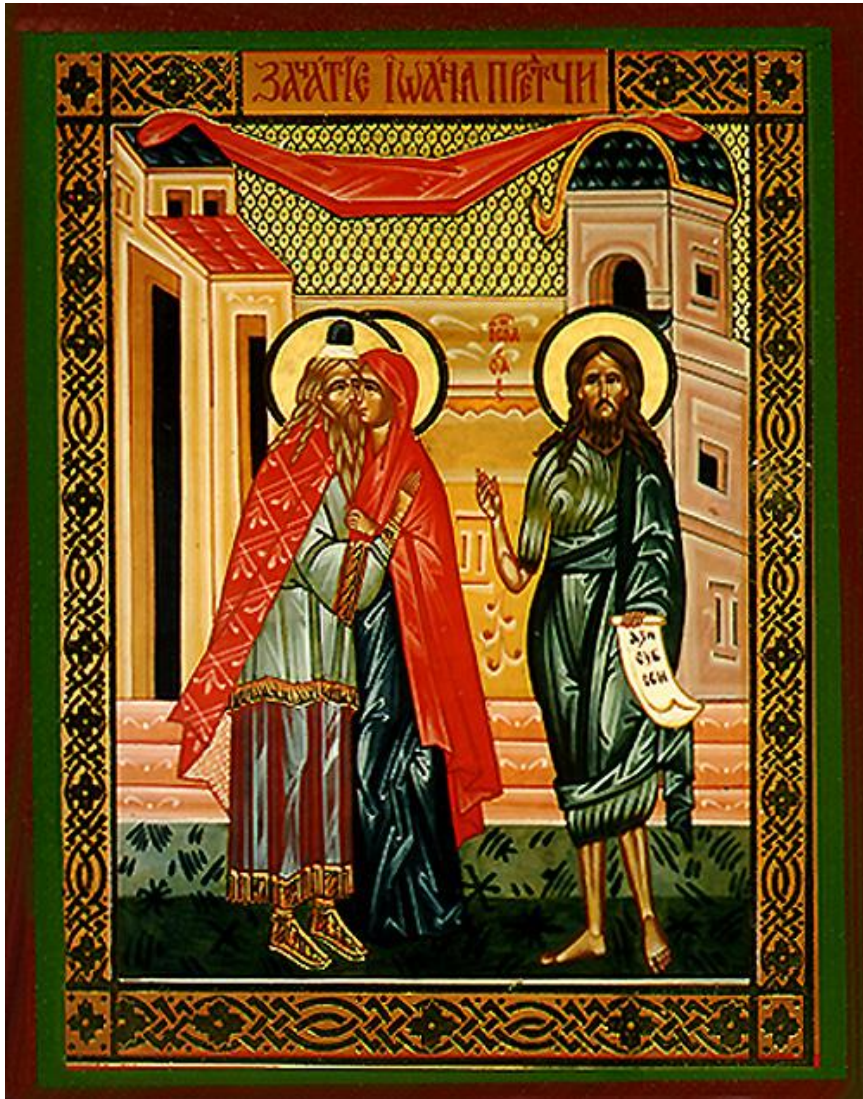


HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

Yonkers, New York



**Sunday, September 23, 2018 ~ 16th Sunday After Pentecost ~ Tone 8
Feast of the Conception of Saint John the Baptist**

WELCOME BABY ALEXANDER MATTHEW STATKEVICUS!

Vicky, Joel, and big sister and brother Anastasia and Nicholas welcomed Alexander Matthew on Monday, Sep. 17. Everyone is doing well and grateful for your prayers!
May God grant His newborn servant, Alexander Matthew, and all his family many blessed years! *"Mnogaya Lyeta!"*

OUR PRAYERFUL SYMPATHIES TO THE KOPCZA FAMILY

Our deepest sympathies are expressed to Michal and Danuta Kopcza and their family; on the recent falling asleep in the Lord of both Michal's father, + Wasyl Kopcza, and Danuta's son, + Marek Hyra. Visitation for Marek is tomorrow, 2-4PM and 7-9PM, with Panikhida at 7:30PM, Duchynski-Cherko Funeral Home, 601 Yonkers Ave. The Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday, September 25, at 10 AM, in St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church, 21 Shonnard Place.
May Wasyl's and Marek's memory be eternal! "Vechnaya Pamyat!"

THANK YOU, CHURCH SCHOOL STUDENTS!

Our Church School students and parents have already done their first project – beautifying the outside of the Church with lovely flowers, welcoming all who pass by and all who enter to make this their "Church home". *Thank you!*

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Today

8:45 AM *Chrismation* of Frederick and Richard Miller

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* with *Panikhida* for newly departed Marek Hyra and Wasyl Kopcza, and the ever-memorable Ywan, Mychal, Konrad and Pelagia, requested by Kopcza Family. Coffee Hour & Church School follow.

Saturday, September 29

6:00 PM *Reader's Vespers*, served by Pdn. John

Sunday, September 30

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* – Please Welcome Father Alexander Rental – Followed by Coffee Hour & Church School

NOTE: On the Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God (“Pokrov”), services will be held locally at St. Vladimir’s Seminary, located at 575 Scarsdale Road, Yonkers, in their Chapel.

Divine Liturgy there is Monday, October 1 at 7:00 AM;

and an Akathist to the Mother of God will be served the same day, Monday, October 1 at 5:00 PM.

TODAY'S EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1 Brethren: What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: “I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people.” Therefore “Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you. I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the LORD Almighty.” Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. **TODAY'S GOSPEL Luke 5:1-11** At that time, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets. Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat. When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, “Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” But Simon answered and said to Him, “Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net.” And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. So they signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!” For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men.” So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.

CAN YOU HELP WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING NEEDS?

- We are seeking someone to serve as Property Manager of the now rented Education Building – assisting with contacting vendors for needed repairs, and other issues that may need attention in order to honor our commitment to our tenants as stated in our lease. A stipend would be offered for this position.
- We need help identifying the best Parish Management Computer Software program to combine all our communications, stewardship, and recordkeeping in one digital “place.” Needed: a computer-savvy person or persons to help the Council select and learn one of the many programs out there that do this work (such as ACS Technologies, PowerChurch, ParishSOFT and many others).
- Producing a special Video Recording celebrating the 120th Anniversary of the Parish, which is coming up in 2019! Needed: one or more persons able to take quality videos with a phone or video camera, willing to interview parishioners and creatively assemble a memorable video collection of (working title) “What Holy Trinity Church Means to Us.”

See Fr. David or Parish Council President Pat Bouteneff to offer your help or ask for details –

and Stay Tuned for much more news and many opportunities to participate in our 120th Anniversary Celebration!

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.

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:

Newborn Alexander Matthew Statkevics (born 9/17); newly Baptized Alexandra Castro (bapt. 9/22); newly Chrismated Frederick & Richard Miller (today); Vera Bullock; John Krawchuk; Fr. Joseph Lickwar; Fr. Steven Belonick; Fr. Daniel Skvir; Charlie Andonis; children Felicity Davis & Victoria Saraceno; Vera Bouteneff; Ted Chaiko; Earle & Sally Ausman; Rocco Mastronardi; Nancy Prusak; Pedro Rosario; Honorina Rodriguez; Christina Sceppaquercia & Regina Cataldo; Mary Braig; expecting mothers Victoria Statkevics, Matushki Viktoria Budica & Lesiya Dubee and the children to be born to them; Fr. Nicholas & Mat. Anastasia Harris; Marian Harris; Vincent Knarr; Elena Herman; Nicholas Macagnone; Tanya Balasenowich; the child Alena; Andrew Czuchta; Boris Lyzak; Douglas & Susan Hansen; Bill Bodack; Courtney Lyzak; Suzanne Gee; Kathleen & Maryanne Nolan; Shawn Malone; Metropolitan Paul and Bishop Gregorios; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; the priests Frs. Maryan Chaykivsky, Samuel Davis, Stephen Hoskins, Samuel Kedala, Leonid Kishkovsky, John Malcom, Josef Petranin, John Reeves, Basil Summer, John Tkachuk, John Zabinko; Matushki Ellen Chupeck, Rebekah Markewich, Priscilla Shipley, Katherine White; all those confined to hospitals, nursing homes, and their own homes due to illness, including Eugen Balasenowich, Sr.; Maria Chouplat; Helen Delandri; Olga Donski; Walter Donski; Irene Homa; Anatole Honczarenko; Olga Juck; Olga Pavelchak; Stephanie Phillips; Tekla Rzyzyk; for all soldiers, especially Mykola; widows, orphans, prisoners, victims of violence and natural disasters, and refugees; 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. All those affected by the recent and current storms. Birthdays: Judith Mastronardi (9/22), Gabriel Cowan (9/23), Penny Cowan (Fr. David's mother, 9/24), Tina Reduto (9/25), Christianna Piwinski (9/28). Asking God's blessing on our labors renovating the Education Building and Church basement.

For blessed repose for the souls of: Newly departed Fr. Vincent Saverino (+9/20); Marek Hyra (+9/18); Wasyl Kopcza; Marie Holowatch (+9/9); Suzanne Martinez (+9/5); Volodymyr Polishchuk (+9/4); Nina Dimas (Fr. John Tkachuk's sister, +8/24); June (8/24); Lawrence Dunn (+8/24); Teodor Plaskon (Maria Wislocki's father, +7/22); Mykolaj Plaskon (Maria's uncle, +6/2); all those whose lives were lost in the recent and current storms; 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.

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
Joe Ciamarra
Brandon Ferguson
Samantha Fricke
Kaydee Kowalczyk
Andrew Nolan

Peter Nolan
August Perry
Kamille Perry
Joshua Rzyzyk
Stephanie Rzyzyk
Matthew Skalski

Justyna Skalski
Adriana Szynda
Emily Szynda
Katherine Wislocki
Olivia Wislocki

"Sending our kids to college without a connection to the Church is like sending children to play in traffic." -- Abp. Michael

Please tell Fr. David if there are any errors or omissions on this list.

CANDLE SPONSORSHIPS FOR SEPTEMBER:

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

SPIRITUAL ENCOURAGEMENT FOR TODAY (AND EVERY DAY) ...

Do not claim to have acquired virtue unless you have suffered affliction, for without affliction virtue has not been tested.

+ St. Mark the Ascetic

ANNUAL GIRLS' RETREAT

Saint Basil Academy | Garrison, NY
November 9-11, 2018

*Finding Your
True North:
Where Does
Christ Fit
into Your
Life?*



OPEN TO: Young Women in Grades 7-12

QUESTIONS?

Contact: Danielle Geeza, Chairperson,
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SPEAKER: Natalie Kapeluck Nixon
Director for Youth & Young Adult Ministry of the Ukrainian Orthodox
Church of the USA and Ukrainian Orthodox Camping Programs

Sponsored by the OCA Diocese of New York & New Jersey
All jurisdictions and nearby dioceses are welcome!

Registration deadline is October 26th ... sign up today!

To register online, please visit: nynjoca.wixsite.com/nynjocayouth/upcoming-events

For more information, please speak with Fr. David or Matushka Tamara.

COMING UP IN THE PARISH, THE DIOCESE, AND ELSEWHERE ...

- **Sunday, October 21, at Coffee Hour: OYMT Stockholder Appreciation Day.** You'll see a slideshow of the Orthodox Youth Mission Team's trip to Tennessee and hear from them about the amazing experiences they had!
- **Friday-Sunday, Nov. 9-11: Annual Diocesan Girls' Retreat,** at St. Basil's Academy, Garrison NY.

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