

# Holy Trinity Orthodox Church



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## Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

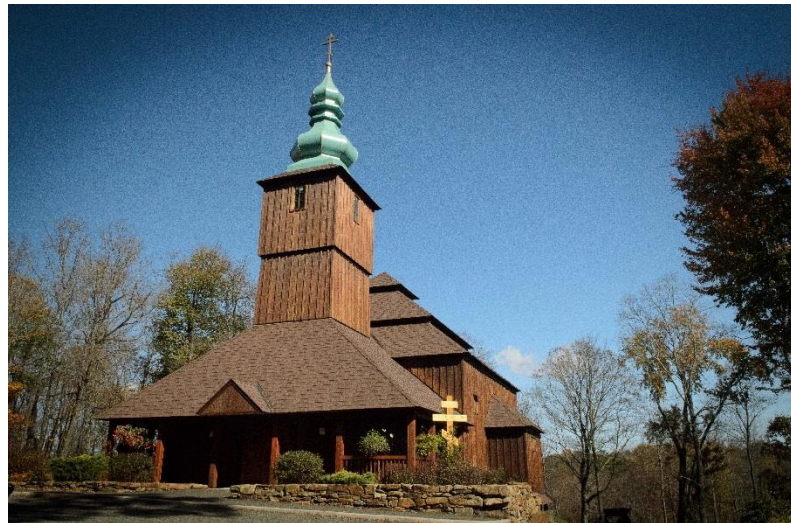
Today is the Sunday of the Myrrh-bearing Women. The Epistle is from Acts 6:1-7. The Gospel is from Mark 15:43-16:8.

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

**Saturday, April 30, 10 AM** – Divine Liturgy

**Sunday, April 30, 12:30 PM** – Parish Council Meeting

**Monday, May 1, 7 PM** – Spirituality Class

**Tuesday, May 2, 9 AM** – Akathist

**Wednesday, May 3, 7 PM** – Adult Catechism Class

**Thursday, May 4, 9 AM** – New Testament Class

**Thursday, May 4, 4 pm to 6 pm** – Monthly Bake Sale

**Thursday, May 4, 5:30 PM** – Choir rehearsal and Get-together

**Friday, May 5, 9 AM** – Old Testament Class

**Saturday, May 6, 3 PM to 5 PM** – Toddler time

**Sunday, May 7, 10 AM** – Divine liturgy

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

**Help Re-Stock Our Kitchen**—We are in need of decaf coffee. Thank you everyone for all your contributions to keep us well supplied and help the parish save money!

### Dorothy Day

**Dorothy Day**—Updated scheduled for Dorothy Day: we will not be serving on our regularly scheduled day of April 14<sup>th</sup> (Good Friday) because of the conflict with our services. We are swapping with another group and so our next two dates to serve at Dorothy Day will be Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> and Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. Please let Susan Sulich know if you are available to serve all or part of the afternoon. Donations of casseroles are also welcome.

### | Monthly Bake Sale

**Monthly Bake Sale**—We will resume our Monthly Bake Sales on Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 p.m. If you are able to help with the sale, please see Helen Galskoy.

### | Choir Get Together

**Choir Get Together**—The choir will have a brief rehearsal at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup> before heading to Whitlock’s Restaurant for dinner and Fiddler’s Brawl at 7 p.m. New members welcome!

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### Adult Education Opportunities

We have several adult education classes going on currently that are also online:

**Spirituality Class** – Mondays at 7:00 p.m. This week we are starting a new book: *Song of Tears* by Oliver Clement

**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 Epistle to the Ephesians*

**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**—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.

**Clothing Drive is Back**—Ann Huott and her family have graciously agreed to conduct one more clothing drive as a fundraiser for the parish. The most recent collection brought in \$671.50. Used clothing, linens, shoes, bags and other items can be brought to the church in plastic garbage bags and left at the candle stand. For a complete list of acceptable items see the flyer at the candle stand or ask Ann. Thank you Huott family!

**Toddler Time**--We are looking forward to bringing the youngest members of our parish family and their parents together to spend time with one another. After talking to the parents, it seems that a good time to meet is the first Saturday of the month from 3-5 p.m. If something changes or you realize this date or time do not work for your family, please let us know so that we can accommodate or make changes as needed. The dates for this spring will be:  
**Sat. May 6th 3:00-5:00 p.m.**  
**Sat. June 3rd 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

## Millennial Meeting

Each month the young adults of the parish meet up to spend time together and talk about topics that pertain to the ever-looming questions of "How do I adult?" This group is a forum for every young professional, new parent and all others in a transitional time of their life to come together and share the challenges of our ever-changing lives, and an opportunity to set down those cares for a couple of hours and join together in fellowship. The group usually meets on the last Saturday of every month. Contact Nick Fong for more information, [nickfong1@gmail.com](mailto:nickfong1@gmail.com).

## Coffee Hour

**Coffee Hour**—Our coffee hour is a great opportunity to spend time together and share a meal. If there's an item or dish, you'd like to bring sign up on the sheet downstairs. No one needs to do the whole coffee hour! All offerings are welcome.

## OYMT Stock Thank You

**OYMT Stock Thank You**—The Danbury OYMT members would like to thank everyone for their generous donations to our upcoming summer mission trip. We are extremely grateful for your donations, your prayers and all the support you consistently offer to our team. If anyone did not receive a stock letter and would like more information, please see one of our team members: Chris Reznick, Ryan McVeigh, Nick and Jennie Fong, Susan Sulich, Luke Faubel, Stefan Reznick or Ana Melnic.

Birthdays – If you have dates of Birthdays or Anniversaries that you would like to add, please let Fr. Luke know so he can include them.

April	
Cassiana Reznic	21
Viorel Bundra	23
Natasha Gross	25
Zachariah Mihaly	25
Harry Fong	26
Elena Gordon	27
Logan Thompson	29
May	
Robert Faubel	5
Nicholas Fong	6
Alexa Leclerc	8
Gavin Davids	10
Gregorio Soto	10
Peter & Sandi Astras - Anniversary	11
Kaitleen Villa	12
Timofei Budyonny	13
Jennie Fong	14
Marika & Quinn Vissak - Anniversary	15
Natalja Schnittler	18
Kevin Gutzman	20
Adrienne Fedyna	25
Jason Varney	27
Maximus Elijah Mihaly	27
Paul & Susan Sulich - Anniversary	28
Nick & Jennie Fong - Anniversary	28
Michael & Kathryn Kerpchar - Anniversary	29
Ken Borsari	31

## Upcoming Events

**Monthly Bake Sale**—Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup> 4-6 p.m.

**Choir Rehearsal and Get Together**—Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup> 6 p.m.

**Toddler Time**—Sat. May 6<sup>th</sup> 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

**Dorothy Day**—Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 1:30-4:30 p.m.

**Pentecost** - Sunday, June 4

**OYMT Trip** – Saturday, July 8 to Sunday, July 17

**Perogie Dash 5K** – Saturday, August 19

## OYMT Training Session #4—

Tool and Safety Training will take place on Sat. April 29<sup>th</sup> from 12-4 p.m. at Holy Trinity. We will be learning how to safely use tools and perform the basic skills needed for the home repair work we will be doing on our mission trip this summer.

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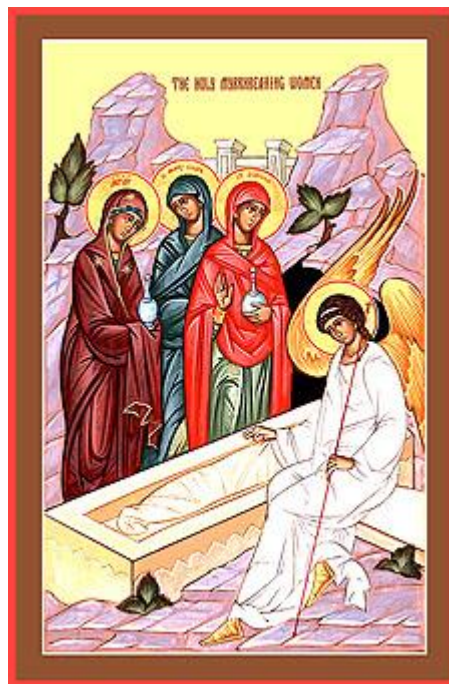


### Holy Land Pilgrimage—

We are putting together a group to go on a trip the Holy Land this year. The trip would take place from Oct. 16-28<sup>th</sup> and will be led by Fr. Ilya Gotlinsky who we have worked with before and has an excellent reputation and much experience with this pilgrimage. The itinerary for the trip is available in the hall and attached to the bulletin. The cost for the trip is \$3150 per person, not including airfare. For details of what is included see the itinerary. If you are interested in going on this trip, please let Fr. Luke or Susan Sulich know.

**Toys—**As you may have notice we are blessed with an abundance of children and an abundance of toys in our parish hall! Our storage space is very tight and so we kindly ask that no more toy donations be brought in. As a reminder, parents are asked to help their children pick up the toys when they are done playing at the end of coffee hour.

## Sunday of the Holy Myrrhbearing Women with the Noble Joseph



The Myrrh-bearing women are those women who followed the Lord, along with His Mother. They remained with her during the time of the saving Passion, and anointed the Lord's body with myrrh. Joseph and Nikódēmos asked for and received the Lord's body from Pilate. They took it down from the Cross, wrapped it in linen cloths and spices, then they laid it in a tomb, and then they placed a great stone over the entrance of the tomb.

According to the Evangelist Matthew (27:57-61) Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joses (Mark 15:40) were there sitting opposite the sepulchre, and they saw where He had been laid. This other Mary was the Mother of God. Not only were these present, but also many other women, as Saint Luke says (24:10).

Today the Church honors Saints Mary Magdalene (July 22), Mary the wife of Cleopas (May 23), Joanna (June 27), Salome, mother of the sons of Zebedee (August 3), Martha and Mary, sisters of Lazarus (June 4), and the Most Holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, who was the stepmother of her husband Joseph's sons James (October 23) and Joses (October 30). Today we also remember Saint Joseph of Arimathea (July 31), who was a secret disciple (John 19:38), and Saint Nikódēmos, who was a disciple by night (John 3:3; 19:38).