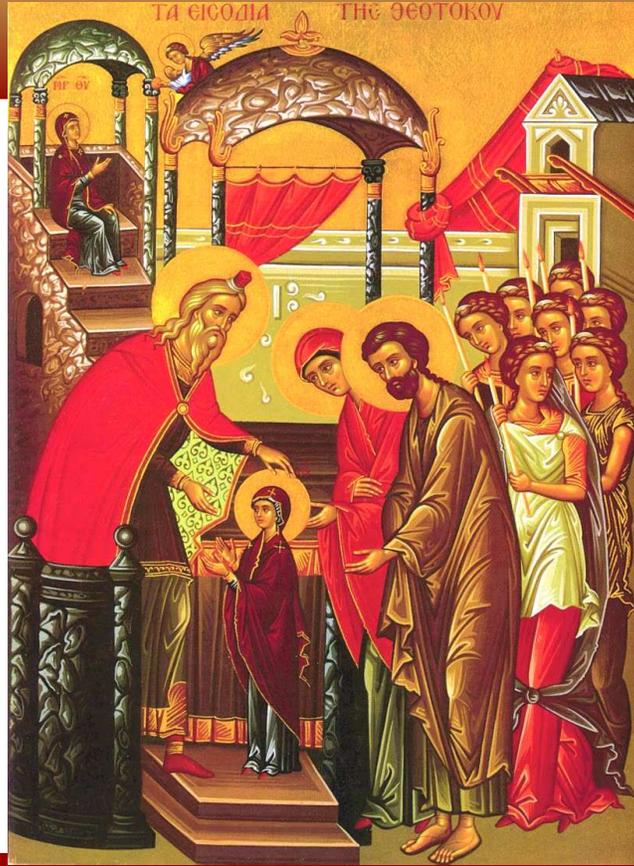


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ORTHROS 8:45AM; DIVINE LITURGY 10:00AM

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Hymns for today

Resurrection Hymn (1st Plagal Tone)

“Eternal with the Father and the Spirit is the Word, Who of a Virgin was begotten for our salvation. As the faithful we both praise and worship Him, for in the flesh did He consent to ascend unto the Cross, and death did He endure and He raised unto life the dead through His all glorious resurrection.”

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν, ὅτι ἠὲ δόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγείραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

Ton sinanarhon Logon Patrike Pnevmati ton ek Parthenu tekthenta is sotirian imon animnisomen pisti ke proskynisomen oti ivthokese sarki anelthin en to stavro ke thanaton ipomine ke egire tus tethneo tas en ti en thoxo anastasi Aftu.

Hymn for The Entry Into the Temple of the Theotokos

Today is the prelude of God's good will and the heralding of the salvation of mankind. In the temple of God, the Virgin is presented openly, and she proclaimeth Christ unto all.

To her, then, with a great voice let us cry aloud:

Rejoice, O thou fulfilment of the Creator's dispensation.

Hymn for the Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

Metemorphosis 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 of The Forefeast of the Entry of the Theotokos into the Temple

Ο καθαρώτατος ναός τού Σωτήρος, η πολυτίμητος παστάς καί Παρθένος, τό Ιερόν θησαύρισμα τῆς δόξης τού Θεού, σήμερον εισάγεται, εν τῷ οίκῳ Κυρίου, τήν χάριν συνεισάγουσα, τήν εν Πνεύματι θείῳ, ἦν ανυμνούσιν Ἄγγελοι Θεού, Αὐτή υπάρχει σκηνή επουράνιος.

The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the Saviour's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, into the House of the Lord on this day is brought forward and bringeth with herself the grace of the Most Divine Spirit; her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

BRETHREN, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

Ἀδελφοί, ἴδετε πηλίκους ὑμῖν γράμμασιν ἔγραψα τῇ ἐμῇ χειρὶ. Ὅσοι θέλουσιν εὐπροσωπῆσαι ἐν σαρκί, οὗτοι ἀναγκάζουσιν ὑμᾶς περιτέμεσθαι, μόνον ἵνα μὴ τῷ σταυρῷ τοῦ Χριστοῦ διώκωνται. Οὐδὲ γὰρ οἱ περιτετμημένοι αὐτοὶ νόμον φυλάσσουσιν, ἀλλὰ θέλουσιν ὑμᾶς περιτέμεσθαι, ἵνα ἐν τῇ ὑμετέρα σαρκὶ καυχῶσινται. Ἐμοὶ δὲ μὴ γένοιτο καυχᾶσθαι εἰ μὴ ἐν τῷ σταυρῷ τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ· δι' οὗ ἔμοι κόσμος ἐσταύρωται, ἀγὰρ τῷ κόσμῳ. Ἐν γὰρ Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ οὔτε περιτομὴ τι ἰσχύει, οὔτε ἀκροβυστία, ἀλλὰ καινὴ κτίσις. Καὶ ὅσοι τῷ κανόνι τούτῳ στοιχήσουσιν, εἰρήνη ἐπ' αὐτούς, καὶ ἔλεος, καὶ ἐπὶ τὸν Ἰσραὴλ τοῦ θεοῦ. Τοῦ λοιποῦ, κόπους μοι μηδεὶς παρεχέτω· ἐγὼ γὰρ τὰ στίγματα τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ ἐν τῷ σώματί μου βαστάζω. Ἡ χάρις τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ μετὰ τοῦ πνεύματος ὑμῶν, ἀδελφοί. Ἀμήν.

At that time, a ruler came to Jesus and asked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.' " And he said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when he heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus looking at him said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" But he said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἄρχων λέγων· διδάσκαλε ἀγαθέ, τί ποιήσας ζωὴν αἰώνιον κληρονομήσω; εἶπε δὲ αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· τί με λέγεις ἀγαθόν; οὐδεὶς ἀγαθὸς εἰ μὴ εἷς ὁ θεός. τὰς ἐντολάς οἶδας· μὴ μοιχεύσης, μὴ φονεύσης, μὴ κλέψης, μὴ ψευδομαρτυρήσης, τίμα τὸν πατέρα σου καὶ τὴν μητέρα σου. ὁ δὲ εἶπε· ταῦτα πάντα ἐφυλαξάμην ἐκ νεότητός μου. ἀκούσας δὲ ταῦτα ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἔτι ἐν σοὶ λείπει· πάντα ὅσα ἔχεις πώλησον καὶ διάδος πτωχοῖς, καὶ ἔξεις θησαυρὸν ἐν οὐρανῷ, καὶ δεῦρο ἀκολούθει μοι. ὁ δὲ ἀκούσας ταῦτα περίλυπος ἐγένετο· ἦν γὰρ πλούσιος σφόδρα. ἰδὼν δὲ αὐτὸν ὁ Ἰησοῦς περίλυπον γενόμενον εἶπε· πῶς δυσκόλως οἱ τὰ χρήματα ἔχοντες εἰσελεύσονται εἰς τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ θεοῦ! εὐκοπώτερον γὰρ ἐστὶ κάμηλον διὰ τρυμαλιᾶς ῥαφίδος εἰσελθεῖν ἢ πλούσιον εἰς τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ θεοῦ εἰσελθεῖν. εἶπον δὲ οἱ ἀκούσαντες· καὶ τίς δύναται σωθῆναι; ὁ δὲ εἶπε· τὰ ἀδύνατα παρὰ ἀνθρώποις δυνατὰ παρὰ τῷ θεῷ ἐστίν.

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 Antidoron (blessed bread) at the end of service. If you would like information about the Orthodox Church, please see Fr. Vasileios after services.

Our Sunday School Classes are back in session!

Please allow the Church School children (High School first) 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, Philip, Glenna, Euther, Nicole, Michael, Wanda, John, Lili, Archie, Paul, Michael, Petra, Luke, Matthew, Elizabeth, Cecilia, Venton, John, Julia, Ricky, Wayne, Sarah, Christopher, John, Arsinoi, Konstandinos, Jan, Marie, Chris, MaryAnn, Cliff, Maggie, Lou, Thomas, Kathy, Kathryn, Greg, Bill, Christopher, Steve, Maggie, Nakis, Martha, George, Richard Simeon, Terri, Nicole, Mark, Maria, Madeleine, Nassos, Maria, Amy, Christina, Ana, Dolly, Fr. Ambrose, Vickie, Pat, Bill, Linda, Mindy, Jenny, Rosemary, Fr. Andreas, Emmanuel, Alkmene, Maree, Constanze, Jennifer, Timothy, Andrea, Janis Mae, Andreas, Luke, Zlata, Andrea, Albert, Dorothy, Presbytera Krissy, Malamo, Larry, Jane, Boyd, Wilma, Ted, Nicolette, Danae, Alexandra, Fr. Damaskinos, Emmanuel, Thomas, Maria, Zoe, Kalliopi, Aikaterini, Garyfalia, Ioannis, Konstantinos, Nikolaos, Evangelia, Carol, Frank, Aikaterini, Eleni, Eirini, Dimitrios, Antigoni, Sharon, Georgia, Chrysoula, Michael, Dimitra, Suzanne, Fotini, Kirsten, Yvette, Kimberlin, Alvin, Eric, Alison, Emily, Olga, Angie, Anastasios, Tahseen, Athanasios, Tristen, Damon, Fran, Melanie, Theone, Betty (Mary Elizabeth), Zoe, Gabriel, Themis, Maria, Panayiota, Dmitriy, Brandi, Cia, Jimmy, Sybella, David, Anthony, Susan, Carole, John, Stephanie, Maria, Sophie, Christa, Andrea, Greg, Patricia, Stephen, Wanda, Nick, Westin, Larry, Anna, Barbara, Anna, Dana, Colleen, Zoe, John, Kh. Anastasia-Velvet, Christine, Sam, Alex, Gabriella Marie, Lisa, Patricia, Joe, Marija, Sophia, Alysun, Dave, Maria, Jerry, Layla, Deacon James, Tom, Johnathan, Xenia, Robin, Ben, Khouria Luanne, Kathy, Bill, Lisa, Katy

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, CPT. Alexander Stathos, 1st LT Angela Bahlatzis, MIDN 1/C Joseph Barone, Specialist Walter Hubert (Nikolaos) Willoughby IV, LCDR Thomas Uhl



Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church presents

The Fourth Wise Man

by Joy Chaitin, Sarah Stevens and Marilyn D. Anderson

Sunday, December 15
1:30 pm

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We welcome Fr. David and Presv. Vasiliki Eckley this morning!

Fr. David will be here with us while Fr. Vasileios is in the Holy Land. Thank you, Fr. David!

There will be no weekday services while Fr. Vasileios is away.

Let's all keep Fr. Vasileios, Christine Suehs, and Nyda Glaros in our prayers while they are traveling.

Please pray for safe travels and for a very beautiful and successful journey!

"O Master, Lord our God, hearken unto the prayer which we now send up to You, Who accompanied the two on the road to Emmaus, to bless our priest and fellow parishioners; send with them Thy guardian Angel to guide them safely to their destination. Accompany them along the way, filling them with Your Holy Spirit and safely preserving and shielding them from every evil." Amen

TODAY IS IOCC SUNDAY

IOCC (International Orthodox Christian Charities) does an outstanding job of "tirelessly responding to Christ's call to help our neighbors in need without discrimination". Please read today's insert to learn more about IOCC.

We will pass a second tray today for IOCC.

HOPE/JOY Events Coming up:

December 13--Main Street Bethlehem (see info below)

December 15--Nativity Pageant: The Fourth Wiseman, 1:30 PM at Mt. Tabor Hall--come enjoy a beautiful production about Christ's birth

December 22--Christmas caroling at a retirement home

FOR ALL YOUTH: Main Street Bethlehem

On Friday, December 13, we invite all youth (GOYA and HOPE/JOY) and their families to drive out to Bethlehem, Christ's birthplace, conveniently located in Burnet, TX! The First Baptist Church in Burnet hosts a wonderful interactive experience that really helps illustrate the story of Christ's birth.

If you would like to caravan: Please meet us at Transfiguration at 3:45. We plan to leave by 4:00 so that we will pull into Burnet at 5:00pm.

If you want to meet us there: Please meet us in the back of the HEB parking lot in Burnet at 5:00

HEB address is 105 S Boundry St, Burnet, TX

Then, we will line up and wait (for an hour) until the doors open at 6:00.

This is something that lots of people will get in line for, so it is important that you come on time if you want to join our group. It might be hard to squeeze latecomers in line when there are others waiting behind us.

A few things to keep in mind: It is a free event (donations are accepted).

Bring your own snacks and drinks to consume while waiting in line.

Hot cocoa and cookies are offered at the end.

It can be difficult for younger kids to wait patiently in line. So, parents, please use your discretion when deciding if this is something your child can handle.

GOYA News

GOYA will be participating in "Operation Turkey" on Thanksgiving morning. They will be helping cook, package, and deliver food to homeless and those in need. There will be lots of work for everyone, so if you would like to join in on the blessing, please contact Sonia Phocas: denisphocas@aol.com

Greek School News

*This is just a reminder that the Greek Classes will not be held on Thanksgiving Week.
No class on Friday, November 29th. Happy Thanksgiving!*

BASKETBALL PRACTICE!

We are working hard on preparing ourselves for the big tournament in January!
Our practices continue TODAY (Sunday, Nov. 24) at O'Henry Middle School from 1:00-2:30pm.
This is a reminder to all GOYAN's that the registration for the basketball tournament ends on Nov 30. We could really, really use a couple more middle school girls to field a middle school team. No basketball experience required... Just enthusiasm! See you there!

GOLF (Greek Orthodox Ladies Fellowship)

GOLF will be on a short break for the next week while Fr. Vasileios is in the Holy Land. We will hopefully pick up again on Tuesday, Dec. 3! We will keep you posted!

Please contact Krystal Cawood to be added to our email distribution list- townsendcrafts@gmail.com

Philoptochos News

- * We are continuing our membership drive! Please consider being a part of these beautiful and dedicated group of women. We are able to do so much for our church and for many charities both local and national. Even if you do not have the time to participate in our activities; your membership dues go a LONG WAY, so please join!
- * We are beginning our annual Community Christmas Card project! For a suggested donation of \$25, you can have your name in the beautiful Christmas greeting that we send out to all of our members plus many others! Please speak with Effie Ambrose if you would like your name to be on the card! The deadline to get in on this is Sunday, Dec. 8.
- * Don't forget to "Donate While You Shop"! GLS is now carrying Kohl's, Michaels, and P.F. Chang's gift cards! When you purchase gift cards through our Scrip Program, you help raise funds that help us help others. We have some cards on hand, and we can get whatever cards you would like in one week! Just go to shopwithscrip.com to view all of the different vendors who participate in Scrip!

Aidan Hart Lecture at St John Forerunner

The world famous iconographer, Aidan Hart, will be giving a free talk at St. John the Forerunner on Thursday, December 12, at 7pm.

The talk is entitled "Holy Icons in Today's World: Insights into Contemporary Issues in Modern Art, Ecology, and Community"; the lecture will be accompanied by a power point presentation; there will be a reception and light refreshments afterwards. See the attached insert.

Encore!

Please save the date of Sunday, Dec. 15 for another wonderful Encore event.

The fun will be at the home of Michalis and Mary Katherine Bakiris.

2210 London Lane, Cedar Park, 78613

We will have a delicious dinner and blessed fellowship that begins at 6:00pm. Be there!



Festival of Tables

Our Philoptochos will be having our Fabulous Festival of Tables on Saturday, December 7th!

Join us for a very lovely luncheon and great fellowship from 12 noon -2:30pm.

The tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at the Philoptochos table on Sundays.

The deadline to purchase your ticket is Dec. 1st!

We will have a silent auction as well.

This is open to EVERYONE, women AND men!

Please join us for this very festive luncheon!



STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY!

Please mark your calendars for a VERY IMPORTANT DATE in December: **SUNDAY, DEC. 8!**

This day is our STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY! Please bring your new 2014 stewardship cards with you on that Sunday. They will be collected by our wonderful ushers and given to Fr. Vasileios for a special blessing.

The new (and beautiful!) stewardship tri-folds are in the mail. If you do receive one, there will be more in the December newsletter, and some will be available in the Narthex.

Parish Council Elections!

The election of our new Parish Council positions will be held on Sunday, December 8 during the coffee hour.

Please cast your vote!

To vote in any Parish Assembly, a Parishioner in Good Standing must have met the following requirements:

- 1) A Parishioner who was a Parishioner in Good Standing of the Parish during the immediately preceding year must have submitted a pledge card for the current year, on or before the date of the election.
- 2) If a Parishioner has not turned in a stewardship pledge card for the preceding year, he or she must submit a stewardship pledge card for the current year at least thirty (30) days prior to the assembly;
- 3) A new Parishioner of the Parish may vote in the election or assembly if he or she has become a Parishioner in Good Standing for at least three (3) months prior thereto.

Thank you to today's Coffee Hour Sponsors:

Colovas, Crenshaw, Daskalantonakis, Davenport, Demetriadis

Thank you to last week's Coffee Hour Sponsors:

Burke, Burks, Burns, Chronis, Clay, Clay

Next Week's Coffee Hour Sponsors:

DeRossi, Dietz, Dow, Draina, Eagle

Thank you to today's ushers:

Anita Jones, Maria Miller, Chrissie Spiropoulos, Vaios Athanasiou

Thank you to last week's ushers:

Stephen Dow, Dan & Gigi Appling

Next week's ushers are:

Brian Holland, Vaios Athanasiou, Harry Stamatis, Chrissie Spiropoulos