

**WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS: Sunday, October 28, 2012**

**HELP NEEDED FOR "A TASTE OF GREECE"**

Calling All Church Members! Single, Married, Nounos, Nounas, Those without kids, Those with kids, Those with cats, dogs and chickens (you get the ideal!): We need volunteers to help at A Taste of Greece with a few *very fun children's activities* on Saturday, Nov. 3 for a few 1 1/2 hour shifts. Between the hours of 11am and 5pm we are hoping to offer these fun events for all children:

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| <p><b>Activity 1: Take a photo at the Greek boy/Greek girl cut out board</b></p> <p><b>Activity 2: Traditional Greek Games</b></p> <p><b>Activity 3: Go Fishing for Greek Words/Write your name in Greek</b></p> <p><b>Activity 4: Cupcake Walk or Musical Chairs</b></p> | <p><b>Activity 5: Self Led Tour/Scavenger Hunt in the Church</b></p> <p><b>Activity 6: Dance Lessons--following the Greek dance performance</b></p> <p><b>Activity 7: Make a Greek Craft</b></p> |
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Please go to this link to signup: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0C45AEAB283-taste](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0C45AEAB283-taste)

Questions? contact Amity @ 512-468-9519 or amity\_garwood@hotmail.com

<p><b>OCF (Orthodox College Fellowship)</b> OCF will begin meeting <b>every Tuesday</b> at the Campus Business Center (CBA 4.348) at 6:30pm. (Become a member of their facebook group <a href="#">University of Texas OCF</a> to keep up with all the events &amp; info!)</p>	<p><b>YAL (Young Adult League)</b> The Young Adults will continue their Bible studies here at Transfiguration on Thursday, Nov. 1 at 6:30 pm. If you'd like to join the YAL email list, please email <a href="mailto:austin.oya@gmail.com">austin.oya@gmail.com</a></p>
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<p><b>GOLF (Greek Orthodox Ladies Fellowship)</b> The ladies' study group will continue meeting on Tuesday mornings at 10:00am! We are studying the book <u>Crazy John</u>. All women are invited to attend this beautiful study time together. Children are welcome, too! Contact Whitney Papadatos with any questions: <a href="mailto:wpapadatos@hotmail.com">wpapadatos@hotmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Greek School News</b>  ALL GREEK CLASSES MEET EVERY FRIDAY from 6:30 -8:00pm here at Transfiguration Contact Katerina Costuros if you have any Questions <a href="mailto:katerina_costuros@yahoo.com">katerina_costuros@yahoo.com</a></p>
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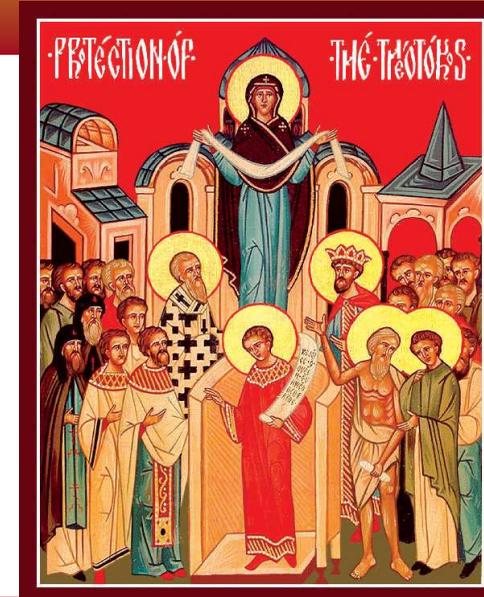
<p><b>Thank you to last week's Coffee Hour Sponsors:</b> <i>Gimenez, Glarakis, Glaros, Gouris, Gradziel</i></p>	<p><b>Next week's Coffee Hour Sponsors are:</b> <i>Jones, Jones, Justice, Kalogirou, Kalpaxis</i></p>
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<p><b>Thank you to today's ushers:</b> <i>Marko Bjeletich, Allen Wynn, Vaios Athanasiou</i></p>	<p><b>Thank you to last week's ushers:</b> <i>Shelley Ebeling, Kevin and Tricia Koriioth</i></p>	<p><b>Next week's ushers are:</b> <i>Judy Eagle, Chrissie Spiropoulos, David Horwedel, Vaios Athanasiou</i></p>
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SUNDAY BULLETIN

OCTOBER 28, 2012

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF LUKE  
**THE HOLY PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS**



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SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE  
ORTHROS 8:45AM; DIVINE LITURGY 10:00AM

**Reverend Fr. Vasileios Flegas, Proistamenos**  
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*HYMNS FOR TODAY*

**Resurrection Hymn** *fourth Tone*

*“To fedron tis anastaseos kirigma ek tu angelumathuse e tu Kiriumathitrie ke tin progonikin apofasin aporrripsase tis Apostolis kafhomena elegon eskilefte o thantos i gerthi Christos o Theos thorumenos to kosmo to mega eleos.”*

*“When the tidings of the resurrection from the glorious angel was proclaimed unto the women disciples and our ancestral sentence also had been abolished to the Apostles with boasting did they proclaim that death is vanquished ever more and Christ our God has risen from the dead and granted to the world His great mercy.”*

**Hymn for the Holy Protection of the Theotokos**

*O Virgin, we extol the great grace of thy Protection,  
which thou didst spread out like a bright cloud beyond all understanding;  
for thou dost invisibly protect thy people from the foe's every assault.  
Since we have thee as our shelter and certain help, we cry to thee with our whole soul:  
Glory to thy great deeds, O most pure Maid. Glory to thy shelter most divine.  
Glory to thy care and providence for us, O spotless one.*

**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 for Sts. Cosmas and Damian* Thursday, Nov. 1,  
*Orthros 9:00 am, Divine Liturgy 10:00 am*  
*Great Vespers: Saturday, November 3- 5:00pm*

**PHILOTOCHOS PRE-BAZAAR PLATE LUNCH SALE!  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST - from 11:00am to 2:00pm**

Philoptochos is holding a first ever “to go” Greek Plate Lunch sale!

This lunch is offered to ANYONE; but you need to purchase a ticket in advance because we are only preparing for the amount of tickets sold.

So, pass the word to your neighbors, colleagues, and friends that we are offering this lunch!

The plate will include delicious Greek-style chicken, Greek potatoes, Greek salad, bread and 2 Greek cookies.

It will also include your choice of a soda or bottled water. The tickets are \$10 each.

Stop by the Philoptochos table to purchase your tickets today!

*Transfiguration 27th Anniversary Gala Celebration*

**Saturday, November 10, 6:30pm at the Hyatt Regency Austin**

Ticket sales and seating reservations will be available today in the foyer of

Mt. Tabor Hall. **Deadline for ticket purchase is Sunday, Nov. 4**

**YOU MAY PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS ONLINE AT [www.transfiguration.org](http://www.transfiguration.org)**

Adult tickets- \$100 - Student tickets (22 and under) \$40.00

**Christmas Program**

This year the Agape Choir will perform at a beautiful family Nativity event called "Holy Night" on the evening of Sunday, December 16. All children will be rehearsing for this special Nativity program on the following Sundays: November 4th & 11th, and December 9th at 9:30 a.m. in Mt. Tabor hall.

Please contact Lainie Horwedel with any questions: [mymommysings@gmail.com](mailto:mymommysings@gmail.com)

**GOYA HAPPENINGS**

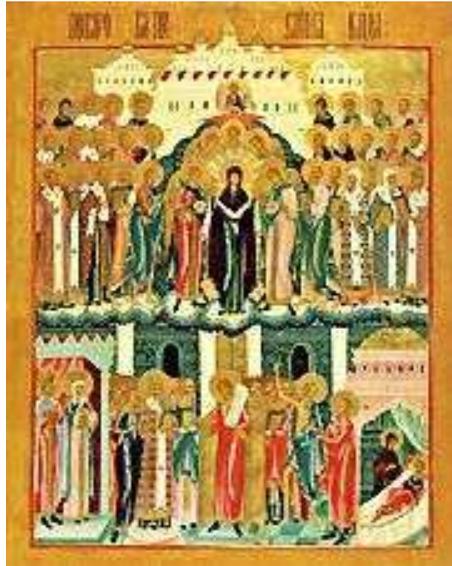
GOYA joins SOYO of St. Elias

In hiking Mt. Bonnell with a picnic on top!

Bring yummy foods and drinks!

Mozart's Coffee House to follow for homemade gelato, Amy's Ice Cream,  
or your other favorite dessert.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11 at 1:00PM (after the Divine Liturgy)**



### The Holy Protection of the Theotokos

The Protection of the Most Holy Theotokos: "Today the Virgin stands in the midst of the Church, and with choirs of Saints she invisibly prays to God for us. Angels and Bishops venerate Her, Apostles and prophets rejoice together, Since for our sake she prays to the Eternal God!"

This miraculous appearance of the Mother of God occurred in the mid-tenth century in Constantinople, in the Blachernae church where her robe, veil, and part of her belt were preserved after being transferred from Palestine in the fifth century. On Sunday, October 28, during the All Night Vigil, when the church was overflowing with those at prayer, the Fool-for-Christ St Andrew, at the fourth hour, lifted up his eyes towards the heavens and beheld our most Holy Lady

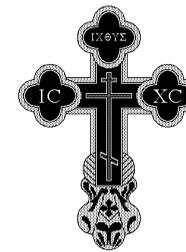
Theotokos coming through the air, resplendent with heavenly light and surrounded by an assembly of the Saints. St John the Baptist and the holy Apostle John the Theologian accompanied the Queen of Heaven. On bended knees the Most Holy Virgin tearfully prayed for Christians for a long time. Then, coming near the Bishop's Throne, she continued her prayer.

After completing her prayer she took her veil and spread it over the people praying in church, protecting them from enemies both visible and invisible. The Most Holy Lady Theotokos was resplendent with heavenly glory, and the protecting veil in her hands gleamed "more than the rays of the sun." St Andrew gazed trembling at the miraculous vision and he asked his disciple, the blessed Epiphanius standing beside him, "Do you see, brother, the Holy Theotokos, praying for all the world?" Epiphanius answered, "I do see, holy Father, and I am in awe."

The Ever-Blessed Mother of God implored the Lord Jesus Christ to accept the prayers of all the people calling on His Most Holy Name, and to respond speedily to her intercession, "O Heavenly King, accept all those who pray to You and call on my name for help. Do not let them not go away from my icon unheard."

On the Feast of the Protection of the Most Holy Theotokos we implore the defense and assistance of the Queen of Heaven, "Remember us in your prayers, O Lady Virgin Mother of God, that we not perish by the increase of our sins. Protect us from every evil and from grievous woes, for in you do we hope, and venerating the Feast of your Protection, we magnify you."

"Brethren, knowing then that a man is not being justified by the works of the law, except through faith in Jesus Christ, even we believed in Christ Jesus, in order that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; because by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified. "But if, while we sought to be justified in Christ, we ourselves also were found sinners, is then Christ a minister of sin? May it not be! "For if I build again these things which I destroyed, I constitute myself a transgressor. "For I through the law died to the law, in order that I might live to God. "I have been crucified with Christ; and I no longer live, but Christ liveth in me; and the life that I now live in the flesh I live in faith, in that of the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.



Ἀδελφοί, εἰδότες ὅτι οὐ δικαιοῦται ἄνθρωπος ἐξ ἔργων νόμου, ἐὰν μὴ διὰ πίστεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, καὶ ἡμεῖς εἰς Χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν ἐπιστεύσαμεν, ἵνα δικαιωθῶμεν ἐκ πίστεως Χριστοῦ, καὶ οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων νόμου· διότι οὐ δικαιωθήσεται ἐξ ἔργων νόμου πᾶσα σὰρξ. Εἰ δέ, ζητοῦντες δικαιωθῆναι ἐν Χριστῷ, εὐρέθημεν καὶ αὐτοὶ ἁμαρτωλοὶ, ἄρα Χριστὸς ἁμαρτίας διάκονος; Μὴ γένοιτο. Εἰ γὰρ ἃ κατέλυσα, ταῦτα πάλιν οἰκοδομῶ, παραβάτην ἑμαυτὸν συνίστημι. Ἐγὼ γὰρ διὰ νόμου νόμῳ ἀπέθανον, ἵνα θεῷ ζῆσω. Χριστῷ συνεσταύρωμαι· ζῶ δέ, οὐκέτι ἐγώ, ζῆ δὲ ἐν ἐμοὶ Χριστός· ὁ δὲ νῦν ζῶ ἐν σαρκί, ἐν πίστει ζῶ τῇ τοῦ υἱοῦ τοῦ θεοῦ, τοῦ ἀγαπήσαντός με καὶ παραδόντος ἑαυτὸν ὑπὲρ ἐμοῦ.

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 ἐκεῖνω, ἄνθρωπός τις προσῆλθε τῷ Ἰησοῦ ᾧ ὄνομα Ἰάϊρος, καὶ ἰδοὺ ἦλθεν ἀνὴρ ᾧ ὄνομα Ἰάϊρος, καὶ αὐτὸς 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 αὕτη ἀπέθνησκει. Ἐν δὲ τῷ ὑπάγειν αὐτὸν οἱ ὄχλοι συνέπινον αὐτόν. καὶ γυνὴ οὖσα ἐν ῥύσει αἵματος ἀπὸ ἐτῶν δώδεκα, ἥτις ἰατροῖς προσαναλώσασα ὅλον τὸν βίον οὐκ ἴσχυεν ὑπ' 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 καὶ οἱ σὺν αὐτῷ· ἐπιστάτα, οἱ ὄχλοι συνέχουσί σε καὶ ἀποθλίβουσι, καὶ λέγεις τίς ὁ ἀψάμενός μου; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν· ἤψατό μου τις· ἐγὼ γὰρ ἔγνω δύνάμιν ἐξελθοῦσαν ἀπ' ἐμοῦ. ἰδοῦσα δὲ ἡ γυνὴ ὅτι οὐκ ἔλαθε, τρέμουσα ἦλθε καὶ προσπεσοῦσα αὐτῷ δι' ἣν αἰτίαν ἤψατο αὐτοῦ ἀπήγγειλεν αὐτῷ ἐνώπιον παντὸς τοῦ λαοῦ, καὶ ὡς ἰάθη παραχρῆμα. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτῇ· θάρσει, θύγατερ, ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέ σε· πορεύου εἰς εἰρήνην. Ἐτι αὐτοῦ λαλοῦντος ἔρχεται τις παρὰ τοῦ ἀρχισυναγῶγου λέγων αὐτῷ ὅτι τέθνηκεν ἡ θυγάτηρ σου· μὴ σκύλλε τὸν διδάσκαλον. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς ἀκούσας ἀπεκρίθη αὐτῷ λέγων· μὴ φοβοῦ· μόνον πίστευε, καὶ σωθήσεται. ἐλθὼν δὲ εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν οὐκ ἀφῆκεν εἰσελθεῖν οὐδένα εἰ μὴ Πέτρον καὶ Ἰωάννην καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ τὸν πατέρα τῆς παιδὸς καὶ τὴν μητέρα. ἐκλαίον δὲ πάντες καὶ ἐκόπτοντο αὐτήν. ὁ δὲ εἶπε· μὴ κλαίετε· οὐκ ἀπέθανεν, ἀλλὰ καθεύδει. καὶ κατεγέλων αὐτοῦ, εἰδότες ὅτι ἀπέθανεν. αὐτὸς δὲ ἐκβαλὼν ἔξω πάντας καὶ κρατήσας τῆς χειρὸς αὐτῆς ἐφώνησε λέγων· ἡ παῖς, ἐγείρου. καὶ ἐπέστρεψε τὸ πνεῦμα αὐτῆς, καὶ ἀνέστη παραχρῆμα, καὶ διέταξεν αὐτῇ δοθῆναι φαγεῖν. καὶ ἐξέστησαν οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῖς. ὁ δὲ παρήγγειλεν αὐτοῖς μηδενὶ εἰπεῖν τὸ γεγονός.

### *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.*

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**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, Ana, Dolly, Fr. Ambrose, Vickie, Gonzalo, Pat, Linda, Mindy, Rosemary, Jenny, Fr. Andreas, Emmanuel, Alkmene, Maree, Constanze, Jennifer, Timothy, Andrea, Janis Mae, Andreas, Luke, Zlata, Andrea

### *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*