## **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.



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.



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.



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



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



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



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



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).



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



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



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



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 (11/5): 96 Chapel of the Holy Spirit (11/5): 19

## YOUR GENEROSITY

 Weekly Budget Goal:
 \$4,839

 Collection (11/5):
 \$2,755

 Average – Last 4 Weeks:
 \$4,358

 Average – Last 12 Weeks:
 \$4,006

 Average – Last 52 Weeks:
 \$4,384

#### **MILESTONES**

*Birthdays:* Judy Fryncko (11/15) *Many years!* 

## **BOOKSTORE ADVENT SALE**

Through Sun., Dec 17<sup>th</sup> everything in the bookstore will be 15% off. There are many new icons and new books including devotionals for the Advent Season. Candles, vigil lamps with wicks, music CD's and more are in stock for your home church. The bookstore's expanded hours are: Monday 2-5pm; Tuesday 10am-2pm & 5-7pm; Wednesday 5-6pm; Thursday 2-5pm; Friday 2-5pm; Saturday 5-6pm; and Sunday 12-1pm, or for an appointment email bookstore@holytrinity-oca.org Please talk to Anna Stickles for information about any special orders. Special orders for Christmas arrival should be made by Dec 3rd.



## **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 ~

## November 12, 2023

23rd Sunday After Pentecost St. John the Merciful, Patriarch of Alexandria Venerable Nilus the Faster of Sinai

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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: *Ephesians 2:4-10*
- Gospel Readings: Luke 10:25-37 †
- 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.

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

## **TODAY'S HYMNS**

#### **TROPARIA**

## **Resurrection** (Tone 6)

The angelic powers were at Thy tomb; the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by Thy grave, seeking Thy most pure Body. Thou didst capture hell, not being tempted by it. Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. O Lord who didst rise from the dead: glory to Thee.

## Saint John (Tone 8)

By endurance you gained your reward, venerable Father; you persevered in prayer unceasingly; you loved the poor and provided for them in all things. Blessed John the Merciful, intercede with Christ God that our souls may be saved.

## Venerable Nilus (Tone 8)

By a flood of tears you made the desert fertile, and your longing for God brought forth fruits in abundance. By the radiance of miracles, you illumined the whole universe. Our Father Nilus, pray to Christ God to save our souls!

#### **KONTAKIA**

## **Resurrection** (Tone 6)

When Christ God the Giver of Life, raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, He bestowed resurrection on the human race. He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life and the God of all.

## Saint John (Tone 2)

You distributed your wealth to the poor and in return obtained wealth from heaven, John the Merciful. Therefore, we honor you and celebrate your memory, O namesake of mercy. *Glory...* 

## 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)

### Venerable Nilus (Tone 8)

By your vigilant prayer you cut away the undergrowth of the body's insurgent passions. As you have boldness before the Lord, free me from every danger so that I may cry to you: "Rejoice, universal father Nilus!"

#### Now and ever...

**Steadfast Protectress** 

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 4)

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance!

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**

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

#### **WISDOM FROM THE FAITH**

"The Lord does not show Himself to a proud soul. The proud soul, no matter how many books it reads, will never know God, since by its pride it does not give place for the grace of the Holy Spirit, while God is known only by the humble soul."

-St. Silouan the Athonite, Writings, III.11

## **THIS WEEK**

INIS WEEK	
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12	
Holy Matrimony of Tiffany Willbanks and Micah Catell	2:00 PM
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15	
Confessions	4:00 PM
Vespers	6:00 PM
Orthodoxy 101	7:00 PM
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18	
Great Vespers	6:00 PM
Confessions	7:00 PM
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19	
Sunday School	9:00 AM
Divine Liturgy	10:00 AM
Parish Annual Meeting	12:00 PM

## THANKSGIVING DRIVE

This year's Matthew 25 Thanksgiving Drive is now underway! The drive will provide complete holiday meals to 21 local families (107 adults and children) in need. You may sign up to purchase side dishes on the sheet in the Narthex. Monetary donations to cover the cost of turkeys are also greatly appreciated and should be made to Matthew 25.

#### **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

Holy Trinity will hold its Annual Meeting Sunday November 19th at noon. Parishioners in good standing who have fulfilled their Lenten obligations of Confession and Communion may and should attend. All are encouraged to read the 2023 Annual Meeting packet, available on our website, ahead of time.

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 Sundays: Divine Liturgy, 10am Saturdays: Great Vespers, 6pm Wednesdays: Vespers, 6pm Appointments: office@holytrinity-oca.org, 814-231-2855 Inquiries into Orthodoxy: info@holytrinity-oca-org Additional Resources: holytrinity-oca.org

<sup>\*</sup>All are welcome to greet the priest and kiss the cross, if they choose, at the end of the service.