

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, October 27, 2019

19th Sunday After Pentecost ~ Tone 2 ~ Martyr St. Nestor at Thessalonica

FATHER VLAD ZABLOTSKY COMING TO HOLY TRINITY

As you know, my family and I will be leaving Holy Trinity Church and moving away. Our last Sunday here will be November 10, and my assignment here ends on November 15.

Your new pastor, Fr. Vlad Zablotsky, will serve his first services here Saturday-Sunday, November 23-24.

Father Vlad and Matushka Jeanne come to us from Saints Peter and Paul Church in Buffalo, NY, where they have done incredible work ministering to families who have been Orthodox for generations – as well as neighbors who know little or nothing about the Orthodox Faith.

Fr. Vlad and Matushka Jeanne will love you and care for you. Please prepare to welcome them with open arms!

With love in Christ, Fr. David



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SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Today

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* with *Panikhida* for William Sr. & Helen Bolinsky, Vladimir Kowalczyk & Walter Kowalczyk; Anna Mae Balasenowich & Eva Pavelchak, requested by the Bolinsky, Kowalczyk & Balasenowich Families, followed by Church School & Coffee Hour

Saturday, November 2

12:00 PM *Memorial Service* for Edward Dodge, requested by his wife Christine

2:00 PM *Baptism* of Daniel Miroshnikov

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

***** Daylight Savings Time begins 2 A.M. Sunday, November 3. Set your clocks an hour behind ... and enjoy an extra hour of sleep before coming to the Divine Liturgy well rested! ☺ *****

Sunday, November 3

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* followed by *Panikhida* for Efrozina, Osif, Mary, John & Alex Marchak; Helen & James Dempsey; Rose, Dinitri & Bill Cymbrowsky; Mary & Frank Kiss; Walter Lang and Joseph Voves, requested by the Dempsey Family; and Coffee Hour Lunch Hosted by the Macagnone Family in memory of Vincent & Mary Macagnone, Neysa Rascona, Sal & Rose Genovese, and Paul Poswinski.

TODAY'S EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9 Brethren: The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king, was guarding the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desiring to arrest me; but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands. It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago – whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows – such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows – how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me. And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. **TODAY'S GOSPEL Luke 8:26-39** At that time, Jesus and His disciples sailed to the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. And when He stepped out on the land, there met Him a certain man from the city who had demons for a long time. And he wore no clothes, nor did he live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out, fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, “What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!” For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had often seized him, and he was kept under guard, bound with chains and shackles; and he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the wilderness. Jesus asked him, saying, “What is your name?” And he said, “Legion,” because many demons had entered him. And they begged Him that He would not command them to go out into the abyss. Now a herd of many swine was feeding there on the mountain. So they begged Him that He would permit them to enter them. And He permitted them. Then the demons went out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the lake and drowned. When those who fed them saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. Then they went out to see what had happened, and came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. They also who had seen it told them by what means he who had been demon-possessed was healed. Then the whole multitude of the surrounding region of the Gadarenes asked Him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. And He got into the boat and returned. Now the man from whom the demons had departed begged Him that he might be with Him. But Jesus sent him away, saying, Return to your own house, and tell what great things God has done for you. And he went his way and proclaimed throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him.

COMING UP IN THE PARISH AND THE DIOCESE:

- Thursday–Friday, Oct. 31–Nov. 1: Diocesan Assembly, Holy Trinity Church, East Meadow NY.
- Saturday, November 16: 2nd Annual Diocesan BIBLE BOWL, at Holy Resurrection Church, 285 French Hill Road, Wayne NJ. See next page for details.
- Friday–Sunday, Nov. 22–24: Diocesan Girls’ Retreat. See next page for details.
- July 15–21, 2020: Pilgrimage to Alaska with Archbishop Michael: Celebrating 50 Years of the Glorification of St. Herman of Alaska, and the Autocephaly of the OCA! Pick up a poster on the Welcome Table with details.

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL

PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION PLAN – SEPTEMBER 2019

- Install 2 ADA-accessible bathrooms, and install plumbing and electricity and create space for future fully-appointed kitchen: \$70,000
- Install very basic kitchen – fridge, sink, microwave, hot plate, cabinets, counter for food preparation (NO gas connection and NO hood): \$10,000
- Framing classroom / meeting room, church office, closet, and Ladies Guild Shop space: \$15,000
- Second Exit / Egress as required by code: \$40,000.
- Other expenses: architect, permits, surveys, unforeseen plan changes: \$65,000.

GOAL TO RAISE: \$200,000

Total Raised as of October 13, 2019: \$54,250

Remaining Total Needed to Reach Our Goal: \$145,850

If we should complete these tasks under budget, excess funds will be dedicated to the next phases of church renovation and improvement.

HOW CAN I PLEDGE MY FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE RENOVATIONS?

Approximately 100 households (a single person or a family) are either parish members or friends of the parish.

On average, \$200,000 divided by 100 families is \$2,000 per family,

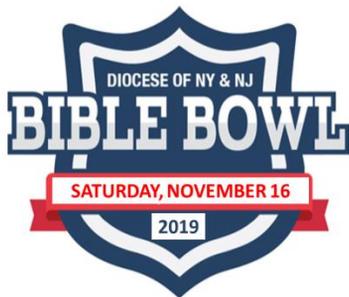
in addition to regular annual stewardship pledges to operate the parish. This could be spread out, for example:

- OVER 3 YEARS: \$2,000 over 3 years = \$667 per year ... \$55.58 per month ... \$12.83 per week
- OVER 5 YEARS: \$2,000 over 5 years = \$400 per year ... \$33.33 per month ... \$7.70 per week

Some people have been blessed with more materially so can give more than the average.

Some people can give something, even if it is less than the average.

Please be aware that these Renovation pledges and gifts are in addition to our annual Stewardship Pledges and pledged contributions which help fund the normal operations of the parish.



The 2nd Annual Diocesan BIBLE BOWL will be held Saturday, November 16, from 10 AM – 2 PM, at Holy Resurrection Church, 285 French Hill Road, Wayne NJ.

Pre-teen: Ages 9-12 Teens: Ages 13-19 Adults: Ages 20+
It would be great to send teams with returning competitors from last year – and add new Bible Bowlers to our teams, too!

Sign Up and get your Practice Questions from Mat. Tamara:
tamarancowan@hotmail.com

DIOCESAN
GIRLS'
RETREAT
NOV. 22-24

“Come As You Are: A Friend Loves At All Times!”

Retreat Leaders:

Danielle Geeza ▪ Lara Haluszczak ▪ Matushka Dennise Kraus ▪ Maria Pappas

The GIRLS' RETREAT is open to all young women in 7th to 12th grades. It will be at Camp Shiloh, NJ. The Registration Deadline is Friday, Nov. 8. Go to the Diocesan Website, www.nynjoca.org and see the Girls' Retreat listing for links to the retreat schedule and registration.

LOOKING FOR A RENTAL

Do you know of anyone who has an economical large studio / 1 bedroom apartment for someone who is close to our Parish family? Please call Olga Ptach (914-365-3805 / 914-262-1061) if you can help. Thanks so much.

PRAYER LIST

Newly Baptized Giselle Esposito & Maximilian VanLare; Ludmilla Branzow; Olga Ptach; Albi Kavov; Luke Kusick; Edward Kiss; Viktoria; Brittany (Vera Kuzmenko's daughter) and Cameron, to be married Nov. 2; Caroline Wisniewski (Suzanne Nolan's sister); Fr. Samuel & Mat. Photini Davis and the pre-born child lost to them; Fr. John Chupeck; Fr. Samuel Kedala; Fr. Paul Kucynda; Fr. Dennis Nagi; Mat. Deborah Belonick and her family; George & Madeline Mirosnikov and the child to be born to them; Eunice Bullock (Nigel's mother); Lawrence DeNoia; Tina Seckerson; Catechumen Judy & Rocco Mastronardi; Frank, Fr. Nicholas & Mat. Anastasia Harris, James & Jane Cowan, Sara Houghton, Aaron Hoskins; Vera Bullock; John Krawchuk; Sharon Turpening; Danielle, Sofia and Stella Miller; Marilyn; Martha Scigliano; Charlie Andonis; children Daniel Markewich, Victoria Saraceno & Charlie; Vera Bouteneff; Ted Chaiko; Nancy Prusak; Honorina Rodriguez; Mary Braig; Marian Harris; Vincent Knarr; Luka & 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. Vitaly Bahanovich, Stephen Hoskins, Leonid Kishkovsky, John Malcom, Josef Petranin, John Reeves, Daniel Skvir, Basil Summer, Dennis Swencki; John Tkachuk, John Zabinko; Matushki Ellen Chupeck, Myra Kovalak, Rebekah Markewich, Alexandra Safchuk, Priscilla Shipley; 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; Stephanie Phillips; Tekla Rzyzyk; Edward Wirchansky; 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. Birthday: Emil Skalski (10/31). Asking God's blessing on our labors renovating the Church building.

For blessed repose for the souls of: Newly departed Julia Honczar (Nancy Prusak's aunt, our former parishioner, +10/12), Lidia Kulnicz (+10/10), Nana Tchitchinadze (+9/26); Frank Pugliese (+9/20); Bartholome (+9/18); Gertrude Mach (Samantha Fricke's grandmother, +9/12); Maria Kaspruk (+9/3); Victor Makarov (+11/28/18); 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.**

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!

Tatiana Balasenowich
Elizabeth Bouteneff
Joe Ciamarra
Brandon Ferguson
Samantha Fricke
Kaydee Kowalczyk
Sofia Miller

Stella Miller
Andrew Nolan
Frances Nolan
Peter Nolan
Joshua Rzyzyk
Stephanie Rzyzyk
Lukas Skalski

Matthew Skalski
Justyna Skalski
Thomas Skalski
Adriana Szpynda
Emily Szpynda
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 OCTOBER:

Vigil Candles, Icons of Christ and the Theotokos, Departed Members, Wirchansky Family: Janet, Peter, Christina, Anne, Helen & Anastasia. Living: Wirchansky, Seckerson & Carlucci Families. **Vigil Candle, St. Nicholas, South Kliros,** Newly Departed Regina Cataldo and Christina Sceppaquercia.

WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS

"We frequently amuse ourselves with our affairs and business, with our duties, fulfilling them heedlessly, carelessly, and wrongfully, and using them for our own covetous, earthly purposes. ... We amuse ourselves with time, which ought to be wisely utilized for redeeming eternity, and not for games and various pleasures. ... Finally, we amuse ourselves with our own selves, making idols out of ourselves, before which we bow down, and before which we expect other to bow down."

– Saint John of Kronstadt, *My Life in Christ*