



**SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>  
10AM-4PM  
FALL FESTIVAL**



**HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX  
CHURCH**

46 SEYMOUR STREET  
YONKERS, N.Y.

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Christmas crafts  
Gift Shop

Ethnic foods and  
bake sale

Tag Sale

RAFFLE

3 course Lunch

\$5/person

\$20/family

(2 adults & 2 kids)

Church Tours

**COME AND  
ENJOY A  
DELICIOUS  
LUNCH WHILE  
BROWSING FOR  
TOYS, BOOKS,  
CLOTHING &  
MORE!**

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Yonkers, New York**



Sunday, August 13, 2017 ~ 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
Saint Tikhon of Zadonsk (+1783)  
Afterfeast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord



## HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

Trinity Plaza ✦ 46 Seymour Street ✦ Yonkers, New York 10701  
 Rector: V. Rev. David Cowan ✦ Protodeacon John Eby  
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**Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16; Gospel: Matthew 17:14-23**

### SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

**Today**

**Sunday, August 13**

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

**Monday, August 14**

6:00 PM Vesperal Divine Liturgy – Great Feast of the Dormition of the Most-Holy Theotokos

**Saturday, August 19**

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM Great Vespers

**Sunday, August 20**

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, August 26**

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM Great Vespers

**Sunday, August 27**

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

**Monday, August 28**

7:00 PM Great Vespers & Litija – Feast of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist

**Tuesday, August 29**

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy – Feast of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist; **Strict Fast Day**

### **FAMILIES – Mark Your Calendars for These Three Events:**

- **Thursday, August 24: Diocesan Orthodox Youth Day,**  
at Six Flags Great Adventure, Jackson, NJ
- **Friday – Sunday, November 10-12: Diocesan Annual Girls' Retreat,**  
at Saint Basil's Academy, Garrison, NY

- *More information coming soon ...*

*but see Fr. David if you'd like more information sooner!*

### PRAYER LIST

**Above all, we are a praying community. Keep this list in your prayer corner, and in your daily prayers remember our Brothers & Sisters in Christ:**

Paul Poswinski; Jane Ann Cowan; Barbara Knighton (Abp. Michael's sister); Matushki Shirley Lickwar & Jeanne Plekon; Fr. Sergei & Matushka Gerry Glagolev; Fr. George Hasenecz; Matushka Tamara; Archbishop Nikon of Boston, Bishop Seraphim of Sendai, Archbishop Nathaniel of Detroit; Fr. Steven Voytovich; Fr. Paul Lazor, Dn. John Holoduek, Matushka Myra Kovalak; Michael Durkot; Ludmila & Sergey; Krista Adamovich-Rippi & Darina Markyanova and the children to be born to them; Vera Bouteneff; Richard Wisniewski (Suzanne Nolan's father); Ann Bratic; Fr. Nicholas Harris; Jessica Bruno; Marian Harris; Vincent Knarr; Elena Herman; Nicholas Macagnone; Tanya Balasenowich; the child Alena; Andrew Czuchta; Ann Dahulich; Boris Lyzak; Douglas & Susan Hansen; Christopher Olsen; Bill Bodack; Nina Dimas; Courtney Lyzak; Eleanor Wasilko; Ludmila Branzow; Suzanne Gee; Kathleen & Maryanne Nolan; Kevin Kuzmenko; Shawn Malone; Metropolitan Paul and Bishop Gregorios, Vera Bullock; Schuyler Perry; Vitaliy Khutko; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; the priests Frs. Ilya Gotlinsky, Leonid Kishkovsky, Stephen Hoskins, John Reeves, John Malcom, Vitaly Bahanovich, John Tkachuk; Matushki Charlene Garklavs & unborn child, Anastasia Harris and Masha Tkachuk; all those confined to hospitals, nursing homes, and their own homes due to illness, including Helen Delandri; Irene Homa; Anatole Honczarenko; Olga Juck; Mary Kalakuka; Ann Karell; Daria Krawchuk; Mary Macagnone; Stephanie Phillips; Tekla Rzyk; Martha Slivka; Nicholas Washenko; for all soldiers, especially Mykola; widows, orphans, prisoners, victims of violence, and refugees, especially in the Middle East and in Ukraine; all those suffering chronic illness, financial hardship, loneliness, addiction, abuse, abandonment and despair; all Orthodox seminarians & families; all Orthodox monks and nuns, and all those considering monastic life; all Orthodox missionaries and their families. Birthdays: Kristine Skalski (8/16); Victoria Szpynda (8/18). Anniversary: Fr. Thomas & Matushka Evelyn Edwards (50 years, today).

**For blessed repose for the souls of:** Newly departed Andrew (+8/12); John Elsner (Beth Ryayk's stepfather, +8/4); Roger Alexander Breton (+7/8); Mary Kantor (+7/7); Protodeacon Gregory Hatrak (+7/1); and all those departed this life in hope of the Resurrection.

**Please give prayer requests to Fr. David, to Protodeacon John, or to an Altar Server. Typically, names remain on this list for 40 days, unless requested otherwise. Those confined to hospitals or homes, or suffering chronic illnesses, remain on the list.**

### CANDLE SPONSORSHIPS FOR AUGUST:

**Vigil Candle, Icon of Christ,** Departed Members, Wirchansky Family: Janet, Peter, Christina, Anne, Helen & Anastasia). Living: Wirchansky, Seckerson & Carlucci Families.

## PLANNING YOUR SUMMER TRAVELS:

1. **After you plan your flight (or train, or drive)...**
2. **After you book where you are staying...**
3. **Find the Orthodox Church where you'll go while you're there:**

Visit [www.orthodoxyinamerica.org](http://www.orthodoxyinamerica.org)



**PRAY FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS – our parish sons & daughters, OCF chapter members, AND those at nearby colleges who make HTO their spiritual home away from home!**

Elizabeth Bouteneff  
Michael Bouteneff  
Joe Ciamarra  
Jaroslaw Kopczka  
Kaydee Kowalczyk

Andrew Nolan  
August Perry  
Kamille Perry  
Schuyler Perry  
Christianna Piwinski  
Roman Piwinski

Amanda Rzyk  
Joshua Rzyk  
Stephanie Rzyk  
Justyna Skalski

*“Sending our kids to college without a connection to the Church is like sending children to play in traffic.” -- Archbishop Michael*  
Please tell Fr. David if there are any errors or omissions on this list.

### PASTORAL CARE – GENERAL INFORMATION

**Emergency Sick Calls** can be made at any time. Please call Fr. David at (914) 965-6815, when a family member is admitted to the hospital.

**Anointing In Sickness:** The Sacrament of Unction is available in Church, the hospital, or your home, for anyone who is sick, however severe. It doesn't mean “Last Rites!”

**Marriages and Baptisms** require early planning, scheduling, and selection of sponsors (crown bearers or godparents). See Father before booking dates and reception halls!

**Funerals** are celebrated for practicing Orthodox Christians. Please see Father for details.

***The Church opposes cremation; we cannot celebrate funerals for cremations.***

## **WANT TO HELP A STRUGGLING PARISH, MISSION, OR SEMINARIAN WITHIN OUR DIOCESAN FAMILY?**

Become a **DISTINGUISHED DIOCESAN BENEFACTOR!**

To see a video “slice of life” of our Diocesan churches, visit [www.nynjoca.org/2016\\_diocesan\\_assembly.html](http://www.nynjoca.org/2016_diocesan_assembly.html) ... scroll down to:  
**VIDEO: 2016 – THE YEAR IN REVIEW . Any questions? See Fr. David.**



**TODAY'S EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 4:9-16** Brethren: I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men.<sup>10</sup>We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ! We are weak, but you are strong! You are distinguished, but we are dishonored!<sup>11</sup>To the present hour we both hunger and thirst, and we are poorly clothed, and beaten, and homeless.<sup>12</sup>And we labor, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure;<sup>13</sup>being defamed, we entreat. We have been made as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now.<sup>14</sup>I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn you.<sup>15</sup>For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel.<sup>16</sup>Therefore I urge you, imitate me.

**TODAY'S GOSPEL Matthew 17:14-23** **At that time,** when Jesus and His disciples had come to the multitude, a man came to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying,<sup>15</sup>Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water.<sup>16</sup>So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him.<sup>17</sup>Then Jesus answered and said, “O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me.”<sup>18</sup>And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour.<sup>19</sup>Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, “Why could we not cast it out?”<sup>20</sup>So Jesus said to them, “Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.<sup>21</sup>However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting.<sup>22</sup>Now while they were staying in Galilee, Jesus said to them, “The Son of Man is about to be betrayed into the hands of men,<sup>23</sup>and they will kill Him, and the third day He will be raised up. And they were exceedingly sorrowful.



# DIOCESE OF NEW YORK & NEW JERSEY DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY 2017 SIX FLAGS GREAT ADVENTURE

## MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS A.S.A.P.!

For All Diocesan Youth and Friends... from elementary to middle school, to high school, to college!  
Bringing together the youth of our Churches with one another – for a day of fun and fellowship!

**WHEN:** Thursday, Aug. 24, 2016, 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM  
**WHERE:** Six Flags Great Adventure – Jackson, New Jersey  
**COST:** \$35 per person – Includes Admission to Six Flags Great Adventure and Round Trip Bus Transportation from St. Mary's Church Hall, 633 Oakwood Ave., Jackson, NJ, to Six Flags Great Adventure. A Meal Voucher, worth \$13.99, will be provided to each youth participant as a gift.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING:

**9:00 AM** Registration & Breakfast at St. Mary Russian Orthodox Church Hall, 633 Oakwood Avenue, Jackson, New Jersey  
**9:30 AM** Molieben Service of Thanksgiving, Followed by "Stump the Clergy" Question-and-Answer Session with Our Priests – Bring Your Questions!  
**11:00 AM** Depart St. Mary Russian Orthodox Church for Six Flags Great Adventure located at 1 Six Flags Blvd., Jackson, NJ 08527 (For GPS, also try 599 Monmouth Road)  
**11:30 AM – 8:00 PM** Spend the Day at Six Flags Great Adventure The Park is open 10:30 AM – 10:00 PM.  
**8:00 PM** Depart for St. Mary Russian Orthodox Church Hall, Jackson, New Jersey

**REGISTER NOW! -- Registration Forms Available from Fr. David**

**\*\*\* Adult Chaperones Needed... Contact Fr. Matthew Brown (see below) to sign up! \*\*\***

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Six Flags Great Adventure: [www.sixflags.com/greatadventure](http://www.sixflags.com/greatadventure)  
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## PLEDGE CAMPAIGN UPDATE

As you know, Holy Trinity Church has discontinued the old Diocesan Assessment and "dues" methods of gathering financial support of the Church's work from our parishioners. Instead we have moved to a Pledging system, where every parishioner household is asked to pledge, or commit, a certain amount that you will contribute over the year 2017 – whether weekly, monthly, or in an annual lump sum.

Here is an update on what has been pledged by parishioners for 2017, thus far:

- Total Funds Pledged \$61,581
- Total Pledge Forms Received 37  
(17 pledges were made by individuals, 20 by couples)
- Average Amount Pledged Per Form \$1,759
- Average Amount Pledged Per Person \$1,080
- Average Per *Orthodox Christian* Person \$1,184  
(Some couples where one spouse is not Orthodox pledged on behalf of *both!*  
This is an extra blessing for which we are grateful, and beyond what we could ask or expect. Thank you!)

Our parish expenses in 2016 were \$250,000. If all 162 *Orthodox Christian persons* who were mailed pledge forms (either as individuals or as part of a household) were to pledge on average \$1,544 *per person* for the year, we would meet that budget without having to draw upon our investments. If each of the 121 *households* that were mailed a pledge form were to pledge on average \$2,066 *per household* for the year, we'd also meet that budget.

We anticipate spending less than \$250,000 on operating expenses for 2017; if you've read your three issues (so far) of the Parish Council Newsletter, you've seen how existing expenses for maintenance and utilities are being trimmed significantly. So if we could meet the targets described above, we could end up with a *surplus!* Wouldn't that be great?

**So – if you have not yet completed a Pledge Form, please pick up the "Stewardship Commitment for 2017" brochure on the glass table in the back of the church, fill it out, and place it in the box there.**

Thank you ! With love in Christ, Fr. David