

**House Blessings**

Father Vasileios will begin our house blessings after the

***Feast of Theophany on January 6, 2013.***

Please contact Father Vasileios to discuss scheduling your house blessing;  
or fill out the house blessing form below and turn it in to the office.

*Christ is illumined, let us shine forth with Him.*

*Christ is baptized, let us descend with Him that we may also ascend with Him.*

-St. Gregory the Theologian, Oration on the Holy Lights, Epiphany 381, 10-16., 4th Century

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**ΕΠΙΦΑΝΙΑ HOUSE BLESSING FORM**

If you would like Father Vasileios to bless your home for the New Year, please return this form to the Church Office as soon as possible.

Please indicate your preferred days of the week and time of day: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions please call the Church Office at 329-6363.

**Office Volunteers**

The Parish Council has formed a new ministry: Office Volunteers  
And Pat Gatlin has graciously agreed to be the coordinator of this new group! (Thank you, Pat!) if you are interested in being a part of this new ministry, please contact Pat at 512.402.0698 (home) or 512.925.3149 (cell phone)

***Thank you to today's Coffee Hour Sponsors:***

*Romine, Robertson, Sewell, Shannon, Shotwell*

***Thank you to last week's Luncheon Sponsors:***

*The Transfiguration GOYA families*

***Next week's Coffee Hour Sponsors are:***

*Simbles, Skevofilax, Skevofilax,  
Spiropoulos, Stahlke*

***Thank you to today's ushers:***

*Tricia Koriath, MaryBeth Gradziel,  
David Horwedel, Vaios Athanasiou*

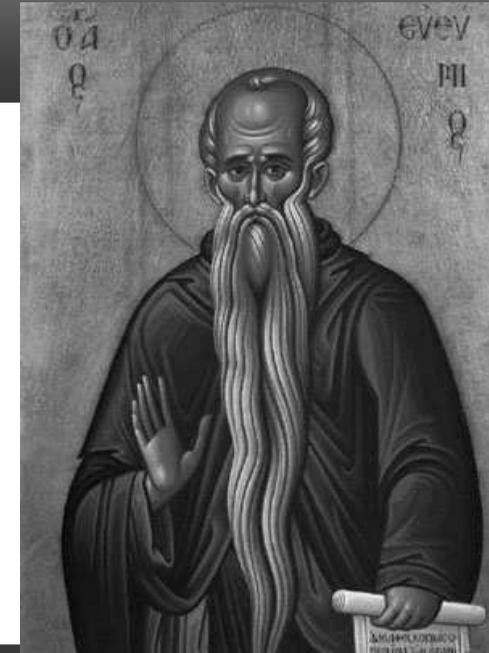
***Thank you to last week's ushers:***

*Judy Eagle, MaryBeth Gradziel,  
David Horwedel, Vaios Athanasiou*

***Next week's ushers are:***

*Stephen Dow, Dan and Gigi  
Appling, Nyda Glaros*

**TWELFTH SUNDAY OF LUKE  
RIGHTEOUS EUTHYMIUS THE GREAT**



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SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

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

**Reverend Fr. Vasileios Flegas, Proistamenos**

**Resurrection Hymn** (4th Plagal Tone)

*“Ex ipsus katitthes o efsplagnos tafin katethexo triimeros ina imas eleftherosis ton pathon i Zoi ke i anastasis imon Kirie thoxasi”*

*“From on high did You descend, O merciful Lord, for us did You endure, three days in the tomb that we may be, released from passions in this world, You who are our resurrection and our life Glory unto You O Lord.”*

**Hymn for Saint Euthymius the Great**

*Be glad, O barren one, that hast not given birth; be of good cheer, thou that hast not travailed; for a man of desires hath multiplied thy children of the Spirit, having planted them in piety and reared them in continence to the perfection of the virtues. By his prayers, O Christ our God, make our life peaceful.*

**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 idynando 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. By the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee.”*

**Kontakion**

*Ὁ μήτραν παρθενικὴν ἀγιάσας τῷ τόκῳ σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεῶν ἐδόλογῆσας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νὺν ἔσωσας ἡμᾶς Χριστέ ὁ Θεός. Ἄλλ' εἰρήνευσον ἐν πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἠγάπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλόνητος.*

*“Thou Who didst sanctify the Virgin's womb by Thy birth and didst bless Symeon's hands as was meet by anticipation, has even now saved us O Christ our God. But grant peace in the midst of wars unto Thy commonwealth and strengthen the hierarchs whom Thou hast loved oh only Friend of man.”*

SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

*Small Compline* - Wednesday, January 23: 6:30pm

*Vespers* - Thursday, January 24: 5:30pm

*Feast of St. Gregory the Theologian*- Friday, January 25: *Orthros*– 8:30am; *Divine Liturgy*– 9:30am

*Great Vespers* - Saturday, January 26: 5:00pm

Today we welcome Fr. Theodor and Prsv. Aspasia Bitala!  
Thank you, Fr. Bitala, for serving with us today!

Father Vasileios is with our GOYANs and their families attending the Metropolis Basketball Tournament in Dallas.

We wish them all the best!

Please pray for a wonderful weekend and safe return home for them.

The Philoptochos Annual Vasilopita Auction was a tremendous success!

We raised \$1,558.27!

Thank you to our fabulous auctioneer, Bill Colovas, his helpers, Mike Strong, Effie & Anthony George, all of our amazing bakers, everyone who worked so diligently to put this event together, and of course, to everyone who bid on a cake!

St. Basil School and Orphanage will be so excited and grateful!

**GOLF** (Greek Orthodox Ladies Fellowship)

The ladies' study group is taking a 2 week break and will continue their study of In Thy Presence by Lev Gillet on **Tuesday, February 5!**

All women are invited to attend this beautiful study time together. Children are welcome, too!  
If you would like to be put on the email list, contact Whitney Papadatos: wpapadatos@hotmail.com

**Encore!**

SAVE THE DATE

The Encore! Fellowship group is planning a pot-luck dinner at the home of Jacob and Diana Angelo on Sunday, February 17 at 6:00pm



### **Righteous Euthymius the Great**

This Saint, who was from Melitene in Armenia, was the son of pious parents named Paul and Dionysia. He was born about 377. Since his mother had been barren, he was named Euthymius-which means "good cheer" or "joy"-for this is what his parents experienced at his birth. He studied under Eutroius, the Bishop of Melitene, by whom he was ordained and entrusted with the care of the monasteries of Melitene. Then, after he had come to Palestine about the year 406, he became the leader of a multitude of monks. Through him, a great tribe of Arabs was turned to piety, when he healed the ailing son of their leader Aspebetos. Aspebetos was baptized with all his people; he took the Christian name of Peter, and was later consecrated Bishop for his tribe, being called "Bishop of the Tents." Saint Euthymius also fought against the Nestorians, Eutychians, and Manichaeans. When Eudocia, the widow of Saint Theodosius the Younger, had made her dwelling in Palestine, and had fallen into the heresy of the Monophysites which was championed in Palestine by a certain Theodosius, she sent envoys to Saint Symeon the Stylite in Syria (see Sept. 1), asking him his opinion of Eutyches and the Council of Chalcedon which had condemned him; Saint Symeon, praising the holiness and Orthodoxy of Saint Euthymius near whom she dwelt, sent her to him to be delivered from her error (the holy Empress Eudocia is commemorated Aug. 13). He became the divine oracle of the Church, or rather, "the vessel of divine utterance," as a certain historian writes. He was the instructor and elder of Saint Sabbas the Sanctified. Having lived for ninety-six years, he reposed in 473, on January 20.

#### **TRAVEL-SIZE TOILETRIES NEEDED**

MOBILE LOAVES & FISHES CONTINUALLY NEEDS TOILETRIES, WARM SOCKS AND BACK-PACKS TO GIVE TO THE HOMELESS THAT THEY SERVE. WHEN YOU ARE PURCHASING GROCERIES, PLEASE REMEMBER THE LESS FORTUNATE AND PICK UP SOME SOCKS OR TRAVEL-SIZE TOILETRIES! THERE IS A BASKET IN THE FOYER OF MT. TABOR FOR THESE ITEMS.

THANK YOU!!!

*January 20, 2013—Twelfth Sunday of Luke*

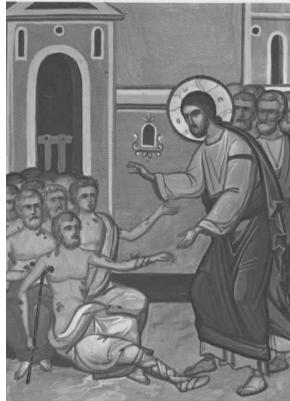
*Epistle - II CORINTHIANS 4: 6-15*

Brethren, because it is God Who said, "Let there be light" to shine out of darkness, Who shined in our hearts, for the illumination of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the preeminence of the power may be of God, and not from us. In every way we are afflicted, but not straightened; we are at a loss, but not utterly at a loss; persecuted, but not abandoned; cast down, but not destroyed— always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body. For we, the living, are always being delivered to death on account of Jesus, that also the life of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh. So that indeed death energizeth itself in us, but life in you. But having the same spirit of faith, according to that which hath been written: "I believed, wherefore I spoke," we also believe, and therefore speak, knowing that the One Who raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also through Jesus, and shall present us with you. For all things are for your sakes, that the grace, which abounded through the majority, might cause the giving of thanks to abound more to the glory of God.

Ἀδελφοί, ὁ θεὸς ὁ εἰπὼν ἐκ σκότους φῶς λάμψαι, ὃς ἔλαμψεν ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ἡμῶν πρὸς φωτισμὸν τῆς γνώσεως τῆς δόξης τοῦ θεοῦ ἐν προσώπῳ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ. Ἔχομεν δὲ τὸν θησαυρὸν τοῦτον ἐν ὀστρακίνοις σκεύεσιν, ἵνα ἡ ὑπερβολὴ τῆς δυνάμεως ᾗ τοῦ θεοῦ, καὶ μὴ ἐξ ἡμῶν· ἐν παντὶ θλιβόμενοι, ἀλλ' οὐ στενοχωρούμενοι· ἀπορούμενοι, ἀλλ' οὐκ ἐξαπορούμενοι· διωκόμενοι, ἀλλ' οὐκ ἐγκαταλειπόμενοι· καταβαλλόμενοι, ἀλλ' οὐκ ἀπολλύμενοι· πάντοτε τὴν νέκρωσιν τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ ἐν τῷ σώματι περιφέροντες, ἵνα καὶ ἡ ζωὴ τοῦ Ἰησοῦ ἐν τῷ σώματι ἡμῶν φανερωθῇ. Αἰεὶ γὰρ ἡμεῖς οἱ ζῶντες εἰς θάνατον παραδιδόμεθα διὰ Ἰησοῦν, ἵνα καὶ ἡ ζωὴ τοῦ Ἰησοῦ φανερωθῇ ἐν τῇ θνητῇ σαρκὶ ἡμῶν. Ὡστε ὁ μὲν θάνατος ἐν ἡμῖν ἐνεργεῖται, ἡ δὲ ζωὴ ἐν ὑμῖν. Ἔχοντες δὲ τὸ αὐτὸ πνεῦμα τῆς πίστεως, κατὰ τὸ γεγραμμένον, Ἐπίστευσα, διὸ ἐλάλησα, καὶ ἡμεῖς πιστεύομεν, διὸ καὶ λαλοῦμεν· εἰδότες ὅτι ὁ ἐγείρας τὸν κύριον Ἰησοῦν καὶ ἡμᾶς διὰ Ἰησοῦ ἐγερεῖ, καὶ παραστήσει σὺν ὑμῖν. Τὰ γὰρ πάντα δι' ὑμᾶς, ἵνα ἡ χάρις πλεονάσασα διὰ τῶν πλειόνων τὴν εὐχαριστίαν περισσεύσῃ εἰς τὴν δόξαν τοῦ θεοῦ.

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said: "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus's feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus: "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him: "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."



Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, εἰσερχομένου αὐτοῦ εἰς τινα κώμην ἀπήντησαν αὐτῷ δέκα λεπροὶ ἄνδρες, οἱ ἕστησαν πόρρωθεν, καὶ αὐτοὶ ἤραν φωνὴν λέγοντες· Ἰησοῦ ἐπιστάτα, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. καὶ ἰδὼν εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· πορευθέντες ἐπιδείξατε ἑαυτοὺς τοῖς ἱερεῦσι. καὶ ἐγένετο ἐν τῷ ὑπάγειν αὐτοὺς ἐκαθαρίσθησαν. εἷς δὲ ἐξ αὐτῶν, ἰδὼν ὅτι ἰάθη, ὑπέστρεψε μετὰ φωνῆς μεγάλης δοξάζων τὸν Θεόν, καὶ ἔπεσεν ἐπὶ πρόσωπον παρὰ τοὺς πόδας αὐτοῦ εὐχαριστῶν αὐτῷ· καὶ αὐτὸς ἦν Σαμαρεῖτης. ἀποκριθεὶς δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν· οὐχὶ οἱ δέκα ἐκαθαρίσθησαν; οἱ δὲ ἐννέα ποῦ; οὐχ εὐρέθησαν ὑποστρέψαντες δοῦναι δόξαν τῷ Θεῷ εἰ μὴ ὁ ἄλλογενὴς οὗτος; καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἀναστάς πορεύου· ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέ σε.

### **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 back 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, 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, Madeleine, Christopher, Sophie, Maria, Nassos, Maria, Amy, Christina, Ana, Dolly, Fr. Ambrose, Vickie, Gonzalo, Pat, Bill, Linda, Mindy, Rosemary, Jenny, Fr. Andreas, Emmanuel, Alkmene, Maree, Constanze, Jennifer, Timothy, Andrea, Janis Mae, Andreas, Luke, Zlata, Andrea, Albert, Dorothy, Presbyteria Krissy, Malamo, Larry, Jane, Argiro, Koula, Boyd, Wilma, Ted, Nicolette, Alexandra, Fr. Damaskinos, Emmanuel, Eleni, Thomas, Maria, Zoe, Kalliopi, Aikaterini, Garyfalia, Danae, Ioannis, Konstantinos, Nikolaos, Evangelia, Aikaterini, Eleni, Eirini, Dimitrios, Antigoni, Sharon, Elaine, Georgia, Chrysoula, Michael, Dimitra, Carol, Frank, Suzanne, Fotini, Max, Sienna, Petros, Kirsten, Yvette, Kimberlin, Alvin

### **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, CPT Christopher Gilbert,  
Capt. Alexander Stathos*