

Holy Transfiguration Melkite Greek-Catholic Church

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H & S Olt family - Kalil, Hynes, & Shea families
 H & S Mary Elizabeth Farrah - Ladies Guild
 H & S Ronald Farrah- Ladies Guild
 H & S Sam Sawaya - 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 Eliza Hamilton - Family
 H & S Eileen Mary Jackson - Family
 H & S Mary Baroody - Family
 H & S David Kalil - Family
 H & S Jeanne Rosenbaum - Family
 H & S Mark Eschle - Family
 H & S Ronald Hamrah- Family
 H & S Ian DeWolf - Family
 H & S William Klimon - Family
 H & S David Abs- Family
 H & S Alexandra Suseck – Georgianna Kostak
 H & S Michael Suseck – Georgianna Kostak
 + William Carnazzo **MEMORIAL 1 Year-** Kalil family
 + Alice Abs - Family
 + Elias Abs - Family
 + Faris Abs - Family
 + Frances Rose Abs - Family
 + George Abs - Family
 + Lily Abs- Family
 + Marie Abs- Family
 + Neva Farrah- Ladies Guild
 + Helen Gorra- Battey family
 + Georgette Khoury - Family
 + Rita Khoury- Family
 + Henry Murad - Family
 + Ward Abu Rizk - Family
 + George Sawaya - Family
 + Helene Sawaya - Family
 + Alfred & Virginia Zaidain - Family
 + 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
 + George & Emily Alexandrou - Family
 + Trenton & Georgia Karalekas - Family

Schedule at a Glance

Sunday, Oct. 30	Sunday School/Orthros, 9:15 AM Divine Liturgy, 10:30AM
Wednesday, Nov. 2	Weekday Vespers, 6:30 PM
Thursday, Nov. 3	Morning Prayer, 7:00 AM
Saturday, Nov. 5	Vespers, 6:00 PM
Sunday, Nov. 6	Sunday School/Orthros, 9:15 AM Divine Liturgy, 10:30AM

FLOWER DONATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED for the 1st half of the 2022-2023 liturgical year! Please consider choosing a feast day or two to contribute to the beautiful flowers that adorn our church. Flower donation forms will be available in the narthex and via parish email, or you may email flowers@holytransfiguration.org to receive a form. Donations (made out to Holy Transfiguration Church) may be given to Emily Bickl, another flower committee member, or may be mailed to the church. Thank you so much for your generosity, and may God "sanctify those that love the beauty of Thy house."

Young Adult Book Discussion Series The next installment of our Young Adult book discussion series on Fr. Alexander Schmemmann's *For the Life of the World* is scheduled for Wednesday, November 16th. We will meet in the hall after the 6:30 PM weekday Vespers service. If you are interested in participating, please contact Stephanie and Andrew Kordahi (youngadults@holytransfiguration.org). Copies of the book are available in the Holy Transfiguration Book and Icon shop.

Sunday, 10/30: DEADLINE--LADIES GUILD CHRISTMAS ARABIC SWEETS SALE! Our sweets are a lovely addition to any Holiday table and make wonderful gifts! Please be aware that this year we may have fewer items available for “post sales” purchase (that is, extra boxes that are sometimes offered for sale after Pick Up Day). So, if you wish to have your favorite Arabic Sweets this Christmas season, we highly encourage you to order now!

Note: no more orders should be mailed to us! However, you can still ORDER ONLINE (til 10/30) or IN-PERSON this Sunday in the Church Hall. (Payment type accepted: cash or check for “in-person” orders; credit cards for “online” orders)

Go to <https://holytransfiguration.org/ladies-guild/sweets2022/> for photos of all our sweets and a link to our NEW Online Arabic Sweets site where you can order and pay online. (Sweets Pick-Up Days are Sat., Dec. 3 and Sun., Dec. 4.) For more information, contact Lani Kanakry at 703-200-6416 or SweetsSale@holytransfiguration.org.


ARABIC SWEETS BAKING DAYS Please join us to make the delicious sweets that we use to fill orders for our Sales. What a wonderful opportunity to help preserve time-honored traditions while learning new culinary skills and making friends! No special skills are needed—just a willingness to help! We extend a special invitation to all new members of the parish to join us. Moms with young children: please read the following.

"Sweets Mamas" is the co-op babysitting plan now being offered to encourage moms with young children to come help us bake. We need at least 2 moms signed up to make it work--one mom watches the children while the other mom bakes for an hour or two, then they switch. If you are interested in this idea, please contact Khourieh Sara Wingerter byzmom8@gmail.com

Our sweets making days begin at 9:30 AM (9 AM on Saturdays). (See upcoming schedule, below.) Masks are now optional (though preferred) and lunch is “potluck”. For more information or to volunteer, contact Lani Kanakry at 703-200-6416 or SweetsSale@holytransfiguration.org. You can also sign up to help at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a4da5a62c7-arabic1>

- Sun., 10/30: (starting at noon) Coconut Makroons
- Wed., 11/2: Date Mamoul
- Fri., 11/4: Barazek
- Sat., 11/5: Chocolate Hazelnut Birds’ Nests
- Wed., 11/9: Nut & Date Mamoul
- Fri., 11/11: Pecan Daaboulehs (“Puffs”)
- Sat., 11/12: Baklawa Squares & Varieties
- Tues., 11/15: Fri., 11/11: Pecan Daaboulehs (“Puffs”)
- Thurs., 11/17: Pistachio Birds’ Nests
- Fri., 11/18: Pistachio Birds’ Nests
- Sat., 11/19: Baklawa Varieties

Doxacon 2022 is here! The popular Doxacon faith and fandom convention is November 4-5. This year’s theme is Depictions of Evil and Redemption in Sci-fi and Fantasy. Tickets are available at doxacon.regfox.com/doxacon-2022 Please note that the November 4th Clergy Keynote is free and open to the public. Please visit www.doxacon.org for more info.

 **An invitation to all families** to join us after Divine Liturgy today for our annual Fall Family Fun Day! Following lunch there will be a short presentation in the church and then special activities for the children. It’s an opportunity to spend time with friends and meet new ones. Hosted by Sunday School, the St. Nicholas Club and the Ladies Guild.

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 for more information.**

Bishop François Parish Visit - 8-13 November Bishop François will be visiting Holy Transfiguration 8-13 November. During the week of his visit, we will serve the Divine Liturgy Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evening, as well as midday prayer several times during the week. Please see today’s bulletin insert for details. During his visit, he will also be setting aside time to meet with parishioners. If you would like to schedule time to meet with Sayedna while he is with us, please contact the parish office this week so that we can be sure to accommodate as many requests as possible.

Annapolis Outreach: The Divine Liturgy will be served at our Annapolis outreach on Sunday, November 6th, at 3PM. The outreach is being hosted by St. Mary’s parish in Annapolis, MD located at 109 Duke of Gloucester Street. Please pass the word to anyone you know who may be interested in attending.

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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