## **TWELVE THINGS TO KNOW**



Fr. Ignatius is willing to meet with any parishioner or visitor by appt. To schedule, email him at *frignatius@holytrinity-oca.org* or call him at 814-231-2855.



Only those united to the Orthodox Church through Baptism, Chrismation, regular Confession, prayer, and fasting may partake of Holy Communion.



The service will last about 1.5 hours. Many people stand, but feel free to take a seat if needed. See on page 2 for times when one should stand, if able.



Help us keep in touch with you! Fill out a connection card in the Narthex (vestibule) and provide your email (for weekly update) and/or snail mail (for monthly newsletter).



Restrooms are located down the stairs & past the kitchen. There is also an ADA restroom on the 1st floor of Trinity House. See a greeter for assistance.



Welcome, PSU students! Get involved in our active campus ministry program by seeing a fellow student or emailing scw5427@psu.edu.



Please join us downstairs for coffee and snacks following Divine Liturgy. We would love to get to know you!



Holy Trinity has an education program for kids K-12, which meets Sundays at 9am (Sept. – May). Contact Pdn. Mark for info.



There is a crying room/nursery downstairs. Audio of the service is piped in!



If you need a ride to church, please contact Mka. Kelly Oleynik. Text: (814) 360-8425, Landline: (814) 308-9109, email: ohkellyoh@hotmail.com.



Our bookstore, located next door in Trinity House, is a great resource for all things Orthodox.



On Sundays, 27 spaces are available at the SW corner of Calder Way and Lark Alley. Other days, only the gravel spots are open.

#### FOR THE RECORD

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Holy Trinity (9/17): 104 Chapel of the Holy Spirit (9/17): 26

## YOUR GENEROSITY

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Weekly Budget Goal:	\$4,839
Collection (9/17):	\$4,879
Average – Last 4 Weeks:	\$4,120
Average – Last 12 Weeks:	\$4,235
Average – Last 52 Weeks:	\$4,409

## **MILESTONES**

*Birthdays:* Mary Lanser (9/26), Michael Pelikan (9/29), Dimitri Vaughn (9/29) *Many Years!* 

## MANY YEARS TO THE NEWLY-ILLUMINED

We extend a hearty welcome and congratulations to the newly-illumined servants of God Sophia Welch and the Chambers family: Michael, Taylor (Mary in baptism), Collin (Brendan), Elliot (Margaret), Tristan (David), and Kieran. It is a great joy to welcome them fully into the fellowship of the Church. May God crown them with faith, hope, and love all the days of their lives and with all good gifts and preserve them for many years!



# **Building Up the Church Beyond Our Parish**

~ Holy Trinity Church is a community of Orthodox Christians seeking to glorify God by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ in its entirety to all people in the Centre Region and beyond ~

> **September 24, 2023** 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost Protomartyr Thekla

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# THE DIVINE LITURGY

#### **GATHERING the Church**

- Great Litany (p.29) ‡
- The Antiphons (p.32)

## **PROCLAIMING the Word**

- Little Entrance (p.39) ‡
- Today's Hymns (see next column)
- Epistle Readings: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10
- Gospel Readings: Luke 5:1-11 🕇
- Sermon

## **THANKSGIVING for Redemption**

- The Offering
- Great Entrance (p.57) †
- The Creed (p.63)
- The Anaphora (p.64) †
- The Lord's Prayer (p.75) †
- Communion Hymns
- Communion of the Faithful ‡
- Litany of Thanksgiving (p.87)

## **SENDING to Serve**

- Dismissal & Veneration of the Cross\*
- This Week's Events (see opposite page)
  . All stand.
- \*All are welcome to greet the priest and kiss the cross, if they choose, at the end of the service.

*Note:* page numbers correspond to black Divine Liturgy book, available in the Narthex.

## **TODAY'S HYMNS**

#### **TROPARIA**

## Resurrection (Tone 7)

By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death! To the thief, Thou didst open paradise! For the myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy! And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art risen, granting the world great mercy.

## Protomartyr Thekla (Tone 2)

Taught by the words of Paul, O Thekla, bride of God, and confirmed through faith by Peter, O divinely chosen one, thou becamest the protomartyr and first sufferer among women.

Thou didst enter the flame as it were a place abloom with flowers. The wild beasts and bulls stood in awe of thee, for thou didst arm thyself with the Cross. O all-lauded one, entreat Christ God that our souls be sayed.

#### **KONTAKIA**

## Resurrection (Tone 7)

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers. Hell is bound, while the prophets rejoice and cry: the Savior has come to those in faith! Enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection.

Glory...

## **Protomartyr Thekla** (Tone 2)

In the beauty of thy virginity thou didst shine forth, and wast adorned with the crown of martyrdom. All-glorious Thekla, thou didst entrust thyself to the Apostle Paul,

and didst transform the flame of the fire into dew and quell the raging of the bull by thy prayers, O thou who wast the first among women to suffer!

Now and ever...

His Eminence +Melchisedek, Archbishop of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania

Father Ignatius Hunter, Rector

**Protodeacon Mark Oleynik,** Director of Christian Ed.

**Father David Smith,** Associate Rector and Priest-in-Charge, Chapel of the Holy Spirit

## **WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY!**

We are delighted to have visitors worship with us, and we pray that you will be blessed through your participation in our services today. If you have any questions, please ask one of our greeters!

## **TODAY'S HYMNS (continued)**

#### **KONTAKIA** (continued)

## **Steadfast Protectress (Tone 4)**

O Protection of Christians that is not put to shame, unchanging mediation before the Creator, despise not the voice of the sinners' prayer, but in that thou art good, come quickly to help us who call upon thee in faith; make speed to intercede and make haste to supplicate, O Theotokos, who dost ever protect those that honor thee.

#### **PROKEIMENON**

## **Resurrection** (Tone 7)

The lord shall give strength to his people! The Lord shall bless his people with peace!

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! *Alleluia...* 

## **HELP SERVE NEIGHBORS IN NEED**

Next month we will be helping our neighbors by serving at CommonFood, a local non-profit that provides monthly nutritious food boxes to those in need in our area. On Friday, October 20, at 6:30 pm, we need twelve to fourteen volunteers to fill boxes with dry goods. Children 8+ are welcome to come with their parents! This event will take place at Unity Church of Jesus Christ. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up in the Narthex or contact Leoni Georgiou at leomcfar@comcast.net. If you are struggling to buy enough food each month, CommonFood may be able to help! Please speak to Fr. Ignatius or call CommonFood at 814-409-8584.

THIS WEEK	
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27	
Confessions	4:00 PM
Vespers	6:00 PM
Confessions	6:45 PM
Orthodoxy 101	7:00 PM
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30	
Great Vespers	6:00 PM

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1** 

Sunday School

Divine Liturgy

THIS WEEK

## **ORTHODOXY 101**

9:00 AM

10:00 AM

Inquirers, catechumens, or anyone interested in learning the very basic principles of Orthodox Christianity are invited to join us on Wednesday nights at 7:00PM in the church hall. Classes are a great introduction to the Orthodox faith and are a good bridge to start conversation with friends and neighbors who may be interested. Bring your questions -no matter how silly they may seem- to be answered in a setting designed for newcomers. For more information, please talk to Anna Stickles or visit our website.

## **SHARE YOUR PHOTOS**

We're looking for photos to feature on our website and Facebook pages. Help us share the beauty of the church and church gatherings by sharing your pictures. Please send your photos to photos@holytrinity-oca.org, along with a brief description.

Sundays: Divine Liturgy, 10am

Saturdays: Great Vespers, 6pm

Wednesdays: Vespers, 6pm

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