

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.

Scientific Committee: Enzo Bianchi (Bose), Lino Breda (Bose), Sabino Chialà (Bose), Giorgio Cracco (Torino), Nina Kauchtschischwili (Bergamo), Hervé Legrand (Paris), Adalberto Mainardi (Bose), Antonio Rigo (Venezia), Roberto Salizzoni (Torino), Michel Van Parys (Chevetogne).

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Program

Sunday, September 16

Trasfigurazione, Santa Caterina del Sinai - XII sec.

9:30 am

Conference Opening

Transfiguration 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

SERAΦIM 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 Velimirovič

+ IRINEI BOULOVIČ, *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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