

## St. George Melkite-Greek Catholic Church

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***August 2, 2020 — Ninth Sunday after Pentecost***



*Icon of the Transfiguration – August 6<sup>th</sup>*

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## Divine Liturgy

*A recording will be made available sometime on Sunday on the parish's Facebook page: [facebook.com/pg/ByzantineMilwaukee/videos/](https://facebook.com/pg/ByzantineMilwaukee/videos/). An account is not needed.*

**Intentions:** Happy and eternal repose of the soul of BOB Frea (req by. Jan Taylor) and Fr. ANDRE St. Germain

### Troparia

- 1. Resurrection (Tone 8):** O Merciful One, Who came down from on high and endured burial for three days, in order to save us from suffering. O our Life and our Resurrection, glory to you.
- 2. St. George:** O Great among the saints and glorious martyr, George, since you are a deliverer of captives, a doctor for the sick and a noble attendant to kings, intercede for us to Christ God, that he may save our souls!
- 3. Kontakion of the Transfiguration:** O Christ God, you were transfigured on the Mountain, and your disciples saw as much of your glory as they could hold, so that seeing You crucified they would know You had willed to suffer your passion and would proclaim to the world that You as verily the Reflection of the Father.

**Prokimenon:** Make vows to the Lord your God and fulfill them; let all round about him bring gifts to the awesome Lord!

*Stichon:* God is renowned in Judah; in Israel, great is his name.

**Epistle:** I Cor 3:9-17

BRETHREN, we are God's co-workers, you are God's field, God's building. According to God's grace which has been given to me, as a wise builder, I laid the foundation, and another builds upon it. . But each one must be careful how he builds upon it, for no one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely, Jesus Christ. But if anyone builds upon this foundation with gold, silver, gems, wood, hay, straw—the work of each one shall be made manifest: for the Lord's day shall declare it, because it shall

be revealed in fire; and the work of each man, whoever he be, shall be assayed in fire. If the work any man built on the foundation stands, he shall receive a reward; if someone's work burns down, he shall suffer its loss, yet he himself shall be saved, though only by passing, so to speak, through fire.

Do you not know that you are God's temple, and that God's Spirit lives in you? If anyone destroys this temple of God, God will destroy him: for holy is God's temple, and this [holy temple] you are.

**Alleluia:** Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us sing joyfully to God our Savior!

*Stichon:* Let us greet his presence with thanksgiving; let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

**Gospel:** Calming of the Storm, Mt 14:22-34

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At that time Jesus made his disciples get into the boat and cross the sea ahead of him, while he dismissed the crowd. And when he had dismissed the crowd, he went up the mountain alone to pray. And when it was late, he was there alone, but the boat was in the midst of the sea, buffeted by the waves, for the wind was against them. But in the fourth watch of the night Jesus came to them, walking upon the sea. And the disciples, seeing him walk upon the sea, were greatly alarmed, and exclaimed, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. Then Jesus immediately spoke to them, saying, "Take courage; it is I, do not be afraid." But Peter

answered him and said, "Lord, if it is you, order me to come to you over the water." And he said, "Come." Then Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water to come to Jesus. But when he saw the strong wind, he was afraid; and as he began to sink, he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!" And Jesus at once stretched out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind fell. But those who were in the boat came and worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." And crossing over, they came to the land of Gennesaret.

### Stewardship

Last week: donations=\$1,120; ordinary collections=\$483. Thanks for your generosity!

Owed to eparchy (assessment, retirement and medical insurance): \$9,177.55

There is a link to donate via PayPal on our website: [byzantinemilwaukee.com/donate](https://byzantinemilwaukee.com/donate).

### Prayer List

Please remember—All those who are sick and in need: John & Alice Herro\*, Nick Langenfeld, Barb & Bruce Moden (sister- and brother- in-law of Jan Taylor), Eva Nora (niece of the Noras), Bob Peterson, Joe Radanovich, the Rebholz family, Eva Saseen (Theresa and Janelle Herro's niece), Jan Taylor, Kathy Tomaz, Espe Villasenor, John Zambo and Kathy Zambo. For those we have been asked to pray for: Justin & Krysten Hager (Jan Taylor). For those who have died: Patricia Nora (grandmother of Jerry Nora), Susan Frances Klister (104½ years; mother of Joe Radanovich) and John Herro.

\* Please particularly remember Alice Herro, wife of John Herro, who has been having health issues recently.

John Herro, longtime and lifelong parishioner, died July 30, 2020. Services noted in schedule below. We ask that visitors be mindful of city and state regulations by wearing a mask and maintaining social distance from those not in their household.

*O Christ God, with the Saints, grant rest to the soul of your servant, John, in a place where there is no pain, no grief, no sighing, but everlasting life!*

### Schedule for This Week

**Sunday:** Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
10:30am Divine Liturgy

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**Wednesday: 6pm Divine Liturgy or Vespers** (With blessing of grapes. While some grapes will be available for taking, it is suggested that you bring your own for your household to take back blessed.)

**Thursday: TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD**  
**9:30am Visitation for John Herro**  
**11am Funeral service for John Herro**

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to George Basil Rebholz (8/4) and Jane Ecks (8/8). May God grant you many years!

### **City Mask Ordinance**

It is our understanding that the city requires us to require wearing of masks when in the church building by anyone at least three-years old. Please help us by wearing one, taking it off, temporarily, for receiving communion. According to the Milwaukee Health Department, the best way to prevent coronavirus disease 2019 is to avoid being exposed to the virus and to avoid exposing other people. You can find more information about the ordinance in the form of an FAQ from the health department:

[city.milwaukee.gov/Coronavirus/Prevention](http://city.milwaukee.gov/Coronavirus/Prevention)

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### **It is Good for Us to be Here**

Upon Mount Tabor, Jesus revealed to his disciples a heavenly mystery. While living among them he had spoke of the kingdom and of his second coming in glory, but to banish from their hearts any possible doubt concerning the kingdom and to confirm their faith in what lay in the future by its prefiguration in the present, he gave them on Mount Tabor a wonderful vision of his glory, a foreshadowing of the kingdom of heaven.

These are the divine wonders we celebrate today; this is the saving revelation given us upon the mountain; this is the festival of Christ that has drawn us here.

Let us listen, then, to the sacred voice of God so compellingly calling us from high, from the

summit of the mountain, so that with the Lord's chosen disciples we may penetrate the deep meaning of these holy mysteries, so far beyond our capacity to express.

Jesus goes before us to show us the way, both up the mountain and into heaven, and—I speak boldly—it is for us now to follow him with all speed, yearning for the heavenly vision that will give us a share in his radiance, renew our spiritual nature and transform us into his own likeness, making us for ever sharers in his Godhead and raising us to heights as yet undreamed of.

*Sermon of St. Anastasius of Sinai*

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