

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 (9/14): 143

YOUR GENEROSITY

Weekly Budget Goal: \$5,120
 Collection (9/14): \$3,450
 Average – Last 4 Weeks: \$3,823
 Average – Last 12 Weeks: \$4,674
 Average – Last 52 Weeks: \$5,095

MILESTONES

Birthdays: Linda Ballinger (9/22), Elliot Chambers (9/22), Judah Emigh (9/23)
Namesdays: Jane Finke (9/26), Mila Sanina (9/29)
Many years!

WISDOM FROM THE FAITH

“It is impossible to keep spiritual peace if we do not take care of the mind, that is if we do not drive out thoughts that are displeasing to God and, on the contrary, keep thoughts which are pleasing to God. It is necessary to look into the heart with mind and see what is done there. Is it peaceful or not? If not, then find out in what you have sinned.”

-St. Silouan the Athonite, Writings, XIV.8

September 21, 2025
 15th Sunday after Pentecost
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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: *Gal. 2:16-20; 2 Cor. 4:6-15*
- ♦ Gospel Readings: *Mark 8:34-9:1; Matt. 22:35-46* †
- ♦ 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 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.

Elevation of the Cross (Tone 1)

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance! Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians over their adversaries; and by virtue of Thy Cross, preserve Thy habitation!

Glory...

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.

Now and ever...

Elevation of the Cross (Tone 4)

As Thou wast voluntarily raised upon the Cross for our sake, grant mercy to those who are called by Thy Name, O Christ God; make all Orthodox Christians glad by Thy power, granting them victories over their adversaries by bestowing on them the invincible trophy, Thy weapon of peace!

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!

TODAYS HYMNS (Cont.)

PROKEIMENON

Resurrection (Tone 6)

O Lord, save Thy People and bless Thine inheritance!

Elevation of the Cross (Tone 7)

Extol the Lord our God worship at His footstool, for it is holy!

HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS

Instead of "It is truly meet..." we sing...

Thou art a mystical Paradise, O Theotokos, who, though untilled, hast brought forth Christ; through Him the life-bearing wood of the Cross was planted on earth. Now at its Elevation, as we bow in worship before it, we magnify thee.

COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest!
The light of Thy countenance has been signed upon us, O Lord.
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

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC

There will be a kickoff picnic for all Sunday school teachers, students, and families TODAY, September 21, at 4 pm at Circleville Park. Families are asked to bring some sides and desserts to share!

Sundays: Divine Liturgy, 10am

Saturdays: Great Vespers, 6pm

Wednesdays: Vespers, 6pm

THIS WEEK

TODAY

Sunday School Picnic 4:00 PM
Circleville Park, Port Matilda

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

OCF Paraklesis 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Confessions 4:00 PM
Vespers 6:00 PM
Adult Ed - Garments of Salvation 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

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

ADULT ED – GARMENTS OF SALVATION

On September 24th at 7pm, Matushka Seraphima will teach on the subject of clerical and monastic clothing, both liturgical and extra-liturgical. Topics to be covered include the meanings and functions of various types of clothing, and then also what various garments reveal about the identity or status of their wearer.

ORTHODOXY 101

Holy Trinity's traditional "Orthodoxy 101" fall inquirers' class is continuing on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. Sessions are taught by a rotating cast of Fr. Ignatius, Matthew Wallace, and Anna Stickles, and this year two will be combined with the Adult Education classes—beginning with "Garments of Salvation" by Mka Seraphima this Wednesday.

Appointments: office@holytrinity-oca.org 814-231-2855

Inquiries into Orthodoxy: info@holytrinity-oca.org

Additional Resources: holytrinity-oca.org

His Eminence Melchisedek, Archbishop of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania

Father Ignatius Hunter, Rector

Protodeacon Mark Oleynik, Director of Christian Ed.