

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS - Sunday, February 14, 2010

Service Schedule:

Forgiveness Vespers - tonight 2/14, at 6:00pm

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy - Wednesday, Feb. 17 - 6:00pm

Saturday of Souls - Saturday, February 20 - Orthros - 8:30am; Liturgy - 9:30am

Transfiguration Oratorical Festival

The TGO Oratorical Festival will begin at noon today in the church building. Everyone is invited to come and listen to the speeches that our students have worked so hard to prepare. Show our students your support!

GOYA

Please join us on Monday February 15th for a short meeting with Fr. Michael, some lunch and weather permitting kite flying. (this is the Clean Monday tradition in Greece). We will meet at the Bensons at 10:00 and then head over to Lakeway park. If the weather is not good, we will stay at the Benson's home for the meeting and lunch. Please RSVP to Sophia or Kiki.

STOCK UP ON YOUR LENTEN READING! The TGO bookstore has some good Lenten reading material, and is expecting more within the next week. We will also be carrying cards for Pascha, children's bibles, and an excellent Lenten cook book. Come and see how we can enhance your Lent.

Philoptochos

Throw away all of your New Year's Diet resolutions! Why??? Because it is Valentines Day!!! And...Philoptochos will be holding our "Chocolate Lover's Bake Sale" today! There will be lots of chocolate treats to choose from for you and your Valentine. Don't pass them up...YUM, YUM, YUM!

Philoptochos will be hosting 3 Lenten dinners on Feb. 24, March 3 and March 10. As in the past, Philoptochos will provide a Lenten menu of soup, salad and dessert. Our members are asked to sign up at our table for the date that they will be either cooking, setting up or cleaning up. Please make sure to let us know how you will help so that we can better plan these events.

Philoptochos is ready with your HEB and Starbucks cards. Remember, this is the way we can give money to Transfiguration without costing us anything...We just need to plan on getting the cards here before we go shopping there. These cards are great for little gifts for Valentines Day!

Join our Dallas Philoptochos sisters in a women's Lenten retreat. On March 13th St. Barbara's Ladies Philoptochos of Holy Trinity in Dallas will be hosting a Lenten Retreat at Holy Archangels Monastery in Kendalia. Find out all of the details and sign up to participate at our Philoptochos table. There is a \$15 fee. We will host a small luncheon for them on Sunday, March 14th after the Liturgy.

Women's Bible Study

G.O.L.F. will meet this Wednesday, Feb. 17th at 9:30am.

Greek School

Tuesday evening at 6:45pm.

Thank you to today's Coffee Hour Sponsors: Meador, Mirialakis, Missetzis, Mitchell, Omer

Thank you to last week's Luncheon Sponsors: Appling, Benson, Daskalantonakis, Spiropoulos

Next Week's Coffee Hour Sponsors: Nikas, Nolan, Norman, O'Brien, Nicolaou

Thank you to today's ushers: Marko Bjeletich and Sami Yagnam

Next week's usher will be: Michael Glaros and Sami Yagnam

contact Steve Levendakes at 927-2344 if you would like to help with ushering.

SUNDAY BULLETIN

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FORGIVENESS SUNDAY



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SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

ORTHROS 8:45 AM; DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 AM

Reverend Fr. Michael Lambakis, Proistamenos

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HOLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLE - ROMANS 13: II-14; 14: I-4

GOSPEL – MATTHEW 6: 14-21

And also this, knowing the time, that it is an hour now to be awakened out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we believed. The night is advanced, and the day hath drawn near. Let us therefore put away from ourselves the works of darkness, and let us put on the weapons of light. Let us walk becomingly, as in the day, not in revellings and drunkenness, not in acts of unlawful intercourse and licentiousness, not in strife and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and cease taking forethought for the flesh, in regard to the lusts thereof.

Now the one who is weak in the faith, be taking to yourselves, but not for passing judgments upon his opinions. One, on the one hand, hath faith to eat all things; but one, on the other hand, who is weak, eateth herbs. Let not the one who eateth despise him who eateth not, and let not the one who eateth not judge him who eateth; for God hath taken him to Himself. Who art thou who judgeth Another's household slave? To his own Lord he standeth or falleth; but he shall be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand.

The Lord said, "If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

"And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

SPECIAL HYMNS OF THE DAY

Resurrection Hymn (Third Tone) (p.18-19 in Hymnal)

*“Let all things above in Heav’n rejoice, and let all things below on earth be glad. With all the might and strength of His arm an eternal deed the Lord did perform. Beneath His feet He has trampled down death by death,
and first born of the dead has He become. From the womb of Hades has He delivered us,
and to all the world has granted His great redeeming mercy.”*

Hymn for Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

*“Metemorforthis en to ori, Christe o Theos, dixas tis mathites Sou tin doxan Sou,
kathos I dynando Lampson ke imin tis amarto lis to fos Sou to aidion,
presvies tis Theotokou Fotodoto doxa Si.”*

*“When O Christ our God Thou wast Transfigured on the mountain
Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy disciples in proportion as they could bear it.
Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners. Through the intercessions of the Theotokos,
O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee.”*

Kontakion for the Forgiveness Sunday

*“O Thou Guide unto wisdom, Bestower of prudence, Instructor of the foolish, and Defender of the poor:
establish and grant understanding unto my heart, O Master.
Grant me speech, O Word of the Father, for behold, I shall not keep my lips from crying unto Thee:
Have mercy, O Merciful One, on me who has fallen.”*

WELCOME

We welcome all new visitors who worshipped with us this morning. Please join us next door after service for fellowship. There is material in the entrance of the church regarding ministries and events of our church.
Please fill out our Guest Book.

Receiving Holy Communion

The sacrament of Holy Communion is reserved for only baptized and/or chrismated Orthodox Christians who have properly prepared by fasting, prayer and confession. The Orthodox Church is not in sacramental communion with any other church outside the Orthodox Christian Faith. If you would like information about the Orthodox Church and becoming an Orthodox Christian, please see Fr. Michael after services.

Please allow the Church School Teachers to receive Holy Communion first, followed by the Sunday School students so that they can get to their classes.

All others should wait until the ushers dismiss you by rows to receive Communion.

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH

Dolly, Betty, Arlena, Sophie, Archie, Lou, Thomas, Kathy, Suzanne, Pat, Steve, Nina, Phyllis, Kathryn, Panayioti, Anna, Margaret, Sami, Abraham, Mary, George, Susan, Muna, Matthew, Ellen, Gary, Katina, Nelda, Nick, Elaine, Fotini, Gerasimos, Malone and family, Tracy, Richard, Lilly, Kimberly, Dion, Jamil, Dimitrios, Lisa