

## Holy Transfiguration Melkite Greek-Catholic Church

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H & S Newly Illumined Servant of God, Christian  
Cassius Nadjmabadi

H & S Presbyter Michael Kuhn – Ortiz family

H & S Sunday School students, teachers, & staff

H & S Stephanie Baroody – Family

H & S Abir Halloun – Family

H & S Carmel Halloun – Family

H & S Xavier Halloun – Family

H & S Margot Karczewski - Family

H & S Amanda Katwan – Halloun family

H & S Maha katwan – Halloun family

H & S Michael Katwan – Halloun family

H & S Penelope Katwan – Halloun family

H & S Fidelious & Jeffrey Kuo – Handal family

H & S Rita Melone – Family

H & S Paulette Shalhoub - Family

H & S Doris Sears – Family

H & S Gabe & Natalia Santiago – Family

H & S Elizabeth Ashooh – Family

H & S Nicholas & Ruth Polis – Family

H & S Bridget & John Kidd – Family

H & S Catherine & Clare Polis – Family

H & S Kristen Berg – Family

H & S Irene Starrs – Family

H & S Stephen Brown – Joseph & Sheryl Gangi

H & S Mary Hamilton – Family

H & S Eileen Mary Jackson – Family

H & S Mary Baroody – Family

H & S David Kalil – Family

H & S Ronald & Neva Farrah – Family

H & S Jeanne Rosenbaum – Family

H & S Mark Eschle – Family

H & S Ronald Hamrah – Family

+ Bernadette Witte **MEMORIAL** – Olt family

+ Frances Witte **MEMORIAL** – Olt family

+ Anne Baglio – Marianne Murad

+ Afif Halloun – Family

+ Hiyam Halloun - Family

+ Sharbel Halloun – Family

+ Robert Karczewski – Family

+ Bajis Katwan – Halloun family

+ Denyse Margaret Malouf – Family

+ Saba Shami – Amira Shami

+ Anne Gallagher – Family

+ Caynaan Saah – Family

+ Elizabeth & Elsie Ashooh – Family

+ George Tabash – Family

+ Reema Samaha – Family

+ Scott Johnson – Family

+ George Polis – Family

+ Edward & Ruth Byrnes – Family

+ Nicholas Polis – Family

+ Kalil Wakim – Family

+ Robert Shalhoub – Family

+ Theodore & Mabel Farrah – Family

### Schedule at a Glance

Sunday, September 18

Sunday School/  
Baptism, 9:15 AM

Divine Liturgy, 10:30  
AM

Divine Liturgy, 3:00  
PM (Annapolis)

Wednesday, September 21

Weekday Vespers,  
6:30 PM

Thursday, September 22

Morning Prayer, 7:00  
AM

Saturday, September 24

Vespers, 6:30 PM

Sunday, September 25

Sunday School/  
Baptism, 9:15 AM

Divine Liturgy, 10:30  
AM



**Ladies Guild Welcome Brunch** - Saturday, September 24th, 11-1pm in the church hall. Whether you're a long-time member renewing your membership or joining the guild for the first time, come enjoy fellowship and lend your hearts and hands for the important work of the guild. All women parishioners over eighteen are welcome. **PLEASE RESPOND BY 9.21.22 TO [ladiesguildht@gmail.com](mailto:ladiesguildht@gmail.com) IF YOU WILL ATTEND**

**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, diocese, communities and one another. Please see sign up info in the church hall or email: [ladiesguildht@gmail.com](mailto:ladiesguildht@gmail.com) for more information.

**Festival Thank You Dinner** - Sunday, September 25th, following Divine Liturgy. Let's celebrate our successful festival together. Hope to see you there!

**ADULT CATECHESIS AT HOLY TRANSFIGURATION** The Adult Catechesis team is currently offering an ongoing catechetical series designed to prepare our catechumens for entrance into the Church. All interested parishioners are welcome, and newer members of our community who have come from a Latin Catholic background are especially encouraged to attend. Today's session will begin at 12:15 PM in the Conference Room.

**ANNAPOLIS OUTREACH** The Divine Liturgy will be served at our Annapolis outreach today, September 18<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00 PM. The outreach is being hosted by St. Mary's parish in Annapolis, MD located at 109 Duke of Gloucester Street. Upcoming Divine Liturgy dates for our Annapolis Outreach are October 16th, November 20th, and December 11th. If you know anyone in the Annapolis area, consider inviting them to "come and see." Please pray for the success of this effort.

**Young Adult Book Discussion Series** Beginning on Wednesday, September 28, we will offer a multi-week book discussion series on Fr. Alexander Schmemmann's book For the Life of the World. We will meet in the hall after the 6:30 PM weekday Vespers service. If you are interested in participating, please email the Holy Transfiguration Bookstore ([bookstore@holytransfiguration.org](mailto:bookstore@holytransfiguration.org)) or stop in today to leave your name so we can be sure to have enough copies of the book on hand for purchase.

**ACOLYTES** – all men of the parish, young and not so young, who would like to serve the liturgy as an acolyte, email Subdeacon Anson at [Men@MelkiteMen.org](mailto:Men@MelkiteMen.org) to be

placed on the schedule. Requirements for acolytes are at least 10 years old (specific exceptions can be made for younger boys) and able to attend scheduled acolyte formation. This is a beautiful service to the church whether 10 years old or 50 years old.

**LOST & FOUND** Please claim any lost-and-found items in the red cart that's in the church hall. All unclaimed items will be tossed this Sunday, 9/18, after services. Thank you!

#### Planning on Marriage at Holy Transfiguration?

1. Please contact the rectory and arrange to meet with Father Mark at least six months before the planned date of the Rite of Crowning or the Blessing of the Marriage for counseling and direction.
2. Participation of the couple in Holy Transfiguration's two-month marriage preparation program is expected prior to the Rite of Crowning or the Blessing of a Marriage.

#### A Study in the Book of Psalms

دراسة في سفر المزامير

A Weekly Online Study led by  
Fr. Ephrem I. Handal

English Bible Study, Tuesdays 7 PM - 8 PM

Arabic Bible Study, Thursdays 7 PM - 8 PM

Arabic & English Zoom Conference Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89222971400?pwd=OHZlZm84eVlsYm43UU52UFN2KzJsOT09>

Meeting ID: 892 2297 1409

Passcode: Melkite

For further information, contact Fr. Ephrem at  
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