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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is Fourteenth
Sunday after Pentecost.
The Epistle is from 2
Corinthians 1:21-2:4. The
Gospel is from Luke 5:1-11.

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 26,
10 AM - Divine Liturgy

29, 7 PM – Adult
Catechism Class

Sunday, September 26,
11:30 AM – We will
serve a Panachida today
for Laura Janeth, Ana
Melnic’s sister

Thursday, September 30,
9 AM – New Testament
Class

Thursday, September 30,
5 PM – Vespers for
Protection

Monday, September 27, 7
PM – Spirituality Class

Friday, October 1, 9 AM
– Divine Liturgy for Feast
of the Protection

Monday, September 28,
8:30 AM - Akathist

Saturday, October 2, 5
PM – Vespers

Tuesday, September 28,
9:15 AM – Perogie Session

Sunday, October 3, 10
AM – Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, September

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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.

Lenox Retreat Set for Nov. 5-7—We have finalized details for our annual adult Lenox Retreat. We will be staying at our old inn—now the Church Street Inn. Reservations will be done a little differently this year. You will have a choice of several levels of rooms and will book directly with the inn. See the attached letter which contains details on how to reserve your room. We will announce the topic and retreat master when they are finalized. This retreat is offered for Orthodox and non-Orthodox alike. Please feel free to invite family and friends who you think would be interested in this enjoyable weekend. If you have questions or have any problem making your reservation, please see Susan Sulich.

Parish Men's Group

Parish Men's Group – The Men of the Parish next Meeting **Saturday, August 7 at 3 PM.**

We will be having an overnight **Men's Retreat at Camp Hi-Rock. Friday, October 22 to Saturday, October 23. Please let Fr. Luke know as we need to sign a contract with the camp ASAP.**

More information to come. If you are interested in attending and/or would like more information on the Parish Men's Group, please contact Fr. Luke.

Adult Education Opportunities

We have several adult education classes going on currently that are currently online:

Spirituality Class – Mondays at 7:00 p.m. This week we will be starting a new book: *The Religion of the Apostles*

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'll be starting a new book soon, **Orthodox Worship: A Living Continuity with the Synagogue, the Temple, and the Early Church.**

New Testament – Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. currently we are

Church Store—We are currently in the process of re-stocking our church store and would like to hear from parishioners about what they would like to see us carry. Are you looking for cards, books, CD's gifts for children or adults, crosses, jewelry? We'd like to be able to fill some of those needs. If there are specific saints that you would like icons of or any other items or categories you would like to see in the church store, please let Chrissanth, Sarah or Lisa know.

Choir News

Choir News—Have you ever thought about joining the choir? Now's the time! We are just starting up again with some new members. We are looking forward to going over music we know both plain chant and choral and also learning new music. We have rehearsals every Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. in the choir loft. If you are interested in being a part of the choir, talk to Stephen Fong in person or by email: shteevbo@aol.com.

Roll Baking Dates

We have set aside these baking dates.... **Saturdays, October 16 & 30** as our baking dates. **Rolling and baking** will be **8am-noon** with a slot **noon-2pm for cooling and wrapping.**

Carolyn will have sign-up sheets downstairs and will also be contacting folks to check availability.

reading and studying *St. Paul's First Epistle to the Corinthians*

Old Testament Class – Fridays at 9:00 a.m. We have begun **The Book of Tobit.**

All classes will take place in the church hall. We will also make them available via Zoom for those who cannot attend in person. (live, same credentials).

Toddler Class—We have set two dates for fall sessions of our toddler class: Saturday, Sept. 25th and Saturday, Oct. 16th from 10:00 a.m. to 12 Noon. If you are unable to attend, please let Fr. Luke know. We look forward to seeing all of our young parish family members and their parents!

Coffee Hour Sign Up—Now that we are able to get together again, please consider signing up to host coffee hour. See the new sheet in the hall. As a reminder, coffee hour is a time for fellowship—not a culinary competition! Simple fare is fine. Consider signing up with a friend to lighten the load.

What's New

OYMT Update

Orthodox Youth Mission Team Summer ASP Trip— OYMT is planning to travel to Appalachia this summer for a youth mission trip. We are in the process of finalizing the dates for the trip and will be seeking teens currently in grades 8-12 as well as adult leaders who wish to participate. Commitments will be needed in November and training for the mission trip will begin in January. If you have are interested in participating or have any questions, please see Susan Sulich or Fr. Luke.

| Time to Make the Perogies

Time to Make the Perogies—After the sales at the Perogie Dash Road Race we sold all of our perogies except a few dozen prune. Fall sessions will start up on Tuesday, September 7th at 9:15 a.m. following the weekly Akathist service which will now start at 8:30 a.m. New and veteran pinchers are welcome!

| Monthly Bake Sale

Monthly Bake Sale—Our next monthly bake sale will take place on Thursday, October 7th from 4-6 p.m. Please let Helen Galskoy know if you are able to help out with the sale.

Upcoming Events

Monthly Bake Sale— Thursday Oct. 7th 4-6 p.m.

Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen – Friday, October 8 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Roll Baking -Saturday, October 16 8 a.m. to 12 noon

Toddler Class—Saturday, Oct. 16th 10:00 a.m. to 12 Noon

Roll cooling and wrapping - Saturday, October 16 12 noon to 2 p.m.

Men's Retreat at Camp Hi-Rock—Friday, Oct. 22nd— Saturday, Oct. 23rd

Lenox Retreat—Friday Nov. 5th-Sunday Nov. 7th

Clothing Drive

Clothing Drive—We are continuing to accept more donations. Many thanks to Ann Huott and her family for their ongoing work on this project which has brought in over \$3,000 for our parish! For the last pick up they had 200 bags. Please bring in clothes, shoes, linens and other soft items in plastic garbage bags to the church. If you are uncertain what items are eligible, see the list at the candlestand or contact Ann.

| Cards for Marilyn

Cards for Marilyn—Marilyn Zaengle is still at Bethel Healthcare. She is very appreciative of all the cards that she received from parishioners. She has a new room number#: 221D. The full address is: Mrs. Marilyn Zaengle – Room #21212D, Bethel Health Care Center, 13 Park Lawn Dr, Bethel, CT 06801.

| Directory Update

New Directory Available—Our parish directory has been updated. If you would like a hard copy or a digital copy emailed to you, please see Ana Melnic (ani.melnic@gmail.com).

Birthdays

September	
Paul Sulich, Sr.	26
Lorraine Fedyna	28
Alex & Elaine Sirak - Anniversary	28
Jeff & Kristen Szymanowicz – Anniversary	29
Jim & Pat Zeleniak - Anniversary	29
October	
Madeline Sulich	1
Jake Morfa	1
Viorel & Vida Bundra - Anniversary	4
Patricia Zeleniak	8
Veronica Pila	8
Fr. Nicholas & Stacey Mihaly - Anniversary	13
Reader Rob Paltauf	14
Jill Kerpchar-Rosenfield	17
Charles Hull	17
Roger Behrend	18
Diana Borsari	18
Virginia Krista Hull	18
Anna Dugal	20
Rosario Villa	21
Annalisa Paltauf	22
Gabriel Shelley	23
Cheryl Krafick Gartner	24
James Rush	24
William & Ann Marie Huott – Anniversary	26
Jon Gross	29
Orestes Mihaly III	30

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



Help Re-Stock Our Kitchen—We are currently in need of decaf coffee, paper towels and gallon size freezer bags.

Dorothy Day: We have switched our Dorothy Day date to serve to the second Friday of each even month starting with October. Our next date to serve will be Friday, October 8th from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. If you are able to help for all or part of the afternoon, please let Susan Sulich know. Community service hours available for high school students who need them!

St. Peter of Damascus: . . . if someone wants to be saved, no person and no time, place or occupation can prevent him. He must not, however . . .

Briefly, we may say that in the nature of things, if someone wants to be saved, no person and no time, place or occupation can prevent him. He must not, however, act contrary to the objective that he has in view, but must with discrimination refer every thought to the divine purpose. Things do not happen out of necessity: they depend upon the person through whom they happen. We do not sin against our will, but we first assent to an evil thought and so fall into captivity. Then the thought itself carries the captive forcibly and against his wishes into sin.

The same is true of sins that occur through ignorance: they arise from sins consciously committed. For unless a man is drunk with either wine or desire, he is not unaware of what he is doing; but such drunkenness obscures the intellect and so it falls, and dies as a result. Yet that death has not come about inexplicably: it has been unwittingly induced by the drunkenness to which we consciously assented. We will find many instances, especially in our thoughts, where we fall from what is within our control to what is outside it, and from what we are consciously aware of to what is unwitting. But because the first appears unimportant and attractive, we slip unintentionally and unawares into the second. Yet if from the start we had wanted to keep the commandments and to remain as we were when baptized, we would not have fallen into so many sins or have needed the trials and tribulations of repentance.

+ St. Peter of Damascus, Book I: A Treasury of Divine Knowledge, [*The Philokalia: The Complete Text \(Vol. 3\)*](#)