

St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church

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Sunday, August 11, 2013

Sunday after the Transfiguration; Seventh Sunday after Pentecost; Holy Martyr Euplus the Archdeacon of Catania (+304); Niphon II, Patriarch of Constantinople (+1508); Commemoration of the deliverance of Kerkyra (Corfu) by the intervention of St. Spyridon (+1716); Hieromartyrs Theodore and Basil of the Kiev Near Caves.

The Bread of the Offering (*Prophoro*) was prepared by Angie Lewis.

Parish Council Ushers: Elizabeth Haddad / Cathy Miedl / Dimitri Sourtas

Community Ushers: George and Cathy Miedl

The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Hymns of the Entrance



Hymn of the Transfiguration (Grave Tone)

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God, revealing Your glory to Your disciples, insofar as they could comprehend. Illuminate also us sinners with Your everlasting light, through the intercessions of the Theotokos. O giver of light, glory to You.

Entrance Hymn (Second Tone): Come, let us bow down to Christ, as we worship Him, the Son of God. Save us, O Son of God, who are risen from the dead. We sing to You, "Alleluia!"

Resurrectional Hymn (Plagal of the Second Tone)

When the angelic powers appeared at your tomb and those who guarded You became as though dead, standing by Your sepulchre was Mary seeking Your pure and sacred body. For You did vanquish Hades and, uncorrupted by its touch, came unto the virgin woman, bestowing the gift of life. O You who rose from the dead, Lord, we give glory to You.

Hymn of the Transfiguration (Grave Tone) - Repeat

Hymn of St. John the Baptizer (Second Tone)

A righteous man is remembered with praise, for you Forerunner the Lord's witness is enough. You were shown to be greater in honor than the prophets, for you were privileged to baptize in the stream the One you had foretold. Therefore, rejoicing, you suffered for the sake of truth, and you proclaimed the good news to those in Hades, that God had appeared in the flesh to take away the sin of the world, and grant our souls His great mercy.

St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church presents...



2013—Join Us Rain or Shine

CANFIELD PLAZA

85th & West Center Rd

Fri-8/23 — 5 pm—11 pm

Sat-8/24 — 11 am—11 pm

Sun-8/25 — Noon—7 pm

Lively Greek Music

Greek Food and Pastries

Greek Folk Dancing

Boutique and Taverna

Children's Area

Help Support Your Local Community

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Saturday, Aug. 24, 2013 11 a.m.—3 p.m.

Siena Francis House Food Bank

Free Admission at Gate with Canned Goods Donation.

Visit our website for more details.

ADULTS: \$3 and Children (12 and under) FREE; Students, Military Personnel, Firefighters, & Police Officers (with ID) FREE

www.GreekFestOmaha.com

www.StJohnsGreekOrthodox.org

Are you a "super-mom"?

Catholic Charities needs your talents!

We are looking for experienced moms to provide mentoring support to pregnant and parenting young women.

Within a friendship role, mentors:

- give encouragement
- demonstrate positive parenting
- simply just listen

We invite you to consider giving your time and talents to make a difference in the lives of these young women and their children.

For more information, contact:

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FESTIVAL BAKING DAYS 2013

Saturday, August 17, 9:00 AM

CUP TZATZIKI SAUCE

Wednesday, August 21

10:00 AM KARITHOPITA & RAVANI

DIP MELOMAKARONA

6:00 PM SKEWER PORK & CHICKEN

Thursday, August 22, 10:00 AM

CUT & CUP BAKLAVA

ASSEMBLE PASTRY COMBOS

BAKING DAYS WILL BE ADDED AS THEY ARE SCHEDULED.

PLEASE ATTEMPT TO MAKE AS MANY DAYS AS POSSIBLE.

SEE YOU AT THE FESTIVAL AUGUST 23-24-25!

Kontakion Hymn for the Feast of the Transfiguration (Grave Tone)

You were transfigured upon the mountain, O Christ our God, and Your disciples, in so far as they could bear it, beheld Your glory. Thus, when they see You crucified, they may understand Your voluntary passion, and proclaim to the world that You are truly the radiance of the Father.



The Readings

Epistle: Romans 15:1-7 (p. 176 in the pew Bibles)

Reader: Emmanuel Vlassakis

Gospel: Matthew 9:27-35 (p. 10 in the pew Bibles)

Welcome, Visitors! Please join us for refreshments following the Divine Liturgy in the fellowship hall. Today's fellowship hour is sponsored by John and Eileen Koutsulis in honor of the Transfiguration (nameday of Sotirios "Sam" Koutsulis).

Church School classes will resume in September.

Festival News: The 2013 Greek Festival will be held August 23-25 at the Canfield Plaza. Flyers, complimentary admission tickets and sponsorship forms are now available for distribution. Help us spread the word! Dance practice will be held for all groups today following the Divine Liturgy. **Sign-up sheets for Festival workers are available in the Community Hall following Divine Liturgy.** See Elaine Schall.

Plan to attend a parish "Fireside Chat" discussion today following the Divine Liturgy. The topic will be concerning preparations for the festival.

Congratulations to George Miedl, III and Gianna Miedl, each of whom received an award at the Eastern Orthodox Youth Camp (EOYC) in La Cygne, Kansas. EOYC is an independently incorporated non-profit governed by a Pan Orthodox Board from parishes in the Kansas City area. For more than forty years this camp has brought together youth from the ages of 7 - 17 to learn about their Orthodox faith in a unique camp experience. Campers are in cabins, divided by age groups. Gigi won one of 5 awards for 16 young girls. Her "Awesome Effort" award perfectly describes her daily effort and enjoyment of her first-time camp experience. George received the "I'm Third Award" The camp motto is "God first, Others second, I'm Third." The selection is made by the cabin counselors who are continually together with the children. George was selected for this honor from 24 of his peers, ages 10-12. This year, over 125 campers studied the Saints, particularly the Defenders of the Faith - our Superheroes (from *Christine Krin*, EOYC Counselor).

Pray Healing for Danny (Dionysios) Poulos, John Argyrakas, and Mary Vlassakis.

The Fast of the Dormition began on August 1 in preparation for the feast of the Dormition of the *Theotokos* (August 15). Services for the Dormition will be held according to the following schedule:

Supplications (*Paraklesis*), Monday, August 12, 7:00 p.m. at All Holy Spirit (9012 'Q' St.)

Vespers - Dormition, Wednesday, August 14, 6:30 p.m. at St. John's.

Divine Liturgy - Dormition, Thursday, August 15, 10:00 a.m. at St. John's.

Looking Ahead ...

Today	8/11	Dance Practice "Fireside Chat" Parish Discussion	11:45 a.m. 12:15 p.m.
Monday	8/12	Supplications (<i>Paraklesis</i>) at All Holy Spirit Church (9012 'Q' St.)	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	8/13	Festival Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	8/14	Great Vespers - Dormition	6:30 p.m.
Thursday	8/15	Divine Liturgy - Dormition	10:00 a.m.
Saturday	8/17	Festival Preparation - <i>Tzatziki</i> Tour Group	9:00 a.m. 6:45 p.m.
Sunday	8/18	Matins (Ushers: Team B) Divine Liturgy (<i>Prophoro</i> : TBA) (Ushers: Jay & Dina Mulkey) Dance Practice	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.