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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is St. Thomas Sunday. The Epistle is Acts 5:12-20. The Gospel is from John 20:19-31. Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian

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

Fr. Luke will be out of town this week for an OCMC Board meeting and a Diocesan Clergy Convocation. Please call the rectory if there are any emergencies.

Saturday, May 14, 5 PM – Vespers

Sunday, May 15, 10 AM - Divine Liturgy

Sunday May 15, 12:30 AM – Rectory/office committee Meeting

Sunday, May 15, 2 PM – Parish Council Meeting

This is the first of three wedding BANNES for Nicholas Fong and Jenny Bostic. If anyone knows of any reason why they should not be married please see Fr. Luke

Readers Schedule

5/8 – Suzanne Molineaux
5/15 – Susan Paltauf
5/22 – Harry Fong
5/29 – Paul Sulich

Coffee Hour

5/8 – Mother’s Day - see Harry Fong and Paul Sulich
5/15 – Young
5/22 – Chow Family
5/29 – OPEN
6/5 – Parish Picnic
6/12 – OPEN
6/19 – Father’s Day/Bishop Gregory’s Visit
6/26 - OPEN

Help Re-stock Our Kitchen:
Decaf Coffee.

Graduate Sunday: On June 5th, the day of our parish picnic, we will honor all our graduates. If you have a high school or college graduate this year please let Fr. Luke know as soon as possible.

Orthodox Youth Mission Team Stock Sale | Martin Howley

Our team has been training for the last 4 months and now we need to raise the funds to send 25 teens and 10 adults to West Virginia in July to participate in the Appalachia Service Project (ASP). We are selling “stock shares” for \$10 each. All “stockholders” will receive a postcard from our trip and a special coffee hour when we return with a presentation about our trip.

Martin Howley has moved. His new address is: Torrington Health and Rehabilitation Center, 225 Wyoming Avenue, Torrington, CT 06790. Marty is very happy to hear from his parish family—send a card when you have time.

Adult Missions Star Quilt Raffle

Today we will have the drawing for our Star Quilt. This quilt was made by the Lakota tribe where we went for our adult mission trip last fall. Tickets are \$5

and proceeds will go to our next adult mission trip. If you would like to buy tickets today before the drawing, see Susan Sulich

| Clothing Drive

We are now collecting for our 4th clothing drive.

Altar Boys/Young Women’s retreats | Family Camp

| Parish Picnic

The annual Diocesan Altar Boys’ Retreat (ABR) at Christ the Saviour Seminary in Johnstown, PA and the Young Womens’ Retreat (YWR) at SS. Peter and Paul in Windber, PA will take place from Sunday evening, June 26 through Wednesday noon, June 29.

Those who are planning on participating are asked to contact Fr. Luke ASAP. Registration for the YWR is available online at: acrodywe@gmail.com.

The first 10 families to register will be able to participate in this year’s Family Camp program, which is entitled: “Not Letting Orthodoxy be Your Family’s Secret Identity.”

The program for families with the expanded cabins and the new High and Low Ropes course will insure a wonderful experience for all. Register at: www.campnazareth.org

Save the date, Sunday June 5th we will be having a chicken BBQ. The event will be a fundraiser for the Altar Boy’s Retreat and the bus for Camp Nazareth. Plan to come out and enjoy the day with your parish family while raising funds for summer youth activities. If you would like to help, see Rodger Behrend.

Landscape Plans

The council has approved a plan to update the plantings in the front of the church. Some of the shrubs and bushes have outgrown the space. They will be moved to new locations as possible and some

new plants put in. In addition, we will be looking at our property plan and designating areas that need caretakers and will have that available for sign ups soon.

Alcoholism and Addiction | Camp Nazareth Raffle Tickets

The Akathist Service to the Icon of the Inexhaustible Cup has proven to be a great help to all those who know someone or who themselves are struggling with alcoholism and addiction. We at Holy Trinity have quietly started serving the Akathist to the Icon of the Mother of God of the Inexhaustible Cup. If you are interested in attending the service please see Fr. Luke. This service is open to all parishioners.

Camp Nazareth Raffle Tickets are now for sale. Please see Julia and/or Daniel Huott to purchase tickets.

Upcoming Events

Mother's Day Brunch—Sunday, May 8th

Altar Boys Retreat/Young Women's Retreat – June 26 to June 29

Rectory Committee Meeting – Sunday May 15th immediately following coffee hour.

OYMT trip to Appalachia – July 9 to July 17

Council Meeting—Sunday, May 15th 3 PM

Camp Nazareth –July 24 to July 30

OYMT Construction Work Day—Saturday, May 21st 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Parish Picnic—Sunday, June 5th

Bishop Gregory parish visitation – Sunday, June 19th

Birthdays

May	
Kaitleen Villa	12
Kevin Gutzman	20
Adrienne Fedyna	25
Paul & Susan Sulich Anniversary	28
Michael & Kathryn Kerpchar - Anniversary	29
Joe Derevjanik	31

Knitting Group: Our knitting group will be meeting certain Sundays, 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.

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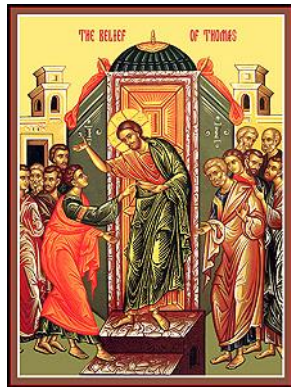
“... a place of refuge full of love and joy.”



The events commemorated on the Sunday of Thomas are recorded in the Gospel of Saint John 20:19-29. Following the crucifixion and burial of Christ, the disciples were gathered in a room with the doors closed and locked for fear of the Jews. On the evening of the Sunday after Passover, Jesus Christ entered the room and stood in their midst, greeting them with the words, "Peace be with you." (v. 19) He showed the disciples his hands, feet, and side. (v. 20) Thomas was not present with the disciples when Jesus appeared, and he did not accept the testimony of the other disciples concerning Christ's Resurrection. He stated, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." (vv. 24-25) Eight days later, the disciples were gathered together again with Thomas present, and the Lord appeared in the same manner. Standing in their midst he said, "Peace be with you." He then spoke directly to Thomas and said, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." (vv. 26-27) Thomas answered, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus replied by saying, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." (v. 29)

- See more at:

http://lent.goarch.org/sunday_of_thomas/learn/#sthash.9uLjSVwg.dpuf



We're on the Web!

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Cabin Dedication

All of us are invited to take part in the dedication of the newly renovated and expanded cabins at Camp Nazareth in Mercer, PA on Wednesday, May 11. We are invited to the Service of Dedication which will take place at 10 AM on that day and then to the brunch which will be served at the Main Lodge following the dedication.