

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.



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 ~

FOR THE RECORD

ATTENDANCE

Holy Trinity (12/03):	113
Chapel of the Holy Spirit (12/03):	26

YOUR GENEROSITY

Weekly Budget Goal:	\$4,839
Collection (12/03):	\$2,179
Average – Last 4 Weeks:	\$4,142
Average – Last 12 Weeks:	\$4,055
Average – Last 52 Weeks:	\$4,288

MILESTONES

Birthdays: Maria Okuneva (12/10), Karen Catell (12/13), Sarah Catell (12/15), Daniel Hunter (12/15)
Many years!

BOOKSTORE ADVENT SALE

Through Sun., Dec 17th 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

December 10, 2023

27th Sunday After Pentecost

Martyrs Menas, Hermogenes, and Eustrachios of Alexandria

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 6:10-17*
- ♦ Gospel Readings: *Luke 17:12-19* †
- ♦ 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 2)

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life Immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead! And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: O Giver of Life! Christ our God! Glory to Thee!

Martyrs (Tone 8)

Having slain the fiery ragings and fierce movements of the passions through their ascetic labors, the Martyrs of Christ, Menas, Hermogenes, and Eugephus, received grace to dispel the afflictions of the infirm and to work wonders both while alive and after death. It is a truly great wonder that naked bones pour forth healing. Glory to our only God and Creator!

KONTAKIA

Resurrection (Tone 2)

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with thee! And the world, O my Savior praises Thee forever.

Glory...

Martyrs (Tone 4)

The Lord snatched thee from the temporal army, making thee a fellow inheritor of the eternal, O Menas; together with Hermogenes and Eugephus with whom thou didst suffer, thou art granted an incorruptible crown.

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 2)

The Lord is my strength and my song, he has become my salvation.

COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest!

Alleluia...

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!

THIS WEEK

TODAY

Parish Directory Photos/Update 12:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

Confessions 4:00 PM
Vespers 6:00 PM
Parish Council Meeting 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

Choir Rehearsal 4:00 PM
Christmas Play Practice 4:45 PM
Great Vespers 6:00 PM
Confessions 7:00 PM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

Baptism of Silas Johnson 9:00 AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM
Sunday School Christmas Play 12:00 PM

PARISH DIRECTORY PHOTOS/UPDATE

Join us today during coffee hour for a directory update. Collected details will be printed in new picture directory books for the congregation.

2024 CALENDARS AVAILABLE

2024 liturgical calendars are available in the narthex for all parishioners, inquirers, and friends of the parish. Please consider a donation of \$5/calendar to help defray the cost.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Sponsor a poinsettia for the nave in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving to God. All commemorations will be printed in the Nativity bulletin and those who sponsor a poinsettia can take them home after the New Year. There is a sign-up in the Narthex and online for those who wish to donate. 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

Sundays: Divine Liturgy, 10am

Saturdays: Great Vespers, 6pm

Wednesdays: Vespers, 6pm

Appointments: office@holyltrinity-oca.org, 814-231-2855

Inquiries into Orthodoxy: info@holyltrinity-oca.org

Additional Resources: holyltrinity-oca.org