

August 19th ; The Transfiguration of our Lord

The First Antiphon (Psalm 65:1; 76:18; 103:2):

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His name, give glory to His praise!

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

The voice of Your thunder was in the whirlwind; Your lightning lighted up the world; the earth trembled and shook. **Refrain.**

You are clothed with honor and majesty, Who cover Yourself with light as with a garment. **Refrain.**

Glory ... now and ever ... Amen. **Refrain.**

The Second Antiphon (Psalm 47:2; 77:54; 77:68; 124:1)

Mount Zion in the far north is the city of the Great King.

Refrain: O Son of God, transfigured on the mountain, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

And He brought them to the mountain of His sanctuary, this mountain which His right hand had won.

Refrain.

The Mount Zion which He loved, He built as His sanctuary with mighty strength. **Refrain.**

The Third Antiphon

Refrain (Tropar of the Feast, Tone 7): You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God, / revealing Your glory to Your Disciples as far as they could bear it. / Let Your everlasting Light also shine upon us sinners, / through the prayers of the Theotokos! // O Giver of Light, glory to You!

(Kondak of the Feast, Tone 7) You were transfigured on the mount, O Christ God, / Revealing yourself to your disciples as far as they could bear it; / so that when they would behold You crucified, / they would understand that Your suffering was voluntary, / and would proclaim to the world // that You are truly the Radiance of the Father.

Tone 4 Prokeimenon (Psalm 103:24,1)

O Lord, how manifold are Your works; in wisdom have You made them all!

v: Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, You are very great!

Epistle: 2 Peter 1:10-19

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (Psalm 88:11,15a)

v: The heavens are Yours; the earth also is Yours. (Ps 88/89:11)

v: Blessed are the people who know the festal shout! (Ps 88/89:15a)

Gospel: St. Matthew 17:1-9

(Instead of "It is truly meet ...," we sing:)

Magnify, O my soul, the Lord Who was transfigured on Mount Tabor! /Your childbearing was without corruption; / God came forth from your body clothed in flesh, / and appeared on earth and dwelt among men. / Therefore we all magnify you, O Theotokos.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 88:15b)

O Lord, we will walk in the light of Your countenance, and will exult in Your name forever.

Blessing of fruit and the bounties of our gardens!

*** Please join us in the hall for coffee and fellowship after the service. ***

Upcoming Services (also see our website)

*** 14 – 27 August – Fast of the Dormition of the Mother of God ***

Saturday	8/18	4PM	Parish Vigil – Feast of the Transfiguration
Sunday	8/19	9AM	Divine Liturgy – Feast of the Transfiguration Blessing of fruit (and things from your garden!)
Saturday	8/25	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	8/26	9AM	Divine Liturgy – Dormition parish worships here with us!
Monday	8/27	5PM	Vespers of the Dormition (Northampton)
Tuesday	8/28	9AM	Divine Liturgy (Northampton – Parish Feast)
Saturday	9/1	4PM	Centennial Celebration at All Saints Camp!!!
Sunday	9/2	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	9/8	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	9/9	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	9/15	10AM	Hierarchical Divine Liturgy at St. Sophia Seminary marking the start of the school year
		4PM	Parish Vigil

Parish News and Events

God bless our Men's Group for their work on the women's bathroom and to the fundraising committee for another wonderful wine-tasting event! Many blessed years!

The Chapel AC is now fixed, but it was expensive (\$6800). Through your generosity, we have raised about \$1000. We are continuing to encourage donations; God bless your support!

We will be pinching perohi on 8/25 – please come and bring friends!

We are having a **Mimosa Sunday Fundraiser** after Liturgy on 8/26 to raise money for a new furnace (we repaired it last year, but it's days are numbered). Please attend and bring friends!

Our **St Mary's Seniors:** Hoagies 8/22. Next meeting 9/4 (Gourmet Buffet). Join us!

The **SR UOL Chapter of Northampton** has invited the faithful of St. Mary's to a CHURCH PICNIC and PIG ROAST, Sunday, 9/30 at the Canal Street Park in Northampton from noon to dusk. We are just asking individuals to bring their favorite picnic dish and/or dessert. The SR UOL will provide paper supplies and non-alcoholic beverages. Please let Fr. Anthony know if you plan on coming so that he can give them a count NLT 9/10.

We have two Grief Share groups: Mondays at 10AM and Tuesday at 6:30PM. Both meet in the Library. See Joe Truchan for details.

Reader Schedule: 8/19 Rdr. James, 8/26 John Sokalsky, 9/2 Robert Noecker

Greeter Schedule: 8/19 Pani Tina Perkins, 8/26 Eleanor Fox, 9/2 Judy Miller & Vera Muzychka.

Welcome to the God-loving and God-protected Orthodox Christian parish of *Pokrova* (“St. Mary Protection of the Holy Theotokos” or “St. Mary’s”)!

It is a blessing to have you with us today and we encourage you to come back as often as you are able. Like us, you may find that you have found your spiritual home here (and a wonderful home, it is)!

We are a parish of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA under the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople and our doors and hearts are open to you, your family, and your friends!

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