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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the nineteenth
Sunday after Pentecost,
Fourth Sunday of Luke.
The Epistle Hebrews
13:7-16. The Gospel is
from John 17:1-13.

Sunday of the Holy
Fathers of the 7th
Ecumenical Council.

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.

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Sunday, October 15, 10 AM –
Divine Liturgy

Monday, October 16, 7 PM –
Spirituality Class

**Tuesday, October 17, 8:30
AM –** Third Hour

Tuesday, October 17, 9 AM –
Perogie Session

**Wednesday, October 18, 7
PM –** Adult Catechism Class

**Thursday, October 19, 8:30
AM –** Akathist

Thursday, October 19, 9 AM –
Prayer Group

Thursday, October 19, 7 PM –
St. Nectarios Service

Friday, October 20, 9 AM – Old
Testament Class

Friday, October 20, 4:30 PM –
Greeting of the Hawaiian Iveron
Icon at St. Dimitri Church, 504
Sport Hill Rd, Easton, CT .

Friday, October 20, 6 PM –
Akathist at St. Dimitri Church,
Easton, CT

Saturday, October 21, 7 PM –
Music on the Mount Concert
followed by art show and a Wine
and Cheese reception and

Sunday, October 22, 10 AM –
Divine Liturgy

Sunday, October 22, 4:30 PM –
New England Deanery DDD

dinner at Roberto's Restaurant in
Monroe, CT

Visit of the Miraculous Weeping Icon
of our Lady of Iveron from Hawaii
October 20, 2017, Friday
St. Dimitrie Romanian Orthodox
Church
504 Sport Hill Road
Easton, CT 06612
Tel: (203) 261-1149
Greeting of the Holy Icon, 4:30pm
Akathist Service, 6:00pm

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/htcdanbury/?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 you haven't already done so, subscribe to our website: www.holytrinitydanbury.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. 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

This Saturday, Oct. 21st at 7:00 p.m. we will be having our next Music on the Mount Concert. St. Vladimir's Seminary Chorale will be performing a program of sacred music for mixed voices and some all-female pieces as well from their new album. After the concert there will be a wine and cheese reception with the artists and an art show featuring works of Holy Trinity's artists. Tickets are \$35. Please email Harry Fong (hfong@aol.com) to reserve tickets as soon as possible.

Bunco Game Night

We are having a Bunco Game Night on Friday, Nov. 10th at 6:30 p.m. Bunco is a dice game that is easy and fun to play. Prizes will be awarded! Tickets are \$25 and must be pre-purchased. Cost of admission includes food and refreshments (bring your own beverage). There will also be a Chinese Auction. Bring your friends! To make your reservation, contact Pani Bethany (coachbe1@aol.com) or Susan Sulich (ssulich@yahoo.com).

Orthodox Youth Mission Team 2018

Orthodox Youth Mission Team 2018—Next July OYMT will be once again participating in the Appalachian Service Project (ASP). The trip will take place from July 7-15. (It does not conflict with our Camp Nazareth week.) Training sessions will start in December and the team will meet approximately once a month until we leave for Appalachia. We are currently sign up team members. If you are currently in 8th grade or older you are eligible to join the team. We also need adult leaders. If you have any questions about OYMT, contact Fr. Luke or Susan Sulich (ssulich@yahoo.com). Deadline for signing up is Nov. 12th.

Prayer Group

Prayer Group: Starting the week of September 11th our prayer 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)

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.

Holy Trinity's Got Talent!

Holy Trinity's Got Talent! An upcoming production of The Secret Garden features 4 members of our parish: Nick and Jennie Fong and their daughter Alexa and Sandi Fong. It's being put on by the Bedford Community Theatre (<http://bedfordcommunitytheatre.org/current-season/>) with performances on Nov. 11, 12, 17, 18 and 19.

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.**

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.

Birthdays

October	
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

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.

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 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

Bunco Game Night-- Friday November 10th

Cemetery Clean Up— Saturday, November 11th

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

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.

Bishop Gregory's 5th Anniversary

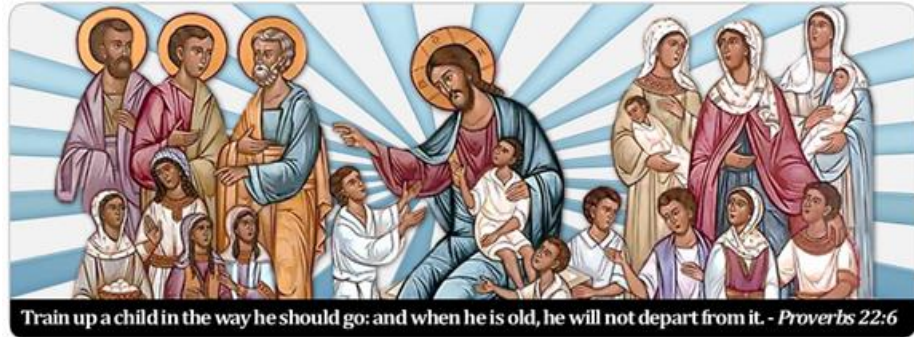
Monday, November 27 the diocese will celebrate the 5th anniversary of His Grace, Bishop Gregory's consecration as our diocesan bishop. The celebration will begin Monday, November 27, at 5:00 PM with Prayers of Thanksgiving for His Grace at the Holiday Inn in Johnstown followed at 5:15 PM with a Cash 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.

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



For the Children



Elder Filotheos Zervakos

How is it possible for your children to become good people when you yourselves often become angry in front of them and swear by the holy things? When you take what's not yours and cheat other people? When you steal and lie, when you slander and commit perjury? When the whole of your mind and your efforts are on material things? When you take no care of your soul, don't even go to confession, take communion, don't pray or study improving or religious literature? Put all that sort of thing out of your mind. It's impossible for your children to become good people unless you, as parents, set them a good example. And if it ever happens that you get good people from bad parents, it's a rare thing indeed. A good tree produces good fruit and good parents produce good children. So if you want your children to turn out well and be a joy to you as they grow, then get them used to proper devotion from an early age. If all you care about is leaving them wealth and an inheritance, and don't pay attention to their upbringing, then you'll be unhappy and, one day, your children will also become miserable, a blight on themselves and on society.

His Grace, Bishop Gregory, has selected our parish for participation in the national study **"Sharing Our Faith: Evangelization and Outreach in US Orthodox Christian Churches."** This study will help to better understand how Orthodox parishes and their members live out our Faith in the 21st century America, how they connect to their local neighborhoods, and how they reach out to non-Orthodox people.

I ask all of you to help our Church by taking part in this study. All you need to do is to complete an online questionnaire (the link to it is provided below). It will take about 20 minutes. Please be as honest as you can when completing the questionnaire: there are no "right" and "wrong" answers and the survey is completely anonymous. If you have several adult (age 18+) and teenage (age 14+) church members in your household, please make sure that everyone completes the survey independently from each other. Here is the link to the survey: click on it and complete the questionnaire.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OurFaith>

If this Link is not active, please copy and paste to the address field on your internet toolbar