

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). Or scan the QR code and fill one out online.



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 georgiebarbouni@gmail.com



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 paved spots across from the gravel are open. Spots 10-18 are rented to students Mon-Sat.



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 (8/31): 138

YOUR GENEROSITY

Weekly Budget Goal: \$5,120
 Collection (8/31): \$2,262
 Average – Last 4 Weeks: \$4,182
 Average – Last 12 Weeks: \$4,660
 Average – Last 52 Weeks: \$5,099

MILESTONES

Birthdays: Alexandra Stevens (9/8), Abigail Swisher (9/9), Pdn. Mark Oleynik (9/10), Oren Wallace (9/10), Elena Loukachkina (9/12), Ravi Patel (9/12)
Namesdays: Maria Fiori (9/8), Anne Swisher (9/9), Kieran Chambers (9/9), Cynthia Pellock (9/9), Abigail Swisher (9/9)
Anniversaries: Jovana Bozic-Chen & Tse-Yu Chen (9/9)
Many years!

PARKING DURING THE SEMESTER

With Penn State back in session, spaces 10–18 are leased to students Monday–Saturday, and unauthorized cars may be towed. On Sundays (9am–1pm), all spaces are open to parishioners. Please respect the students' rental as they respect our Sunday use.

September 7, 2025
 13th Sunday after Pentecost
 Ven. Cassiani the Hymnographer
 Forefeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos

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: *Gal. 6:11-18;*
1 Cor. 16:13-24
- ♦ Gospel Readings: *John 3:13-17;*
Matt. 21:33-42 †
- ♦ 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

TROPARION

Resurrection (Tone 4)

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of thy Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: "Death is overthrown! Christ our God is risen, granting the world great mercy!"

Forefeast (Tone 4)

Today from the stem of Jesse and from the loins of David, the handmaid of God Mary is being born for us. Therefore all creation is renewed and rejoices. Heaven and earth rejoice together. Praise her, you families of nations, for Joachim rejoices and Anna celebrates crying out: "The barren one gives birth to the Theotokos the Nourisher of our life!"

Ven. Cassiani (Tone 8)

The image of God was truly preserved in thee, O Mother, for thou didst take up the cross and follow Christ and by thy hymnody thou dost teach us the power of repentance: that tears shed in penitence wash away our sins and transgressions. Therefore, thy spirit, ven'erable Cassiani, rejoices with the angels.

KONTAKIA

Resurrection (Tone 4)

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earthborn from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!
Glory...

TODAYS HYMNS (Cont.)

KONTAKIA cont.

Ven. Cassiani (Tone 3)

Resplendent with a mind inspired by the Spirit, O blessed and divinely wise Cassiani, thou art like a splendid diadem set upon the brow of the Church of Christ; for thine all-beauteous hymns adorn it like most precious gems. Wherefore, we fervently beseech thee: Grant the divine gift of thine inspiration unto those who earnestly desire it, that the faithful may ever cry out unto thee: Rejoice, O venerable mother, thou glory and boast of all the Orthodox!

Now and ever...

Forefeast (Tone 3)

Today the Virgin Theotokos Mary, the bridal chamber of the Heavenly Bridegroom, by the will of the God is born of a barren woman, being prepared as the chariot of God the Word. She was foreordained for this, since she is the divine gate and the true Mother of Life.

PROKEIMENON

Sunday Before (Tone 6)

O Lord, save Thy People and bless Thine inheritance!

COMMUNION HYMN

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

Alleluia...

YOUTH GROUP EVENT

Our 6th-12th grade youth group will meet again on Saturday, September 27th from after vespers until about 9pm for Holy Smokes, a western-themed bonfire at the Patel's house. For more information on these or other youth group events, please contact Abby Swisher at aaswisher995@gmail.com

Sundays: Divine Liturgy, 10am

Saturdays: Great Vespers, 6pm

Wednesdays: Vespers, 6pm

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!

THIS WEEK

TODAY

Vigil 6:00 PM

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Nativity of the Theotokos

Divine Liturgy 8:00 AM

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

OCF Paraklesis 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Confessions 4:00 PM

Vespers 6:00 PM

Confessions 6:45 PM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Vigil 6:00 PM

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Exaltation of the Cross

Sunday School 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM

All-Parish Photo 12:00 PM

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

As we approach the new school year, the Sunday school needs additional teachers! Our goal is to have two teachers in each classroom (PreK-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12). If you have a heart for teaching kids and want to make a difference in their lives, please contact Pdn. Mark with questions or to volunteer. Thank you!

ALL-PARISH PHOTO

Join us after liturgy next Sunday, September 14th, for a parish photo to capture the faces that make up our parish family.

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

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Additional Resources: holyltrinity-oca.org