### **Weekly Bulletin**

# Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

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### Welcome to Holv Trinity Parish

Today is the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost. The Epistle is Galatians 1:11-19. The Gospel is from Luke 8:41-56. Barlaam of Khutyn.

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

Tuesday, November 8, 8 AM – Hours

Wednesday, November 9, 9 AM – Divine Liturgy for the health of Luke Mihaylo

Wednesday, November 9, 10 AM – Archaeology dig at the cemetery

Wednesday, November 9, 7 PM – Adult Catechism Class

Friday, November 11, 9:30 AM – Old Testament Class

Saturday, November 12, 8 AM – Roll Baking Session Saturday, November 12, 8 AM – Roll Baking Session

Saturday, November 12, 9:30 AM – Church Ground clean up

Saturday, November 12, 5 PM - Vespers

Sunday, November 13, 10 AM – Divine Liturgy

Sunday, November 13, 11:30 AM – Panachida for Marion Fallon

Sunday, November 13, 11:30 AM – Parish Meeting on new parish rectory immediately following Divine Liturgy in the church Sunday, November 13, 11:30 AM – Church School

# Mark Your Calendar

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### **Readers Schedule**

11/6 - Chris Mihaly 11/13 – Suzanne Molineaux 11/20 – Luke Mihaylo 11/27 – Sandi Fong

### **Coffee Hour**

11/6 - Natalia11/13 - Behrend11/20 - OPEN11/27 - OPEN

### Help Re-stock Our Kitchen:

We are in need of kitchen size garbage bags.

Ham and Cheese for Sale--\$4 a pound. Available in the kitchen.

**Rectory/Office and Classroom Fundraising** Meeting—There will be a brief update on our Rectory/Office and Classroom on Sunday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> immediately following liturgy.

Alcoholism and Addiction | Parish Family Day | Church School Starts

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. Look here for our next service.

Last night we had a bonfire following Vespers for our monthly Family and Youth activity. Parents had the opportunity to meet with Church School Director, Stasia Thompson and learn about the curriculum for the upcoming year. If you missed the meeting, contact Stasia to find out about church school for your children. Our next Family Night will be Saturday Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> and then again on Saturday Dec. 3rd.

**Church School meets** on Sundays. Elementary school students will meet immediately after Divine Liturgy. Fr. Luke will be talking to the parents of the high school students to work on a schedule to meet outside of Sunday.

Parents are encouraged to attend the Family Day October 29th for a meeting to discuss Church School.

| Woodpecker Food         | Archaeology Dig at St. Platon's    |
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| Woodpecker Food:        | On Wednesday, Nov. 9 <sup>th</sup> |
| Our woodpeckers are     | starting about 9:00 a.m.           |
| running out of food.    | we will be continuing with         |
| Donations of suet cakes | the dig at our cemetery,           |
| (regular size) would be | focusing on the altar area         |
| greatly appreciated     | of the original church. All        |

welcome!

### Clothing Drive Update | Rectory/Office and Classroom Fundraising Meeting

amateur archaeologists

The final day to accept clothes for the Summer/Fall **Clothing Drive** is Sunday, November 20. So bring in those bags of clothing. Thank your Ann and the entire Huott Family for this great fundraiser!

**Rectory/Office and Classroom Fundraising** Meeting—There will be a brief update on our Rectory/Office and Classroom on Sunday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> immediately following liturgy.

### What's New

### **Perogie Sessions**

**Perogie Sessions** — We will resume our perogie sessions this Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

#### | Fall Clean Ups Scheduled

We will need to do a grounds clean-up both at our cemetery and around the church before the winter. The parish grounds clean-up will be on Saturday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:30 a.m. Bring rakes, leaf blowers, weed baskets and clippers.

# **Upcoming Events**

#### Lenox Retreat-Nov. 4-6th

Archaeology Dig at St. Platon's Cemetery – Wednesday, Nov. 9

Roll Baking – Saturday Nov. 12th

Parish Grounds Clean Up—Sat Nov. 12

Rectory/Office and Classroom Fundraising Meeting – Sunday Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> following liturgy

**Council Meeting** – Sunday Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> following liturgy

OYMT Informational Meeting on 2017 Mission Trip to Alaska – Sunday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> 3:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving Craft & Bake Sale – Saturday, November 19 and Sunday, November 20

Family Outing - Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>

# Annual Lenox Retreat | Holiday Craft and Bake

Annual Lenox Retreat—If you have not already done so, please let Susan Sulich know today if you plan to attend our annual parish retreat at the Village Inn in Lenox, MA, Nov. 4-Nov. 6. The inn reserves all of its rooms for us until Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> so it is now time for us to give them our reservation list. Reservations will continue to be accepted as long as the inn has space. The retreat master this year will be Kenneth Kidd, Director of Development for the Orthodox Christian Mission Center who will be speaking about missions in the Orthodox Church and specific work the OCMC is involved in. The cost is \$320 for a double and \$210 for a single which includes 2 nights' accommodations, 2 breakfasts and 1 dinner. See tentative schedule attached.

### Our **Thanksgiving Craft and Bake Sale** will take place on Nov. 19 and 20 and our Christmas sale will be on Dec. 10. We have begun signing up crafters for our sales. If you would like to reserve a space or you know of any crafter of high-quality, handmade items who would like to participate in our sale, please let Susan Sulich know. Tables are \$35.

Birthdays November 5 Stephen Fong Paul Sulich, Jr. 7 9 Paul & Elaine Toaso Anniversary 9 Kathryn Kerpchar John Somoskovec 11 Sophia Baroody 11 Michael Dran 12 Matthias Robert Paltauf 13 Daniel John Huott 13 23 Sandy Fong Robert Young 27 Nicholas Gross 30 Knitting Group: Our knitting group

Knitting Group: Our knitting group will be meeting certain Sundays, immediately following coffee hour. All ages and experience levels welcome. If you would like to learn to knit, see Suad for a list of supplies to bring and if you have any questions.

# For the Children

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Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. - Proverbs 22:6

### ANGELS: What are they and how can they help me?

Did you know God has some special helpers? They're called angels! The word "angel" means messenger, because God sends them to give messages to us on earth! Lots of people say they believe in angels— even people who don't believe in God. But we've all seen pictures of cute little angels flying around with little wings, playing the trumpet or harp. Let's find out what angels really are! God has lots of different kinds of angels. They serve God. They follow Him and do things for Him. They don't have bodies like we do, and they are invisible. The different angels all have different jobs. Some try to help us to have more love for God. Some try to help us learn more about God. Some try to help us be better people—to remember God's rules and to do them. Archangels tell good news. Remember Gabriel, who told Mary she was going to have a baby? He is an archangel. Each one of us also has a guardian angel who protects us. You can pray to your guardian angel! Ask him to watch over you at school, at home, when you're playing and even sleeping!

**How many times has somebody**—a teacher, your mother or father, or even a friend— told you to LISTEN? Sometimes we DO hear something, but that doesn't mean we are really listening!

In today's Gospel reading, we hear a story about somebody who goes out to the field to plant seeds. Some seeds never sprout at all. Some seeds sprout at first and then die. But some seeds fall onto good dirt, and they do sprout. They grow and grow and give a good crop.

This story shows how we should hear God's teachings. The Gospel explains that the seeds that are in the good dirt are the ones who, "hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart." They hold onto it, because the word of God is something precious!

So it's easy to *hear* the word, but we also have to *listen*. That means in church, or in church school, or when we read our Bibles, or when our parents tell us about Jesus Christ, we listen. We try to take these words about God and put them into our hearts. We try to live the words, and not just hear them. We hold them fast in an honest and good heart.

written by Presvytera Alexandra Houck in The Children's Word

### **Incense Donation**

We are running low on incense. If you would like to make a donation

towards incense please see Fr. Luke. A half-pound of incense can cost between \$25 and \$30. We need about 3 lb.