

# Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

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## Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Sunday of the Last Judgement. The Epistle is 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2. The Gospel is from Matthew 25:31-46. 42 Martyrs of Ammoria.

Holy Trinity is a diverse and welcoming parish of the Carpatho Russian Diocese, under the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

His Grace, Bishop Gregory of Nyssa, is our diocesan ruling hierarch.

Divine Liturgy is offered Sunday at 10 am. As reminder only those Orthodox Christians who are properly prepared are invited to receive Holy Communion.

Everyone is invited downstairs following



Divine Liturgy for Coffee Hour and Fellowship.

Come down and meet Fr. Luke and the parishioners.

Our parish offers many opportunities to pray, to study and learn more about Jesus Christ and His Holy Orthodox Church.

If you have any questions about the Orthodox Church, our Faith, or our parish please feel free to contact Fr. Luke. He is more than happy to meet with you and talk.

## Schedule of Services and Events for this week

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| <b>Sunday, March 6, 11:30 AM</b><br>- Panachida for John Sulich | <b>Saturday, March 12, 8 AM –</b><br>Roll Baking  |
| <b>Monday, March 7, 6 PM –</b><br>Prayer Group                  | <b>Saturday, March 12, 5 PM –</b><br>Vespers  |
| <b>Monday, March 7, 7 PM -</b><br>Spirituality Class            | <b>Saturday, March 12, DAY</b><br><b>LIGHT SAVINGS TIME –</b> Turn<br>clocks ahead One Hour |
| <b>Tuesday, March 8, 8:30 AM</b><br>– First Hour                | <b>Sunday, March 13, 9 AM –</b><br>Church School – Youth/Teens                              |
| <b>Wednesday, March 9, 7 PM</b><br>– Catechism Class            | <b>Sunday, March 13, 10 AM –</b><br>Liturgy   |
| <b>Thursday, March 10, 8:30 AM –</b><br>Akathist                | <b>Sunday, March 13, 11:30 AM</b><br>– Church School – Children                             |
| <b>Friday, March 11, 9:30 AM</b><br>– Old Testament Class       |   |

## Readers Schedule

3/6 – Harry Fong  
3/13 – Sandi Fong  
3/20 – Luke Mihaylo

## Coffee Hour

3/6 - Fong  
3/13 – Faubel  
3/20 - Molineaux

Help Re-stock Our Kitchen:  
Decaf Coffee.

## Lunch meat available:

ham, provolone cheese in the kitchen. \$4.00 per pound.

## Cooking and Baking

**Sessions:** We will be making Russian Tea Cookies this Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 a.m. and Stuffed Cabbage on Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

**Send a card:** Martin Howley is in a rest home in Litchfield and would so appreciate hearing from his parish family. Marty's address is Fernwood Rest Home, 400 Torrington Rd., Litchfield, CT 06759. You can also call him at 860-567-9558.

## Offering Envelopes | Roll Baking

### Weekly Offering

**Envelopes:** Pick up your weekly offering envelopes for 2016 in the hall. WE will collect all the Pledge Forms on Sunday, March 5 unless you hand them in beforehand.

We will be getting together on Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> to make rolls for our upcoming Spring bake sales. Please let Sarah or Amy know if you are able to give some time that day.

Rollers, bakers and packagers all needed.

## Catechism Class

Our ongoing **catechism class** which meets on Wednesday at 7 PM. Is taking this week off for house blessings We are using the text: *The Living God* by Oliver Clement.

## House Blessings

Fr. Luke will be scheduling house blessings. Do not be afraid to call Father to schedule a time. Please keep your calendar open and flexible. Please have the following prepared:

- 1) Have a table or family icon corner set up with a white cloth, candle and a bowl for Holy Water.
- 2) Turn off televisions, radios, and stereos
- 3) Take the telephone off the receiver
- 4) Gather the family together
- 5) Do bring any items you want blessed and names of people for Father to remember at liturgy

like toys, which may cause Father to trip or fall.

2) A table should be prepared where an icon, a candle, a small bowl, holy water and a list of first

names of everyone you want Father to pray for during the service for their health. If you do not have Holy Water, please let Father know and he will bring a bottle of for you to keep.

3) If you have any small items, like crosses or icons, that you want blessed, place them on the table and let Father know.

4) Turn off all radios and TVs. Take the phone off the hook during the short blessing service. Cell phones should be turned off. Just remember to place the phone back on the hook and turn on

your cell phone at the end of the service.

5) Close all doors to rooms you do not want Father to enter -- open all doors and turn the lights on in the home, otherwise.

6) A family member should lead Father around the home during the blessing. Children may do this, girls or boys.

7) If you have a pet, they may also receive a blessing, but please keep them under control to prevent them from jumping on Father or getting under his feet.

8) I look forward to sharing this special blessing with you and your family. Many Years!!

## PREPARING YOUR HOME FOR THE BLESSING:

1) Your home does NOT have to be spotless, but should be free of clutter on the floor,

## Clothing Drive | Easter Bake Sales

We are now collecting for our 4<sup>th</sup> clothing drive.

We will have two bake sales this spring because the Easters are so far apart. The dates of the sales are March 19-20<sup>th</sup> and April 16<sup>th</sup>. We have already begun our perogie sessions. Rolls, cookies, stuffed cabbage and kielbasa coming soon.

Please plan to give some time as you are able. We are also looking for crafters for the March sale. If anyone in the parish would like to reserve a table see Susan Sulich. If you know of any crafters who make quality, hand-crafted artisan items, encourage them to participate. Tables are \$35.

### Penny Social

Our 2nd annual Penny Social is scheduled for Sunday April 3, 2016. Thank you for your donations, we have many items and will continue to accept donations through March 13th. As a reminder, we will accept any item with a tag or in its original packaging and are also looking for gently used collector's items including china, glassware, jewelry and home décor.

We are still in need of some items for the larger raffle prizes. We would be appreciative of higher value items and gift cards. If any parishioner has a business or frequents one and can donate

a gift card for merchandise or service that would be great. We will need help with setup the week of March 21st, dates TBD. We are looking for bakers to make desserts that we can sell at the event and will also need volunteers the day of the Penny Social to help sell tickets, runners to deliver the prizes and kitchen help.

If you can volunteer some of your time in any of these areas, please contact Kristen Szymanowicz at [kszymano@gmail.com](mailto:kszymano@gmail.com) or 203.529.3144. Thank you!

### Upcoming Events

**Roll Baking** – Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>

**Forgiveness Sunday** – Sunday, March 13

**Knitting Group** – Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>

**Laser Tag Fundraiser** – Sunday, March 13

**Tuesday, March 17, 9 AM** – Kolachi Cookie Baking

**First Easter Bake Sale** – Saturday, March 19 to Sunday, March 20

**Orthodox Youth Mission Team Meeting** – Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup> 3:00-5:00 p.m.

**Church Council Meeting** – Tuesday March 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:00 p.m.

**Deanery Women's Lenten Retreat** – Friday March 25<sup>th</sup>—Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup> Camp Hi Rock, Mt. Washington, MA

**Orthodox Youth Mission Team Safety and Tool Training** – Saturday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 12:00-4:00 p.m. Bridgeport

**Penny Social – Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup>** Following Divine Liturgy

**Trip to Taylor, PA to visit the Myrrh Streaming Icon** – Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

**Second Easter Bake Sale** – Saturday, April 16

**Iconography presentation by Deacon Evan Freeman** – Sunday, April 17

### Birthdays

| March                      |    |
|----------------------------|----|
| Mia Paltauf                | 9  |
| Aidan McVeigh              | 12 |
| Vida Bundra                | 24 |
| Marika Gutzman (Names day) | 25 |
| Orestes Mihaly             | 26 |
| Julia Kozlov               | 28 |
| Michael Browne             | 30 |

**Knitting Group:** Our knitting group will be meeting Sunday, March 13th immediately following coffee hour. All ages and experience levels welcome. If you would like to learn to knit, see Suad for a list of supplies to bring and if you have any questions.

**New England Deanery Women's Lenten Retreat:** We will be hosting an overnight women's retreat on March 25-26 at Camp Hi-Rock in Mt. Washington, MA. Details are in the attached flyer. Cost is \$85 per person which includes overnight accommodations, and 3 meals. Please let Susan Sulich know if you are interested in attending. Final day to make reservations and for payment is Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.

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“... a place of refuge full of love and joy.”



### [St. Nektarios: After the end of the General Judgment . . .](#)

“After the end of the General Judgment, the Righteous Judge (God) will declare the decision both to the righteous and to the sinners. To the righteous He will say: ‘Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world;’ while to the sinners He will say: “Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels.” And these will go away to eternal hades, while the righteous will go to eternal life. This retribution after the General Judgment will be complete, final, and definitive. It will be complete, because it is not the soul alone, as the Partial Judgment of man after death, but the soul together with the body, that will receive what is deserved. It will be final, because it will be enduring and not temporary like that at Partial Judgment. And it will be definitive, because both for the righteous and for the sinners it will be unalterable and eternal.”

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### [St. Nektarios of Aegina: We have within us deeply rooted weaknesses, passions, and defects. . . .](#)

“We have within us deeply rooted weaknesses, passions, and defects. This can not all be cut out with one sharp motion, but patience, persistence, care and attention. The path leading to perfection is long. Pray to God so that he will strengthen you. Patiently accept your falls and, having stood up, immediately run to God, not remaining in that place where you have fallen. Do not despair if you keep falling into your old sins. Many of them are strong because they have received the force of habit. Only with the passage of time and with fervor will they be conquered. Don’t let anything deprive you of hope.”

— St. Nektarios of Aegina

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## Fr. Rosco Habitat for Humanity Project Fundraiser

Filip Bundra has finally announced that the fundraiser for the Habitat for Humanity Project in memory of Fr. Michael Rosco will be a laser tag session at Laser Quest in Newington at 2 PM Sunday, March 13th. Cost is \$22.

For more information please contact Filip Bundra at 203.300.4150

Proceeds will go to help support the project in memory of Fr. Michael Rosco.

We're on the Web!

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