Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, First Sunday of Luke. The Epistle 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1. The Gospel is from Luke 6:31-36. Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God.

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

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

Condolences are extended to Eric Evans on the recent passing of his father, Michael. May his memory be eternal!

Sunday, October 1, 10 AM – Divine Liturgy

There is NO Spirituality Class this Monday

Tuesday, October 3, 9 AM – Perogie Session

Wednesday, October 4, 7 PM – Adult Catechism Class

Thursday, October 5, 8:30 AM – Akathist

Thursday, October 5, 9 AM – Prayer Group

Thursday, October 5, 4 PM to 6 PM – Monthly Perogie Sale

Friday, October 6, 9 AM – Old Testament Class

Saturday, October 7, 9 AM -Parish Grounds Clean up

Saturday, October 7, 5 PM – Vespers

Sunday, October 8, 10 Am – Divine Liturgy

Readers Schedule

10/1 – Paul Toaso

10/8 – Bob Faubel

10/15 – Suzanne Molineaux

10/22 – Susan Paltauf

10/29 - Harry Fong

Coffee Hour

10/1 - OPEN

10/8 - OPEN

10/15 - OPEN

10/22 - OPEN

10/29 - OPEN

Help restock our Kitchen:

small plates (cake size), bowls, and 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!

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

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/hto cdanbury/?fref=hovercard so the word gets out.

Martin Howley is Back in Danbury—Marty is now living at Western CT Rehabilitation Center at 107 Osborne St. (across from Danbury Hospital). Visitors from his parish family would be very welcome.

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. Saturday, September 24 at 4 PM.

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 done so, subscribe to our website: www.holvtrinitvdanburv. org to see construction photos and updates.

| Church School Start Up

Church School Start Up-We will have our first session of church school on Saturday, September 30th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. We are looking to establish one weekend day and one weeknight per month to have a 2 hour church school session. If you have not already spoken to Roz Mihalyo please do so and let her know what times are best for your family. Please try to be flexible, remembering we are looking for only 4 hours a month. Please let Roz know if your children will be attending on Sept. 30th so we can have enough craft and other supplies. The youth will also be assembling personal care kits for the IOCC to distribute to people affected by the recent hurricanes.

Music on the Mount

Calling All Artists—

During the reception for the Music on the Mount Concert scheduled for Saturday, October 21st, we would like to have an art show featuring works from the many artists in our parish. If you would be willing to display some of your artwork, please contact Carolyn Kaiser, Chrissanth Gross or Suzanne Molineaux.

| Lunch Meat

Lunch Meat—We have ham, turkey, Swiss and muenster cheese for sale for \$4.00 a pound. Stock up for school lunches. Available in the kitchen.

| Parish Grounds Clean Up

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Up—Next Saturday we will be having a grounds cleanup day at the church starting at 9:00 a.m. Please bring rakes, leaf blowers, clippers etc. to help get our grounds in shape.

Prayer Group

Prayer Group:

Starting the week of September 11th our praver class will be meeting on Thursday mornings following the Akathist (about 9 am) due to perogie sessions on Tuesday. We are about to start a new section in our book--all are welcome.

Distinguished Diocesan Donors (DDD) | Monthly Perogie Sale

Distinguished Diocesan

Donors (DDD) We invite you to join with other Holy Trinity's faithful in giving to the annual DDD program. The giving levels are \$100, \$250, \$500 & above. This program greatly supports our ministry at Camp Nazareth. Those who give \$100 (& up) are invited to the Annual Banquet, which this year will be held on October 22st at the Roberto's Restaurant in Monroe. The dinner is complimentary to each donor of \$100 or more but all are welcome—tickets

are \$30 per person.

Monthly Perogie Sale—

Thursday, Oct. 5th we will have our monthly ethnic food sale. All varieties of perogies and stuffed cabbage are available. Tell your friends and neighbors! **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: Have you noticed? Our kitchen has been cleaned out and reorganized. Many thanks to Elaine Toaso and helpers who spent countless hours purging, rearranging, labeling, etc. Please try to put items back where they came from. Most spots in the kitchen are labeled. Elaine will be happy to give anyone a tour through the kitchen to help acquaint you with where things go.

| IOCC Care Kits

IOCC Care Kits—The church school children were busy assembling the IOCC care kits during church school yesterday to be sent to aid victims of the recent hurricanes. To complete the bags they started we need 60 hand towels, 54 Combs and 34 Washcloths. Any donations of these items would be greatly appreciated.

Upcoming Events

Monthly Perogie and Ethnic Food Sale—Thursday, Oct. 5th.

Parish Grounds Clean Up— Saturday, October 7th 9 a.m

Monthly St. Nectarios Service—Thursday, October 19th 7:00 p.m.

Music on the Mount Concert and Art Show with Women's Ensemble from St. Vladimir's—Saturday, October 21st 7:00 p.m. **Distinguished Diocesan Donor Dinner**—Sunday,
October 22nd at 4:30 p.m. at
Roberto's in Monroe, CT

Lenox St. Nectarios Retreat

Friday, November 3 to Sunday, November 5

Hawaiian Mother of God Icon to visit St. George's in Taylor, PA – Wednesday, November 8, 5:30 PM Cemetery Clean Up-

Saturday, November 11th 9 a.m.

Monthly St. Nectarios Service—Thursday, November 16th at 7:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving Bake Sale – Saturday, November 18 – Sunday, November 19

Bishop Gregory's 5th Anniversary of consecration in Johnstown, PA – Monday, November 27

Trip to Slovakia

Trip to Slovakia—We are working to put together a parish trip to Slovakia for August 2018. We have been in contact with Fr. Ilya 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.

| Music on the Mount

| Bishop Gregory's 5th Anniversary

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.

Monday, November 27 the diocese will celebrate the 5th anniversary f His Grace, Bishop Gregory's consecration s our diocesan bishop. The celebration will begin Monday, November 27, at 5:00 PM with Prayers of Thanksgiving for His Grace at the Holiday Inn in Johnstown followed at 5:15 PM with a Cash Bar & Hors d'oeuvres and a 6:00 PM Dinner. Meals choice are Salmon or Filet Mignon - \$50 for Adults. Child Appropriate Meal – 12 Years and Younger - \$20. Deadline is November 6. Sign-up sheet is downstairs in the church hall.

Birthdays	
October	
Madeline Sulich	1
Viorel & Vida Bundra -	4
Anniversary	
Patricia Zeleniak	8
Veronica Villa	8
Fr. Nicholas & Pani Stacey	13
Mihaly - Anniversary	
Reader Rob Paltauf	14
Jill Kerpchar-Rosenfield	17
Roger (Behrend)	18
Diana Borsari	18
Annalisa Paltauf	22
William & Ann Marie Huott -	26
Anniversary	
Jon Gross	29
Orestes Mihaly III	30
Coffee Hour - We need people	o to

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.

Lenox Retreat—Our annual Lenox retreat will take place on Nov. 3-5th at a new location: The Cornell Inn in Lenox. Cost is \$350 per couple or \$230 for a single which includes 2 nights at the inn and 2 full breakfasts. Reservations are accepted on a first come first serve basis. Please give your reservations to Susan Sulich (ssulich@yahoo.com) as soon as possible. Flyer attached.

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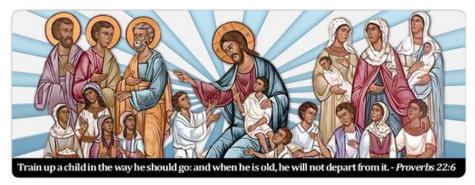
"... a place of refuge full of love and joy."



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!

Perogie Sessions: We started up our perogie sessions on Tuesday, at 9:00 am in preparation for our Thanksgiving and Christmas bake sales. All help is appreciated. No previous pinching experience required!

For the Children



Have you ever taken a test? Sometimes you might have some hard questions to answer. Some of them might be kind of easy. And on a test, sometimes the hard ones and the easy ones might be all mixed up together.

The gospel reading today tells us about the hard things and the easy thing we must do if we want to be good followers of Christ. The gospel says, "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them...But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High."

So the easy thing is to love people who love us! The easy thing is to do good to those who do good to us. The easy thing is to give to people who give things back to us. That's the easy thing. We can do that!

The hard thing is to love our enemies, to do good to people who are mean to us, to give to people who might not give us anything back. God wants us to do the easy things, of course. (You're nice to your friends, aren't you?) But God wants us to do the hard things, too. God wants us to be nice to our enemies and to people who aren't so nice to us. You can show you are a Christian by doing the hard things!

APOSTLE ANANIAS: ONE OF THE SEVENTY APOSTLES

You know Saint Paul, don't you? He is one of the greatest saints the Church ever had! Why? Because he worked so hard to help the Church grow and grow. But did you know Saint Paul once worked against the Church? He even hurt some of the first Christians because he thought they were doing the wrong thing! Saint Paul turned around and soon became one of the greatest helpers for the Church. But he couldn't make that change by himself.

Today we remember another saint, the Apostle Ananias. He helped Saint Paul change his life to follow Christ! He heard about Paul in a vision, and he put his hands on him, and he baptized him. Even Saint Paul needed somebody else to help him grow close to Christ. He couldn't do it by himself.

When we are part of the Church, we depend on each other. We need each other to help us grow close to our Lord! Saint Paul needed Ananias to help him grow close to the Lord too.

Even as a kid, you know, you are a full member of the Church. What can you do to help others grow closer to Christ? How can you help another person know the Lord even better?

We celebrate the nameday of Saint Ananias on Oct. 1st (Oct. 14th, OC).

We're on the Web! holytrinitydanbury.org