

## Holy Transfiguration Melkite Greek-Catholic Church

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H & S Olt family - Costanzo family  
 H & S Isabela Krogstad - Severino family  
 H & S Sunday School, who offers the Holy Qurban  
 H & S Marta Maria Severino - Severino family  
 H & S Carleen Ostrosky - Laura Guglielmetti  
 H & S Victoria, Brittany, & Michael Calvo - Laura Guglielmetti  
 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 Ronald Farrah- 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  
 + Archimandrite Joseph Francavilla MEMORIAL  
 + Deacon Seraphim Ritchey MEMORIAL  
 + Deacon Irenaeus & Anna Dionne - Deacon David & Diakonissa Linda Black  
 + Edmund Melone MEMORIAL - Rita Melone & family  
 + Elena Hajjar- Michael Hajjar  
 + Robin Calvo - Laura Guglielmetti  
 + Anne Gallagher- Family  
 + Caynaan Saah- Family  
 + Roger 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  
 + Neva Farrah- Family

### Schedule at a Glance

Sunday, Nov. 13	Sunday School/Orthros, 9:15 AM Hierarchical Divine Liturgy, 10:30AM
Tuesday, Nov. 15	Morning Prayer, 7:00 AM
Wednesday, Nov. 16	Weekday Vespers, 6:30 PM
Thursday, Nov. 17	Morning Prayer, 7:00 AM
Saturday, Nov. 19	Vespers, 6:30 PM
Sunday, Nov. 20	Sunday School/Orthros, 9:15 AM Divine Liturgy, 10:30AM

**ARABIC SWEETS BAKING DAYS** Please join us on Saturday, 11/19, to make the delicious baklava that we use to fill orders for our Sales. Although this will be our last “sweets making” session this Fall, in the week after Thanksgiving we will **need LOTS of help** with packing and assembling all the sweets we have made—and filling orders.

Sat., 11/19: Various Baklava Varieties (our last “sweets making” day)

Mon., 11/28, Tues., 11/29, Wed., 11/30 & Fri., 12/2: Packing Sweets

Sat., 12/3 & Sun., 12/4: Assembly line, Filling Orders and/or Orders Pickup Help

For more information or to volunteer, contact Lani Kanakry at 703-200-6416 or

[SweetsSale@holytransfiguration.org](mailto:SweetsSale@holytransfiguration.org). You can also sign up to help at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a4da5a62c7-arabic1>

**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](mailto:byzmom8@gmail.com)

**THE LADIES GUILD ARABIC SWEETS SALES DEADLINE for ORDERS** has now PASSED! To those who ordered sweets: a big “thank you!” and a reminder to mark your calendar to pick up your order in the Church Hall on Saturday, December 3 (3:30-5pm) or Sunday, December 4 (12-1pm).

To those who did not place a sweets order: please know that we will have a limited number of boxed sweets available to purchase at our “post sales” table on Pick Up Day (Dec. 3 & 4). For more information, contact Lani Kanakry at 703-200-6416 or [SweetsSale@holymtransfiguration.org](mailto:SweetsSale@holymtransfiguration.org).

**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@holymtransfiguration.org](mailto:flowers@holymtransfiguration.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@holymtransfiguration.org](mailto:youngadults@holymtransfiguration.org)). Copies of the book are available in the Holy Transfiguration Book and Icon shop.

**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.*

**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 12:45 PM** in the Conference Room.

#### **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=OHZlZm84eVlsYm43UU52UUFN2KzJsOT09>

Meeting ID: 892 2297 1409

Passcode: Melkite

For further information, contact Fr. Ephrem at  
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