# Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church

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Sun. Nov. 28, 2021 9:00am 23rd Sunday after Pentecost:

**TODAY'S READINGS:** Eph. 2:4-10 Luke 13:10-17

WEEKLY CALENDAR:			
Today:		Coffee Hour, Nativity Fast Continues; blessing of ple	dges
Mon. Nov. 29	5:30pm	Daily Vespers, St. Andrew the First Called	
Tue. Nov. 30	5:30pm	Daily Vespers	
Thu Dec. 2	5:00pm	OCF Daily Vespers, Yale, Lovett Room of Battell Cha	pel
Fri. Dec. 3	5:30pm	Daily Vespers	
Sat. Dec. 4	3:45pm	Church School at Church	
	5:00pm	Great Vespers, Confessions	
Sun. Dec. 5	9:00am	24th Sunday after Pentecost: Venerable Sabbas the	Sanctified
		Eph. 2:14-22 Luke 17:12-19	
		Gal. 5:22-6:2 St. Sabbas Matt. 11:27-30	

Welcome to all our visitors who join us for services!

Vespers for **St. Nicholas Feast** after Coffee Hour

Celebrations: Name's Days: Andrew (Korman, Boyd, Maldera Xenios' brother Andreas)

Many years!

**Memory Eternal:** Fr. Steven's aunt Marian fell asleep in the Lord on Nov. 16th. Memory eternal.

#### **Coffee Hour:**

Please contact Susan Papademetris to assist with set-up, bringing foods, and clean-up.

**Stewardship Tray:** In December we will be supporting **St. Tikhon's Monastery**, the oldest of our monasteries, located in PA. Please be generous. To donate by check, simply put "stewardship tray" in the memo line.

**Men's Reading Group**: A weekly **Men's Reading Group** is continuing on Wednesday mornings at 7am. We are currently studying the Book of Acts. Just click on the link here to join us.

November is Pledge Month: We will bless the pledges today, Sunday, Nov. 28th.

### **Church School:**

A special afternoon honoring St. Nicholas in the church hall on **Saturday, December 4th**, at **3:45**. We will meet for prayers, a story, some singing, and a snack before leaving a shoe for St. Nicholas to fill and moving upstairs for vespers. On **Saturday, December 18th from 3:00 to 4:30** we will meet for another all-ages Church School lesson. The subject of this session will be Water--just in time for a deeper celebration of Theophany!

## **Birthday Celebrations:**

If you or a family member is celebrating a birthday or anniversary in the month of December, please let Fr. Steven know by e-mailing me here. Thank you!

The Ladies' Auxiliary is continuing our annual Christmas gift program to the permanent residents at the West Haven Veterans' Hospital. As always, we request monetary donations <u>only</u>, so that we can purchase and distribute just the gifts asked of us. Please leave a donation in the gift-wrapped box when you're in church or mail a donation marked "Gifts for Vets" with your regular contributions (must be cash or a separate check). If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Muro. Thank you for your generosity!

## Adopt a Family:

We are again adopting a family for Christmas through Family Centered Services of CT. Our family this year includes Tanya and Juane, parents to 8-year-old Michael and foster parents to 4-year-old Terrell. Deniqua is another adult who is part of the family. The family enjoys playing board games and Jenga, and also outdoor activities, including movie nights in the backyard. Gift suggestions are hanging as ornaments on a tree in the parish hall. If you are unable to attend church this week but would still like to participate, please email Susan Papademetris and she will match you with available gift choices. All gifts must be wrapped and brought to church *no later than Sunday, December 5.* Thank you in advance for helping to make this family's Christmas a memorable one!

**Nativity Fast:** Began on Monday, Nov. 15, 2021 Please make arrangements for confession during this fasting season, along with prayer and fasting. Coffee hours will include fasting items.

Храмовые службы теперь благословляются дважды в неделю. Щелкните <u>здесь</u>, чтобы запросить посещение церковной службы.

(Видеозаписи домашних вечерних служб доступны здесь на нашем сайте.)

Сегодня- 9:00 Литургия - 23-я Неделя по Пятидесятницая –

[Послание к Ефесянам 2:4-10 и от Луки 13:10-17]

Су 15:45 Церковная Школа

17:00 Великая Вечерня, и Исповедь

Воск 9:00 Литургия – 24-я Неделя по Пятидесятницая – Преподобный Савва Освященный

[Послание к Ефесянам 2:14-22 и от Луки 17:12-19]

[Послание к галатам 5:22-6:2 и от Матфея 11:27-30]