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Sunday, August 6, 2017 – The Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, in the city of our God, in His holy mountain. Who settest fast the mountains by Thy strength, Who art girded about with power.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us. Who coverest Thyself with light as with a garment. The mountains shall rejoice at the presence of the Lord, for He cometh; yea, He is come to judge the earth. (Refrain)

Glory... Both now... (Refrain)

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

His foundations are in the holy mountains. The Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who wast transfigured on Mount Tabor, who sing to Thee. Alleluia. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God. (Refrain)

Zion is our mother, a man shall say, and such a man was born in her; and the Most High Himself hath established her. (Refrain) Glory... Both now... O, only begotten Son and Word of God...

THE THIRD ANTIPHON

Of Thy mercies, O Lord, will I sing forever. The heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord, and Thy truth in the congregation of saints. Blessed is the people that knoweth jubilation. O Lord, in the light of Thy countenance shall they walk, and in Thy Name shall they rejoice all the day long.

• ***During the Little Entrance, after the verses of the Third Antiphon, chant the Apolytikion of the Transfiguration.***

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF THE FEAST *For in Thee is the fountain of life, O Lord, and in Thy light shall we see light. Save us, O Son of God, Who wast transfigured on Mount Tabor, who sing to Thee. Alleluia. • Now sing these apolytikia in the following order.*

APOLYTIKION OF THE TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE SEVEN *When, O Christ our God, Thou wast transfigured on the mountain, Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy Disciples in proportion as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners, through the intercessions of the Theotokos. O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee.*

• Do NOT sing the apolytikion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.

KONTAKION OF THE TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE SEVEN *Thou wast transfigured on the mount, and Thy Disciples, in so far as they were able, beheld Thy glory, O Christ our God; so that, when they should see Thee crucified, they would remember that all Thy suffering was voluntary, and could declare to all the world that Thou art truly the effulgent Splendor of the Father.*

THE EPISTLE

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works; in wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Peter. (1:10-19)

Brethren, be the more zealous to confirm your call and election, for if you do this you will never fall; so there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Therefore, I intend always to remind you of these things, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to arouse you by way of reminder, since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me. And I will see to it that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things. For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when He received honor and glory from God the Father and the voice was borne to Him by the Majestic Glory, "This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased," we heard this voice borne from heaven, for we were with Him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word made surer. You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (17:1-9)

At that time, Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain apart. And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with Him. And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is well that we are here; if Thou wilt, I will make three booths here, one for Thee and one for Moses and one for Elijah." He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased; hear Him." When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces, and were filled with awe. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of man is risen from the dead."

MEGALYNARION FOR THE FEAST IN TONE EIGHT *Now hath been heard that which hath never been heard before; for the Son, Who is from the Virgin without father, hath been testified to in glory by the voice of the Father; for He Himself is God and Man together unto the end of the ages.*

KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN) FOR THE TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE EIGHT *O Lord, in the light of the glory of Thy face shall we walk, and in Thy Name shall we rejoice forever. Alleluia.*

- Instead of singing "We have seen the true light", sing the Apolytikion of the Transfiguration

SERVICE SCHEDULE

August 12th – 5:00 PM – No Great Vespers (will return after Labor Day)

August 13th – 9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

August 14th – 6:00 PM – Liturgy for the Feast of Dormition

August 19th – 5:00 PM – No Great Vespers (will return after Labor Day)

August 20th – 9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

August 26th – 5:00 PM – No Great Vespers (will return after Labor Day)

August 27th – 9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy followed by Luncheon

August 28th – 6:00 PM – Akathist to St. Moses

September 2nd – 5:00 PM – No Great Vespers (will return after Labor Day)

September 3rd – 9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

September 10th – Children's Education Program Begins

PRAYER LIST - Please contact Pres. Kristina Abernathy via email at Kristina.nicole@me.com or via text or call at 724.493.7213 to add living or departed names to the prayer list.

LIVING– Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Archpriest Elias, Archpriest Jason & Family, Archpriest Anthony & Family, Archpriest James, Kh. Linda, Archpriest Patrick, Kh. Vanessa, Archpriest Joseph, Priest Joseph, Kh. Arleen, Hiromonk Michael, The Sisterhood of St. Nina Monastery, Gregory, Justin, Christopher, Joseph, Rebecca, Rodger, Joyce, Sister Janice, The Painter Family, The Boozer Family, The Wells Family, The Horne Family, The Focus Family, Pearl, Brandon, Isabella, Ashley, Carmen, Timothy, Marcella, Cassie, George, Eva, The Elderkin Family, Billy, Daniel, Leisa, John, Mogakolaiti, Emery, George, Joan, Jane, Diane, Chris & Alexandra, Kane, Beverly, Jace and Family, Ericka, Ryder, Chris, Maria, Melanie, Jann, Tamaira and her unborn child, James-Brian, Valentina and her unborn child, Holly, Joshua, Noah

DEPARTED – Archpriest John, Kh. Stephanie, Kh. Joanne, Monica, Andre, Joey, Mary, Rose

CONFESSIONS and HOUSE BLESSINGS By Appointment - Please contact Rev. Paul Abernathy via calling at 412.254.6281 to schedule confession or a meeting.

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