

# Holy Transfiguration

## Greek Orthodox Church



*The Leave-taking of Theophany*

January 14, 2018

*St. Nina, Enlightener of Georgia*  
*Holy Fathers Slain at Sinai and Raitbo*

# The Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

*p 29, the 2nd Antiphon: Save us, O Son of God, Who were baptized in the Jordan by John....*

*p 37, the 3rd Antiphon: Theophany Apolytikion, p 209*

*p 37, the Entrance Hymn: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord and has appeared unto us. Save us, O Son of God, Who rose....*

*Hymns after the Gospel Entrance*

Resurrection Apolytikion 7, p 123

Theophany Apolytikion, p 209

Parish Apolytikion, inside hymnal cover

Theophany Kontakion, p 249

*The Epistle Reading: Ephesians 4:7-13*

*The Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:12-17*

*p 45, instead of the Cherubic Hymn, sing p 295*

*p 69, instead of It is truly right, the Theophany Megalynation, chanter*

*p 77, The Lord's Prayer – English first, Greek last*

*p 83, instead of the normal Communion Hymn, sing p 327, The grace of God has appeared...*

*Communion:* Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves should come forward to receive the Eucharist. Others are invited to join us in partaking reverently of the blessed bread distributed at the close of the service, called *Antidoron* (*in place of the Gifts*).

*After the Eucharist,* Prayer of Thanksgiving, p 361

p 87, instead of “*We have seen,*” sing Apolytikion, p 209

*After the Collection,* Stewardship Prayer, p 362

*40 Day Memorial* for our former member, Dr. Ward Allen (Loukas), after Collection of Offerings

*New Parish Council Oath of Office* after Memorial

## Announcements

*Welcome, everyone, especially visitors!* Please fill out a Welcome Card, and join us for Coffee Hour after Liturgy.

*Study Group* – Wednesday, Jan. 10, 6:30 p.m. with “The Path to Salvation: A Manual of Spiritual Transformation” by St. Theophan the Recluse.

*House Blessings* will take place mostly on Sunday afternoons in January – see sign-up sheet.

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*In a false community everyone protects himself against everyone else. Everyone tries not to be known, except in ways he or she chooses. Everyone tries to work out ways in which all relationships will be smooth. This is not community.*

*There is a vision in the writings of St. Hermas, one of the seventy disciples of Christ: he sees the angels of God building the city of God, the new Jerusalem, and he sees that they choose square stones with sharp edges and place them next to one another, cementing them together. And then there are stones that seem so beautiful in their material, so smooth in their shape -- round, oval -- and they are rejected. Because it is only those stones that can be fitted together and cemented together that can be used for the building of these walls of the Heavenly Jerusalem. And when we try to create a society in which every one of us is safe from the other, are we not creating a society of people who are like smooth, rounded stones that can in no way be fitted together with others? What is needed then is a hammer that will break the smoothness and reshape them."*

--Metropolitan Anthony Bloom