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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

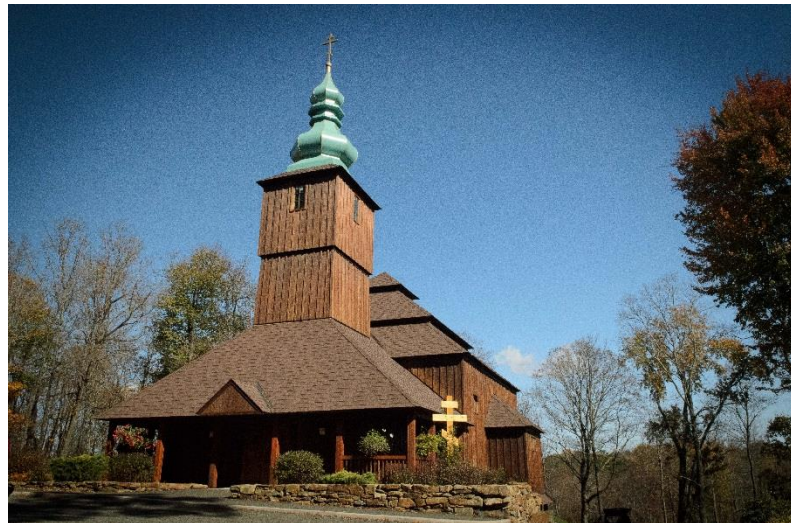
Today is the Fourth
Sunday after Pentecost.
The Epistle Romans 12:6-14. The Gospel is from
Matthew 9:1-8. Great
Martyr Procopius.

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 8, 10 AM –
Divine Liturgy served by Fr. Sergei Bouteneff

Sunday, July 15, 10 AM –
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Sunday, July 15, 11 AM –
Bus to Camp pick up at the Commuter Park and Ride at Exit 1 on Route 84

Sunday, July 15, 3 PM –
Orthodox Youth Mission Team returns from Tennessee

Wednesday, July 18, 7 PM –
Catechism Class

Thursday, July 19, 9 AM –
Golf Tournament

Saturday, July 21, 10 AM
Baptism of Victor Stroia

Saturday, July 21, 3 PM –
Wedding of Nicu and Anna

Sunday, July 22, 10 AM –
Divine Liturgy

Sunday, July 22, 12 noon
– Presentation on Banking for Yung Adults and Families

Fr. Luke will be away with the OYMT from Saturday, July 7th until Sunday, July 15th. Fr. Sergei Bouteneff

will be here those two Sundays to serve Divine Liturgy. Please welcome Fr. Sergei. Any emergencies please contact the rectory and Pani Bethany will help direct you to a priest.

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Readers Schedule

7/8 – Christopher Mihaly
7/15 – Bob Faubel
7/22 – Sandi Fong
7/29 – Susan Paltauf

Coffee Hour

7/15 – Suzanne Molineaux
7/22 – OPEN
7/29 – OPEN

Help Re-Stock our Kitchen—

Decaf coffee, bowls and napkins, paper towels and gallon size freezer bags

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/htodanbury/?fref=hovercard> so the word gets out.

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.

Food Safety Courses—We will be looking to update our food safety certifications to meet new Health Department regulations. If you are interested in taking a half day food handler safety class please let Susan Sulich know.

New Rectory

The **new rectory** is progressing rapidly. The foundation has been poured and the house set is scheduled for Monday, February 18th. Check out photos and updates on our website:
www.holytrinitydanbury.org.
Subscribe if you haven't already so you won't miss posts. At this point we need approximately \$75,000 above what we have raised so far to finish the project. We do have a line of credit available to bridge the gap but any additional donations that come in will reduce (or eliminate) the amount we need to borrow.

| Camp Nazareth Bus Info

The bus will pick up our kids at the **exit 1 Park and Ride at exit 1 on Route 84** on **Sunday, July 15**.

The Bus line is Anderson Coach & Travel out of Mercer PA

The cost is \$85 per rider

Campers should have a bagged lunch for the ride out. Drinks must have a secured top. No milk or peanuts please.

Campers will receive \$5 on the return trip for the customary McDonald's stop.

Adult Education Opportunities

We have a number of adult education classes going on currently:

Spirituality Class – Mondays at 7:00 p.m. Currently reading and discussing: *Spiritual Counsels (select passages from My Life in Christ)* by Fr. John or Kronstadt

Catechism Class – Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

For those studying to come into the Church and those in the Church who want to deepen their understanding and participation in the Faith. We are starting a new Book. It is *Introducing the Orthodox Church* by Fr. Anthony Coniaris

Prayer Group – Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. Currently reading:

Churchianity vs. Christianity by Metropolitan Anthony Bloom

Old Testament Class – Fridays at 9:00 a.m. We are about to begin Numbers.

Perogie Dash

Our Annual Perogie Dash is set for **Saturday, August 18**. We are seeking sponsors for the race. Please keep that date open to help. This is a major fund-raiser and outreach to the community for us. This Road Race raises funds to support Hospice and their Healing Hearts program for grieving children. Sponsorship form attached.

| Trinity Golf Tournament

Our Annual Golf Tournament is set for **Thursday, July 19** this year. Beekman Country Club in Hopewell Junction is the site for this years' tournament. Cost is \$175 per golfer and \$150.00 for those under 18 years of age. For more information please contact Harry Fong.

Summer Church School

Summer Church School: Save the Dates

We will have a summer church school program on Tuesday, August 14^h and Wed. August 15^h. More details to come but put it on your family's calendar.

Upcoming Events

**OYMT ASP Trip to Trade,
TN**—July 7-15

Trinity Golf Tournament—
Thursday, July 19th

**Presentation by Vida Bundra
on Banking and budgeting for
young adults** – Sunday, July 22

Perogie Dash 5K – Saturday,
August 18

Congratulations to our 2018 Graduates!

Anastasia Radcliff--
Graduated from Danbury High School. She will attend Central Connecticut State University in the fall where she plans to major in Elementary Education.

Rachel Gartner—
Graduated from Boston College with a Bachelor's in Math. She will be continuing to play basketball for BC for one more year and will be starting on her Masters in Organization Development and Leadership at St Joseph's University.

Katie Huott--Received her Bachelors in Accounting from Siena College. She will be back at Siena this fall and will complete her Masters Degree next December. She has already accepted a position at KPMG in Albany, NY to start in January of 2019.

Melanie Sulich—
Received a Bachelors of Science in Athletic Training from the University of Connecticut. She will be doing an internship at St. Thomas Aquinas College

for the upcoming academic year. She has been accepted at Ithaca College for a Masters program in Sports Psychology and has deferred admission until Fall 2019.

Adrienne Fedyna—
Received her Masters in Education from the University of Virginia. She is currently interviewing for a position in the field of Athletic Training.

Birthdays

July	
Roger & Suad Behrend - Anniversary	9
Katie Tynan Helu	9
Taylor Anne Gartner	9
Martin Villa	9
Jeff Szymanowicz	11
Suzanne Molineaux	13
Jacob Villa	16
Father Luke	18
Daria Gross	20
Anna Radcliff	20
Andrea Paltauf	21
Katherine Ann Huott	22
Ryan McVeigh	25
Vivian Szymanowicz	28
Marilyn Zaengle	30
Paul Toaso	31

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



Donations—As a reminder we have a 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.toaso@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!

Don't be a hypocrite! by [Presvytera Alexandra Houck](#) in [The Children's Word](#)

Do you know what a hypocrite is? A hypocrite is somebody who pretends (in a bad way!). A hypocrite might act holy and faithful on the outside, but on the inside, he is mean and hateful.

Today, we hear about being a hypocrite in the epistle and the Gospel reading. In the Gospel reading, we hear a story like lots of stories about Jesus in the Bible. It's the story of Christ healing a paralytic, somebody who couldn't walk. The man was sick, lying on a bed, and he wanted to walk again. Our Lord told the man, "Your sins are forgiven!"

Well, some religious leaders (who looked holy on the outside) didn't like that. They grumbled about Jesus and complained to themselves. But Jesus said, "Why do you speak evil in your hearts?" He knew that they were pretending to be faithful people. Then, Jesus healed the man to show them He really did have the power—to heal and to forgive!

These men were hypocrites. They were pretending to be faithful, but they thought all kinds of unfaithful thoughts. In the epistle reading, Saint Paul writes, "Let love be without hypocrisy." That means, when you love God and love each other, don't pretend! Love on the outside and on the inside!

SAINT OLGA: A PRINCESS WITH A MISSION

If you were a princess or prince, what would *you* do? Maybe the first thing you might think about are the fancy clothes, the fancy dinners, the fancy trips. But this week we remember a saint who saw past these things.

Saint Olga was the princess of Kiev more than 1,100 years ago. She ruled over what is now Russia, Ukraine, and more. Now, the people there are almost all Orthodox Christians. But then, things were different. Most people were pagan—they did not worship our one, true God.

Once, Saint Olga visited the great city of Constantinople. She learned about the Christian Church and wanted to be baptized. Then, she went back to Kiev (where she lived), and took care of her grandsons. Many years later, one of her grandsons, Vladimir, became emperor. He remembered the faith of his grandmother, and then Vladimir was baptized, too! Thousands of people were baptized with him.

We know that Saint Olga had a great mission in life—to teach others about the true faith she knew. But what would have happened if she had had a different mission, a mission to have fancier clothes and jewelry, fancier dinners, and more?

Over the years, millions and millions of people have worshipped God as Orthodox Christians, thanks to this princess with a mission—St. Olga!

We celebrate the nameday of Saint Olga on July 11th (July 24th OC).