MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR:

Fr. David's Top Seven List of Services to Put Your Daily Life on Hold For This Spring:

Sunday, March 13:

Forgiveness Sunday – The Day Before Great Lent

*** Choose at least <u>one</u> of the evening **Liturgies of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts** – Typically celebrated

on Wednesday and Friday evenings; between March 16 – April 20 (Lenten Calendar coming soon, with details)

Palm Sunday Evening, April 24:

The "Bridegroom Matins" that Begins Holy Week – Archbishop Michael, Presiding

Holy Thursday Evening, April 28:

The Story of Jesus' Betrayal, Trial, and Death

Holy Friday Evening, April 29:

The Lamentations of the Mother of God (beautifully sung by your Choir!) and Procession with the Burial Shroud of the Lord (the *Plashchanitsa*)

Holy Saturday Night, April 30, through Holy Pascha Sunday, May 1:

The Services of Holy PASCHA (Easter)

Monday Morning, May 2:

Bright Monday Liturgy of Pascha – The Celebration Continues!

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH Yonkers, New York



Sunday, February 21, 2016
The Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee
First Sunday of the Lenten Triodion

MEMORY ETERNAL ~ JUSTIN SOLAK

Justin, the son of our Vera Bullock, fell asleep in the Lord on February 14.

The cause of his death was a heroin overdose. Justin was 25 years old.

His services were held Friday and yesterday, and he was laid to rest at Saint Tikhon's Monastery Cemetery. Our prayerful sympathies are with Vera, Nigel, Lexi, Peter, Fr. John and Matushka Masha, and all of their family.

May Justin's memory be eternal!



HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15; Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Today - The Publican and the Pharisee

9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy with Panikhida for Petro, Eugenia, Andryj, Krystyna & Vasyl,

by Danuta Kopcza; for John & Julia Wislocki, requested by Mr. and

Mrs. Andrew Czuchta; and for John Kowalczyk, by the Wasenda Family

Blessing of Homes Continues – Contact Fr. David if you would like him to

visit and bless your home, (914) 965-6815 or frdavidcowan@gmail.com

Friday, February 26

7:00 PM

Great Vesters - Feast of St. Raphael, Bishop of Brooklyn (and one of the three Saints who stood here and consecrated our church!)

Saturday, February 27

Divine Liturgy - Feast of St. Raphael, Bishop of Brooklyn 9:30 AM

Baptism of Maxim Sebastian Pascal-Cohen 2:00 PM

Private Confession Available 5:30 PM

Great Vespers 6:00 PM

Sunday, February 28 – The Prodigal Son

9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy with Panikhida for Nicola (+3/9/90), Camille (+2/5/02), and Linda Ciamarra (+2/29/04), requested by Bob & Lidia Ciamarra; for John Kowalczyk, by Jaroslawa & Wasyl Sembrat; and for John & Julia Wislocki, by Donna & Michael Didyk and Family

At Coffee Hour: The Yolka! – and Festive Luncheon. Suggested donation \$20 for Adults.

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

HAVE DINNER WITH THE ARCHBISHOP ON FEB. 28!

As a parish, we contributed to the Distinguished Diocesan Benefactor program. Come to dinner that night at St. Nicholas Church in Whitestone, and see what the Diocese does with your support!



"Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers ... " (Ephesians 1:15-16)

You are cordially invited to attend the New York City Deanery Appreciation Dinner for the 2015 Distinguished Diocesan Benefactors of the Diocese of New York & New Jersey

> hosted with gratitude by His Eminence, Archbishop MICHAEL

> > Sunday, February 28, 2016 at five o'clock in the evening

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church 14-65 Clintonville Street Whitestone, New York 11357

~You are encouraged to bring family members and parish guests~

RSVP by Sunday, February 21 with the number attending to Fr. David at 914-965-6815 or email: frdavidcowan@gmail.com

Two Very Special People Have Moved:

Irene Homa and **Anne Kakos** have relocated outside of Yonkers. If you'd like to contact either of them, see Fr. David for information.

The Yolka has been re-scheduled to Sunday, February 28.

That is the date when the greatest number of participants can be here. Matushka Tamara will contact participants and their families with details.

On Sunday, March 27: A Special Presentation from OCMC: the Orthodox Christian Mission Center.

Please stay for Coffee Hour that day and welcome Fr. Juvenaly, a New York native Orthodox monastic now preparing to resume his missionary journey in South America!

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

Bassim AbbasiAndrew NolanMatt SkalskiMichael BouteneffKamille PerryAlexandra SolakJoe CiamarraSchuyler PerryJustyna SkalskiKaydee KowalczykRoman PiwinskiMonika Wislocki

Dan Kozak Amanda Ryzyk Madeline Miroshnikov Peter Ryzyk

"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.

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

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

<u>Funerals</u> 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 Timothy 3:10-15** My son Timothy: You have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance,11persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra – what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me.12Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution.13But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.14But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them,15and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

TODAY'S GOSPEL Luke 18:10-14 Our Lord told this parable: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.11The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men – extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector.12'I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.'13And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!'14I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

IN JUSTIN'S MEMORY: HTOC SUBSTANCE ABUSE MINISTRY

At his family's request, monetary donations in memory of Justin Solak may be made to Holy Trinity Orthodox Church for the establishment of a Substance Abuse Ministry. Checks may be made payable to Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, with "In Memory of Justin" or 'Substance Abuse Ministry" in the Memo. Online donations are also accepted at our website, www.HolyTrinityYonkers.org; click the "Donate" button on the right column.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19 AT CARNEGIE HALL: BENEFIT CONCERT FOR I.O.C.C.

A very special concert will be given by the renowned Russian-born pianist Natalya Antanova on Saturday, March 19, 2016 at 8 p.m. in Carnegie Hall's Weill Recital Hall. It marks the 205th anniversary of Chopin's birth, but most importantly is dedicated to the memory of the Russian citizens who 6 months ago tragically perished in the October 2015 Sharm el-Sheikh air disaster. Most of the ticket proceeds will be given to the IOCC (International Orthodox Christian Charities) to support their refugee relief program.

Ms. Antonova made her debut with the Leningrad Philharmonic Orchestra at the age of 16, and upon graduation from the Leningrad Conservatory was appointed as the youngest professor in the history of that school. In 1993, Ms. Antonova joined the faculty at the Eastman School of Music, where she is currently a distinguished Professor of Piano.

Tickets for this recital are priced at \$30 and will go fast, due to the special intimacy of Carnegie's Weill Hall. There is a special discount code for Orthodox church members and a 50% discount rate for students and seniors. The DISCOUNT CODE SVM23232 should be given when purchasing tickets. In a few weeks, a small poster will be sent to you as a follow-up. Contact information for the Carnegie Hall Box Office is noted below.

For Tickets:

- 1. In person at the Carnegie Hall Box Office, Seventh Avenue and 57th St.
 - 2. Internet: go to www.carnegiehall.org click on "Calendar & Tickets", enter date of the concert
 - 3. by phone: 212-247-7800 8 a.m. 8 p.m. 7 days a week

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:

Jenifer Calomiris, Elena Herman & Victor Miroshnikov, recovering from surgery; Claudia Brown; Nina Dimas; Richard Dosin; Matvey Wulsing; John Paluch; Daniel Paprocki; John & Elizabeth Batson; Mat. Mary & Danielle Geeza; Mat. Kathy Kowalczyk; Adnan Abbasi; baby Courtney Lyzak; Anatole Honczarenko; Tekla Ryzyk; Jessica; Timothy; Mat. Anastasia Harris; Jennifer Drake; Elias Kachur; Mat. Olga Meerson; Eleanor Wasilko; Adriana Szpynda; baby Alena King; Ludmila Branzow; Suzanne Gee; Evan; Nicholas; Dorothy Vernak; Nikolette Katechis; Nicholas Washenko; Kathleen & Maryanne Nolan; newborn John Federoff, his parents Mark & Juliana; expecting parents Victoria & Joel Statkevicus, Mat. Anastasia & Fr. Timothy Hojnicki, Mat. Viktoria & Fr. Adrian Budica and their unborn children; Stan & Victoria, and all those preparing for marriage; Kevin Kuzmenko; Shawn Malone; Metropolitan Paul and Bishop Gregorios, Vera Bullock; Schuyler Perry; Doris Morin; Kelly Ray; Carmen Fesh; Anne Kakos, Kay Baker; Vitaliy Khutko; Malcolm Kirkpatrick; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; the priests Frs. Vitaly Bahanovich, John Tkachuk, Joseph Chupeck, Jonathan Ivanoff, Leonid Kishkovsky, Joseph Kreshik; John Nehrebecki, Herman Schick, David Shewczyk, Ken James Stavrevsky, Daniel Degyansky, Stephen Mack, PDn. Peter Skoog; Klara Borzova; Helen Delandri; Helen Dempsey; Irene Homa; Olga Juck; Mary Kalakuka; Mary Kantor; Daria Krawchuk; Mary Macagnone; 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 and nuns, and all those considering the monastic life; all Orthodox missionaries and their families.

For blessed repose for the souls of: Newly departed Justin Solak (+2/14); Vincent Macagnone (+2/10); Archimandrite Athanasy (Mastalski) (+2/5); Archpriest John Udics (+2/3); the ever-memorable Leonid; 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.