

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church



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<https://youtube.com/acroddiocese>

Recommended Orthodox Internet Ministries

<http://myocn.net/>

<http://www.ancientfaith.com/>

Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is Sunday of the Paralytic. The Epistle Acts 9:32-42. The Gospel is from John 5:1-15. Cornelius of Komel.

Holy Trinity is a diverse and welcoming parish of the Carpatho Russian Diocese, under the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

His Eminence, Metropolitan Gregory of Nyssa, is our diocesan ruling hierarch.

Divine Liturgy is offered Sunday at 10 am. As a 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, May 19, 10 AM –
Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, May 21 - Church
basement Hall Floor is being professionally Cleaned, Waxed and Polished. No one is allowed to walk on the basement floor until Thursday, May 22

Thursday, May 23, 8:30 AM –
Akathist

Thursday, May 23, 9:15 AM-
New Testament Class

Friday, May 24, 9 AM – Old
Testament Class

Saturday, May 25, 5 PM –
Vespers

Sunday, May 26, 10 AM –
Divine Liturgy – Bless Graves

Fr. Luke will be away Monday, May 20 thru Wednesday, May 22 at an OCMC Board of Trustees Meeting. Please call the rectory for any emergencies.

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Readers Schedule

5/19 – Suzanne Molineaux
5/26 – Luke Mihaylo
6/2 – Robert Faubel

Coffee Hour

5/19 – OPEN
5/26 – OPEN
6/2 – Men's Group
6/9 – Gross
6/16 – Father's Day/Pentecost

Help Re-stock Our Kitchen—

decaf coffee, sturdy 10-inch paper plates, bowls

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/?ref=hovercard> so the word gets out.

Road Race Sponsors—We will be looking for sponsors for our Perogie Dash 5K Road Race set for August 17th. Sponsorship levels start at \$100. All sponsors will have their logo on our t-shirt and the opportunity to contribute promotional material to our runner bags. Please let Fr. Luke or Susan Sulich know if you or a business you frequent would like to be a sponsor.

2019 Young Women's Encounter

2019 Young Women's Encounter - - Registration is now open for the SIXTH Annual Diocesan Young Women's Encounter which will take place from Sunday, June 30th to Wednesday, July 3rd, 2019 at Saints Peter and Paul Church in Windber, PA. We encourage our young women, ages 12 to 18 to attend. Registration will be primarily online and is open now! A link to register is on the home page at www.acrod.org or a direct link can be found at [here](#).

Please encourage interested families to find more information about this event by looking through past photo albums which can be found at

<https://www.acrod.org/ministries/youth/ywe/>

Space will be limited to the first thirty respondents, so participants are urged to register in a timely manner. Registration Deadline is Friday, June 7, 2019.

| Parish Group Meeting

Parish Men's Group Meeting – There has been a request for the Men of the parish to meet and discuss ideas about a parish Men's Group. Please see Nicu Melnic and/or Carlos Morfa. To start the Men's Group we will be meeting Saturday, June 1 from 10 Am to 3 Pm to pray, meet and discuss ideas. Nicu and Carlos will be there early as they will be roasting a pig for the men to enjoy and to share with the parish for Coffee Hour on Sunday, June 2.

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: *Parenting Toward the Kingdom* by Dr. Philip Mamalakis

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

New Testament – Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. currently were are reading and studying *The Acts of the Apostles*

Old Testament Class – Fridays at 9:00 a.m. We have begun Judges.

Parish Tag Sale

Parish Tag Sale—On Saturday, June 15th from 9 a.m. -- 2 p.m. we will be having a parish tag sale. Here's how it works:

- Reserve your spot on the lawn for \$35
- Bring your own table or blanket and set up and sell your items
- We will publicize the event and also offer food for sale
- At the end of the day, take home any items you brought that did not sell.

NOTE: There will not be a parish table so please do not bring in single items for sale. We will not be collecting items for the sale—each person is responsible for brining, selling and disposing of their own items.

Suad and Rodger Behrend will be in charge of the kitchen for selling food. Please see Lisa Farrah if you are interested in reserving a spot. Or, you can email her at: tsarina8558@gmail.com

| Andrew Gould Visit

Andrew Gould Visit—On Saturday, June 8th and Sunday June 9th, Andrew Gould the artist and craftsman who created our choras chandelier will be coming to Holy Trinity. On Saturday afternoon he will give a presentation about the iconostas, followed by Vespers and a pot luck dinner. On Sunday, June 9th during coffee hour there will be a presentation about his work. Please plan to attend and ask questions. We particularly encourage all the artists in the parish to join in this creative discussion about future beautifying of our church.

| Graduate Sunday

Graduate Sunday—We have a number of youth graduating from high school and college this year and plan to celebrate their accomplishments on Sunday June 2nd at the end of liturgy. If you have a student who is graduating, please email Susan Sulich at ssulich@yahoo.com the name, school or college your student is graduating from and their future plans if known.

CAMP NAZARETH SUMMER CAMP 2019

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REGISTER ONLINE STARTED MAR. 1, 2019!!!

Dates for the Summer Camping Program

Week 1: July 14-20, 2019

Pittsburgh, Mid-Atlantic, Tri-State and Washington D.C. Deaneries

Week 2: July 21-27, 2019

New England, NY, NJ, Florida and Canada Deaneries

Week 3: July 28-August 3, 2019

Johnstown, Pocono, Southern Tier, Youngstown and Chicago Deaneries

Register Online Starting March 1, 2019

Register at – campnazareth.org

From the Home Page, From the 2019 Summer Camp Icon, or From the Diocesan Summer Camp Tab found under the Summer Camp Tab and look for Camper Registration.

If you are Clergy or a Volunteer go to the 2019 Summer Camp Icon on the Home Page or the Diocesan Summer Camp Tab found under the Summer Camp Tab and look for the paper forms under Clergy/Volunteers.

\$20 Early Bird Discount Per Child!!!! (one-time only, not per week)

Register & pay by May 15, 2019!!!!

Online Registration MUST be complete AND payment must be submitted by May 15 in order to qualify for the Early Bird Discount.

Registrations after June 15 will incur an additional \$20 late fee.

- ❑ When you register online please note that **you will still need to submit a paper copy of the Medical Examination Form (i.e. Camper Physical)** which must be filled out and signed by a licensed medical professional (licensed physician or physician's assistant). This form will be emailed to you after you complete the online registration process.
- ❑ **Payment by check, money order, or credit card is accepted.** Checks and Money Orders are to be made payable to *Camp Nazareth* and sent to *Camp Nazareth at 339 Pew Road, Mercer, PA 16137.*

Birthdays

May	
Jenny Fong	14
Kevin Gutzman	20
Adrienne Fedyna	25
Paul & Susan Sulich - Anniversary	28
Nick & Jenny Fong - Anniversary	28
Michael & Kathryn Kerpchar - Anniversary	29
Joe Derevanik	31
Ken Borsari	31

Perogie Sessions—After our very successful Easter Bake Sale we need to replenish our supply of perogies. We are planning two perogie sessions: Tuesday, May 28th and Tuesday, June 11th. Both sessions will start after the Hours service, about 9 a.m. New and old pinchers welcome!

Floor Waxing—This Tuesday, May 21st the floor in the hall will be stripped and wax. This means no one will be able to enter or walk on the floor from Tuesday morning at 8 a.m. until Thursday morning. We will also need help moving the tables and chairs off the floor and into the kitchen and hallway on Sunday after coffee hour. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Upcoming Events

Men's Group – Saturday, June 1

Graduate Sunday—Sunday, June 2nd

Parish Council Meeting—Sunday, June 2nd

OYMT Meeting—Sunday, June 2nd, 3-5 p.m.

Stuffed Cabbage Making – Wednesday, June 5th

Monthly Bake Sale—Thursday, June 6th, 4-6 p.m.

Monthly St. Nectarious Service—Thursday, June 20th, 7 p.m.

Andrew Gould Icon/icon screen Presentation – June 8 and June 9

Parish Tag Sale – June 15th

Altar Boy Retreat/Young Woman's Encounter – June 30th – July 3rd

Dorothy Day – Friday, July 5th 1-5 p.m.

OYMT Trip – July 6 to July 14

Holy Trinity Golf Outing – Thursday July 18th

Semi-Annual Meeting—Sunday, July 21st following liturgy

Camp Nazareth – July 21 – July 27

Perogie Dash 5K – Saturday, August 17th

Trip to Slovakia – August 18 – August 30

Parish Trip to Slovakia

Parish Trip to Slovakia—An itinerary has been set for our trip to Slovakia scheduled for August 18-30, 2019. We will start out in Prague, travel through Slovakia and have day trip into Hungary. Highlights of the trip include wooden churches, underground caves and other natural wonders, spas, castles and many other cultural and religious sites. We are currently looking for commitments to go on the trip. Group airfare available on a first come first serve basis. If you have not yet signed up and would like to, let Fr. Luke know.

OYMT "Stock Sales"

OYMT "Stock Sales"— The Stock Sale for the Orthodox Youth Mission Team is wrapping up and we are just a little short of our goal. If you plan to donate to the mission team and have not yet done so, see one of the team members: Adrien or Nataly Guerrero, Grace Radcliff, AJ Villa, Jacob, Anthony or Martin Villa, Adriano Morfa, Nick or Jennie Fong, Luke Faubel, Carlos Morfa, Leon Guerrero or Susan Sulich. Shares of "mock stock" are \$10 and will support our upcoming youth mission trip to Appalachia in July. Please consider investing in this opportunity for our high school youth to put their Faith to work. To those of you who have already contributed, we thank you very much!

Holy Trinity Golf Outing

Holy Trinity Golf Outing—It's not too early to get a foursome together for our Holy Trinity Golf Outing on Thursday, July 18th. We will be in a new place this year—Richter Park right here in Danbury. New lower cost of \$125 includes golf and lunch. There will be a Hole in One contest and prizes awarded. Male and female golfers welcome. Please consider inviting friends and family to join this fun summer fundraiser.

Sunday of the Paralytic

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



The Diocesan-wide **Altar Boy retreat** will take place from **Sunday evening, June 30th** (Registration is from 6p.m. - 8 p.m.) **until Wednesday, July 3rd.**

The Retreat will once again take place at our Christ the Savior Seminary, Cathedral and Education Center in Johnstown and SS. Peter & Paul Church facilities in Windber. This year our outing will be to Coal Tubing in Johnstown for a tubing ride down the Stoney Creek River. This is the time and place for your faithful Altar Servers to join other Altar Boys from all over our Diocese. The cost of this year's retreat is \$100.00. This includes everything for the three days and also includes a commemorative "Encounter 2019" T-Shirt.

Registration will be electronic this year and can be accessed at: http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=oblwu7zab&oeidk=a07eg95i0mjd06d468_4

In addition, A Participation Form, Health Form and Tubing Release Form will need to be filled out and sent in with payment. Electronic Registration, filled out Participation and Health Forms and Tubing Release Form and payment must be made no later than Friday, June 7th and sent to Fr. David Cochran at 40 Beaver Dam Road, Stratford, CT 06614. Registrations not received or paid for by then cannot be guaranteed a t-shirt or even a spot at the retreat.

Close to the Sheep's Gate in Jerusalem, there was a pool, which was called the Sheep's Pool. It had round about it five porches, that is, five sets of pillars supporting a domed roof. Under this roof there lay very many sick people with various maladies, awaiting the moving of the water. The first to step in after the troubling of the water was healed immediately of whatever malady he had.

It was there that the paralytic of today's Gospel was lying, tormented by his infirmity of thirty-eight years. When Christ beheld him, He asked him, "Wilt thou be made whole?" And he answered with a quiet and meek voice, "Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool." The Lord said unto him, "Rise, take up thy bed, and walk." And straightaway the man was made whole and took up his bed. Walking in the presence of all, he departed rejoicing to his own house. According to the expounders of the Gospels, the Lord Jesus healed this paralytic during the days of the Passover, when He had gone to Jerusalem for the Feast, and dwelt there teaching and working miracles. According to Saint John the Evangelist, this miracle took place on the Sabbath.

Who healed you?

Do you ever make lists so you can remember to do something? Maybe you see your parents write lists—for groceries, for appointments, for bills, and so on. They do that so they will remember to do something important, right? Well, today when we hear the Gospel, we can really try to remember to do something important too! Today we hear the gospel about the man who could not walk for 38 years. Sadly, he did not have anybody to help him be healed.

But one day, Jesus came, and He asked the man, "Do you want to be healed?" Then He told him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk!" And instantly the man could walk! Suddenly, after 38 years, he was completely healed. Lots of people were amazed, and they asked the man who had made him better. The man told everybody that it was Jesus Christ who had healed him.

Sometimes when we are sick, or when a friend or a relative is sick, we remember to ask God to help us. We ask God to make us—or our friend—better. But then, when we're all better, we forget to thank God!

Let's try to be like the man in the gospel today. When he could walk again, he didn't keep it all to himself. He remembered to tell others that it was Christ who healed him! Let's remember to thank God!

We're on the Web!

holytrinitydanbury.org