# Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

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# Welcome to Holy Trinity Parish

Today is the Fourteenth
Sunday after Pentecost.
The Epistle is from 2
Corinthians 1:21-2:4. The
Gospel is from Luke 6:31-36.
Cyriacus the Hermit.

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.

# Schedule of Services and Events for this week

Sunday, September 29, 10 AM - Divine Liturgy Fr. Peter Karloutsos

Sunday, September 29, 11:30 AM – 40-day Panachida for the infant Valentine

**Sunday, September 29, 11:45 AM** – OYMT presentation

Monday, September 30, 7 PM – Spirituality Class

Tuesday, October 1, 9 AM - Perogie Session

Wednesday, October 2, 7 PM – Catechism Class **Thursday, October 3, 9 AM** – New Testament Class

Thursday, October 3, 4 PM to 6 PM – Monthly Bake Sale

Friday, October 4, 9 AM – Old Testament Class

**Saturday, October 5, 5 PM** – Daily Vespers

**Sunday, October 6, 10** AM – Divine Liturgy Fr. Andrew Wythe

Fr. Luke had Rotator Cuff surgery. Recuperation is for at least six weeks.

Fr. Luke has arranged to have a priest fill-in for the next two Sundays.

A thank you to all the priest who have so graciously agreed to serve our parish for the next seven weeks. all and thank them for their service.

Please remember to sign up and subscribing on our parish web site <a href="https://www.holytrinitydanbury.org">www.holytrinitydanbury.org</a>

And to those with a Facebook account please like our Facebook page posts associated with the fundraising events here <a href="https://www.facebook.com/htocdanbury/?fref=hovercard">https://www.facebook.com/htocdanbury/?fref=hovercard</a> so the word gets out.

#### **Help Re-Stock Our**

**Kitchen**—We are in need of gallon size food storage bags, large and sturdy dinner size paper plates. Thank you!

## **Dorothy Day**

Dorothy Day—Our next date to serve at Dorothy Day will be Friday, October 11th from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Last Friday we served over 140 meals to those in need in our community. This number is DOUBLE what it was when we first started serving at the soup kitchen. There are two ways to help, by serving at the soup kitchen--no experience needed—or by preparing large casseroles that we can use to feed the guests. If you've been thinking about getting involved in this ministry, now is a great time! You can serve for all or part of the afternoon. Service hours available for high school students. See Susan Sulich if you want to volunteer.

#### | Perogie Sessions

Perogie Sessions—It's time to start cooking for our Thanksgiving and Christmas Bakes sales! Perogie sessions will begin Tuesday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> at about 9:15 (immediately following our 8:30 Akathist service). All pinchers, veteran and brand new our welcome—no experience necessary!

#### | Church School with Leon

Church School with Leon— There will be church school

there will be church school today. Our church school will be starting up again on Sundays right after liturgy. We are grateful to have Leon once again offer his time and talents to teach our youth! Church school students will be first to venerate the cross so they can head downstairs right after Liturgy. Upcoming Church School Dates:

Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>

Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>

Nov. 3rd

Nov. 17th

## **Adult Education Opportunities**

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

<u>Spirituality Class</u> – Mondays at 7:00 p.m. This week we are starting a new book: *Welcoming Gifts: Sacrifice in the Bible and Christian Life* by Fr. Jeremy Davis

<u>Catechism Class</u> – 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. New Book by Fr. Lawrence Barriger entitled: *Insights into the Orthodox Faith*.

#### New Testament -

Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. currently we are reading

and studying *St. Paul's Epistle to the Hebrews* 

Old Testament Class – Fridays at 9:00 a.m. We are in **The Book of Job**.

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.

Soup to Share—Soup season is here! If you are making soup and you have some extra to spare consider putting it in a freezer container for "Soup to Share." We will keep these in the freezer in the church hall so that if someone is planning to visit a parishioner and would like to bring a warming meal, they will be available. We also have containers at the church you can use. Please label container with name of soup and main ingredients. Thank you!

**OYMT Thank You Coffee** Hour Sept. 29th—Everyone is invited to the Orthodox Youth Mission Team Thank You Coffee Hour scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 29th immediately following Liturgy. Team members are looking forward to sharing photos and stories of our incredible trip this summer! We will also prepare a delicious meal for you to enjoy. OYMT wishes to thank everyone for their prayers and support, which made this opportunity to put our Faith to work and serve families in need in Appalachia. If you've ever thought about joining our team—as a youth or leaderthis is also a great chance to learn more about what it's like to be a part of OYMT. We hope you can make it!

**Roll Baking** dates have been set for Saturday, September 28 and Saturday, October 19. Roll baking starts early but most of our help will be needed at 8 AM to **roll** the dough, fill them with filling and bake them. Then at 2 PM to wrapping them. If you have any questions and/or would like to come and help you can contact Caroly Kaiser.

**Monthly Bake Sale**—Our October monthly bake sale will take this Thursday, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4-6 p.m. at the church hall. Spread the word with friends and family about the sale! Also, if you are able to help the day of the sale, contact Helen Galskoy.

## **Upcoming Events**

**OYMT Thank You Coffee Hour**—Sunday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> after Liturgy

Monthly Bake Sale -Thursday, October 3, 4 pm to **Lenox Retreat**—Nov. 1-3 6 pm

**Church School** – Sunday, October 6

**Roll Baking** – Saturday, October 19

Church School – Sunday, October 20

Parish Proskomedia class Saturday, October 26

**Church School** – Sunday, November 3

**Church School** – Sunday, November 17

Thanksgiving Bake and Craft Sale—Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> 10 a.m. -- 3 p.m.

**Christmas Bake and** Craft Sale—Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

# Coffee Hour—Our coffee hour is a great opportunity to spend time together and share a meal. It's potluck so If there's an item or dish, you'd like to bring please feel free to do so. No one needs to do the whole coffee hour! All offerings are welcome.

Proskomedia Class for the **parish** – Fr. Luke will have a class on the preparation of prosfora and the service of Proskomedia on Saturday, October 26. We will learn how to make prosfora, and the service. He will go over why and how he prays for you. How the bread is cut and prepared and what occurs.

# **Clothes Drive Ending -**

The Clothes drive will be ending in November. So be sure to go through your closet and dresser and bring in any clothes, shoes, etc. Ann Huott is coordinating the clothes drive. Thank You Ann and the entire **Huott Family for this** monumental and 'heavy' effort to support our parish.

Birthdays or Anniversaries		
September		
Jim & Pat Zeleniak – Anniversary	29	
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October		
Madeline Sulich	1	
Jake Morfa	1	
Sophia Shelley	2	
Viorel & Vida Bundra – Anniversary	4	
Camila Salcedo	7	
Patricia Zeleniak	8	
Veronica Pila	8	
Francisco Soto	12	
Fr. Nicholas & Stacey Mihaly - Anniversary	13	
Reader Rob Paltauf	14	
Jill Kerpchar-Rosenfield	17	
Charles Hull	17	
Roger Behrend	18	
Diana Borsari	18	
Virginia Krista Hull	18	
Anna Dugal	20	
Rosario Villa	21	
Matt Popp	21	
Annalisa Paltauf	22	
William Obrevko	23	
Gabriel Shelley	23	
Cheryl Krafick Gartner	24	
William & Ann Marie Huott - Anniversary	26	
Jon Gross	29	
Christian Reznic	29	
Orestes Mihaly III	30	

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



## Flash Sale on Rolls!

We have some rolls leftover from our Easter Bake Sale. We will be selling them at \$10 (normally priced at \$15). See Carolyn or Chrissanth at coffee hour if you would like to buy any.

Lenox Retreat Updates-- A few updates for our upcoming Lenox Retreat on Nov. 1-3, 2024.

We are excited to announce that Dr. Michael Legaspi, an Associate Professor of Old Testament at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary will be our retreat master. He is currently at work on a book about Job and will be speaking about the mechanics of suffering in ourselves and how to be a help to others who are suffering. He is an excellent speaker and did our Lenten in-house Lenten retreat last spring.

#### Accommodations:

- There are 2 rooms left in the Dewey: \$150 per night (includes tax). Includes continental breakfast Saturday. No housekeeping.
- If you wish to book at the Constance, we have a link to use: <u>Group Booking Link: Holy Trinity Church November 1-3, 2024</u> to make the reservations. Rooms are \$189 per night and include housekeeping and continental breakfast.

Rooms are on a first come first served basis and the rate at the Constance will only be available until Oct. 15th so please don't delay in making your reservations if you plan to come.

The inns are within walking distance of each other, the town and the church where the retreat program will be held.

We look forward to gathering together again for deepening our Orthodox faith and our bonds with one another!



Raised as a Roman Catholic, I attended Protestant churches as a teenager and young adult. Years of persistent questions and quiet dissatisfaction prompted me to inquire into the nature and identity of the ancient Christian church. I made my way to the works of the Church Fathers, but it was the writings of contemporary authors, especially Fr Alexander Schmemann, that first opened my eyes to the beauty, richness, and truth of Orthodoxy. My family began attending an Antiochian Orthodox Church (St John Chrysostom in York, PA), and we were received into the Church by Chrismation in 2004. Since that time, we have been a part of parishes representing several jurisdictions, not only Antiochian but also Greek, ROCOR, and OCA churches as well. My wife, Abby, and I have four grown children: Josiah, Sister Glykeria, Ana, and Cato.