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Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost. The Epistle is from Romans 14:5:1-7. The Gospel is from Matthew 9:27-35. St. Eudocimus of Cappadocia.

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, July 31, 10 AM –
Divine Liturgy

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

Monday, August 1, 7 PM –
Spirituality Class

Tuesday, August 2, 9 AM -
Akathist

Wednesday, August 3, 7 PM
- Adult Catechism Class

Thursday, August 4, 9 AM -
New Testament Class

Thursday, August 4, 4 pm
to 6 pm - Monthly Bake
Sale

Friday, August 5, 9 AM –
Old Testament Class

Friday, August 5, 6 PM –
Vespers for Feast of the
Transfiguration – Blessing
of Fruit

Saturday, August 6, 9 AM
– Liturgy for Transfiguration
– Blessing of Fruit

Saturday, August 6, 1 PM
– Baptism of Abigail Rose
Morfa

Saturday, August 6, 5
PM – Vespers

Sunday, August 7, 10
AM – Liturgy

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

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#: 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!

Monthly Bake

Monthly Bake-- Our next monthly bake sale will take place this Thursday Aug. 4th from 4-6 pm. If you can help with the sale, please let Helen Galskoy know.

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!

Birthdays

July	
Marilyn Zaengle	30
Paul Toaso	31
August	
Susan Sulich	1
Ken and Diana Borsari - Anniversary	1
Carolyn Faubel	4
Lisa Farrah	5
Abigail Rose Morfa	6
Trianna Gutzman (Names day)	8
Carolos Morfa	9
Bill Huott	10
Rick Farah	11
Sarah Baroody	15
Fr. Luke & Bethany Mihaly - Anniversary	17
Slave & Mariana Todosiev - Anniversary	19
William & Mary Ellen Jimenez - Anniversary	23
Brenna Singer	23
Amy Fong Arifin	25
Susan Paltauf	25
Marika Gutzman	26
Cyril Gutzman	26
Mariana Bunda Todosiev	28
Kristen Szymanowicz	31

Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

August 06

Reading

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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!

Our Lord had spoken to His disciples many times not only concerning His Passion, Cross, and Death, but also concerning the coming persecutions and afflictions that they themselves would endure. Since all these evils were near at hand, but the enjoyment of good things which they hoped to receive in their stead was yet to come, our Savior desired to give them full assurance, evidently and openly, concerning that glory which is prepared for those who endure to the end. Therefore, fulfilling that which He had promised shortly before, that "there be some standing here which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in His Kingdom" (Matt. 16:28), He took His three foremost disciples and ascended Mount Tabor, where He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as the light. Suddenly, together with this dread and marvelous effulgence of light, there appeared those pinnacles of the Prophets, Moses and Elias, who spoke with the Lord Jesus concerning His saving Passion which was about to take place. Standing before Him as reverent servants, they showed that He is the Lord of both the living and the dead, for Moses came forth from Hades, having died many centuries before, and Elias, as it were from heaven, whither he had been taken up while yet alive. After a little while a radiant cloud overshadowed them and out of the cloud they heard that same voice which had been heard at the Jordan at the Baptism of Christ, testifying to the Divinity of Jesus and saying: "This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well-pleased; hear ye Him" (Matt. 17: 5).

Such are the marvels, truly worthy of God, celebrated in this present feast, which is an image and prefiguring of the future state of the righteous, whose splendor the Lord spoke of, saying: "Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun" (Matt. 13:43). It is because of this that the Kontakion of this Feast is said daily (when there is not a great feast) in the Service of the Typica in perpetual commemoration of the glory that will be the lot of the Saints. According to tradition, the Lord's Transfiguration came to pass forty days before His Crucifixion; this is why the Transfiguration is celebrated forty days before the Exaltation of the Cross.

