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MYSTERY OF HOLY CONFESSION: Before & after Saturday evening Vespers. Other Sacraments by appointment.

GOING TO THE HOSPITAL? Please notify Father when you are admitted if you want him to visit. Kindly notify Father also when you are discharged.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2017 DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 AM
GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY FOREVER!
SLAVA ISUSU CHRISTU! SLAVA NA V'IKI!

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: Regular Sunday Antiphons and the Beatitudes. Propers for Tone 1 on pp. 81-83. *“Zastupnice”* from the hand-out sheets.

EPISTLE: I Corinthians 4:9-16. GOSPEL: Matthew 17:14-23.

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES
For the week of August 13:

- Sun., August 13:** (After Liturgy) Panachida in memory of +Anne Bilica. Requested by Julia Moore.
- Tues., August 15:** (6:30 PM) Paraklis to the Most Holy Theotokos at the Prayer Garden.
- Fri., August 18:** (6:00 PM) Great Vespers with Litija for the Great Feast of the *Holy Transfiguration* of Our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ.
- Sat., August 19 — The Holy Transfiguration of Our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ**
9:00 AM: Divine Liturgy for the Great Feast of the *Holy Transfiguration* of Our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. Special Antiphons and all Propers can be found on pp. 166-169. **FRUIT** will be blessed on this day. There will be *Mirovanije* (festive anointing) at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

Sat., August 19: (6:00 PM) Great Vespers for the *Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*. Propers for Tone 2, Post-Feast of the Holy Transfiguration and the Venerable Martyr Dometius.

Sunday, August 20:

The 11th Sunday after Pentecost Post-Feast of the Transfiguration

9:30 AM: Preparation Prayers for Holy Communion. Feel free to grab a book and participate!

10:00 AM: Divine Liturgy for the *Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost & Post-Feast of the Holy Transfiguration*. Antiphons from the Transfiguration on pp. 166-167. Tropar for Tone 2 on p. 84. Tropar for the Transfiguration on p. 167. GLORY.... Kondak for Tone 2 on p. 84-85. NOW & EVER.... Kondak for the Transfiguration on p. 167. Remaining Propers for Tone 2 on p. 86. Glorification & Irmos from the Transfiguration on p. 168. There will be *Mirovanije* (festive anointing) at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy in honor of the Feast of the Holy Transfiguration.

THE ETERNAL LAMP burns with prayers for Laney & Anna Ross. Requested by *Laney & Cindi Ross*.

THE LEFT SIDE ALTAR LAMPS (Prothesis) burn with prayers and best wishes for a *Happy Birthday* to Annemarie Ross. Requested by *Laney & Cindi Ross*.

THE RIGHT SIDE ALTAR LAMPS (Diakonikon) burn with prayers and best wishes for a *Happy Birthday* to Pan'i Kelley Kabel. Requested with love by *Father Michael*.

THE TETRAPOD LAMPS burn with prayers for *Special Intentions*. Requested by *Theresa Reese*.

TODAY'S SUNDAY BULLETIN is sponsored with prayers and best wishes for a *Happy Birthday* to Theresa Reese. Requested by *Bob & Family*.

OUR MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING will be held *TODAY* after the Pot-Luck Coffee Hour. All council members should be present.

THE DORMITION FAST begins *tomorrow, August 14*. Let us use this two-week time of preparation for the *Feast of the Dormition* on Monday, August 28 wisely, by praying and fasting more, and by doing acts of charity. This is also a recommended time to go to Confession.

OUR BIBLE STUDY GROUP will meet *this coming Thursday, August 17* at 6:30 PM in the church basement.

DON'T FORGET to bring **BOWLS OF FRUIT** to church *next Saturday* for the blessing on the Feast of the Transfiguration. To express our recognition and gratitude to God for the many generous gifts He has bestowed upon us, we bring some of our first fruits to the church for the special blessing.

TEACHERS' MEETING. There will be a meeting of all church school teachers *next Sunday, August 20* immediately after the Divine Services.

DORMITION FLOWERS. We plan to once again adorn the Grave of Our Lady with FLOWERS on the Feast of her Holy Dormition on August 28. If you would like to donate a flower *in memory* of a departed loved one OR with prayers for the *health & salvation* of a living person, please use the *special offering envelopes* that are available on the table in the back of church. Cost is **\$9.00 per flower**. Please submit your envelope ASAP.

IOCC SCHOOL KITS. We are once again collecting school supplies to send to the IOCC. This year, we are asking families to sponsor an entire kit, instead of buying individual supplies. Please *sign-up* to sponsor one of these kits and to provide the necessary items. Once you have purchased your school supplies, please bring them to church and place them in one of the canvas bags in the back of the church. We are hoping to send **30 kits** this year. Thank you for all of your help!

THE BLESSING OF ANIMALS will take place in our church parking lot on **Friday, September 15** at **7:00 PM**, in conjunction with the commemoration of the Holy Martyr Mamas. There will be a brief service, followed by the blessing. We would also like to develop this event into a church open house and youth service project. Please feel free to bring any animal that you can safely transport to the church for the blessing, and invite your friends to participate as well!

CHURCH ATTENDANCE
Saturday Vespers (8/5) — 4
Sunday Divine Liturgy (8/6) — 68
Moleben to the Theotokos (8/8) — 10

ON LOVING CHRIST

"It is impossible not to love Christ. If we saw Him now, we should not be able to take our eyes off Him. We should "listen to him in rapture;" we should flock round Him as did the multitudes in the Gospels. All that is required of us is not to resist. We have only to yield to Him, to the contemplation of His image — in the Gospels, in the Saints, in the Church — and He will take possession of our hearts."

— Fr. Alexander Elchaninov (+1934)

UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2017

Please mark your calendars now!

Monday, August 14 - Sunday, August 27 - Dormition Fast.

Saturday, August 19 - Holy Day - Transfiguration of Our Lord (Blessing of Fruits).

Monday, August 28 - Holy Day - Dormition of the Mother of God (Blessing of Flowers & Herbs).

Friday, September 1 to Monday, September 4 — National A.C.R.Y. Conventions.

Friday, September 15 — Blessing of Animals.

Saturday, September 16 — Camp Nazareth 40th Anniversary Celebration.

Friday, September 22 to Saturday, September 24 — Diocesan Stewardship Retreat.

Friday, November 10 to Sunday, November 12 — A.C.R.Y. Fall Encounter.



Righteous Eudocimus of Cappadocia

Commemorated on July 31 / August 13

Saint Eudocimus, a native of Cappadocia (Asia Minor), lived during the ninth century during the reign of Emperor Theophilus (829-842). He was the son of the pious Christians Basil and Eudokia, an illustrious family known to the emperor. They raised their son “in discipline and admonition of the Lord” (Eph. 6: 4), planting in his soul a sincere faith and holy virtues.

The righteous life of Saint Eudocimus was devoted to pleasing God and serving his neighbor. Having given a vow to remain unmarried and chaste, he avoided conversation with women and did not look at them. He would speak only with his own mother, whom he greatly respected. The emperor valued his virtue and talents, so he appointed Saint Eudocimus as governor of Chorziane, Armenia. Fulfilling his duty as a servant of God, Saint Eudocimus governed the people justly and with kindness. He concerned himself with the unfortunate, and with orphans and widows, and he was a defender of the common people. His personal Christian exploits which he did in secret, were known only to God.

Eudocimus pleased God by his blameless life, and the Lord called him at age 33. Lying on his deathbed, Saint Eudocimus gave final instructions to place him in the grave in those clothes in which he would meet death. Then he sent everyone out of the room and entreated the Lord that no one would see his end, just as no one saw his secret efforts during life. His attendants buried him as he had instructed them. Right after the death of Saint Eudocimus miracles took place at his grave. Many sick people were healed, and the news of the miraculous healings spread.

After 18 months, the mother of Saint Eudocimus came from Constantinople to venerate his relics. She gave orders to remove the stone, dig up the ground, and open the grave. Everyone beheld the face of the saint, bright as if alive, altogether untouched by decay. A great fragrance came from him. They took up the coffin with the relics from the earth, and they dressed the saint in new clothes. His mother wanted to take the relics of her son to Constantinople, but the Kharsian people would not clear a path for their holy one. After a certain time the hieromonk Joseph, having lived and served at the grave of the saint, transported the relics of Saint Eudocimus to Constantinople. There they were placed in a silver reliquary in the church of the Most Holy Theotokos, built by the parents of the saint.

Saint Eudocimus is considered by the Russian Church to be one of the special protectors and intercessors before God of the family hearth. He was, as his name implies, truly successful in every virtue.

Connect Young Adults Conference Atlanta, Georgia - October 6-8, 2017



About The Conference

A dedicated group of young adults from multiple Orthodox parishes has come together to organize a conference for young adults. It is called the Connect conference and will be in Atlanta the weekend of October 6-8th, 2017! This is a grassroots initiative that has received blessings from Metropolitan Alexios of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Atlanta, Bishop Gregory of the American Carpatho-Russian Diocese, and the Atlanta Clergy Brotherhood.

After college is a time filled with much transition - young adults are faced with making critical decisions about their career, marriage, family, and lifestyle. The Connect conference organization strives to convey to young adults that we can lean on Christ, the Church, and fellow Orthodox Christians during this phase of life. You remember how fired up you felt about your faith during the Young Adult League Movement of the 80s? We would like to reignite this flame for the young adult ministry through Connect.

A little more information on the conference - the theme of the conference this year is "Finding Christ in Everyday Life," and we have two amazing keynote speakers: Bishop Gregory of Nyssa, Primate of the American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese, and Tim Tassopoulos, President and COO of Chik-fil-a. We will have six engaging spiritual workshops discussing topics such as: *Living our Faith in a Digital Age* (Dcn. Gabe Aldridge), *Learning How God Pursues us Every Day* (Dr. Despina Prassas), and *Encountering God's Love In Marriage and Dating Relationships* (Fr. Nicholas and Dr. Roxanne Louh). There will be opportunities for worship, as well as awesome social events! The conference will be held near the newly built SunTrust Park and the Battery Atlanta.