, δι' ὅλης τῆς νυκτὸς κοπιάσαντες οὐδὲν ἐλάβομεν· ἐπὶ δὲ τῷ ῥήματί σου χαλάσω τὸ δίκτυον. καὶ τοῦτο ποιήσαντες συνέκλεισαν πλῆθος ἰχθύων πολὺ· διερρήγνυτο δὲ τὸ δίκτυον αὐτῶν. καὶ κατένευσαν τοῖς μετόχοις τοῖς ἐν τῷ ἑτέρῳ πλοίῳ τοῦ ἐλθόντος συλλαβέσθαι αὐτοῖς· καὶ ἦλθον καὶ ἐπλησαν ἀμφοτέρω τὰ πλοῖα, ὥστε βυθίζεσθαι αὐτά. ἰδὼν δὲ Σίμων Πέτρος προσέπεσε τοῖς γόνασιν Ἰησοῦ λέγων· ἔξελθε ἀπ' ἐμοῦ, ὅτι ἀνήρ ἁμαρτωλός εἰμι, Κύριε· θάμβος γὰρ περιέσχεν αὐτὸν καὶ πάντας τοὺς σὺν αὐτῷ ἐπὶ τῇ ἄγρα τῶν ἰχθύων ἢ συνέλαβον, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ Ἰωάννην, υἱοὺς Ζεβεδαίου, οἱ ἦσαν κοινῶν τῷ Σίμωνι. καὶ εἶπε πρὸς τὸν Σίμωνα ὁ Ἰησοῦς· μὴ φοβοῦ· ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν ἀνθρώπους ἔσῃ ζωγρῶν. καὶ καταγαγόντες τὰ πλοῖα ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, ἀφέντες ἅπαντα ἠκολούθησαν αὐτῷ.

WELCOME VISITORS!

*We welcome all new visitors who worshipped with us this morning. We are pleased to have you with us!
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 Transfiguration.
We hope that you will return often to worship with us and grow in Christ!*

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 are not Orthodox, you are invited with everyone to receive the Antidoro (blessed bread) at the end of service. If you would like information about the Orthodox Church and becoming an Orthodox Christian, please see Father Vasileios after services.

Sunday School Classes are in session.

Please allow the Church School children and teachers to receive Holy Communion first so they can leave for their classes.

All others should wait until the ushers dismiss you by rows to receive Communion.

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH

Arlena, Cindy, Philip, W.C., Glenna, Nicole, Michael, the nun Elizabeth, Wanda, John, Lili, Archie, Paul, Michael, Sarah, Petra, Luke, Matthew, Elizabeth, Cecilia, Venton, John, Julia, Ricky, Wayne, Sarah, Alice, Diane, Christopher, Konstandinos, Jan, Marie, Chris, MaryAnn, Cliff, Maggie, Nicholaos, Arsinoi, Lou, Thomas, Kathy, Kathryn, Greg, John, Bill, Steve, Maggie, Nakis, Martha, George, Richard Simeon, Terri, Phyllis, Nicole, Mark, Christopher, Sophie, Madeleine, Maria, Nassos, Maria, Amy, Christina

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR ARMED FORCES:

SGT Jennifer D. Atkinson, SSG John Atkinson, COL Dave Romine, CPT James Alfaro, SSG Deane Anderson, CPT William Willett, MAJ Timothy Ullman, MAJ Chris Chase, Cadet Mindy Keys, SPC Andrew Bentzel, MAJ Scot Thornhill

In Memoriam

As we did last year, we are dedicating a section in the gala program book/ photo directory to honor all of our parishioners' loved ones who have fallen asleep in the Lord within the 2012 year.

We are gathering the names now; so if you have had a family member fall asleep in the Lord during this calendar year, please send in a photo and a short bio of them to the church office as soon as possible. Thank you!