Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost. The Epistle is from Romans 12:6-14. The Gospel is from Matthew 9:1-8. Great Martyr Christina. Passion-bearers Boris and Gleb.

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 Lituray 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

Services/Events

Sunday, July 24, 10 AM – Friday, July 29, 9 AM -**Old Testament Class** Divine liturgy

Sunday, July 24, 12:30 PM

Parish Council Meeting

Monday, July 25, 7 PM – Spirituality Class

Wednesday, July 27, 9 AM -Liturgy St. Panteleimon

Wednesday, July 27, 7 PM -Adult Catechism Class

Thursday, July 28, 9 AM -New Testament Class

Saturday, July 30, 5 PM -Vespers

Sunday, July 31, 10 AM – Divine Liturgy

Sunday, July 31,11:30 AM - Semi-Annual Parish Meeting

This is the **Second of three** announcements for our **Parish Semi-Annual Meeting,** which is set for Sunday, July 31.

word gets out.

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

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#:
112D. The full address is
Mrs. Marilyn Zaengle—
Room #212D, Bethel
Health Care Center, 13
Park Lawn Dr, Bethel, CT
06801.

| Semi Annual Meeting

Semi Annual Meeting—Next Sunday, July 31st we will have our semi-annual meeting immediately following liturgy. Several important topics will be discussed. Your presence is essential for conducting the business of the diocese.

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—we have many new items in our Church Store. Check out our selection of books for summer reading, beautiful icons, jewelry, and religious items. We have many children's offerings and items perfect for gift giving. Your purchase also benefits the parish. 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.

Perogie Dash Road Race—Help

Needed—On Sat., Aug 20th we will once again host the Perogie Dash 5K Road Race and Health Walk plus 1 K Kids Fun Run. We will need people to help with set up on Friday the 19th and on Saturday helpers will be needed for registration and cooking (starting at 7:30), serving, manning the water station, parking and more. Please plan to give some time to this fun and fundraiser for Healing Hearts Center for Grief and Loss, a program of Regional Hospice of Western Connecticut in Danbury, CT. This is one of our biggest community outreach efforts and your support is greatly appreciated. The entire event should be complete by noon.

OYMT Update

OYMT Updates—Thanks be to God we had a fruitful week serving in Appalachia. Seven families received help with much needed home repairs including: new siding, addition of porches, new flooring, underpinning, ceiling repair and more. Team members were able to build relationships with the families they served and with each other, living in community with Christ at the center of all. We are grateful for all your prayers and support and we look forward to sharing more about our experiences with you in the fall at our Thank You Presentation. Stay tuned for the date and more details.

| 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.

Birthdays		
July		
Ryan McVeigh	25	
Vivian Szymanowicz	28	
Marilyn Zaengle	30	
Paul Toaso	31	

Upcoming Events

Semi-Annual Meeting – Sunday, July 31

Monthly Bake Sale— Thursday, Aug. 4th 4-6 p.m.

Dorothy Day—Friday, August 12th 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Perogie Dash 5K Road

Race—Saturday, August 20th

Parish Picnic—Sunday, August 21st following liturgy

Annual Parish Lenox Retreat – Friday, November 4 – Sunday, November 6

Road Race Sponsors

Road Race Sponsors-- Our annual 5K Perogie Dash Road Race to benefit Healing Hearts Center for Grief and Loss (a program of Regional Hospice in Danbury) set for Sat. Aug. 20th will be here before we know it. We are currently looking for sponsors-both individuals and businesses—for the event. All sponsors will get their name or the name of their business on our 2022 Perogie Dash t-shirt and public acknowledgement for their participation. Thank you in advance! See attached Sponsor Application Form.

| Save the Date: Lenox Retreat

Save the Date: Lenox Retreat—It may seem far away but our annual Lenox Retreat has already been booked for Nov. 4-6, 2022. We will be staying at the same inn as last year, now called The Whitlock (formerly the Church Street Inn)

https://www.thewhitlocklenox.com/.
Our room rates are nearly the same as last year which is a significant reduction from the rack rates. Retreat master TBD. This is always a very enjoyable weekend and we look forward to sharing it with parishioners and guests from outside the parish. Put in on your calendars!

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



Help Re-Stock Our Kitchen— We need 10-inch paper plates and decaf coffee.
Thank you!



Martyrs and Passion-Bearers Boris and Gleb

Saints Boris and Gleb were sons of Saint Vladimir (July 15). Saint Boris was named Romanus and Saint Gleb was named David at their Baptism. After their father's death the eldest son Sviatopolk planned to kill his brothers Boris, Gleb, and Yaroslav in order to seize power. He sent a message to Boris, pretending that he wished to live in peace with him, and to increase Boris's land holdings inherited from their father.

Some of Vladimir's advisers told Boris that he should take the army and establish himself as ruler of Kiev. Saint Boris, however, said that he could never lift his hand against his own brother. Unfortunately, Sviatopolk was not so scrupulous. He came to the town of Vyshegorod to ask its leaders if they were loyal to him. They assured him that they were ready to die for him.

Sviatopolk sent assassins to the Altar to kill Boris, who already knew that his brother wanted him dead. When they arrived, they heard him chanting psalms and praying before an icon of Christ. He asked the Lord to strengthen him for the suffering he was about to endure. He also prayed for Sviatopolk, asking God not to count this against him as sin.

Then he lay down upon his couch, and the assassins stabbed him with their lances, and also killed some of Boris's servants. Wrapping Boris in a cloth, they threw him onto a wagon and drove off with him. When Sviatopolk saw that he was still breathing, he sent some men to finish him off with swords.

After Sviatopolk had killed Boris, he wondered, "Now how can I kill Gleb?" He sent him a message saying that their father was ill and wished to see him. As he was on his way, he received word from Yaroslav that their father had died and that Sviatopolk had murdered Boris.

Saint Gleb wept for his father and brother and was lamenting them when the assassins arrived. They seized his boat and drew their weapons, but it was Gleb's cook Torchin who stabbed him with a knife.

The martyr's body was thrown onto the shore between two trees. Later, he was buried beside Saint Boris in the church of Saint Basil.

Saints Boris and Gleb received the crown of martyrdom in 1015. They became known as Passion-Bearers, since they did not resist evil with violence.

The holy martyrs Princes Boris and Gleb are also commemorated on May 2.