

Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church

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Sun. May 28, 2023 9:00am Seventh Sunday of Pascha, **Fathers of 1st Ecumenical Council**

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 20:16-18,28-36 John 17:1-13

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Today: Coffee Hour
Mon. May 29 Memorial Day (also Pilgrimage to St. Tikhon's)
Tue. May 30 5:30pm Vespers
Fri. June 2 6:30pm Leavetaking of Ascension Feast
Older Church School group
Sat. June 3 5:00pm Memorial Saturday, Great Vespers with Litya, Confessions
Sun. June 4 9:00am **Holy Pentecost**
Acts 2:1-11 John 7:37-52;8:12
Kneeling **Vespers** to follow Divine Liturgy

Welcome to all our visitors who join us for services!

Celebrations: Name's Day: **Heidi and Martha** (June 4); Birthday: **Xenios** Papademetris 29th. Many years! Also, Alexander George was born on April 24th, son of Fr. John and Mat. Brenda Mikitish. Many years!

Pray for: **Tatiana** Oji at Orange Care Center, **Maria** Scheirer is at Elim Long-term care, Cheshire, and **Lloyd** Mueller, currently at home.

Orthodox Charity of the Month: In May we will be supporting **Ancient Faith Radio**, offering many resources for Orthodox Christians. To donate by check, simply put "Charity of the Month" in the memo line.

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.

Coffee Hour: To assist in preparations for coffee hour, here is the link to the [sign-up sheet](#). Please communicate your plan to bring what you are able to in coordinating with others and share with parish faithful.

Youth Rally Save the Date: August 7-12, 2023. Registration is **open**, link is [here](#).

Prayers during Ascension: During this feast, we still do not take the Prayer "O Heavenly King..." typically the first prayer of the "Trisagion Prayers". We begin with the Ascension Troparion, and then proceed with Holy God ... 3x. *You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, granting joy to Your Disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit. Through the blessing, they were assured that You are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world!*

Pilgrimage to St. Tikhon's Monastery: Click [here](#) for the schedule of services.

Church School: Older youths will continue meeting bi-weekly on Fridays at 6:30pm.

2023 Vacation Church School at Three Saints Park

When- June 19-23, 2023 (NOTE **NEW DATES**). **Where-** Three Saints Park, 112 Miller Road, Bethany, CT 06524. **Time** – Daily 9am to 4pm with Family Night on Friday starting at 5pm. **Cost-** \$45 per child. Come join us for our week-long Vacation Church School for youth ages 5-15. Your child will experience fun, faith, friendship, swimming, games, bible study, religious education, worship and song. This year's theme will be "The Holy Apostles". **Questions?** - Call Fr. Patrick Burns (203) 734-3988 Children of all faiths are welcome! **Registration deadline, June 1st.** A few registration forms will be available at the candle desk, or you can access [here](#).

Panko Scholarship

Victor Panko, of blessed memory, established scholarships for our college students. We do not have graduating high school seniors this year. We do, however, ask our current college students to request continuance of their scholarship for the coming academic year. The form to do so can be accessed [here](#). Let us continue to pray for our college students, as well as our Yale OCF students.

Mid-May financial update: in order to maintain routine operations, Holy Transfiguration depends on gifts from its ~60 parishioners totaling approximately \$14,500 per month. From January through April, donations have been fairly close to that mark. In the first three weeks of May, however, giving dropped precipitously, with barely \$8000 having come in thus far. We have a long way to go to get to \$14,500 for May. At the annual meeting, we appealed to all of our members to prayerfully consider substantially increasing their giving compared to last year so that we will end 2023 in the clear. To learn more about generous, proportionate giving with gratitude, you can watch our [presentation](#). Thank you for your faithful support!

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

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

Воск 9:00 Литургия - Седьмая Неделя Пасхи: Отцы I Вселенского Собора
[Послание к Деяния Апостолов 20:16-18,28-36 и от Иоанна 17:1-13]

Су 17:00 Великая Вечерня с литей, и Исповедь

Воск 9:00 Литургия – Праздник Пятидесятницы

[Послание к Деяния Апостолов 2:1-11 и от Иоанна 7:37-52;8:12]

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