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**Sunday, August 13, 2017 – Tenth Sunday after Pentecost &  
Tenth Sunday of Matthew  
Leave-taking of the Transfiguration of 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 LEAVE TAKING**

*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.**

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE ONE**

*While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.*

## **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.*

• **Now 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**

**Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.**

**The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (4:9-16)**

*Brethren, God has exhibited us Apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill clad and buffeted and homeless; and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.*

## **THE GOSPEL**

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (17:14-23)**

*At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Thy disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" Jesus said to them, "Because you have no faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. This kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were traveling together through Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will rise on the third day."*

## **MEGALYNARION FOR THE LEAVE-TAKING IN TONE FOUR**

*Magnify, O my soul, the Lord Who wast transfigured on Mount Tabor. Thy birth-giving, O Theotokos, has been shown free of corruption; for God did come forth from thy womb putting on flesh; and on earth did He appear, and walked among men. Wherefore, thee do we all magnify.*

## **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 14<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 PM** – Vespers Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Dormition

**August 19<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 PM** – No Great Vespers (will return after Labor Day)

**August 20<sup>th</sup> – 9:30 AM** – Divine Liturgy

**August 26<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 PM** – No Great Vespers (will return after Labor Day)

**August 27<sup>th</sup> – 9:30 AM** – Divine Liturgy followed by Luncheon – Please bring something to share if you are able

**August 28<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 PM** – Akathist to St. Moses

**September 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5:00 PM** – No Great Vespers (will return after Labor Day)

**September 3<sup>rd</sup> – 9:30 AM** – Divine Liturgy

**September 7<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 PM** – Vespers Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos

**September 9<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 PM** – Great Vespers

**September 10<sup>th</sup> – 9:30 AM** – Divine Liturgy followed by Children's Education Program

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**PRAYER LIST** - Please contact Pres. Kristina Abernathy via email at [Kristina.nicole@me.com](mailto: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 Jason & Family, Archpriest Anthony & Family, Archpriest Elias, Archpriest James, Kh. Linda, Archpriest Patrick, Kh. Vanessa, Archpriest Joseph, Priest Joseph, Kh. Arleen, Hieromonk Michael, The Sisterhood of St. Nina Monastery, Gregory, Justin, Christopher, Joseph, Rebecca, Paul 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, 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, Tara

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

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**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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