

“SERVICE AFTER THE SERVICE” ~ Sunday, October 4

On Sunday, October 4, at Coffee Hour, please plan to participate in two important activities as a parish family:

ASP MISSION TEAM PRESENTATION

Our kids and chaperones who traveled to Kentucky this summer, will show a video and share their reflections on the experience ... and they're hosting Coffee Hour, too!

CARE KIT ASSEMBLY-LINE FOR NEIGHBORS IN NEED

While we enjoy the ASP presentation and refreshments, we will assemble Homeless Care Kits to have at the ready for those who visit the church in need of help.

Donations of the following items would be most helpful.

A typical Care Kit is a **watertight gallon zip-lock plastic bag** filled with items like:

Water bottle ~ Socks ~ Tuna & crackers ~ Granola bar or cereal bar
Fruit snack or applesauce cup ~ Crackers with
peanut butter “singles” or wrapped cheese single-servings
Gift card to fast-food place ~ Hand wipes ~ Pack of Kleenex
Maxi pads ~ Toothbrush & toothpaste
Nail clippers ~ Band Aids ~ Chapstick ~
Comb or small brush ~ Mints, cough drops or gum
Note of encouragement, assurance of your prayers

Suggestion: Contact Pat Bouteneff, (914) 548-1347 or patfannb@parsleysages.com to let her know what you plan to donate, so we'll know what still needs to be purchased.

Thank you!

CHURCH SCHOOL AIDES ARE NEEDED...

See Fr. David for more information.

...And Soon, **PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS** will be needed too:

There are **three Parish Council positions** which will open up early in 2016:

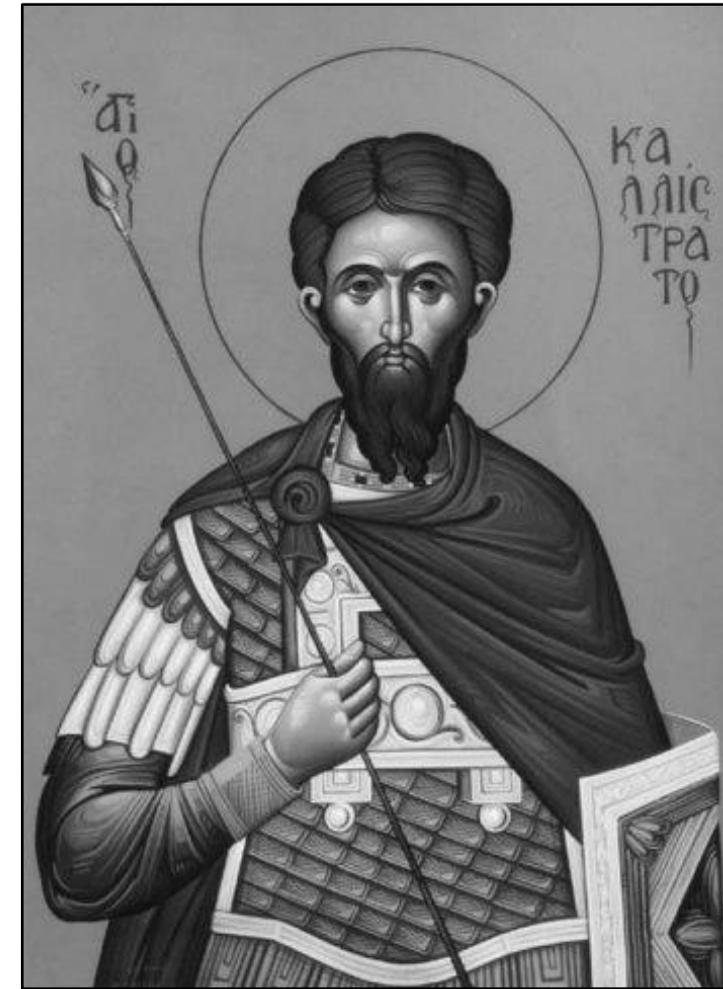
the offices of **President**, currently held by Victoria Statkevics;

Treasurer, currently held by Jim Reduto; and

Financial Secretary, held by Joel Statkevics.

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

Yonkers, New York



Sunday, September 27, 2015 ~ 17th Sunday After Pentecost
Martyr St. Callistratus, and the 49 Martyred With Him

We are seeking donations of *seven copies of The Orthodox Study Bible*

(\$35 each) for our Church School students ... so that there will be

one copy for each student in our Junior and Senior High classes.

Please contact Father David if you would like to donate. Thank you!



HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Martyr St. Callistratus and the 49 Martyred With Him
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1; Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Today – Martyrs Callistratus and the 49 Martyred With Him (+ about 304)

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy*

Wednesday, Sep. 30

7:00 PM *Great Vespers & Litya* – Feast of “Pokrov”, Protection of the Mother of God

Thursday, Oct. 1

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* – “Pokrov”, Protection of the Mother of God

Saturday, Oct. 3

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

Sunday, Oct. 4

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy*

At Coffee Hour: ASP Teen Mission Team Presentation and Thank-You Lunch;
 Assembly of Homeless Care Kits

12:30 PM Parish Council Meets – in the Education Building

Tuesday, Oct. 6

9:30 AM *Akathist* to Saint Innocent of Moscow, Enlightener of Alaska

Saturday, October 10

3:30 PM *Visitation and Healing Service* with the Icon of St. Anna,
 the Mother of the Mother of God – Reception Follows in the Ed. Building

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

Sunday, October 11 – The Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy*

PLEASE BRING YOUR 2015 DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT BY SUN., 10/18

The Diocesan Assessment is again set at \$145.00 per person for 2015.

So we may submit our accurate parish census to the Diocesan Office by Nov. 1,
 please bring your \$145.00 Diocesan Assessment here by Sunday, October 18.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

**A HEALING SERVICE WITH
 THE MIRACLE-WORKING
 ICON OF SAINT ANNA**



**Come and pray with the Mother of the Virgin Mary...
 and be anointed with the oil from her holy icon.**

Saturday, October 10, 2015 ~ 3:30 PM

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 46 Seymour St., Yonkers

A Reception follows in our Education Building.

(914) 965-6815 ~ www.HolyTrinityYonkers.org

***Your Help is Needed* for this major Outreach Event!
 Greeters ...Slavic Languages and Spanish Speakers...
 Singers... Bakers and Servers for the Reception Afterward!
 Please see Fr. David, Mat. Tamara, or Vicky to offer your help.**

“BABA – LOGY”: Episode 6

Baba's Theology:

Practical Wisdom from Pious Grandmothers



Prayers for the departed

There is a way of speaking in Orthodoxy that is very special and which makes our very mention of someone who is departed a prayer in itself. Whenever someone mentions the name of a departed loved one or relative, they immediately say, “May God forgive him! her.” For example, “My grandfather, may God forgive him, had a great influence on my life.” Of course, our faithful, both converts and those raised in the Orthodox Church, know that we pray for the departed at specific Memorial Services and that they are remembered at the Proskomedia before the Divine Liturgy.

We can also request a Memorial Service (Panikhida, Parastas) for an individual or for family members at any time of the year (with only a few exceptions). Often those requesting a Memorial Service will also make a financial offering to the church, and host a meal in memory of the departed. Very often, when a family member falls asleep in the Lord, the family will make an offering to the church of a needed item: an icon, candle stand, vestments, etc. in that person's memory.

Offerings in memory of the departed can be given at any time whatsoever, even without a Memorial Service. In fact, in villages in an Orthodox country it is very common to have a complete stranger approach you and hand you a handkerchief, a small bread or pastry, even a few coins, etc, saying, “this is in memory of my mother! father/brother, etc.” In accepting this gift, the recipient says “May God forgive him/her.” In Slavic Orthodox culture, it is especially the practice to pray in church on behalf of the departed if someone dreams of that person, for it is felt that the departed one is in need of intercession at that time. St. Ephraim the Syrian affirms that “the departed feel the prayers and sacrifices made for them.”

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.***

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.”¹⁷Therefore Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you.”¹⁸I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the LORD

Almighty.”¹Therefore, 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 Jesus, to hear the word of God, He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret,²and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets.³Then 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.⁴When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, “Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.”⁵But 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.”⁶And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking.⁷So 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.⁸When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!”⁹For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken;¹⁰and 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.”¹¹So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.



This Diocesan event for girls in Grades 7-12 will take place at St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, NY, one hour north of here. There is no charge to attend. See Father or Matushka for more information!

**TWO HTO MEMBERS ARE TAKING AN EXCITING MISSION TRIP –
AND YOU CAN HELP!**

From Oct. 6-14, our own **Dasha Piwinski and Beth Rzyk** will be participating in an Orthodox Adult Mission Trip to Eagle Butte, South Dakota. There they will minister to the Lakota Native Americans on the Cheyenne River Reservation. They will be working with the youth in the Cheyenne River Youth Project, which provides an after-school program for children ages 4-18. They will also be assisting the families in this community in several other ways. One of the poorest counties in our country is on this reservation. One of the goals of the Cheyenne River Youth Project is to provide impoverished families with basic needs. They are currently planning for their Christmas gift program and are in need of diapers, wipes, baby shampoo and hygiene items for teenage boys. Since the adult mission group will be flying to South Dakota, it makes the most sense to buy the items once the group arrives. Your donations will help Dasha, Beth and their fellow missionaries to purchase items that can be used by the Lakota people whom they will be serving. **If you would like to make a contribution to help these families, please make your offering payable to Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, with “Beth / Dasha Mission Trip” in the Memo section, and give it to Beth or Dasha.**

Please visit the LADIES' GUILD GIFT SHOP

Featuring Icons ... Decorated Eggs ...
Orthodox Greeting Cards and Gifts for All Occasions!
Open Today During Coffee Hour,
Located in the Education Building,
Second Room on the Right from the Courtyard Entrance

**DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED –
TOWARD NEW PUMPS FOR OUR HEATING SYSTEM**

It is “Indian Summer” now ... but it'll be winter again before we know it!

We have raised \$4,450 thus far, and we have \$1,550 left to raise.

The cost to install new pumps is \$6,000.00.

**The job is in progress so that we have the equipment by winter ...
your continued donations are most appreciated!**

To contribute, please see Fr. David, Parish Council President Vicky Statkevics,
or any other Parish Council member. ***Thank you*** for your generous assistance!

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:**

Newly baptized Andrew Galkin; Helen & Aldo and James & Penny preparing to travel; Susan Cook; Julianna Sannella; Edward Kiss; Newborn Courtney Lyzak; Anatole Honczarenko; Tekla Rzyk; Melpomene Photini; Timothy; Mat. Anastasia Harris; Jennifer Drake (Beth Rzyk's sister); Janet VanDuyn; newborn Annie Catherine & mother Sara Korischar; Matushka Kerri Fox; Elias Kachur; Mat. Olga Meerson; Elena Herman; Eleanor Wasilko; Adriana Szpynda; baby Alena King; Ludmila Branzow; Nathan Orsini; Suzanne Gee; Matthew & Malek; Evan; Nicholas; Anne & Jennifer; Dorothy Vernak; Nikolette Katechis; expecting parents Juliana & Mark Federoff and baby; Nicholas Washenko; Maryanne Nolan; His Eminence, Archbishop Seraphim; Stan & Victoria, and all those preparing for marriage; Kevin Kuzmenko; Shawn Malone; Metropolitan Paul and Bishop Gregorios, Vera Bullock; Julia Wislocki; Schuyler Perry; Doris Morin; Kelly Ray; Justin Solak; Carmen Fesh; Anne Kakos, Kay Baker (Anne's sister); Vitaliy Khutko; Malcolm Kirkpatrick; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; Kathleen Nolan; the priests Frs. Vitaly Bahanovich, John Tkachuk, Joseph Chupeck, George Hasenecz, Alexey Karlgut, Leonid Kishkovsky, Joseph Kreshik Joseph Lickwar, Herman Schick, David Shewczyk, Ken James Stavrevsky, Daniel Degyansky, Stephen Mack, PDn. Peter Skoog; Ann Belchyk; Klara Borzova; Helen Delandri; Helen Dempsey; Olga Juck; Mary Kalakuka; Mary Kantor; Daria Krawchuk; Olga Pavelchak; Stephanie Phillips; Mat. Juliana Schmemann; Martha Slivka; Zena Weshta; all those confined to hospitals, nursing homes, and their own homes due to illness; for all soldiers, especially Jorge, Bryan & Mykola; widows, orphans, prisoners, victims of violence, and refugees, especially in Iraq, Syria, Egypt, and the Ukraine; all those suffering chronic illness, financial hardship, loneliness, addiction, abuse, abandonment and despair; all Orthodox seminarians & families, especially John & Brenda Mikitish; all Orthodox monks, nuns and all those considering the monastic life; all Orthodox missionaries and their families. Birthday: Christianna Piwinski (9/28)

For blessed repose for the souls of: The newly departed Corey; Thomas Michaels (+9/2); ever-memorable Sirmatenia, Mary Anne & Theodore; Edward Kepple; and all departed 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.**

**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!**

Michael Bouteneff	Andrew Nolan	Peter Rzyk
Joe Ciamarra	Kamille Perry	Matt Skalski
Kaydee Kowalczyk	Schuyler Perry	Alexandra Solak
Dan Kozak	Roman Piwinski	Justyna Skalski
Madeline Miroshnikov	Amanda Rzyk	Monika Wislocki

***“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.