

Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church

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Sun. Nov. 24, 2024 9:00am **22nd Sunday after Pentecost, Greatmartyr Catherine**
TODAY'S READINGS: Gal. 6:11-18 Luke 13:10-17

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Today: Coffee Hour
Tue. Nov. 26 5:30pm Daily Vespers
Wed. Nov. 27 6:00pm Akathist; **Glory to God for all Things**
Thu. Nov. 28 5:30am **Happy Thanksgiving**
Sat. Nov. 30 5:00pm Great Vespers, Confessions
Sun. Dec. 1 9:00am **23rd Sunday after Pentecost, Prophet Nahum**
Eph. 2:4-10 Luke 18:18-27

Welcome to all our visitors who join us for services!

Celebrations: Birthdays **Subdeacon Nektary**, (24th); Trevor Vaccino (25th); **Tina** Odaynik, **Tanya** (Ross niece) 26th; Name's Day: **Andrew** (Maldera, Boyd, Andreas Papademetris (30th) Many Years!

Pray for: **Nancy** Muro who is at Artis Senior Living, Branford; **Tatiana** Oji is at Orange Care Center, **Maria** Scheirer is at Elim Long-term care, Cheshire. **Carole** Rossick and **George** Jafferis, continue in cancer treatment. Shirley Farm is at Yale Hospital (HRS Campus).

Orthodox Charity of the Month In November we will be supporting **IOCC**, in responding to recent catastrophic storms,. To donate by check, simply put "Charity of the Month" in the memo line.

Men's Reading Group:

Continues weekly on Thursday mornings at 7:15am. We are currently studying St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans. Just click on the link [here](#) to join us.

Coffee Hour: To assist in preparations for upcoming coffee hours, 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.

Presentation by Hierodeacon Cyril: On Sunday, November 24, Hierodeacon Cyril will be making a brief presentation on "Keeping the Grace Received in the Liturgy throughout the Week" during coffee hour.

November is pledge month!

Our online pledge forms are available 24/7! Take time today to express your gratitude to God for your many blessings and to affirm your commitment to maintain support for our parish by completing both a [financial](#) and a [time/talents](#) pledge for 2025. A pledge of support, together with sacramental participation, fulfills the requirements for parish membership. Pledges from non- and not-yet members are also welcome! Paper copies of the pledge forms are available at the candle desk. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Our **Adopt a Family** for 2024 includes parents Jeanette and Miguel, together with Jayleen (20), Amaya (15) and Efrain (10). Suggested gifts and monetary donations toward larger, group gifts are hung on the small Christmas tree in the parish hall. All gifts must be brought to church, wrapped and tagged, by Sunday, December 8. Please see Susan Papademetris if you have questions.

Our parish will again **support Veterans** at the West Haven Veterans Hospital. Donations will be used to purchase and wrap gifts for them by mid-December. There's a donation box on the table as you exit at the end of services for your contribution. To make a cashless donation via PayPal, please visit the [Donate page](#) on our website. Indicate "**Vets**" in the memo line and please consider adding \$1 or more to your donation to cover the PayPal fee. (This donation will not be included in your annual giving statement.) Or, you can give checks/cash to Jean Cherniavsky, Anne Bosse, or Barbara Sivigny. Thanks to all who contribute to this joyful Christmas project!

Nativity Fast:

Began on Friday, Nov. 15, 2024. Please make arrangements for confession during this fasting season, along with prayer and fasting. Coffee hours will include fasting items. "We must first come to see Jesus the man. We must come to know Him as a concrete human being, a Jew, a rabbi, a prophet. We must meet Him as Mary's child, the carpenter's son, the Nazarene. Then, in this encounter, when our eyes are open and our hearts are pure, we can come to see 'greater things.' ... We can come to see Him as God Himself; Hopko, *The Winter Pascha*, SVS Press, 1984, pp. 14.

On Wednesday, at 5:30pm, anticipating the Thanksgiving holiday, we will be celebrating the **Akathist: Glory to God for all Things**. This is a beautiful reflection on our Christian life from a priest who was in a labor camp during WWII.

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 – 22-я Неделя по Пятидесятница –
[Послание к Галатам 6:11-18 и от Луки 13:10-17]
Ср 17:30 Акафист: *Благодарение Богу за все*
Су 17:00 Великая Вечерня, Исповедь
Воск 9:00 Литургия – 23-я Неделя по Пятидесятница –
[Послание к Ефесянам 2:4-10 и от Луки 18:18-27]