

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church



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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Ninth
Sunday after Pentecost.
The Epistle 1 Corinthians
3:9-17. The Gospel is
from Matthew 14: 22-34.
Martyr Callinicus. Martyr
Beatrix.

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.

Schedule of Services and Events for this week

Sunday, July 29, 10 AM –
Divine Liturgy

Sunday, July 29, 11:30 AM
– Semi-Annual Meeting

Our Semi-Annual Meeting will
be held Sunday, July 29
Immediately following Divine
Liturgy.

Monday, July 30, 7 PM –
Spirituality Class

Tuesday, July 31, 8:30 AM
– Hours

Start of the Dormition Fast
– **Wednesday, August 1**

Wednesday, August 1, 7
PM – Catechism Class

Thursday, August 2, 8:30
AM – Akathist

Thursday, August 2, 9 AM
– Prayer group

Thursday, August 2, 4 pm
to 6 pm – Monthly Bake
Sale

Friday, August 3, 9 AM –
Old Testament Class

Saturday, August 4, 5 PM
Vespers

Sunday, August 5, 10 AM
– Divine Liturgy

Sunday, August 5, 2 PM –
Vespers for the Feast of the
Transfiguration

Monday, August 6, 9 AM –
Liturgy for the Feast of the
Transfiguration of our Lord

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Readers Schedule

7/29 – Susan Paltauf
8/5 – Christopher Mihaly
8/12 – Paul Toaso
8/19 – Luke Mihaylo
8/26 – Suzanne Molineaux

Coffee Hour

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/htocdanbury/?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.

| Semi-Annual Meeting July 29th

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29th—Next Sunday we will have our semi-annual meeting following liturgy. We will give an update on the new rectory and discuss other important parish business. Your input is important. Please make plans to attend.

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.

Summer Church School | DDD Program

Summer Church School: Save the Dates

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

DISTINGUISHED DIOCESAN DONORS PROGRAM

The Distinguished Diocesan Donors Fund has been an important source of funding for the establishment, maintenance and expansion of our many diocesan apostolates. An annual donation of \$100.00 or more, qualifies diocesan members and friends to be recognized as a Distinguished Diocesan Donor. Each "3D" member is honored at a complimentary dinner which is held in the donor's local deanery. (See Upcoming Events) It is asked that all donations be made by September 1st of each year.

All diocesan faithful and friends are cordially invited to become a Distinguished Diocesan Donor to further the apostolic works of our God-Saved Diocese.

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Birthdays

July	
Vivian Szymanowicz	28
Marilyn Zaengle	30
Paul Toaso	31
August	
Susan Sulich	1
Percy Stoll	3
Carolyn Faubel	4
Trianna Gutzman (Names day)	8
Carolos Morfa	9
Bill Huott	10
Sarah Baroody	15
Fr. Luke & Bethany Mihaly – Anniversary	17
Slave & Mariana Todosiev - Anniversary	19
Brenna Singer	23
Amy Fong	25
Susan Paltauf	25
Marika Gutzman	26
Cyril Gutzman	26
Mariana Bundra Todosiev	28
Kristen Szymanowicz	31

Upcoming Events

Monthly Food Sale – Thursday,
August 2nd 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Perogie Dash 5K – Saturday,
August 18

DDD Dinner – Sunday,
October 21st 4:00 p.m. at
Roberto's Restaurant in
Monroe, CT

Summer Church School –
Tuesday, August 14th and
Wednesday, August 15th

Dorothy Day – September 7th
1:00-5:00 p.m.

Cabaret Night—Saturday
September 8th

Monthly St. Nectarious Service
– Thursday, August 16th 7:00
p.m.

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We have a great couple of days planned for our Summer Church School Program:

**Tuesday, August 14th -
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

- Meet at our parish cemetery: St. Platon's
- Students will learn about what the church teaches about falling asleep and cemeteries with Fr. Luke
- Students will help clean up the

cemetery and plant flowers on graves

- Cook out lunch
- Outdoor Painting Project with Ms. Elena

**Wednesday, August 15th
- 9 a.m. To 2 p.m.**

- Liturgy at Holy Trinity for the Feast of Dormition of Mary – Bring flowers and herbs to bless
- Breakfast
- Learn about Dormition of Mary with Fr. Luke

- Art Project with Ms. Elena
- Soccer Tournament—parents welcome to join in!

Please let Roz Mihaylo know if your children will be able to attend so that we purchase enough art supplies and food. You can email Roz at rozmihaylo@hotmail.com or call her at: 860-355-2995. We look forward to sharing this time with your family!

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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!

Can you really do anything? by **Presvytera Alexandra Houck** in **The Children's Word**

Has anybody ever said to you, “You can do anything...as long as you try”? Sometimes that sounds a little silly doesn't it? A short little kid who isn't so good at sports probably won't ever be in the Olympics...no matter how hard he tries! And chances are, you won't become a movie star, even if you really love acting, and even if you spend a lot of time doing it!

But in today's Gospel reading, we hear about how the Lord let Saint Peter do something that was really impossible. We hear about how the disciples saw Jesus walking on the water! Peter asked Jesus to let him walk to Him, on the water. “Come,” the Lord said. And Peter started to walk on the water, to Jesus. That was an amazing thing, of course!

Let us always remember that we can do great things and amazing things...but only when God blesses it! Peter could never have walked on the water, until God blessed it. Sometimes we spend a lot of time working at something—sports, music, even extra work at school—but we forget to ask God if it's the right thing to do. Can you remember to ask God to bless your work, your play, your time with your family, your trips in the car? When God blesses something, we really can do anything.

SAINT SILAS: SAINT PAUL'S HELPER

Just a few weeks ago we celebrated the big day of Saints Peter and Paul. They are such great saints that our church even has a special fasting time to remember them. The two of them did so much to build up the Christian Church. God gave them a big job to do, and they knew they couldn't do it all by themselves.

One of Saint Paul's special helpers was Saint Silas. Saint Paul traveled through Greece and Italy and the Holy Land to tell people about our Lord, Jesus Christ. And for lots of his trip, Saint Silas went with him. They had many adventures together (not the kind of adventure you have for fun, but the kind when you have work to do!)

Once, when Saint Paul and Saint Silas were in Philippi (in Greece), they were sent to prison because some people were angry with them. While they were locked up, God sent an earthquake. All of a sudden, their chains came off, and they were free. The jailer was very scared because he thought he would lose his job. But Saint Paul and Saint Silas did not escape. Instead, they told the jailer about Christ.

Before long, the authorities allowed them to be free. Then the two saints went on with their work. Did you know Saint Silas is the patron saint for people who are in prison, and also for prison workers?

We celebrate the nameday of Saint Silas on July 30th (August 12th, OC).