Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Epistle 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4. The Gospelis from Luke 5"1-11. Prophet Jonah.

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.

Schedule of Services and Events for this week

Sunday, September 22, 10 AM - Divine Liturgy

We will be serving a Panachida today for Ana Melnic's sister, Laura Janeth Rios.

Sunday, September 22, 12 noon - Parish Council meeting

Monday, September 23, 7 PM – **Spirituality Class**

Tuesday, September 24, 8:30 AM - Hours

Tuesday, September 24, 9 AM

- Perogie Session

7 PM - Adult Catechism

Thursday, September 26, **8:30 AM** – Akathist Thursday, September 26, 9:15 AM – New Testament Class

Friday, September 27, 9 AM -Old Testament Class

Friday, September 27, 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM - Church School

Saturday, September 28, 5 PM – Vespers

Wednesday, September 25, Sunday, September 29, 10 AM –Divine Liturgy

> Sunday, September 29, 11:30 AM - OYMT presentation

Readers Schedule

9/22 – Suzanne Molineaux 9/29 – Paul Toaso

10/6 – Harry Fong

Coffee Hour

9/22 – OPEN 9/29 - OYMT Presentation

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

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.

Church School Start

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Start—We are
planning to have our
second church school
session for Friday,
Sept. 27th 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. 3rd 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. 1st.

| OYMT Presentation

Orthodox Youth Mission Team Presentation -- On Sunday Sept. 29th OYMT will host a special coffee hour to show our appreciation for all of our parish's support for this youth endeavor. We have a new video to share that was made this year by a professional videographer for our team. We will serve BBQ and other delicious food! All are welcone and if you are thinking about joining the team for next summer this is a great way to learn what OYMT is all about. Teens currently in 8th grade and up are eligible to join. New adult leaders welcome!

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 *Ruth*.

New Cemetery Fence

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A new fence along the back side of our cemetery will be installed in the next few weeks. It will be made of longlasting 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.

Lenox Retreat Lenox Retreat—Our annual St. Nectarios Lenox Retreat is set for Nov. 1-3. We will once again be staying at the Cornell Inn. Rates are \$250 for a single and \$350 for a double which includes two nights accommodations and two full breakfasts. Deadline for reservations and payment is Sunday, Sept. 29th. Please let Susan Sulich know if you plan to go.

| Parish Lending Library | Time to Make Perogies

Parish Lending Library

- You may have noticed that in the vestibule of the church we have set up a lending library in the first section of the bookcase. There are books there on a variety of topics of interest from the Church Fathers to parenting to the Liturgy and more. There are also a few titles in Spanish. Feel free to check out one or more titles. Just fill out the lending library book with title, name and date.

Time to Make the Perogies—We have started our perogie sessions on Tuesdays following the morning Hours service (about 9:00 a.m.). We are out of nearly all varieties and will be working to build our stock for our Thanksgiving and Christmas Bake Sales. Newcomers always welcome! If you would like to have an evening perogie session, please let us know.

Birthdays	
September	
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

Upcoming Events

Council Meeting -Sunday, Sept. 22nd

Church School—Fri. Sept. 27th from 5-7 p.m.

Orthodox Youth Mission Team Thank You Presentation -Sunday, Sept. 29th

Akathist to Mary for Our Children—Thursday, Oct. 3rd 8:30 a.m.

Monthly Bake Sale— Thursday, Oct. 3rd 4-6 p.m.

St. Nectarios Lenox Retreat -November 1 - November 3

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



Let's follow our Lord, so He can show us what our special commission is!

Have you ever gotten a special job? Have your parents or your teacher ever given you a special task that you were supposed to finish? In today's Gospel reading, we read about how the disciples got a special job from the Lord. Jesus showed them a miracle when they were out catching fish. He called them, and then the disciples "left everything and followed Him." God had a special task, a special job for them. He told them, "you will be catching men." They would "catch" people to teach them and to lead them to Christ! The epistle today also tells us about a special task that Christians have.

Sharing the Harvest. St. Phocas the Gardner

Have you ever planted a garden? When it was time to pick, what did you do with your fruits or vegetables or flowers? Did you keep them for yourself or did you share them with somebody else? Long, long ago, a saint named St. Phocas planted a small garden each year. He was a little poor, but he still shared what he grew with people who were even poorer.

We celebrate St. Phocas today, September 22nd (Oct. 5, OC). If you cannot labor with your body, at least make efforts in your mind.

If you cannot fast for two days, fast at least till evening; if you cannot fast till evening, be careful not to overeat.

If you are not a peacemaker, at least do not be addicted to strife.

If you cannot close the mouth of a man who is judging his brother, at least refrain from joining him in this.

Saint Isaac the Syrian

