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 (11/26): 96 Chapel of the Holy Spirit (11/26): 20

YOUR GENEROSITY

 Weekly Budget Goal:
 \$4,839

 Collection (11/26):
 \$6,668

 Average – Last 4 Weeks:
 \$4,286

 Average – Last 12 Weeks:
 \$4,264

 Average – Last 52 Weeks:
 \$4,314

MILESTONES

Birthdays: Diana Abramova (12/6), Megan Leathers (12/9)

Many years!

CHRISTMAS COOKIE BAKING

Do you like to bake Christmas cookies? Add a little Christmas cheer to those in need this Christmas! We are looking for 13/14 bakers to make 30 homemade Christmas cookies to add to the CommonFood December food distribution. For more information, please contact Leoni Georgiou at leomcfar@comcast.net or at (814) 280-7599. If volunteering to bake, please let Leoni know by Friday 12/8. Cookies will need to be baked & given to Leoni for packing by Thursday December 14th.



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 ~

December 3, 2023

26th Sunday After Pentecost Holy Prophet Zephaniah

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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 5:9-19*
- Gospel Readings: Luke 18:18-27
- 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 1)

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews; while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure Body; Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life: Glory to Thy Resurrection O Christ! Glory to Thy Kingdom! Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou who lovest mankind.

Prophet Zephaniah (Tone 2)

We celebrate the memory of Thy prophet Zephaniah, O Lord; through him we beseech Thee: "Save our souls!"

KONTAKIA

Resurrection (Tone 1)

As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory, raising the world with Thyself. Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished. Adam exults O Master! Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage, and cries to Thee; Thou art the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ.

Glory...

Prophet Zephaniah (Tone 4)

Thou hast been revealed by the Spirit of God to be brilliant, Prophet Zephaniah, for thou didst proclaim the coming of God: "Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Proclaim Him, O Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to save mankind!"

Now and ever...

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

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 1)

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.

COMMUNION HYMN

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

PARISH DIRECTORY PRESENTATION

Join us today during coffee hour for a directory presentation and update. Get your photo taken, complete your family profile, and learn about secure information practices and our giving portal. Collected details will be printed in new picture directory books for the congregation. Additional photo days: Dec 8th, 1-5 pm (Trinity House) and Dec 10th, during coffee hour.

JANITORIAL POSITION OPEN

The parish has a custodial position open. It is a part-time position that primarily involves keeping the facilities clean. If you are interested in applying for the position or are looking for more information, please contact Fr Ignatius.

Sundays: Divine Liturgy, 10am

Saturdays: Great Vespers, 6pm

Wednesdays: Vespers, 6pm

THIS WEEK

THIS WEEK	
TODAY	
Parish Directory Photos/Update	12:00 PM
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5	
Great Vespers – St Nicholas The Wonderworker	6:00 PM
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6	
Divine Liturgy – St. Nicholas	8:00 AM
Confessions	4:00 PM
Vespers	6:00 PM
Confessions	7:00 PM
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8	
Parish Directory Update	1:00 PM
Sunday School Christmas Caroling	5:30 PM
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9	
Great Vespers	6:00 PM
Confessions	7:00 PM
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10	
Sunday School	9:00 AM
Divine Liturgy	10:00 AM
Parish Directory Photos/Update	12:00 PM

ST NICHOLAS TREE

Our Saint Nicholas Tree drive enables the disadvantaged in our community to receive gifts through the Matthew 25 Ministry's partnership with Strawberry Fields. We will be providing gifts to 24 adults and 16 children who would not otherwise have presents on Christmas. Each tag on the tree has the recipient's age, gender, and wish. To participate, take a tag and bring the wrapped gift(s) back with the tag securely fastened. The deadline for dropping off gifts at church is Sunday, December 17. Thank you!

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 **Appointments**: office@holytrinity-oca.org, 814-231-2855 **Inquiries into Orthodoxy**: info@holytrinity-oca-org

Additional Resources: holytrinity-oca.org