

Summer 2017



Dear Friends,

New Skete Monasteries would like to invite you to be a part of our

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE, SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2017

Along with the many activities going on throughout the day, (anticipated schedule enclosed)
we are excited to announce our Guest speaker and long-time New Skete friend;

Roberta Ervine, Professor of Armenian Studies.

Presenting;

"We Shall All Be Changed: Armenian Artist-Theologians Ponder the Transfiguration"

*How the Armenian fathers used the story of the Transfiguration to illuminate other Biblical themes, experiences and events.
Their profound understanding of the Transfiguration's manifold implications was expressed not only in words and music,
but in the visual arts as well.*



Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible
-St. Francis of Assisi

New Skete's Holy Transfiguration Temple (aka the "little church")

We are grateful to all those who have donated gifts to assist in the renovations on the Holy Transfiguration Temple. Work began in 2016 during our 50th Anniversary celebration and while we have raised \$118,800 a shortfall of \$281,200 remains to complete the necessary work. We ask you to consider a gift at this time to help enable us to reach our goal of \$400,000 so that the church can once again welcome all and provide comfort to those who seek it.

TOUR the church in person at Pilgrimage or go to www.newskete.org to see the progress!
Short video clips document the highlights of the reconstruction and the lasting effects your gift will have!

Enclosed please find information on how you can; be a part of Pilgrimage; help in church renovations; request prayers or honor friends and family in the **2017 Pilgrimage Event Program Book**. Please know we keep you in our thoughts and daily prayers. May God bless you abundantly for your generosity of prayers, kindness, and friendship!

All are welcome and encouraged to join us for this joyful day of celebration. Check out event updates at newskete.org! May God's blessings be on all of you and we hope to see you on **August 12th**.

In Christ's love,

Handwritten signature of Brother Christopher in black ink.

Brother Christopher
Prior, Monks of New Skete

Handwritten signature of Sister Cecelia in black ink.

Sister Cecelia
Prioress, Nuns of New Skete