# Holy Virgin Dormition Russian Orthodox Church

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11th Sunday after Pentecost 16 August 2026

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY (Tone 2)
1 Corinthians 9:2-12; Matthew 18:23-35
Next Sunday, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Matthew 19:16-26
*Vespers every Saturday evening @ 5:00 PM*

REQUIEM MEMORIALS FOR TODAY
Jacob and Anne Homer, offered by daughters Carrie & Sandy

CHURCH SERVICES THIS WEEK
Transfiguration of the Lord – Wednesday, August 19

Tuesday evening, 6:30 PM - Great Vespers with blessing of bread, wheat, wine and oil.
Wednesday morning, 9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy with Blessing of Fruits

Children Fruit Baskets

Let the children bring their own baskets of fruits: grapes, apples, oranges, plums, bananas or any others that they may especially like. Reminding and teaching them that these fruits represent the fruits of our labors in the vineyard of our Lord, and on behalf of our fellow men, and that the sweetness of their taste is symbolic of the sweet fruits of heaven to which we all aspire.

SAINTS NAME FOR THIS WEEK TODAY, SUNDAY (Aug 16/3)- Isaac, Dalmatus, Anthony, Cosma, *Salomia (Myrrhbearer),* Razdeus. MON- Maximilian, Exacustodian, Iamvlichus, Martinian, Dionysius, John, Anthony, *Evdokia (Eudoxia),* Elvtherius, Cosma, Nicholas. TUE- Evsignius, Favius, Anthirus, Kantidius, Kantidian, Sivelus, Pontius, *Nonna.* WED- Transfiguration of the Lord; Job, Theoctist, Sergius. THUR- Dometius, Pimen, Marinus, Asterius, Orus, Mitrofan, Anthony. FRI- Emilian, Myron, Gregory, Elevtherius, Leonid (Leonard). SAT- Holy Ap. Mattius, Anthony, Julian, John, Jacob, Alexei, Dimitri, Photius, Peter, Leonty, *Maria,* Psoius, Makary.

Parish Council Meeting next Sunday following services.

Kielbasa For Sale

We have regular Kielbasa, Sweet Kielbasa, Hot Kielbasa, Cheese Kielbasa and Extra Garlic Kielbasa available for sale.
All kielbasa except for the sweet and hot are smoked. The cost is $7.00 a pound. Please see Rdr. Dimitri Ermakov after services.

Special Altar Candles for the Feast of Dormition

Special decorated candles will be lit on the Feast of Dormition, August 28th. These candles are available for sponsorship at $20.00 each. Anyone wishing to sponsor these candles, please use the appropriate sheet in the vestibule of the church. Please remember to use one line per candle. Reservations are due Sunday August 23rd.

Icon of the Transfiguration

The Icon of the Transfiguration portrays Christ surrounded by the glorious light of His Divinity and clothed in the same garments in which He is depicted in all representations of the Resurrection. To His left is Moses, holding the Tablets of the Law, while to His right is shown the Prophet Elijah. St. John Chrysostom offers various reasons for the appearance of these particular Old Testament figures at the Transfiguration. Both had visions of God. Moses represents the dead while Elijah, having been carried up to heaven in a chariot of fire, represents the living over – both the living and the dead – Christ reigns in glory.

The Apostles Peter, James and John are in the lower portion of the Icon. These are the same three who would appear in Gethsemane with Christ; they were being prepared for the Passion, which they still were not able to comprehend. St. Peter, shown to the left is represented as kneeling, supported on his righ hand, raising his left hand to shield his eyes from the light. St. John, always in the center, is depicted as fallen, his back turned to the light and his sandal having fallen from his foot. St. James, to the right, is portrayed as fleeing from the light.

Christ appeared to the Apostles not in the from of man as the "suffering servant" but, rather, in the form of God. The Feast of the Transfiguration celebrates the divinity of Christ and the divinization of man. It gives a glimpse into Christ's divine person, and sets us afire with divine light.