

**Holy Transfiguration
Melkite Greek-Catholic Church**

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 H&S Delores DeGregori - Family
 H&S Bridget & John Kidd - Family
 H&S Catherine & Clare Polis- Family
 H&S Doris Sears - Family
 H&S Eileen Mary Jackson- Family
 H&S Eliza Hamilton - Family
 H&S Elizabeth Ashooh- Family
 H&S Gabe & Natalia Santiago - Family
 H&S George & Joan Abraham - Gangi Family
 H&S Jeanne Rosenbaum- Family
 H&S Kristen Berg - Family
 H&S Mark Eschle - Family
 H&S Nicholas & Ruth Polis - Family
 H&S Paulette Shalhoub - Family
 H&S Rita and Eugene Rose - Hadeed & Hondros families
 H&S Ronald Farrah - Family
 H&S Ronald Hamrah - Family
 H&S Stephen Brown - Joseph & Sheryl Gangi
 H&S William Klimon- Family
 H&S Jason King & family- Family
 H&S Jolma family Jonathan McMonigal
 H&S Christopher Dillon - Family
 H&S Oscar Aguilar - Family
 +Frances Witte – Dn. Joseph & Diakonissa Melissa Olt
 +Joseph DeGregori - Family
 +Edward Barbara- Family
 +Irene Husson- Raymond Husson
 +Anne Gallagher - Family
 +Caynaan Saah - Family
 +Edward & Ruth Byrnes - Family
 +George & Emily Alexandrou - Family
 +George Polis - Family

+George Tabash - Family
 +Irene Starrs - Family
 +Kalil Wakim - Family
 +Mary Baroody - Family
 +Neva Farrah - Family
 +Nicholas Polis - Family
 +Robert Shalhoub - Family
 +Roger Ashooh - Family
 +Scott Johnson - Family
 +Theodore & Mabel Farrah - Family
 +Trenton & Georgia Karalekas- Family
 +Ian DeWolf- Family
 +Frances & John Colie - Wilkerson family
 +Kristina DeGregori- Family

Schedule at a Glance

Sun. Sept.10	Orthros, 9:15 AM Divine Liturgy, 10:30 AM
Wed. Sept. 13	Vespers for Feast of Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 6:30 PM
Thurs. Sept. 14	Exaltation of the Holy Cross Divine Liturgy, 6:30 PM
Sat. Sept. 16	Vespers, 6:30 PM
Sun. Sept. 17	Sunday School/Orthros, 9:15 AM Divine Liturgy, 10:30 AM

THIS SUNDAY ONLY: ARABIC SWEETS 50% OFF We had a terrific Labor Day Food Festival last weekend. However, in baking for our Sweets Sales, we got a bit over-zealous and made a little too many Sweets. Our supply of unsold sweets is great news for you, though, because this Sunday after Divine Liturgy, we will offer them to you at a huge discount: 50% OFF of every box!

Now is the time to stock up with the Sweets you love at considerable savings, as well as to “gift” some Sweets to family or friends who were unable to attend the festival. We look forward to seeing you this Sunday! (For questions, please contact Lani Kanakry at lani.kanakry@gmail.com or 703-200-6416.)

PLEASE NOTE that we will be taking down and storing the tent canvases on Saturday at 9am. With enough volunteers, this should take less than an hour. Please offer your time and talents as always. Thank you.

ATTENTION SUNDAY SCHOOL FAMILIES - PARENTS, AND STUDENTS BOTH RETURNING AND NEW: The beginning of Sunday School is an important event in our parish. Religious education is a responsibility of parents and catechists as well.

Our first day is next Sunday, September 17, Father will bless the students and catechists during Orthros. Let us ask the Lord, our God, to grant them wisdom, knowledge, understanding, and holiness.

We have classes from 3 years through grade 12. Classes begin at 9:15 AM. Registration forms and calendars are available in the narthex. Please give your completed forms to Georgianna Kostak, Khourieh Cathy Baroody, or Deaconess Melissa Olt. You may also bring the forms with you next Sunday.

Parent orientation for parents of students Pre-3 - K, the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd class, and anyone who would like to learn more about the program, will be held after Liturgy 9/17 at 12:15 in the classroom in the parish hall. Contact Michele Poynton with questions michelepoynton@gmail.com

ADULT CATECHESIS For those who have been attending adult catechesis: our attendance at the Divine services, and participation in the life of the community is a very important part of catechesis. Therefore, we will not be meeting this Wednesday so that the focus can be on the Great Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. Instead, our usual catechesis classes will resume the following Wednesday, 9/20.

Gathered in His name... The Ladies Guild begins a new year - You're invited to A Guild

Gathering, Saturday, September 30th, 3-5 pm on the back patio! Whether you're a long-time member renewing your membership or joining the guild for the first time, come enjoy refreshments, fun, and fellowship! Learn about the guild, its mission, and why every heart and hand is needed. All women parishioners over eighteen are welcome! Kindly respond by 9.27.23 to ladiesguildht@gmail.com if you plan to attend.

September classes - Technology Sessions for Seniors continues with Kolleen Metzger... Join us in the conference room 12:30-1:30 pm. Sign up is not required. Please bring your laptop or tablet with you. Sponsored by the Ladies Guild.

- September 10 - Cloud Drives: Intro, Google Cloud Part 1
- September 24 - Google Cloud Part 2

CONCERNING CONFESSION – Confessions are not available during The Introductory Psalm of Vespers, the Hexapsalm of Orthros, and during any reading from Scripture or homily at any Divine Service, and at Divine Liturgy once the Entrance with the Gospel Book takes place. Please feel free to make arrangements with any of the priests for confession or spiritual counseling at another time.

A REMINDER When in Church, we are in the presence of the Lord of All, a Place of Awe. We dress and act appropriately. Avoid idle chatter. Please silence cellphones. No recording or photography is allowed without the express permission of the priest. No snacks or drink in church. Modest, appropriate, respectful attire is the norm. Shorts are not appropriate for adults.

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.
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.



This bulletin is sponsored by the Attal family in memory of +Mary Baroody.

