

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection
Byzantine Catholic Church
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Glory Forever!
Слава на вики!

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Confession Schedule: *Saturday* 16:00 – 16:30,

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6 AUGUST 2023 / 7531 THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. Aug. 05 17:00 VIGIL: **TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD**

w/ Mirovaniye & Blessing of Fruit. Suffrages pro populo.

Sun. Aug. 06 10:30 **TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD** *w/ Mirovaniye & Blessing of Fruit. Suffrages for +Robert & Mary Knouse, Sr. – Robert & Laurie Knouse. 40th Day Panachida: James Forrai*

Sat. Aug. 12 17:00 VIGIL: **ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Suffrages for +Joanne Krynicky – Marge Hulyk

Sun. Aug. 13 10:30 **ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** *Suffrages pro populo; esp. for the health and well-being of Donna Kalman – son James Forrai. 40th Day Panachida: Patricia Krynicky.*

Mon. Aug. 14 18:30 **DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS** w/ Mirovanije & Blessing of Flowers and Herbs. Suffrages for +Paul & Margaret Kern – daughter Marge.

Tues. Aug. 15 10:00 **DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS** w/ Mirovanije & Blessing of Flowers and Herbs. Suffrages for + Martin Osif – wife Dorothy and daughters.

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07 / 30 / 2023 Adults: \$1049 Candles: \$76 Cemetery: \$65
COLLECTION TOTAL: \$1190



THE DORMITION FAST which began on August 1th ends on the August 14th. The traditional rule for this fast is a strict abstinence from meat, eggs and dairy products, with the usual mitigations of wine and oil for Saturday and Sunday and the Feast of the Transfiguration. It is, therefore, observed as during the Great Fast. It is the millennia long tradition of the Constantinopolitan Churches that the faithful avail themselves of the Mystery of Holy Confession during this time.

When you feel yourself to be an ungodly, impure, wicked, blasphemous sinner and therefore unworthy to draw near to Our Lady and pray to her, then is the very time to prayer fervently to her, just because you feel yourself such a sinner. Do not sink in the mire of sin, but come to Our Lady, stand before her icon in sure hope of her presence; show her your sinful sores without shame, and your loathing for them, and ask her to cleanse you from this spiritual leprosy – you will not be put to shame.

St. John of Kronstadt

It is customary in many parishes that the *Office of Paraklesis*, or *The Small Supplicatory Canon to the Most Holy Theotokos*, composed by Theosterictus the Monk in the 9th century, is offered during the Fast in preparation for this most glorious feast of the Dormition. If you would like to offer this supplicatory canon privately at home, it begins on page 627 in the Melkite *Publicans Prayer Book*, 3rd edition. The *Paraklesis* (text and music) may also be found on our MCI website:

<https://mci.archpitt.org/sheetmusic/general/Paraklesis.pdf>

Remember to bring **FLOWERS** and **HERBS** to church to be blessed at the Dormition liturgies.

Some things to do after the Liturgy to honor this most holy Feast of the Theotokos:

Use the Troparion and Kontakion hymns as prayers before and / or after meals, and as part of your and your children's evening prayers during the 8-day "after feast" until **August 23rd**. If you have an icon of this feast, display it in your 'icon corner'. If there are children at home, discuss the icon with them so that they are able to recognize all the figures and be able to tell the story. Use the flowers blessed at the end of the Divine Liturgy to decorate the icon or the family table. Make an extra bouquet for someone who cannot come to Church.



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~ Announcements ~

- **IN MEMORIAM!** The parish is very grateful for two donations that were received this past week from Janet Biskup, and John & Constance Moore in memory of Patricia Krynicki. *Requiem æternam dona ei, Domine; et lux perpetua luceat ei. БЪЧНАА ПАМАТЬ!*