

# Holy Trinity Orthodox Church



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## Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Sunday of the Myrrh-bearing Women. The Epistle is from Acts 6:1-7. The Gospel is from Mark 15:43-16:8. John the Evangelist.

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, May 8, 10 AM –**  
Divine Liturgy – Myrrh-bearing Women

**Sunday, May 8, 11:30 PM –**  
Mother's Day breakfast

**Monday, May 9, 7 PM –**  
Spirituality Class

**Tuesday, May 10, 9 AM –**  
Akathist

**Tuesday, May 10, 5:30 PM –**  
Vespers Saints Cyril and Methodius

**Wednesday, May 11, 9 AM –**  
Liturgy Cyril and Methodius

**Wednesday, May 11, 7 PM –**  
Adult Catechism Class

**Thursday, May 12, 9 AM –**  
New Testament Class

**Friday, May 13, 9 AM –**  
Old Testament class

**Saturday, May 14, 9 AM to 1 PM –**  
Cemetery Clean up

**Saturday, May 14, 5 PM –**  
Vespers

**Sunday, May 15, 10 AM –**  
Liturgy

**Sunday, May 15, 2 PM –**  
Middle School and high School get together

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/htocdanbury/?fref=hovercard> so the word gets out.

## Dorothy Day

**Dorothy Day**—Our next date to serve at Dorothy Day will be Friday, June 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.

## 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.

## Middle and High School Get Together

**Middle and High School Get Together**—Fr. Luke is looking to get together with the middle and high school students of our parish to watch “Man of God,” a movie about St. Nectarios. We are looking at Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, alternate date is Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> following coffee hour. Please let Fr. Luke know what day works best for your children.

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## 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*

## *Second Epistle to the Corinthians*

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

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).

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**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.

## Cemetery Clean Up--

We have a cemetery clean up scheduled for Saturday May 14th at 9 a.m.

**OYMT Update**

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Yesterday our youth mission team started to install a fence for our parish garden here at the Church. Thank you for all your support to our team!

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**Upcoming Events**

**Mother's Day Brunch --**

Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> (in lieu of Coffee Hour)

**Parish Tag Sale—**

Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Cemetery Cleanup--**

Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00 a.m.

**Middled School and High**

**School get together –**

Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> (alternate date May 22<sup>nd</sup>)

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**Parish Tag Sale**

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We are planning a parish tag sale for Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Spaces are available for \$35.

**Birthdays**

<b>May</b>	
Wylie Meath	2
Luca Szymanowicz	5
Robert Faubel	5
Nicholas Fong	6
Gavin Davids	10
Peter & Sandi Astras	11
Kaitleen Villa	12
Timofei Budyonny	13
Jennie Fong	14
Marika And Quinn Vissak - Anniversary	15
Kevin Gutzman	20
Adrienne Fedyna	25
Paul & Susan Sulich - Anniversary	28
Nick & Jennie Fong - Anniversary	28
Michael & Kathryn Kerpchar - Anniversary	29
Ken Borsari	31

## Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women

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



**Help Re-Stock Our Kitchen**—We are in of decaf coffee, napkins, paper towels and large paper plates. Thank you!

About the beginning of His thirty-second year, when the Lord Jesus was going throughout Galilee, preaching and working miracles, many women who had received of His beneficence left their own homeland and from then on followed after Him. They ministered unto Him out of their own possessions, even until His crucifixion and entombment; and afterwards, neither losing faith in Him after His death, nor fearing the wrath of the Jewish rulers, they came to the sepulchre, bearing the myrrh-oils they had prepared to anoint His body. It is because of the myrrh-oils, that these God-loving women brought to the tomb of Jesus that they are called the Myrrh-bearers. Of those whose names are known are the following: first of all, the most holy Virgin Mary, who in Matthew 27:56 and Mark 15:40 is called "the mother of James and Joses" (these are the sons of Joseph by a previous marriage, and she was therefore their step-mother); Mary Magdalene (celebrated July 22); Mary, the wife of Clopas; Joanna, wife of Chouza, a steward of Herod Antipas; Salome, the mother of the sons of Zebedee, Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus; and Susanna. As for the names of the rest of them, the evangelists have kept silence (Matt 27:55-56; 28:1-10. Mark 15:40-41. Luke 8:1-3; 23:55-24:11, 22-24. John 19:25; 20:11-18. Acts 1:14).

Together with them we celebrate also the secret disciples of the Saviour, Joseph and Nicodemus. Of these, Nicodemus was probably a Jerusalemite, a prominent leader among the Jews and of the order of the Pharisees, learned in the Law and instructed in the Holy Scriptures. He had believed in Christ when, at the beginning of our Saviour's preaching of salvation, he came to Him by night. Furthermore, he brought some one hundred pounds of myrrh-oils and an aromatic mixture of aloes and spices out of reverence and love for the divine Teacher (John 19:39). Joseph, who was from the city of Arimathea, was a wealthy and noble man, and one of the counsellors who were in Jerusalem. He went boldly unto Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus, and together with Nicodemus he gave Him burial. Since time did not permit the preparation of another tomb, he placed the Lord's body in his own tomb which was hewn out of rock, as the Evangelist says (Matt. 27:60).

