# Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

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### Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is Sixteenth
Sunday after Pentecost.
The Epistle is from 2
Corinthians 6:1-10. The
Gospel is from Luke 7:1116. Eulampius and
Eulampia, Martyrs.

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, October 10, 10 AM - Divine Liturgy

Sunday, October 10, 11:30 AM – Panachida requested by Chrissanth for Marina, Irina and Nina

Monday, October 11, 7 PM – Spirituality Class

Tuesday, October 12, 8:30 AM - Akathist

Tuesday, October 12, 9:15 AM – Perogie Session

Wednesday, October 13, 7 PM – Adult Catechism Class Thursday, October 14, 9 AM – New Testament Class

Thursday, October 14, 6 pm – OYMT presentation at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church

Friday, October 15, 9 AM

Old Testament Class

Saturday, October 16, 8 AM to 12 noon – Roll Baking

Saturday, October 16, 10 am to 12 noon – Toddlers Class Saturday, October 16, 12 noon to 2 pm – Roll wrapping Saturday, October 16, 5 PM – Vespers

Sunday, October 17, 10 AM – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, October 17, 12:30 PM – Parish Council Meting Please remember to sign up and subscribing on our parish web site <a href="https://www.holytrinitydanbury.org">www.holytrinitydanbury.org</a>

And to those with a Facebook accounts please like our Facebook page posts associated with the fundraising events here

https://www.facebook.com/htocd anbury/?fref=hovercard so the word gets out.

#### Lenox Retreat Nov. 5-7—

This Tuesday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for making reservations for our annual Lenox Retreat to get the special group package rate. Remember, different from previous years, your reservation is completely refundable up until Monday, Nov. 1st. You can still reserve after Oct. 5th but you will not get the special discount package. We also have a retreat master: Fr. John Parker, dean of St. Tikhon's Seminary. The topic of the retreat will be Practical Steps in the Christian Life. See the attached flyer for more details. Donations to cover parish expenses for hosting the retreat gratefully accepted. If you have questions or any difficulty making your reservation, please contact Susan Sulich.

#### Parish Men's Group

Parish Men's Group – The Men of the Parish 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.

#### | 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.

#### **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

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).

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.

**Toddler Class**—We have set the next date for our fall session of our toddler class: Saturday, Oct.  $16^{th}$  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.

#### **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

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Perogies—After the sales at the Perogie Dash Road Race we sold all of our perogies except a few dozen prune. Fall sessions have started up on Tuesdays 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!

#### | Holiday Bake and Craft Sales

**Holiday Bake and Craft Sales** Coming Up—We have set the dates for our holiday Bake and Craft Sales. The Thanksgiving sale will take place on Saturday, Nov. 20th from 10 am to 3 pm and the Christmas sale will take place on Dec. 11th from 10 am to 3 pm. Thank you to everyone who is already helping with the baking, cooking and publicity for the sale. We will also need helpers to set up and work at the sale and in the kitchen on the days of the sale. We are currently taking reservations for crafters. If you or someone you know is a producer of fine, homemade artisan crafts please encourage them to join us. A limited number of tables are available at a cost of \$35.

#### **Upcoming Events**

OYMT Presentation at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church—Thursday, Oct. 14th 6 p.m.

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

**Toddler Class**—Saturday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. to 12 Noon

Roll cooling and wrapping -

**Saturday**, October 16 12 noon to 2 p.m.

Council Meeting—Sunday, Oct. 17th following coffee hour.

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

**Lenox Retreat**—Friday Nov. 5th-Sunday Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>

St. Platon's Cemetery Church foundation archaeology dig – Tuesday, November 9 - 9 AM

#### **Clothing Drive**

**Clothing Drive**— The latest check for the clothing drive has arrived for \$552.50! 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#: 212D. The full
address is: Mrs. Marilyn
Zaengle — Room #212D, 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	
October	
Madeline Sulich	1
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 and paper towels.

**Dorothy Day**—Our next date to serve at Dorothy Day will be Friday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> 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! If you are interested in cooking something for Dorothy Day that can be made ahead and frozen please let us know.

## St. Nikolai Velimirovich: Only the foolish think that suffering is evil . . .

Only the foolish think that suffering is evil. A sensible man knows that suffering is not evil but only the manifestation of evil and healing from evil. Only sin in a man is a real evil, and there is no evil outside sin. Everything else that men generally call evil is not, but is a bitter medicine to heal from evil. The sicker the man, the more bitter the medicine that the doctor prescribes for him. At times, even, it seems to a sick man that the medicine is worse and more bitter than the sickness itself! And so it seems at times to the sinner: the suffering is harder and more bitter than the sin committed. But this is only an illusion – a very strong selfdelusion. There is no suffering in the world that could be anywhere near as hard and destructive as sin is. All the suffering borne by men and nations is none other than the abundant healing that eternal Mercy offers to men and nations to save them from eternal death. Every sin, however small, would inevitably bring death if Mercy were not to allow suffering in order to sober men up from the inebriation of sin; for the healing that comes through suffering is brought about by the gracefilled power of the Holy and Life-giving Spirit.

+ St. Nikolai Velimirovich, <u>Homilies: Commentary on the Gospel</u>

<u>Readings for Great Feasts and Sundays Throughout the Year</u>,

Volume 1, "23. The Third Sunday After Easter: The Gospel on the

Miracle at Bethesda John 5:1-16"

