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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Sunday of All Saints. The Epistle is from Hebrews 11:33-12:2. The Gospel is from Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38, 19:27-30. Apostle Jude, Brother of the Lord.

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, June 19, 10 AM -
Divine Liturgy – Father’s Day

Monday, June 20, 6 PM –
Daily Vespers

Monday, June 20, 7 PM –
Spirituality Class

Tuesday, June 21, 9 AM –
Akathist

Wednesday, June 22, 6 PM -
Daily Vespers

Wednesday, June 22, 7 PM
– Adult Catechism Class

Thursday, June 23, 9 AM –
New Testament class

Friday, June 24, 9 AM –
Old Testament class

Saturday, June 25, 5 PM –
Vespers

Sunday, June 26, 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/htocdanbury/?fref=hovercard> so the word gets out.

Dorothy Day

Dorothy Day—Our next date to serve will be Friday, August 12th from 1:30 p.m. to 4: 30 p.m. Community service hours available for high school students. If you are unable to serve but would like to help feed the hungry in our community another option is to prepare a meal for us to serve. We use 3 large silver trays for each meal. See Susan Sulich to volunteer.

| 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.

| Last Call for Tag Sale Items

Last Call for Tag Sale Items—On Tuesday June 21st Vietnam Veterans of America will be coming to pick up the remaining items for our tag sale. Please feel free to take any of the remaining items by next Sunday, June 19th. We will need help packing up remaining items in boxes for the pickup.

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 soon be starting a new book: *Unseen Warfare*

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, **Symeon the New Theologian – The Discourses.**

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).

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.

Parish Scholarship Available – We have had a generous anonymous donor who has given to a parish scholarship for anyone of our students who are looking to further their education. The criteria include philanthropic activities, parish involvement to name a few. The scholarship would be paid directly to the school and the recipient would have to accept the scholarship in person. If you are interested, please see Fr. Luke for further details and an application.

Parish Dinner Out—Save the date! We are planning a parish dinner out for Tuesday, June 28th at 6:30 p.m. at Venice Restaurant in Ridgefield. We will be able to choose from their extensive 2 for 1 menu which includes soup or salad, main course and glass of wine. Price should be \$29 per person. Please let Susan Sulich know if you would like to attend. Deadline for final head count is June 21st.

OYMT Update
OYMT Updates—
 Today we will have our Parent Meeting and Training Session from 3-5 p.m. We have only one more training after this before we leave for Clay County, WV on July 9th! Thank you all for your prayers and generous support.

| Parish Vegetable Garden
Parish Vegetable Garden—You may have noticed by the Cross at the top of the driveway a vegetable garden is developing! OYMT helped start the construction of a fence and parishioners have planted some vegetables in the beds. God willing, the garden will provide fresh produce for the parish to share. Everyone is invited to participate planting, weeding and watering the garden whenever you have a little time. There is also more work to be done on the fence to keep the animals from eating our harvest. The children will also be doing some garden projects. It's a great addition for our parish family!

| Roll Sale
Roll Sale—We have some nut rolls for sale for \$10. See Helen Galskoy if you would like to purchase one.

Upcoming Events

Parish Dinner Out—
 Tuesday, June 28th at 6:30 p.m.

Monthly Bake Sale—
 Thursday, July 7th 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Parish Picnic—Sunday, August 21st following liturgy

Graduate Sunday--Sunday June 26th

OYMT Trip to Appalachia—Saturday, July 9th – July 17th

OYMT Final Training Session and Barbecue—
 Thursday, June 30th 4 p.m.

Perogie Dash 5K Road Race—Saturday, August 20th

Calling All Graduates

Calling All Graduates—
 Holy Trinity parish would like to honor all our graduates as the school year comes to an end. If you have someone in your family who is graduating, please send the following information to Susan Sulich at ssulich@yahoo.com:

- Grade or program they are graduating from
 - Name of the school they are graduating from
 - What they plan to do next
 - Any special awards or achievements
- We will recognize the graduates on Sunday, June 26.

Birthdays

June	
Daria McKenzie	12
Fr. Nicholas Mihaly	13
Eleanor Szymanowicz	14
Robert & Carolyn Faubel - Anniversary	16
Jack & Maria Bouffard - Anniversary	16
Jose & Katie Helu - Anniversary	17
Logan & Anastasia Thompson - Anniversary	18
Bob Popp	19
Filip Bundra	20
Freddy & Carmen Villa – Anniversary	20
Andrew McKenzie	22
Adrian Guerrero	24
Veronica Budyonny	27
Monika Mihaly	28
Luke & Rosalyn Mihaylo - Anniversary	30

- Name

The Sunday following Pentecost is dedicated to All Saints,

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Kitchen— We need
10-inch paper plates
and decaf coffee.
Thank you!**



both those who are known to us, and those who are known only to God. There have been saints at all times, and they have come from every corner of the earth. They were Apostles, Martyrs, Prophets, Hierarchs, Monastics, and Righteous, yet all were perfected by the same Holy Spirit.

The Descent of the Holy Spirit makes it possible for us to rise above our fallen state and to attain sainthood, thereby fulfilling God's directive to "be holy, for I am holy" (Lev. 11:44, 1 Peter 1:16, etc.). Therefore, it is fitting to commemorate All Saints on the first Sunday after Pentecost.

This feast may have originated at an early date, perhaps as a celebration of all martyrs, then it was broadened to include all men and women who had borne witness to Christ by their virtuous lives, even if they did not shed their blood for Him.

The feast of All Saints achieved great prominence in the ninth century, in the reign of the Byzantine Emperor Leo VI the Wise (886-911). His wife, the Holy Empress Theophano (December 16) lived in the world, but was not attached to worldly things. She was a great benefactor to the poor, and was generous to the monasteries. She was a true mother to her subjects, caring for widows and orphans, and consoling the sorrowful.

Even before the death of Saint Theophano in 893 or 894, her husband started to build a church, intending to dedicate it to Theophano, but she forbade him to do so. It was this emperor who decreed that the Sunday after Pentecost be dedicated to All Saints. Believing that his wife was one of the righteous, he knew that she would also be honored whenever the Feast of All Saints was celebrated.

This commemoration began as the Sunday (Synaxis) of All Martyrs; to them were added all the ranks of Saints who bore witness (the meaning of "Martyr" in Greek) to Christ in manifold ways, even if occasion did not require the shedding of their blood.

Therefore, guided by the teaching of the Divine Scriptures and Apostolic Tradition, we the pious honour all the Saints, the friends of God, for they are keepers of God's commandments, shining examples of virtue, and benefactors of mankind. Of course, we honour the known Saints especially on their own day of the year, as is evident in the Menologion. But since many Saints are unknown, and their number has increased with time, and will continue to increase until the end of time, the Church has appointed that once a year a common commemoration be made of all the Saints. This is the feast that we celebrate today. It is the harvest of the coming of the Holy Spirit into the world; it is the "much fruit" brought forth by that "Grain of wheat that fell into the earth and died" (John 12:24); it is the glorification of the Saints as "the foundation of the Church, the perfection of the Gospel, they who fulfilled in deed the sayings of the Saviour" (Sunday of All Saints, Doxasticon of Vespers).

In this celebration, then, we reverently honour and call blessed all the Righteous, the Prophets, Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors, Shepherds, Teachers, and Holy Monastics, both men and women alike, known and unknown, who have been added to the choirs of the Saints and shall be added, from the time of Adam until the end of the world, who have been perfected in piety and have glorified God by their holy lives. All these, as well as the orders of the Angels, and especially our most holy Lady and Queen, the Ever-virgin Theotokos Mary, do we honour today, setting their life before us as an example of virtue, and entreating them to intercede in our behalf with God, Whose grace and boundless mercy be with us all. Amen.