

# Holy Trinity Orthodox Church



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## Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Fourth  
Sunday after Pentecost.  
The Epistle Romans  
13:11-14. The Gospel is  
from Luke 1:1-25, 57-68,  
76, 80. Birth of John the  
Baptist.

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  
hierarchy.

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

**Sunday, July 1, 10 AM –**  
Divine Liturgy – Served by Fr.  
Peter Karloutsos

**Sunday, July 1, 12 noon –**  
Fr. Michel Macura will be  
stopping by to pick up Dan  
Huott and Orestes Mihaly for  
the Altar Boys Retreat

**Thursday, July 5, 4 pm to 6  
pm –**Monthly Food sale

**Friday, July 6, 1 PM to 5 PM**  
– Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen

**Saturday, July 7, 8 AM –**  
Orthodox Youth Mission  
Teams leaves for Tennessee

**Sunday, July 8, 10 AM –**  
Divine Liturgy served by Fr.  
Sergei Bouteneff

**Sunday, July 15, 10 AM –**  
Divine Liturgy served by Fr.  
Sergei Bouteneff

**Sunday, July 15, 3 PM –**  
Orthodox Youth Mission  
Team returns from  
Tennessee

Fr. Luke and his family will  
away from Friday, June 29  
after Divine Liturgy for Ss.  
Peter and Paul until  
Monday evening of July 2.  
They will be in Erie, PA to  
celebrate the baptism of  
Nectarios Moses Mihaly.

Fr. Peter Karloutsos has  
graciously accepted to serve  
Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. Please  
welcome him.

Fr. Luke and members from our  
OYMT will be in Tennessee  
working on repairing homes in  
Tennessee from Saturday, July 7  
until Sunday, July 15. Any  
emergencies please contact the  
rectory and Pani Bethany will  
help direct you to a priest.

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## Readers Schedule

7/1 – Harry Fong  
7/8 – Christopher Mihaly  
7/15 – Bob Faubel  
7/22 – Sandi Fong  
7/29 – Susan Paltauf

## Coffee Hour

7/1 – OPEN  
7/8 – OPEN  
7/15 – OPEN  
7/22 – OPEN  
7/29 – OPEN

## Help Re-Stock our Kitchen—

Decaf coffee, bowls and napkins, paper towels and gallon size freezer bags

Please remember to sign up and subscribing on our parish web site

[www.holytrinitydanbury.org](http://www.holytrinitydanbury.org)

And to those with a Facebook accounts please like our Facebook page posts associated with the fundraising events here

<https://www.facebook.com/htodanbury/?fref=hovercard> so the word gets out.

**Coffee Hour** - We need people to sign up for coffee hour. As a reminder, coffee hour need not be elaborate. Bagels or rolls and butter are fine or anything simple. Consider signing up with someone else to make it easier.

**Food Safety Courses**—We will be looking to update our food safety certifications to meet new Health Department regulations. If you are interested in taking a half day food handler safety class please let Susan Sulich know.

## New Rectory

The **new rectory** is progressing rapidly. The foundation has been poured and the house set is scheduled for Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup>. Check out photos and updates on our website:

[www.holytrinitydanbury.org](http://www.holytrinitydanbury.org).

Subscribe if you haven't already so you won't miss posts. At this point we need approximately \$75,000 above what we have raised so far to finish the project.

We do have a line of credit available to bridge the gap but any additional donations that come in will reduce (or eliminate) the amount we need to borrow.

## | Camp Nazareth Bus Info

The bus will pick up our kids at the **exit 1 Park and Ride at exit 1 on Route 84** on **Sunday, July 15.**

The Bus line is Anderson Coach & Travel out of Mercer PA

The cost is \$85 per rider

**Campers should have a bagged lunch for the ride out. Drinks must have a secured top. No milk or peanuts please.**

Campers will receive \$5 on the return trip for the customary McDonald's stop.

## Adult Education Opportunities

We have a number of adult education classes going on currently:

**Spirituality Class** – Mondays at 7:00 p.m. Currently reading and discussing: *Spiritual Counsels (select passages from My Life in Christ)* by Fr. John or Kronstadt

**Catechism Class** – Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

For those studying to come into the Church and those in the Church who want to deepen their understanding and participation in the Faith. We are starting a new Book. It is *Introducing the Orthodox Church* by Fr. Anthony Coniaris

**Prayer Group** – Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. Currently reading:

*Churchianity vs. Christianity* by Metropolitan Anthony Bloom

**Old Testament Class** – Fridays at 9:00 a.m. We are about to begin Numbers.

## Perogie Dash

**Our Annual Perogie Dash** is set for **Saturday, August 18.** We are seeking sponsors for the race. Please keep that date open to help. This is a major fund-raiser and outreach to the community for us. This Road Race raises funds to support Hospice and their Healing Hearts program for grieving children. Sponsorship form attached.

## | Trinity Golf Tournament

**Our Annual Golf Tournament** is set for **Thursday, July 19** this year. Beekman Country Club in Hopewell Junction is the site for this years' tournament. Cost is \$175 per golfer and \$150.00 for those under 18 years of age. For more information please contact Harry Fong.

## Dorothy Day

**Dorothy Day** - Our next date to serve at Dorothy Day soup kitchen is Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup>. Three members of our serving team are also going on the youth mission trip and will have to leave early so help for the second half of the afternoon, 3:00-5:00 is needed. Please let Susan Sulich know if you are able to serve that day.

## Summer Church School

### Summer Church School: Save the Dates

We will have a summer church school program on Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> and Wed. August 15<sup>th</sup>. More details to come but put it on your family's calendar.

## Monthly Food Sale

### Monthly Food Sale

Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup> will be our next monthly food sale from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Last month we made over \$200. Tell your friends and neighbors to come by for our delicious homemade perogies, stuffed cabbage, rolls and kielbasa.

## Birthdays

July	
Marianna Paltauf	1
Michael & Sarah Baroody – Anniversary	3
Rebecca Gartner	5
Rachael Gartner	5
Roger & Suad Behrend - Anniversary	9
Katie Tynan Helu	9
Taylor Anne Gartner	9
Martin Villa	9
Jeff Szymanowicz	11
Suzanne Molineaux	13
Jacob Villa	16
Father Luke	18
Daria Gross	20
Anna Radcliff	20
Andrea Paltauf	21
Katherine Ann Huott	22
Ryan McVeigh	25
Vivian Szymanowicz	28
Marilyn Zaengle	30
Paul Toaso	31

## Upcoming Events

**Monthly Food Sale**—  
Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup> 4:00-6:00 p.m.

**Dorothy Day**—Friday, July 6<sup>th</sup>  
1:00-5:00 p.m.

**OYMT ASP Trip to Trade, TN**—July 7-15

**Trinity Golf Tournament**—  
Thursday, July 19<sup>th</sup>

**Presentation by Vida Bundra on Banking and budgeting for young adults**  
– Sunday, July 22

## Congratulations to our 2018 Graduates!

**Anastasia Radcliff**--  
Graduated from Danbury High School. She will attend Central Connecticut State University in the fall where she plans to major in Elementary Education.

**Rachel Gartner**—  
Graduated from Boston College with a Bachelor's in Math. She will be continuing to play basketball for BC for one more year and will be starting on her Masters in Organization Development and Leadership at St Joseph's University.

**Katie Huott**--Received her Bachelors in Accounting from Siena College. She will be back at Siena this fall and will complete her Masters Degree next December. She has already accepted a position at KPMG in Albany, NY to start in January of 2019.

**Melanie Sulich**—  
Received a Bachelors of Science in Athletic Training from the University of Connecticut. She will be doing an internship at St. Thomas Aquinas College

for the upcoming academic year. She has been accepted at Ithaca College for a Masters program in Sports Psychology and has deferred admission until Fall 2019.

**Adrienne Fedyna**—  
Received her Masters in Education from the University of Virginia. She is currently interviewing for a position in the field of Athletic Training.

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"... a place of refuge full of love and joy."



**Donations**—As a reminder we have a policy regarding donations of items to the church. While we are very grateful that parishioners want to offer the church items that might be useful, we have a limited amount of space. As we try to reorganize the hall and maximize the storage space that we have available we ask you to go through our new Donations Coordinator, Elaine Toaso, if you wish to donate something to the church. Please speak to Elaine ([elaine.toaso@gmail.com](mailto:elaine.toaso@gmail.com)) before bringing any items in and she will be able to tell you (or find out from the parish council) if the items can be utilized. Thank you!

**Bear the burdens** by [Presvytera Alexandra Houck](#) in [The Children's Word](#)

**Have you ever carried something heavy for somebody?** Maybe something for a younger brother or sister? Or maybe for an older person? It probably helped the other person, but did it make you happy to be able to help?

In the epistle reading today, Saint Paul gives some good advice to us. He writes, "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." Bear a burden. What does that mean? It means carrying something heavy for somebody else. Sometimes we really do carry something. But we also bear somebody's burdens when we take away things that are hard for somebody. We help somebody who needs help.

Every day, we can think of ways we can bear somebody's burdens...how we can make things easier for others. Holding the door open for somebody. Helping your parents clean up. Sharing an umbrella with a friend in the rain. Explaining how to do a math problem for a classmate. Sharing your money or your toys with somebody who doesn't have any. When we help others with their burdens, with things that are hard for them, we follow the law of Christ. And always remember, the law is to love our neighbor!

When was the last time you were all alone, out in the woods? Maybe you went for a hike? Or maybe you went camping? It's very peaceful out there, but after a while you probably wanted to be with other people!

**Saint Sergius of Radonezh (in Russia) was born 700 years ago, but we still remember him in our Church.** We remember him because he did so much to help people grow closer to Christ!

Saint Sergius wanted to spend time in quiet prayer, so he started to live out in the wilderness, far away from other people. But people found out about him, and they knew he was a holy man. They wanted to learn from him, and they wanted to find out how they could grow closer to our Lord, too. After a while, Saint Sergius sent some of his followers out to different parts of Russia. They started more than 400 monasteries, places where people could pray and learn more about God.

That first monastery that Saint Sergius started was once out in the woods, away from everybody. But now it is huge place with many churches and monks, and lots of visitors too!

We celebrate Saint Sergius of Radonezh today, July 5th.

**We're on the Web!**

[holytrinitydanbury.org](http://holytrinitydanbury.org)