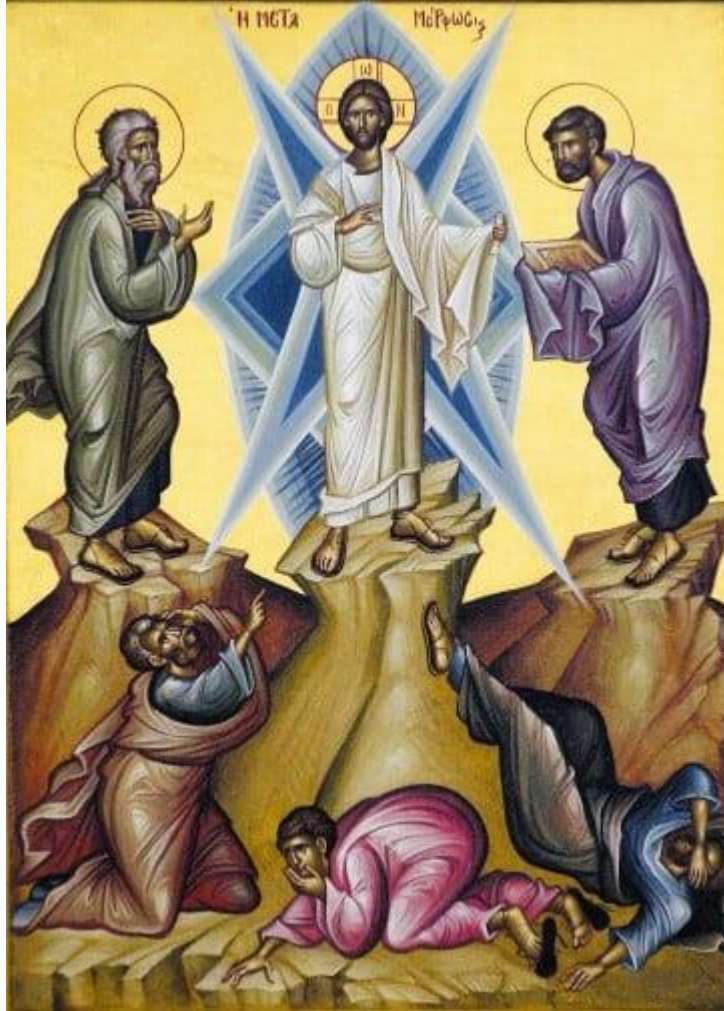


# Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ



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Sunday, August 6, 2023

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

250 Gallows Hill Road, Westfield, New Jersey 07090

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Rev. Fr. Peter Delvizi, Parish Priest

On the Sixth day of the month, we commemorate: The Holy Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

*Click links for Scripture Readings*

Morning Gospel:	<a href="#">St. Luke 9:28-36</a>	<a href="#">Ελληνικά</a>
Epistle Reading:	<a href="#">Second Letter of St. Peter 1:10-19</a>	<a href="#">Ελληνικά</a>
Gospel Reading:	<a href="#">St. Matthew 17:1-9</a>	<a href="#">Ελληνικά</a>

**Apolytikion of the Holy Transfiguration:** “You were transfigured on the Mount, Christ God revealing Your glory to Your disciples, insofar as they could comprehend. Illuminate us sinners also with Your everlasting light, through the intercessions of the Theotokos. Giver of light, glory to You.”

**Kontakion of the Holy Transfiguration:** “You were transfigured upon the mount, O Christ our God, and Your disciples, in so far as they could bear, 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 effulgence of the Father.”

### *Liturgical Schedule*

Tuesday, August 8, Paraklesis to the Theotokos, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, August 9, Paraklesis to the Theotokos, 9:00 AM

Friday, August 11, Paraklesis to the Theotokos, 6:30 PM

Sunday, August 13, Orthros, 8:15 AM; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

Tuesday, August 15, Dormition/Kimisis of the Theotokos, Orthros, 8:30 AM;  
Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

### **Welcome Visitors**

We welcome you to the parish of Holy Trinity in Westfield. We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. If you are looking for a spiritual home, we hope that you will become part of our family. Fr. Peter would very much like to meet you.

# Prayer Request



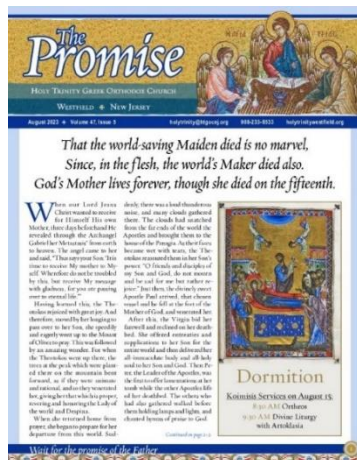
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## Prophoro Offering During Summer Months

Prophoro is the Offering Bread from which the Body of our Lord is consecrated during the Eucharistic Celebration. During the summer months, the church runs low on prophoro. Please consider baking and offering this special bread to ensure that we have enough for each Divine Liturgy and for antidoron at communion and the dismissal. Even if the seal is not perfect the bread will be used. Bring the prophoro to church on Thursday or Friday with the names of the living and the departed to have Fr. Peter pray for your family during the Divine Liturgy.

## Greek School Registration is Now Open

Greek School registration is now open for all classes. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4PM - 6PM beginning Tuesday, September 12, grades Pre-K, Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> Beginners and Advanced, and 3<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday, September 14, grades 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup>. You can register at <https://holytrinitywestfield.org/ministries/greek-school/>



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## Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

Our Lord had spoken to His disciples many times not only concerning His Passion, Cross, and Death, but also concerning the coming persecutions and afflictions that they themselves would endure. Since all these evils were near at hand, but the enjoyment of good things which they hoped to receive in their stead was yet to come, our Savior desired to give them full assurance, evidently and openly, concerning that glory which is prepared for those who endure to the end. Therefore, fulfilling that which He had promised shortly before, that "there be some standing here which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in His Kingdom" (Matt. 16:28), He took His three foremost disciples and ascended Mount Tabor, where He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as the light. Suddenly, together with this dread and marvelous effulgence of light, there appeared those pinnacles of the Prophets, Moses and Elias, who spoke with the Lord Jesus concerning His saving Passion which was about to take place. Standing before Him as reverent servants, they showed that He is the Lord of both the living and the dead, for Moses came forth from Hades, having died many centuries before, and Elias, as it were from heaven, whither he had been taken up while yet alive. After a little while a radiant cloud overshadowed them and out of the cloud they heard that same voice which had been heard at the Jordan at the Baptism of Christ, testifying to the Divinity of Jesus and saying: "This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well-pleased; hear ye Him" (Matt. 17: 5).

Such are the marvels, truly worthy of God, celebrated in this present feast, which is an image and prefiguring of the future state of the righteous, whose splendor the Lord spoke of, saying: "Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun" (Matt. 13:43). It is because of this that the Kontakion of this Feast is said daily (when there is not a great feast) in the Service of the Typica in perpetual commemoration of the glory that will be the lot of the Saints. According to tradition, the Lord's Transfiguration came to pass forty days before His Crucifixion; this is why the Transfiguration is celebrated forty days before the Exaltation of the Cross.



### On The Transfiguration

“He took (Peter, James and John) up to the mountain, that He might show them His kingdom, before they witnessed His suffering and death...so that...they might understand that he was not crucified...because of his own powerlessness, but because it had pleased Him of His goodness to suffer for the salvation of the world.”—St. Ephraim



# Upcoming Parish Events

**Friday, September 29 – Sunday, October 1**



**GreekFest is back! Food, Fun and Fellowship while celebrating our Greek Culture**

September 29th-September 30th, 2023

Friday: 3pm-11PM

Saturday 12-11PM

Sunday October 1st-Parish Only Picnic after Liturgy

We need your time, talent and treasure to make it a great success

*Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)*

## How can you help?

Please consider being a sponsor or seek business sponsorships

Please sign-up to volunteer

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0A4AADAA2E5-greekfest2>

Spread the word to family, friends, businesses through social media, flyers etc.

Bring your family and friends to enjoy the Kefi while supporting Holy Trinity's Ministries



Dear Friend of Holy Trinity,

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church ("HTGOC") in Westfield, NJ will host its annual **GreekFest on Friday Sept 29th-Saturday Sept 30th**. Our parish invites you to our community to visit us and experience our Philoxenia, our faith, and authentic Hellenic culture. For over 50 years, our parish has been serving Westfield and the surrounding communities. Through the good works of our parish, the festival team, and partners, we support our ministries and local charitable organizations.

Become our partner and join the fun as we plan our largest fellowship event. Your sponsorship or advertising is a testimonial of your support, generosity, and patronage that directly enables our parish mission. As a business, your advertisement will reach thousands of attendees during the 2-day festival, **gain exposure to over 2,000 visitors and volunteers and our social media followers**. Our festival reaches patrons throughout New Jersey, including from Essex, Union, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Bergen, and Somerset counties.

Sincerely,

Fr. Peter Delvizi, Presiding Priest and the 2023 GreekFest Committee

**Please remember:**

- Spread the word through posting flyers, lawn signs, or find us on social media at NJGreekFest.
- Visit our website at [www.njgreekfest.com](http://www.njgreekfest.com).
- Repost and share on your social media feed(s).

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\*Sponsorship of \$1,000 and above entitles donor to the following advertising inclusions: (i) HTGOC Promise Newsletter with over 800 recipients; (ii) GreekFest website; and (iii) large Festival Banners during Festival days.

### ***Payment Options (for GreekFest donations)***

#### **A. By Check:**

1. Mark your sponsorship package from above.
2. Fill out the contact information below:

- Name \_\_\_\_\_
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3. Mail check to: Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church at 250 Gallows Hill Road, Westfield, New Jersey 07090

#### **B. By Credit Card: Click link: [Holy Trinity Online Donation](#)**

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Westfield, NJ 07090



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