

Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church

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Sun. Mar. 12, 2023 9:00am Second Sunday of Great Lent, **St. Gregory Palamas**

TODAY'S READINGS:

Heb. 1:10-2:3

Mark 2:1-12

Heb. 7:26-8:2

John 10:9-16

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Today:

4:00pm

Third Week of Great Lent

Coffee Hour

Mission Vespers, Christ the Savior, Southbury

Tue. Mar. 14 5:30pm

6:30pm

Council Meeting

Wed. Mar. 15 5:00pm

6:00pm

Presanctified Liturgy

Thu. Mar. 16 5:00pm

OCF Vespers, Lovett Room Battell Chapel

Fri. Mar. 17 5:30pm

Memorial Saturday, remembrance of departed

Sat. Mar. 18 3:00pm

Church School

5:00pm

Great Vespers, Confessions

Sun. Mar. 19 9:00am

Third Sunday of Great Lent, **Veneration of the Precious Cross**

4:00pm

Heb. 4:14-5:6

Mark 8:34-9:1

Mission Vespers, Holy Trinity Church, Bridgeport

Welcome to all our visitors who join us for services!

Celebrations:, **Jeff** Vaccino, Name's Day today; **Jason**, Johanna's son, **Trent**, Judy's family, birthdays. Many Years!

Pray for: **Tatiana** Oji at Orange Care Center, **Maria** Scheirer is at Civita Care Center, Milford.

Orthodox Charity of the Month: In March we will be supporting **ONE Stewards**, supporting diocesan programs above and beyond the operational budget, including youth and seminarians. Please be generous! To donate by check, simply put "Charity of the Month" in the memo line.

Youth Rally Save the Date: August 7-12, 2023. **Church School:** March 18, focus: cupolas.

Orthodoxy 101: On Wednesdays after Presanctified Liturgy, we will be offering a series on an introduction to Orthodoxy. All are welcome, and if you have questions you would like addressed, please forward to Fr. Steven!

Men's Reading Group: A weekly **Men's Reading Group** is continuing on Tuesday mornings at 7:15am. We are currently studying the Gospel of St. Mark. Just click on the link [here](#) to join us.

Church School: Older youths are gathering bi-weekly on Fridays at 6:30pm.

Veneration of the Most Precious Cross

Where the August and September feasts of the Cross remember historical events, the cross placed in the center of the church on the third Sunday of Great Lent: speaks only to our faith and reverence. It is to proclaim the part played by the Cross in the history of salvation and to prepare us for the vision, yet far off, of the Cross which, on Holy Friday, will be erected on Golgotha." Matins text: "When, on this day, we look at the precious Cross of Christ, in faith let us adore it. Let us rejoice, and embrace it ardently, beseeching our Lord, who of His own choice gave Himself to be crucified on it, to make us worthy of adoring His most precious Cross so that, free from all defilement, we may attain the day of Resurrection." ... An interesting note is offered concerning the Gospel text: "Verily I say unto you, that there will be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seen the kingdom of God come with power." "This does not imply the second and glorious coming of Christ at the end of the world. It means the coming of Christ with the power inaugurated by Pentecost, which the first generation of Christians was about to witness. But it also means an invisible, unspectacular, coming of the Kingdom in fervent and believing hearts." (*A Year of Grace of the Lord*, Monk of the Eastern Church, SVS Press, 1980, pp.123-124.)

Храмовые службы теперь благословляются дважды в неделю. Щелкните [здесь](#), чтобы запросить посещение церковной службы.

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

Сегодня- 9:00 Литургия - Второе воскресенье Великого поста, Святой Григорий Палама

[Послание к Евреям 1:10-2:3 и от Марка 2:1-12]

[Послание к Евреям 7:26-8:2 и от Иоанна 10:9-16]

16:00 Миссионерская вечерня, Христос Спаситель, Саутбери

Ср 17:00чд Исповедь; 18:00чд Литургия Преждеосвященных Даров

Пя 17:30 Панихида

Су 15:00 Церковная школа

17:00 Великая Вечерня и Исповедь

Воск 9:00 Литургия – Неделя - Третье воскресенье Великого поста: Почитание Креста

[Послание к Евреям 4:14-5:6 и от Марка 8:34-9:1]

16:00 Миссионерская вечерня, Святая Троица, Бриджпорт