Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Thirty-first
Sunday after Pentecost.
The Epistle is from 1
Timothy 1:15-17. The
Gospel is from Luke 18:3543. Hieromartyr Clement.

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, January 23, 10 AM – Divine Liturgy

Sunday, January 23, 11:30 AM – Panachida Victor Kuziak and Jerry Yaroslav Kachevsky

Sunday, January 23, 12:30 PM – Parish Council Meeting

Sunday, January 23, 3 PM to 5 PM – OYMT meeting

Monday, January 24, 12 noon – Kachevsky Funeral Service and Meal at church Monday, January 24, 7 PM – Spirituality Class

Tuesday, January 25, 8:30 AM – Akathist

Tuesday, January 25, 9:15 AM – Perogie Session

Tuesday, January 25, 11:30 AM – Kitchen Crew lunch

Wednesday, January 26 -Burial of Jerry Kachevsky at St. Platon's Wednesday, January 26, 6 PM – Daily Vespers

Wednesday, January 26, 7 PM – Adult Catechism Class

Thursday, January 27, 9 AM – New Testament class

Friday, January 28, 9 AM – Old Testament class

Friday, January 28, 6 PM – Family Movie Night

Saturday, January 29, 5 PM - Vespers

Sunday, January 30, 10 AM – Divine Liturgy

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/htocd anbury/?fref=hovercard so the

Movie Night—On

word gets out.

Saturday, Feb. 12th we will have a movie night geared to the adults in the parish immediately following Vespers at about 6:45 p.m. Movie to be announced. Potluck refreshments.

Wanted: Game Dinner Raffle Prizes—Our annual Game Dinner is fast approaching and we are hoping to offer a nice selection of raffle baskets and items again for this event. If you are able to contribute a raffle item, gift certificate or basket please let Susan Sulich know.

Dorothy Day

Dorothy Day—Our next date to serve at Dorothy Day will be Friday, February 11th 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.

| Annual Meeting

Annual Meeting—Our annual parish meeting has been set for Sunday, Jan. 30th immediately following Liturgy. Your attendance and input is very important to the taking care of the business of the parish. Please plan to attend.

| Kitchen Crew Lunch

Kitchen Crew Lunch this Tuesday—Hello perogie pinchers, roll bakers, cookie, stuffed cabbage, jam and kielbasa makers. We will be meeting for lunch at Wooster Hollow Café (659 Danbury Rd, Ridgefield, CT) at 11:30 a.m. this Tuesday, Jan. 25th. We thought it would be nice to take a break and enjoy some fun together before we start up production again for the spring sales. Please let Susan Sulich know today if you are able to attend so we can adjust the reservation if necessary.

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, Gregory of Nyssa: Catechetical Discourse.

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 Maccabees.

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—Need a gift? Consider shopping in our Church Store. Your purchase benefits the parish and we have a beautiful selection of icons, jewelry, books and religious items. If there are any items you would like to see in our store, please let Lisa Farrah or Sarah Mannello know.

Family Movie Night—We have rescheduled our Family Movie Night to Friday, Jan. 28th at 6 p.m. We are hoping this will be an opportunity for some of church school children to come together as well since it has been difficult finding times that work for everyone. We are planning to show the movie, Evan Almighty. We will also get pizza. All are welcome! Many thanks to Orestes Mihaly and Paul Sulich for installing our new big screen T.V.!

Takeout Night—On Thursday Feb. 3rd we will have our regular monthly bake sale with the addition of hot to-go meals available. On the menu will be stuffed cabbage, kielbasa sandwiches and perogies. We will be offering takeout meals on a pre-order basis only. We will need some additional help to cook and package the takeout meals. If you would like to help, see Helen Galskoy or Susan Sulich. Details for ordering will be sent with our monthly bake sale announcement.

Monthly Bake Sale and

OYMT Update

OYMT Updates—Thank you to everyone who supported our youth mission team by participating in our Sip and Shop fundraiser and purchasing our Toffee Treats during the holidays. Our team is set and we will be having our first training session at Holy Trinity on Sunday, Jan. 23rd from 3-5 p.m. We are once again planning to go on a summer mission trip through the Appalachian Service Project (ASP). The trip will take place from July 9-17.

| New Donation Envelopes

New Donation Envelopes—

Envelopes for 2022 are in. If this is your preferred method of making donations, please see Susan Sulich to get your new envelopes. NOTE: We will be starting with all new numbers this year.

| Parish Council Positions

Open Parish Council Positions—We have a few positions open on our parish council for 2022. If you are interested in giving your time and talents to help with the administration of the parish, please talk to Susan Sulich about what positions are available.

Birthdays	
January	
Connie Somoskovec	30
Samuel Paproski	31
February	
Leon Guerrero	1
Charles & Virginia Hull - Anniversary	8
Alicia Van Campen	13
Emily Varney	13
Andrell (AJ) Villa	13
Rob & Andrea Paltauf - Anniversary	14
Rick & Lisa Farah - Anniversary	14
Kristina Bundra	20
Azariah Mihaly	20
Zachary Wolfe	23
Nicu Melnic	26

Upcoming Events Parish Council MeetingSunday, Jan.23rd following coffee hour

OYMT Training Session #1 - Sunday, January 23rd 3-

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Kitchen Crew Lunch— Tuesday, Jan. 25th at 12 noon, Location TBD.

Family Movie Night—Friday, Jan. 28th 6 p.m.

Annual Parish Meeting—Sunday, Jan. 30th following Liturgy

Monthly Bake Sale and Take Out Night—Thurs. Feb. 3rd 4-6 p.m.

Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen

Friday, February 11

Movie Night—Sat. Feb. 12th following Vespers (about 6:45 p.m.)

Wild Game and Ethnic Dinner – Saturday, February 19

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.

| Perogie Making

Perogie Making—We will resume perogie making this Tuesday, Jan. 18th at 9:15, immediately following our weekly Akathist service. All new and veteran pinchers are welcome.

| Coffee Hour Sign Up

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There is a new coffee hour sign-up sheet available in the church hall. Remember that coffee hour does not need to elaborate!
Consider signing up someone else to make it easy.

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



Help Re-Stock Our Kitchen—We are out of paper towels. Donations greatly appreciated.

Thank you!



Fr. Luke is scheduling house blessings. Do not be afraid to call Father to schedule a time. Please keep your calendar open and flexible. Please have the following prepared:

- 1) Have a table or family icon corner set up with a white cloth, candle and a bowl for Holy Water.
 - 2) Turn off televisions, radios, and stereos
 - 3) Take the telephone off the receiver
 - 4) Gather the family together
- 5) Do bring any items you want blessed and names of people for Father to remember at liturgy

PREPARING YOUR HOME FOR THE BLESSING:

- 1) Your home does NOT have to be spotless, but should be free of clutter on the floor, like toys, which may cause Father to trip or fall.
- 2) A table should be prepared where an icon, a candle, a small bowl, holy water and a list of first names of everyone you want Father to pray for during the service for their health. If you do not have Holy Water, please let Father know and he will bring a bottle of for you to keep.
 - 3) If you have any small items, like crosses or icons, that you want blessed, place them on the table and let Father know.
- 4) Turn off all radios and TVs. Take the phone off the hook during the short blessing service. Cell phones should be turned off. Just remember to place the phone back on the hook and turn on your cell phone at the end of the service.
- 5) Close all doors to rooms you do not want Father to enter -- open all doors and turn the lights on in the home, otherwise.
 - 6) A family member should lead Father around the home during the blessing. Children may do this, girls or boys.
- 7) If you have a pet, they may also receive a blessing, but please keep them under control to prevent them from jumping on Father or getting under his feet.
- 8) I look forward to sharing this special blessing with you and your family. Many Years!!

No one is obligated to have their homes blessed, but it is a wonderful opportunity for the church to come into your home, for me to visit with you and your family. It would be a shame to lose this tradition as it is a great opportunity for priest and parishioners to bond and connect in your homes.

Also note, that you can have your home blessed at any time of the year as can water, if needed. It is traditional to do both around Theophany.