

**Holy Transfiguration
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October 25, 2020

H & S Newly Chrismated Servant of God, Liam William Scruggs

H & S Newly Chrismated Servant of God, Dean Constantine Scruggs

H & S Newly Chrismated Handmaiden of God, Chiana Catherine Scruggs

H & S Newly Chrismated Handmaiden of God, Kaylee Rose Scruggs

H & S Newly Chrismated Servant of God, Ian John Scruggs

H & S Deaconess Cathy Baroody – Family

H & S Doris Sears - Friends

H & S Carrie Severino- Joseph & Sheryl Gangi

H & S Daniel & Carene Krepinevich - Georgianna Kostak

H & S David Abs- Georgianna Kostak

H & S Coe Family - Family

H & S Jason & Suzanne Matthews - Donald Twombly

H & S Matthews Family - Donald Twombly

H & S Lynn Jabara- Battey Family

H & S Gabe & Natalia Santiago - Barbara Dillon

H & S Roger & Elizabeth Ashooh- Barbara Dillon

+ Presbyter Albert Wehby - Family

+ Gladys Kanakry - Kanakry Family

+ William & Martha Rudy - Georgianna Kostak

+ Anne Gallagher - Family

+ Antoinette Fakhouri - Family

+ Caynaan Saah - Family

+ George Tabash - Family

+ Laurice Jagganathan- Family

+ Reema Samaha- Family

+ Elizabeth Doris & Elsie Barbara Ashooh - Barbara Dillon

+ Scott Johnson - Barbara Dillon

Schedule at a Glance

Sunday, Oct. 25	Orthros, 9:15 AM Divine Liturgy, 10:30 AM
Saturday, Oct. 31	Divine Liturgy, 10:30 AM The Icon: Theology in Color with Father Mark, 12:30 PM Vespers, 6:00 PM
Sunday, Nov. 1	Orthros, 9:15 AM Divine Liturgy, 10:30 AM

PLEASE NOTE that the use of a mask is requested.

YOUR CLERGY are available if you are in need of the Holy Mysteries of confession, Holy Anointing, or Communion of the Sick. Please call the rectory, 703-734-9198.

TO WATCH THE LIVE STREAM of our services, you have two basic options: the first is to go to our YouTube channel and to look for the video marked "live." <https://www.youtube.com/c/holytransfigurationmelkitegrcekcatholicchurch> The second way to access the streams, is to go to the parish website (<http://holytransfiguration.org>), where the "live stream of Church Services" page will point you to the YouTube channel. Whenever there is a baptism, there will be no livestream for Orthros.

SUNDAY SCHOOL If you have not picked up your children's Sunday School Books, please come to the Sunday School office after the Divine Liturgy to get the books.

THE ICON: THEOLOGY IN COLOR Fr. Mark will be offering a 4-part workshop series on iconography in October. This series is about understanding and reading the Holy Icons as an essential aspect of Orthodox Catholic Tradition. This is important for any Christian who strives to live their faith according to the Byzantine Tradition. It will not deal with the techniques of iconography except in passing. But the content is absolutely essential for one who desires to paint icons. The workshop will be held in the parish hall on Saturdays at 12:30 PM according to the following schedule:

- Saturday, October 31st -The Language and Vocabulary of the Icon – Liturgy, Scripture, the Classical World. The Icons of the Great Feasts.
- Saturday, November 7th- Icons of the Great Feasts (continued), The Church Building as Icon, The Icon in the Spiritual Life

A video of the sessions will be available from Fr. Mark upon request at the conclusion of the series. All are welcome. All are welcome to join us for the workshop, as well as for the Divine Liturgy, which will be at 10:30 AM prior to the workshop. As no food will be served, you are welcome to bring a bag lunch.

LADIES GUILD ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

All ladies 18+ are welcome and encouraged to join! Every heart and hand is needed as we unite in our love of Christ and our desire to serve Him through serving His people, and supporting our clergy and one another. For more information, please email: ladiesguildht@gmail.com

OUT OF EGYPT I called my son: Finding life in the desert of everyday life. How do we make sense of all of the recent challenges in our personal lives and in our society? First, we have to remember that as Christians we are a people of Exodus. Baptized through water and wandering the desert, we are bonded in hope. We are a people freed from enslavement and yet bearing the marks of our humiliation. We are a people called to be priests and yet often overwhelmed by our fears, shame, anger, and sadness. In this reflection we will turn to the scriptures to seek anew of the nature of our journey, and learn that even the desolation of the desert may become a place of life.

This reflection will be offered on the back patio, weather permitting, at 12:30 PM on Sunday, October 25th as well as via Zoom at 8:00 PM the same evening.

IMPORTANT NEWS--LG Annual Christmas Arabic Sweets Sale. Please read! Because of the continuing uncertainty stemming from the Covid virus, the Ladies Guild has reluctantly decided NOT to have a Sweets Sale this Fall. However, even though the pandemic circumstances prevent our bakers from tying on their aprons and whipping up the mouth-watering Arabic Sweets you enjoy each year, we still want to send you all the love we pour into creating these delicious treats in our church kitchen. And so we invite you to visit our webpage for a Virtual Sweets Tour and Baklava Recipe to download. (See our webpage link, below.)

Also, because we expect many of you may be disappointed to miss the chance to order Sweets for yourself, friends, and family for Christmas, we have an alternative upbeat and fun gift available for purchase--our Signature Sweets Apron, which also appears on our webpage.

With sincere and heartfelt love and thanks for your continued support of the Ladies Guild, we wish you good health and happiness. See you next year!

<https://holytransfiguration.org/virtual-sweets-tour/>



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The Gospel of St. John: A Weekly Online Study in Arabic and English led by Fr. Ephrem I. Handal

English Bible Study Tuesdays 7 PM - 8 PM

دراسة في انجيل القديس يوحنا الخميس ٧ - ٨ مساء

Arabic & English Zoom Conference Meeting Link:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89222971400?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89222971400?pwd=OHZlZm84eVlsYm43UU52UFN2KzJsQT09)

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