Weekly Bulletin

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Third Sunday of Luke. The Epistle 2 Corinthians 9:6-11. The Gospel is from Luke 7:11-16.

Venerable Pelagía the Penítent.

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

Sunday, October 8, 10 AM – Divine Liturgy

Monday, October 9, 7 PM – Spirituality Class

Tuesday, October 10, 8:30 AM – Third Hour

Tuesday, October 10, 9 AM – Perogie Session

Wednesday, October 11, 7 PM – Adult Catechism Class

Thursday, October 12, 8:30 AM – Akathist

Thursday, October 12, 9 AM – Prayer Group

Friday, October 13, 9 AM – Old Testament Class Saturday, October 14, 10 AM to 12 noon – Church School

Saturday, October 14, 5 PM – Vespers

Sunday, October 15, 10 AM – Divine Liturgy October 8, 2017

Mark Your Calendar

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Readers Schedule

10/1 - Paul Toaso10/8 - Bob Faubel10/15 – Suzanne Molineaux 10/22 – Susan Paltauf 10/29 - Harry FongCoffee Hour 10/1 - OPEN 10/8 - OPEN10/15 - 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 lcon 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 alreadv done so, subscribe to our website:

www.holvtrinitvdanburv. org to see construction photos and updates.

| Church School

Church School—Our church school is off to a great start. We are going to continue with our twice monthly meetings-one Saturday morning and one Friday evening-going forward. Dates for remainder of the year are: Sat. 10/14, Fri. 10/27, Sat. 11/11, Sat. 12/16 and Fri. 12/22. Saturday morning classes will be from 10:00-12:00 and Friday classes will be from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Please mark these date on your calendar. Children and teens will continue to learn about the Old Testament. There will be art activities, service projects and other fun opportunities.

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.

Distinguished Diocesan Donors (DDD)

| Bunco Game Night

Bunco Game Night--Friday November 10th starting at 6:30 p.m. More details to come. This will be a fun fundraiser for our parish. We are looking for donations of raffle baskets. If you can contribute one please see Pani Bethany or Susan Sulich.

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) 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.

What's New

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. Sunday, October 29 is the final day for collecting clothes.

Upcoming Events 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 November 8, 5:30 PM 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

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.

spots in the kitchen are

Please try to put items back

where they came from. Most

labeled. Elaine will be happy to

give anyone a tour through the

Hawaiian Mother of God Icon to visit St. George's in Taylor, PA - Wednesday,

Bunco Game Night-- Friday November 10th

Cemetery Clean Up-Saturday, November 11th | IOCC Care Kits

kitchen to help acquaint you with where things go.

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

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. 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.

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.

| Music on the Mount | Bishop Gregory's 5th Anniversary

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	
Patricia Zeleniak	8
Veronica Villa	8
Fr. Nicholas & Pani Stacey Mihaly - Anniversary	13
Reader Rob Paltauf	14
Jill Kerpchar-Rosenfield	17
Roger (Behrend)	18
Diana Borsari	18
Annalisa Paltauf	22
William & Ann Marie Huott - Anniversary	26
Jon Gross	29
Orestes Mihaly III	30
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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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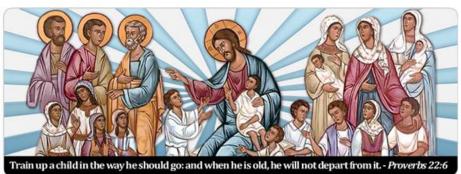
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Donations-Going forward we would like to institute a new policy regarding donations of items to the church. While we are very grateful that parishioners want to offer the church items that might be useful, we have a limited amount of space. As we try 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 given something to somebody... but you didn't really want to? Maybe your parents made you share something that you wanted to keep to yourself, or you gave away something that you would have rather had instead. It doesn't feel like giving when we don't want to give, does it?

In today's epistle reading, Saint Paul tells some of the early Christians that they should give to others because they want to (not because somebody made them do it!). He says, "For God loves a cheerful giver." That's right! God wants us to be cheerful and happy about giving to others, and about helping others too. Our Lord never forces us to give to others or to help others.

Did you know that when God asks us to do something, He shows us the way first? God was the most cheerful giver of all! He gives us help with things every day. But even more, He gave His whole life for us. He gives us a place in heaven with Him. God gives...and He is a cheerful giver! In another part of the Bible, we read, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." God is a cheerful giver!

If our Lord can give so much and be happy about it, do you think we can give to others too, and be happy and cheerful about it too? Let's try!

BROTHER AND SISTER SAINTS SAINTS: EULAMPIOS AND EULAMPIA

If you have a brother or a sister, you might not agree on everything. Every once in a while, you might argue or even fight.

Soon, we'll celebrate the feastday of two saints who were brother and sister — Saint Eulampios and Saint Eulampia. Their names mean "good shining." And they were good shining lights because they shone brightly as examples of good Christians!

About 1,700 years ago lived the Emperor Maximian, who hated Christians. He made a law that made it so Christians would be persecuted, or hurt, for their faith. Saint Eulampios tore up the paper with the law. You can bet that he got in big trouble for it. He told the judge he was a Christian and that he lived for Jesus Christ! But that just put him into even more trouble.

His sister, Eulampia, heard what had happened to her brother, and she told the authorities she was a Christian too. Then the brother and sister suffered and were then killed. As siblings, Saints Eulampios and Eulampia might not have agreed on everything, but they definitely agreed on one thing—that they loved God more than anything, and that they wanted to be with Him in Heaven!

We celebrate the nameday of these two saints on Oct. 10th.