

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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SUNDAY

JANUARY 4, 2020

29th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 4. Eve of Theophany . Sunday before Theophany. Hieromartyr Theopemptus, Bishop of Nicomedia, and Martyr Theonas (303). Ven. Syncletica of Alexandria (ca. 350). Prophet Micah (9th c. BC). Virginmartyr Apollinaria of Egypt (ca. 470). Ven. Phosterius the Hermit (9th c.). Ven. Menas of Sinai (6th c.). Ven. Gregory of Crete (ca. 820). Ven. Romanos, Martyr (1694).



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Whether you are looking for a new church or just visiting, we are glad you are here. We hope you found our services edifying and uplifting. Please also join us for coffee hour at the rectory, so we can get to know you. While the Holy Communion reserved for properly prepared Orthodox Christians, you are welcome to venerate the cross at the end of the Divine Liturgy and receive the blessed bread.

Today, January 5th - Eve of Theophany

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy, Great Blessing of Waters*

6:00 PM *Vigil of Theophany*

Monday, January 6th - Theophany of Our Lord

9:30 PM *Divine Liturgy, Blessing of Waters*

Tuesday, January 7th Synaxis of John the Baptist (Nativity on old calendar).

10:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*

Saturday, January 11th

5:30 PM *Confessions*

6:00 PM *Vespers*

Today's Hymns

Tone 4 Troparion

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 God is risen, granting the world great mercy!"

Tone 4 Troparion of the Forefeast

The river Jordan was turned back by the mantle of Elisha, after Elijah had been taken up to heaven. The waters were parted in two, and the stream became a dry path. This was truly a type of baptism, by which we pass over the stream of life. Christ has shone forth in the Jordan to sanctify the waters.

Tone 4 Kontakion (Resurrection)

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

Tone 2 Kontakion (Forefeast)

O Christ, in Thy compassion and infinite mercy, Thou art coming as a man to be baptized in the Jordan, in order to take away the many transgressions of us all, clothing me in the garment of ancient glory of which I was cruelly stripped bare.

Tone 4 Kontakion (Forefeast)

Today the Lord enters the Jordan and cries out to John: "Do not be afraid to baptize me, for I come to save Adam, the first-formed man!"

Tone 6 Prokeimenon

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance! (Ps 27/28:9)

v: To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me! (Ps 27/28:1)



Today's Readings

TODAY'S EPISTLE - 2 Timothy 4:5-8 – ⁵ But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. ⁶ For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

TODAY'S GOSPEL Mark 1:1-8 – ¹ The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. ² As it is written in the Prophets: "Behold, I send My messenger before Your face, Who will prepare Your way before You. ³ The

voice of one crying in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the LORD; make His paths straight.’” ⁴ John came baptizing in the wilderness and preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. ⁵ Then all the land of Judea, and those from Jerusalem, went out to him and were all baptized by him in the Jordan River, confessing their sins. ⁶ Now John was clothed with camel’s hair and with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ And he preached, saying, “There comes One after me who is mightier than I, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to stoop down and loose. ⁸ I indeed baptized you with water, but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

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 Rzyk, Stephanie Rzyk, Lukas Skalski, Matthew Skalski, Justyna Skalski, Thomas Skalski, Adriana Szpynda, Emily Szpynda, Katherine Wislocki, Olivia Wislocki.

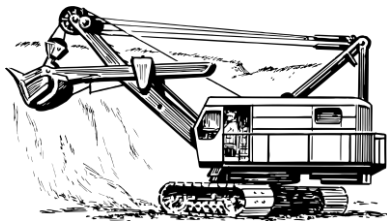
“Sending our kids to college without a connection to the Church is like sending children to play in traffic.” -- Abp. Michael

PRAYER LIST

For health: Archpriest John Kowalczyk , Fr. Vitaly Bahanovich, Brother John of the New Skete, Victoria Szpynda, Christina Marie Czyzk, Vera Bullock, Ludmilla Branzow, George & Madeline Miroshnikov and their son George, Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov, Bill Bodack, Maria Chouplat, Helen Delandri, Olga Donski, John and Eugenia Gribb, Helen Homa, Irene Homa, Anatole Honczarenko, Helen Maybo, Nancy Prusak, Stephanie Phillips, Tekla Rzyk, Edward Wirchansky, Presbytera Nancy Hutnyan, all the members and benefactors of our church. **For blessed repose for the souls of:** Newly Departed Child +Ephrem Talley, Newly departed + Amelia Rugala, Newly departed +Taisia Sviderskaya (+12/16) Newly departed +George Jaczina (+12/8); Newly departed Vera Bouteneff (+11/7); Lillian Rebovich (+11/2); Khouriya Anastasia Farha (+10/31), and all those departed this life in hope of the Resurrection.

CANDLE SPONSORSHIPS FOR DECEMBER:

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.



THE LONG-AWAITED RENOVATION PROJECT HAS BEGUN!

The excavation has begun on the side of Ashburton Avenue to prepare for the construction of the second entrance/exit to the basement of our

church. If you have not done so yet, or perhaps can do it again, please consider offering your support through a donation. To make an online donation please scan the QR code with your smart phone or visit <http://bit.ly/GiveToHTOC>



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Holy Trinity Orthodox Church has a considerable presence online in this digital age. We encourage you to stay connected with us through a variety of channels – our newsletter, our website, our Facebook page, our YouTube Channel. We often update these channels with news, happenings and highlights of the life of our parish. We are also looking for volunteers to serve on soon to be formed IT committee - please see Fr. Vlad or Elena Paolercio.

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

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: On Sunday, January 26, 2020, Following the Divine Liturgy our parish will hold the annual parish meeting. All voting members are asked to attend. According to the bylaws of our parish the presence of 25% of the voting members is required for the meeting to take place. **PLEASE MARK THIS ON YOUR CALENDARS TODAY!**
