

# Holy Trinity Orthodox Church



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## Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Eleventh  
Sunday after Pentecost.  
The Epistle 1 Corinthians  
9:2-12. The Gospel is  
from Matthew 18:23-35.  
Venerable Simeon the  
Stylite.

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  
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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## Schedule of Services and Events for this week

**Sunday, September 1, 10 AM –** Divine Liturgy  
**Saturday, September 7, 5 PM -** Great Vespers

**Wednesday, September 4, 7 PM -** Adult Catechism  
**Sunday, September 8, 10 AM –** Divine Liturgy –  
Nativity of the Mother of God

**Thursday, September 5, 8:30 AM –** Akathist

**Thursday, September 5, 9:15 AM –** New Testament Class

**Friday, September 6, 9 AM –** Old Testament Class

**Friday, September 6, 1 PM to 5 PM –** Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen

## Readers Schedule

9/1 – Bob Faubel  
9/8 – Harry Fong  
9/15 – Susan Paltauf  
9/22 – Suzanne Molineaux  
9/29 – Paul Toaso

## Coffee Hour

9/1 – OPEN  
9/8 – OPEN

## Help Re-Stock Our

**Kitchen**—Kitchen counter cleaner, napkins, kitchen garbage bags, gallon freezer bags, sturdy 10-inch plates.

Please remember to sign up and subscribing on our parish web site

[www.holytrinitydanbury.org](http://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/holytrinitydanbury/?ref=hovercard> so the word gets out.

## Essay Contest

**ESSAY CONTEST:** The Diocese is holding a special Essay Contest project in conjunction with the Sobor this year. All High School Juniors and Seniors as well as all College age students are encouraged to participate. Cash prizes will be given out to the top three High School and top three College essay winners. Please see the letter from His Eminence in the bulletin for more information.

## | Church School Start

**Church School Start**—We are planning to start our Church school year on Sat. Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> on the feast of the Elevation of the Cross. Following liturgy we will have a procession with the Cross with our youth followed by breakfast and our first church school session. A second session is planned for Friday, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 p.m. Please mark your calendar. We look forward to welcoming all children and teens for another fruitful year of learning and fun.

## | Les Miserable

**Les Miserable**—We are planning a parish outing to see Les Miserable at the Palace Theater in Waterbury, CT on Tuesday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. We are reserving a block of tickets at a group rate of \$41.75 per ticket. There is a sign up sheet in the hall. We need to give the theater an initial count this week. Please sign up or see Susan Sulich if you are interested in going. Half the payment will be due on Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>.

## 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 **The Creed**. This discussion of the Nicene Creed—the foundation of our Faith—

begins with a review of Christianity, the Church and Tradition. It offers a definition and an explanation of the Creed.

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

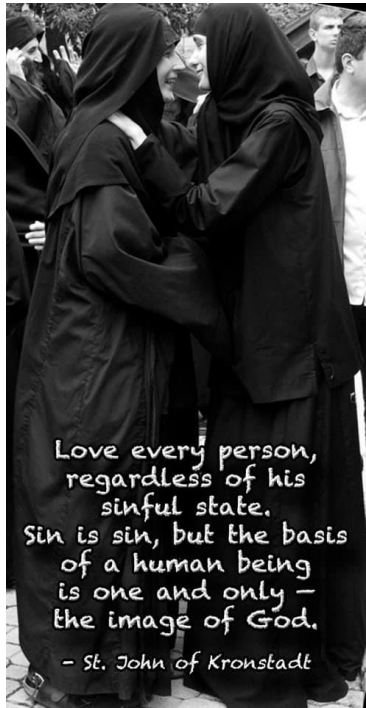
**Old Testament Class** – Fridays at 9:00 a.m. We have begun **Judges**.

## New Cemetery Fence

**New Cemetery Fence**-- A new fence along the back side of our cemetery will be installed in the next few weeks. It will be made of long-lasting black chain link with privacy slats that will provide a neat backdrop and block the view into the neighboring yards. If anyone would like to donate to the cost of the fence and the survey please let Fr. Luke know.

## | Perogie Dash

**Perogie Dash** – Thank you to everyone who helped out at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Perogie Dash Road Race. We had the most people registered for our race so far: 125! Everyone helped to make this a great day! From those who got here early to cook the perogies, set up the finish line, the sound, the water stations, clean up, our sponsors, set up and so much more! It is truly an all-out parish event! God bless you all!



**| Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen Dorothy Day**—Our next date to serve will be on Friday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> from 1-5 p.m. If you are able to serve for part of all of the day please let Susan Sulich know. High school and college students welcome.

## Upcoming Events

**Akathist to the Mother of God for our Children** – Thursday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> 8:30 a.m.

**Dorothy Day**—Fri. Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> 1-5 p.m.

**Church School Start**— Sat. Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> following liturgy for Elevation of the Cross

**Monthly St. Nectarios Service** – Thursday, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>

**Council Meeting** – Sunday, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Church School**—Fri. Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 p.m.

**Orthodox Youth Mission Team Thank**

**You Presentation** – Sunday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>

Birthdays	
<b>August</b>	
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
<b>September</b>	
Jonathan McCormack	1
Petru Zubek	5
Dusya (Evdokia) Kotereva-Bouffard	7
Luke Mihaylo	8
Christopher & Brenna Mihaly - Anniversary	9
Suad Behrend	10
Valentina Bayer	14
Orestes & Monika Mihaly - Anniversary	21
Bethany Mihaly	22
Julia Huott	23
Paul Sulich, Sr.	26
Lorraine Fedyna	28
Alex & Elaine Sirak - Anniversary	28
Jeff & Kristen Szymanowicz - Anniversary	29
Jim & Pat Zeleniak - Anniversary	29

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



The first day of the Church New Year is also called the beginning of the Indiction. The term Indiction comes from a Latin word meaning, "to impose." It was originally applied to the imposition of taxes in Egypt. The first worldwide Indiction was in 312 when the Emperor Constantine (May 21) saw a miraculous vision of the Cross in the sky. Before the introduction of the Julian calendar, Rome began the New Year on September 1.

According to Holy Tradition, Christ entered the synagogue on September 1 to announce His mission to mankind (Luke 4:16-22). Quoting Isaiah 61:1-2), the Savior proclaimed, "The spirit of the Lord is upon me; because He has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent me to proclaim release to captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord..." This scene is depicted in a Vatican manuscript (Vatican, Biblioteca. Cod. Gr. 1613, p.1).

Tradition says that the Hebrews entered the Promised Land in September.



**Children learn love of God by the example of their parents**

Every Orthodox parent wants their children to grow up attending Sunday Liturgies and staying active in the life of the Church throughout their lives. Yet many parents don't demonstrate the importance of having a personal relationship with God in front of their children. If you do not make God important, neither will your child.

Children observe their parents. They see hypocrisy and know when you are not following through with the teachings of the Church during the week. They hear when you take the Lord's name in vain. They notice when you reserve prayer to weekend service. They notice you only speaking of God on a Sunday morning.

Making the sign of the cross, lighting candles and burning incense only on Sundays teaches your children to compartmentalize their own faith, and leaves them defenseless in a world filled with temptations and distractions from things that are of a spiritual nature. If you do not demonstrate the importance of prayer before your children, you will leave them defenseless in a world that hates Christ. Your children need to pray with you, read the scriptures with you, be taught the faith by you.

If you do not make your home a domestic church, your children will be lost to Christ, and Orthodoxy will not be lived out beyond your own grave. If they do not see you living a committed life in Christ, they will turn from the faith, and Orthodoxy will not survive into the next generation.

Love in Christ,  
Abbot Tryphon

