

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

Sunday 12/31: 86

YOUR GENEROSITY

Weekly Budget Goal: \$4,929
 Collection (12/31): \$13,954
 Average – Last 4 Weeks: \$8,635
 Average – Last 12 Weeks: \$5,712
 Average – Last 52 Weeks: \$4,581

MILESTONES

Birthdays: Luka Gogia (1/9), Mka. Seraphima Hunter (1/10) *Many years!*

WISDOM FROM THE FAITH

“If a man has no worries about himself at all for the sake of love toward God and the working of good deeds, knowing that God is taking care of him, this is a true and wise hope. But if a man takes care of his own business and turns to God in prayer only when misfortunes come upon him which are beyond his power, and then he begins to hope in God, such a hope is vain and false. A true hope seeks only the Kingdom of God... the heart can have no peace until it obtains such a hope. This hope pacifies the heart and produces joy within it.”

-St. Seraphim of Sarov

January 7, 2024

31st Sunday After Pentecost

Glorious Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptist, John

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 4:7-13; Acts 19:1-8*
- ♦ Gospel Readings: *Matthew 4:12-17; John 1:29-34* †
- ♦ 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

Theophany (Tone 1)

When Thou, O Lord, wast baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest. For the voice of the Father bore witness unto Thee, calling Thee the beloved Son; and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed His word as sure and steadfast. O Christ our God, Who hast appeared and enlightened the world, glory to Thee.

Forerunner (Tone 2)

The memory of the righteous is celebrated with hymns of praise, but the Lord's testimony is sufficient for thee, O Forerunner. Thou wast shown in truth to be the most honorable of the Prophets, for thou wast deemed worthy to baptize in the streams of the Jordan Him Whom they foretold. Therefore, having suffered for the truth with joy, thou didst proclaim to those in hell God Who appeared in the flesh, Who takes away the sin of the world, and grants us great mercy.

Glory... Now and ever...

KONTAKION

Theophany (Tone 4)

Today Thou hast shone forth to the world, O Lord, and the light of Thy countenance has been marked on us. Knowing Thee, we sing Thy praises: "Thou hast come and revealed Thyself, O unapproachable Light."

TRISAGION

Instead of "Holy God"...

As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. Alleluia!

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)

PROKEIMINA

Sunday After Theophany (Tone 1)

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

Forerunner (Tone 7)

The righteous one shall rejoice in the Lord and shall hope in him.

HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS

Instead of "It is truly meet"...

Magnify, O my soul, the most pure Virgin Theotokos, more honorable than the heavenly hosts! No tongue knows how to praise thee worthily, O Theotokos; even angels are overcome with awe praising thee. But since thou art good, accept our faith; for thou knowest our love inspired by God! Thou art the defender of Christians, and we magnify thee.

COMMUNION HYMN

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

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance! He shall not fear evil tidings!

Alleluia...

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. Thank you!

THIS WEEK

TODAY

Installation of New Parish Council Officers 11:45 AM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

Confessions 4:00 PM
Vespers 6:00 PM
Confessions 7:00 PM

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

Parish Council Meeting 5:00 PM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

Choir Rehearsal 4:00 PM
Great Vespers 6:00 PM
Confessions 7:00 PM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

Sunday School 9:00 AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM

HOME BLESSINGS

It's house blessing season, a yearly reminder that all aspects of our lives belong to God. Getting our houses blessed reconnects us to our baptism, emphasizing that everything—possessions, interactions, work, and leisure—is under God's ownership. Don't miss this chance to renew ties with Christ and welcome His grace. Sign up in the narthex or online, and for inquiries or unlisted scheduling, reach out to Anna Stickers at anna@grtbooks.com. College students, you're welcome to sign up for dorm room/apartment blessings; Father will provide guidance and everything needed.

His Eminence Melchisedek, Archbishop of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania
Father Ignatius Hunter, Rector
Protodeacon Mark Oleynik, Director of Christian Ed.

Sundays: Divine Liturgy, 10am
Saturdays: Great Vespers, 6pm
Wednesdays: Vespers, 6pm

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