# Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

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# Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost. The Epistle is Romans 15:1-7. The Gospel is from Matthew 9:27-35. Martyrs Trophimus and Theophilis.

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

Sunday, July 23, 10 AM – Divine Liturgy

Sunday, July 23, 11:30 AM – Semi-Annual Parish Meeting

Monday, July 24, 7 PM – Spirituality Class

Tuesday, July 25, 8:30 AM - Hours

Tuesday, July 25, 9 AM – Prayer Group

Wednesday, July 26, 7 PM – Catechism Class

Thursday, July 27, 9 AM – Akathist to St. Panteleimon and veneration of his relics. Saturday, July 29, 5 PM - Vespers

Sunday, July 30, 10 AM -Divine Liturgy

Sunday, July 30, 10:15 AM – Camp Nazareth Bus pick up Exit 1 Public Park and Ride And to those with a Facebook accounts please like our Facebook page posts associated with the fundraising events here <a href="https://www.facebook.com/htocd">https://www.facebook.com/htocd</a> anbury/?fref=hovercard so the word gets out.

Please remember to sign up and subscribing on our parish web site www.holytrinitydanbury.org

#### Readers Schedule

7/23 – Harry Fong

7/30 – Suzanne Molineaux

8/6 – Bob Faubel

8/13 – Sandi Fong

8/20 – Paul Toaso

8/27 – Susan Paltauf

#### Coffee Hour

7/23 - OPEN

7/30 - Anna Radcliff

8/6 - OPEN

8/13 - OPEN

8/20 - OPEN

8/27 - OPEN

#### Help restock our Kitchen:

Decaf coffee.

#### Woodpecker Food—They're back!! Our woodpecker friends are back and going through a good amount of suet. Donations of suet cakes

to keep them happy and off our church would be greatly

appreciated!

#### Semi-Annual Meeting—On Sunday, July 23rd we will have

our Semi-Annual meeting. Please plan to attend and voice your opinion on the business and activities of our parish.

#### Alcoholism and Addiction | New Rectory

#### 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.

#### **New Rectory Moving** Forward! Last week our parish voted

overwhelmingly to sign the contract with Westchester Modular to begin work on our new rectory. Thank you to everyone who took the time to attend the special parish meeting and cast your vote. Stay tuned for updates and if vou haven't already

our website: www.holytrinitydanbury. org to see construction photos and updates.

done so, subscribe to

#### | Coming Soon: Medieval

## Coming Soon: Medieval

Mayhem—The Trinity Troubadours are hard at work preparing their next dinner theater show which will take place here on Saturday, September 16th starting at 5:00 p.m. Reserve your tickets now by contacting Sandi Fong at sandifong@gmail.com. See attached flyer for more details.

#### Orthodox Youth Mission Team—Save the Date: Sept. 24th

#### **Orthodox Youth Mission** Team—Save the Date: Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>—we're back and

Look here for our next

service.

the mission trip to Alaska exceeded all expectations! We met incredibly hospitable and pious people and Faith was deepened as relationships in Christ grew with them and our fellow team members. We are grateful for your prayers and all your support and can't wait to tell you all about it, so please plan to come to our "Thank You Coffee Hour"

on Sunday, September 24th

following liturgy. We'll share photos and tales from our trip. This is also a great opportunity for teens who are thinking about joining the Orthodox Youth Mission Team next year to learn more about it. Youth who will be entering 9th Grade (in Sept. 2018) and older are eligible to join. If you haven't seen them yet, check out the trip on Facebook at OYMT#1.

#### **Prayer Group**

**Prayer Group** — Our prayer group class will resume meeting on Tuesday mornings immediately following the Hours service (class time: 9:00 a.m.). We will be starting a new book, Three Prayers by Olivier Clement. All are welcome!

#### | Christmas in July

Christmas in July—we have a number of Christmas items: lights, trees, outdoor spike outlets, etc. available free for the taking. Please see a sample in the church hall and let Lorraine know if vou would like any of these items. All items must be removed from Lorraine's house by August 12th. You can reach her at 203-482-4531.

#### | Perogie Dash August 19th

Perogie Dash to Benefit Healing Hearts August 19th—Our annual road race is quickly approaching. We will need help on Friday August 18<sup>th</sup> to set up for the race and then on the morning of August 19th to help with food, prizes, race course guiding, registration and water. Please plan to donate some time to this very popular community event. If anyone would like to be a sponsor of the race (business names are featured on t-shirts and all promotional material) please let Susan Sulich know.

#### **Clothing Drive**

Our next Clothing
Drive is ON! Thank
you, Ann and the entire
Huott Family. Start
saving all your extra
clothes, shoes, pillows,
etc. for our clothing
drive. The last clothing
drive we collected more
than a tone of clothes
and we received more
than \$400.00

#### Kitchen Clean Out

Kitchen Clean Out-Many thanks to Elaine Toaso for organizing and executing our kitchen clean out and reorganization! Thanks to all her helpers as well. There are a large number of items that are no longer needed and they are on the bench in the hall. If you want any of them please take them. Whatever is left after July 2<sup>nd</sup> will be donated to Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Once we finish moving everything back in and labeling we will have a "tour" of our kitchen to help re-orient everyone as to where everything belongs.

# Birthdays July Ryan McVeigh 25 Vivian Szymanowicz 28 Marilyn Zaengle 30 Paul Toaso 31

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Semi-Annual Meeting—** Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> following liturgy

Vacation Church School – Thursday, August 10 to Friday, August 11

**Perogie Dash** - Saturday, August 19

**Trinity Troubadours Dinner Theater**—Saturday,
Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>

**Distinguished Diocesan Donor Dinner**—Sunday,
October 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. at
Roberto's in Monroe, CT

#### Meeting for Trip to Slovakia July 30th | Vacation Church School | Music on the Mount

Trip to Slovakia—We are working to put together a parish trip to Slovakia for August 2018. We have been in contact with Fr. Ilva Gotlinsky who did an excellent job planning and making arrangements for our trip to Greece and Macedonia two years ago and he has given us some suggested sites to see. At this point in time, we would like to know who might be interested in participating in this trip. Please let Fr. Luke or Susan Sulich know. We will meet following liturgy to discuss the itinerary. Bring any suggestions you have for places we should visit.

#### Vacation Church School—

Save the Date: On Thursday
August 10<sup>th</sup> and Friday August
11<sup>th</sup> we will hold a vacation
church school at the church
for students of all ages. We
hope to end our two day
session by going to see
Joseph and the Technicolor
Dream Coat put on by the
NewArts Foundation in
Newtown featuring our very
own Baroody girls. Stay tuned
for more details.

Music on the Mount—We are pleased to announce that we have two concerts booked for our 2017-2018 season. On October 21st, Robyn Freeman will be bringing a group of female singers from St. Vladimir's Seminary to perform sacred music and on Saturday, May 5th we will have a concert featuring a choral ensemble from St. Tikhon's Monastery. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details.

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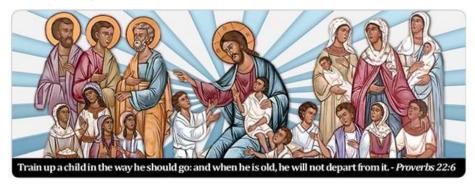
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"... a place of refuge full of love and joy."



**Donations**—Going forward we would like to institute a new 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.toasoa@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!

#### For the Children



Science and Nature Camp at Camp Nazareth, Sunday, August 6-Saturday, August 12

Camp Nazareth is pleased to announce its FIRST EVER Science and Nature Camp which will take place August 612, 2017!!!

Camp participants will learn all about Astronomy, Biology, Earth Science, Geology, Meteorology and SO MUCH MORE! Presentations and activities will be given and led by the Carnegie Science Center, the Carnegie Museum of Natural History, the Jennings Environmental Center, as well as local high school teachers and college professors.

Participants will have the opportunity to use telescopes, microscopes, and water quality management technology as well as explore the trails, waterfalls, streams and geography of the Camp. Special emphasis will be placed on appreciating the beauty of nature and the wonder of the fields of science they will study.

The Science and Nature Camp is a resident (sleepaway) Camp for ages 8-18. It will take place on the 289 beautiful acres of Camp Nazareth property located at 339 Pew Road, Mercer, PA.

Have you ever been in a big cafeteria—maybe at school or at a restaurant? Did you ever stop to listen to how noisy it is when everybody is talking at once, all saying different things? Now, have you ever been to a concert, when the singers all use their voices together? It sounds beautiful!

Today, in the epistle reading, Saint Paul tells us how we can use our voices together to glorify God! He writes, "May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."

When we come to church, we want to all glorify God together! Saint Paul reminds us to "live in harmony" before we come close to God. So, before we receive Christ's Body and Blood in Holy Communion, we want to show God that we "live in harmony with one another" first. If we had a fight with somebody—like a family member or a friend—we should say we are sorry first. If we are mad at somebody, we should patch things up before we come for Holy Communion. If we don't like somebody, maybe we can make things right first. That way, we really are living "in harmony with one another" and together, "with one voice," we can all glorify God!

We're on the Web! holytrinitydanbury.org