

# The Transfigured Christ

abor, showing how in Him human nature acquired once again the archetypal beauty of the image (Troparion of the Great Vespers)

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The Transfiguration of Christ, promise of man's deification, lies at the very heart of Orthodox Christian spirituality: the cloud of God's presence, the Shekinah, envelops all those who sincerely seek the face of the Lord. The mystery of the Transfiguration has profoundly inspired the reflections of Church Fathers, the creativity of holy monks, hymnographers and iconographers in Byzantium and on Mount Athos, in Palestine and on Mount Sinai, in East European lands and in Holy Russia.

The 15th International Ecumenical Conference on Orthodox spirituality seeks to throw light on the intimate communion and enriching diversity of the spiritual treasures of the Churches, and to investigate the selected topic in its biblical, spiritual, liturgical, theological, and anthropological aspects, examining the entirety of Orthodox spiritual tradition, in its harmonious plurality, without overlooking the contribution of the Latin monastic tradition.

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## Program

### Sunday, September 16

Trasfigurazione, Santa Caterina del Sinai - XII sec.

9:30 am

#### Conference Opening

##### Tranfiguration in the Gospel:

##### A Biblical-Spiritual Exegesis

ENZO BIANCHI, *Prior of Bose*

4:00 pm

##### The Transfiguration of Christ

##### in Byzantine Liturgy and Hymnography

KONSTANTINOS KARAI SARIDIS, *Athens*

##### From Horeb to Tabor:

##### the Transfigured Christ in Byzantine Homiletics

MICHEL VAN PARYS, *Chevetogne*

##### Interpretation of the Transfiguration

##### in the Russian Exegetical and Homiletical Tradition

ALEKSANDER V. SOROKIN, *Saint Petersburg*

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### Monday, September 17

9:00 am

Trasfigurazione, Santa Caterina del Sinai - XII sec.

**The Transfiguration**

**in St John of Damascus**

RAMY WANNOUS, *Balamand*

**The Transfigured Christ**

**in Guigo II the Carthusian's Writings**

ANDRÉ LOUF, *Mont-des-Cats*

**The Transfiguration in Byzantine**

**Spiritual Tradition: St Gregory of Sinai,  
His Predecessors and His Contemporaries**

ANTONIO RIGO, *Venice*

4:00 pm

**The Experience of the Divine Light**

**in St Symeon the New Theologian**

+ ILARION ALFEEV, *Vienna*

**St Gregory Palamas' Doctrine**

**on the Vision of the Divine Light  
and the Contemporary Athonite Spirituality**

IOANNIS POLEMIS, *Athens*

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**Tuesday, September 18**

9:00 am

*Trasfigurazione, Santa Caterina del Sinai - XII sec.*

**St Seraphim of Sarov and the Transfiguration**

**in Russian Theological Thought**

SERGIJ GOVORUN, *Moscow*

**The Transfigured Christ**

**in Peter the Venerable**

FOTIOS IOANNIDIS, *Thessaloniki*

**The Transfigured Christ and the Monastic Life**

**in St Ignatij Brianchaninov**

SERAFIM BELONOŽKO, *Minsk*

4:00 pm

**The Light of the Transfiguration**

**in Byzantine Iconography**

STAMATIS SKLIRIS, *Athens*

**Russian Iconography of the Transfiguration:**

**Some Peculiarities**

ENGELINA S. SMIRNOVA, *Moscow*

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**Wednesday, September 19**

9:00 am

*Trasfigurazione, Santa Caterina del Sinai - XII sec.*

**A Witness of Transfiguration:**

**St Nikolaj Velimirović**

+ IRINEJ BOULOVIĆ, *Novi Sad*

**“I have seen the Living Christ”:  
The Experience of Transfiguration  
in St Silouan the Athonite**

SERGEJ S. CHORUŽIJ, *Moscow*

**Spirituality and Transfiguration  
in Orthodox Theology:**

**Fr. Dumitru Staniloae**

IUSTIN MARCHIS, *Bucarest*

4:00 pm

**The Meaning of the Transfiguration  
in the Contemporary World**

+ KALLISTOS WARE, *Oxford*

**Discussion and Conclusion**

**Proceedings of the International Ecumenical Conferences 1993-2005**

**Portfolio 1993-2006**

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