

MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR:

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

Thursday Evening, December 24, 2015:

Christmas Eve Holy Supper & Vigil Service, with Red Nativity Vigil Candles to Take Home

Friday Morning, December 25:

Christmas Day Liturgy

Tuesday Evening and/or Wednesday Morning, January 5 & 6, 2016:

Eve and Feast of Theophany – The Blessing of Holy Water for Your Homes and Health

Sunday, March 13:

Forgiveness Sunday – The Day Before Great Lent

*** Choose at least **one** of the evening **Liturgies of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts** –

Typically celebrated on **Wednesday evenings; between March 16 – April 20**

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!

CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS 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, August 30, 2015 ~ 13th Sunday After Pentecost
Translation of the Relics of St. Alexander Nevsky
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Epistle: 1 Corinthians 16:13-24; Gospel: Matthew 22:33-42

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Today – 13th Sunday After Pentecost: St. Alexander, Patriarch of Constantinople;

Translation of the Relics of St. Alexander Nevsky from Vladimir to St. Petersburg

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* with *Panikhida* for Peter Pianoff, requested by Antonia Olivo and Minerva Diaz; for John Kowalczyk, requested by Anna & Mikolay Filak; and for John Wislocki, requested by Anna & Bill Barna

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

Tuesday, September 1 – The First Day of the Church Year

9:30 AM *Molieben* (Prayer Service) for the Beginning of the Church Year

Saturday, September 5

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

Sunday, September 6 – The Miracle of the Archangel Michael at Colossae

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* with *Panikhida* for Maria Trushele (40 Days), requested by her son Victor Mirosnikov; for John Kowalczyk, requested by Andy & Maria Medwid; and for John Wislocki, by Julia Bojko

Afterward... Coffee Hour, and a catered luncheon afterward, will be hosted by Victor and Natalia Mirosnikov, in loving memory of Victor's mother, Maria Trushele. Everyone in church is invited!

Monday, September 7

7:00 PM *Great Vespers & Litya* – Great Feast of the Nativity of the Mother of God

Tuesday, September 8

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* – Great Feast of the Nativity of the Mother of God

Saturday, September 12

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

Sunday, September 13

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* followed by *Parents Meeting* for Church School Parents

7:00 PM *Great Vespers & Litya* – Great Feast of the Exaltation of the Precious Cross

A HEALING SERVICE WITH THE ICON OF ST. ANNA

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



ALL ARE WELCOME!

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 2

Baba’s Theology:

Practical Wisdom from Pious Grandmothers



New Clothing... New Vehicle... New Home

The first time one would wear new clothes, shoes, etc. is to Church.

Obviously this does not apply to EVERY category of clothing...

But, in wearing something to Church for the first time, there is the sense that these clothes are dedicated to God and are to be worn in honorable situations. This same understanding of something new being brought to the church is applied to a new car. There is a blessing in the service books of the Church specifically for this!

The first place that a new vehicle should be brought is not to show one’s friends and relatives, but to the priest for prayers to bless its use and keep its occupants safe.

We know that the priests bless homes at Theophany, but no Orthodox Christian brought up with proper “grandmother theology” would ever move into a new dwelling before it was blessed by the priest. For those who are building a home, there is even a prayer for blessing the foundation of the house!

From: www.pravmir.com/i-never-learned-that-in-catechism

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.

WANT TO HELP A STRUGGLING PARISH, MISSION, OR SEMINARIAN WITHIN OUR DIOCESAN FAMILY?

Become a DISTINGUISHED DIOCESAN BENEFACTOR!

To see a video “slice of life” of our Diocesan churches, visit www.nynjoca.org/vision_for_future_2012.html ... and scroll down to VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS. Questions? See Fr. David.



TODAY’S EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 16:13-24 Brethren: Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong.¹⁴Let all that you do be done with love.¹⁵I urge you, brethren – you know the household of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to the ministry of the saints –¹⁶that you also submit to such, and to everyone who works and labors with us.¹⁷I am glad about the coming of Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus, for what was lacking on your part they supplied.¹⁸For they refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore acknowledge such men.¹⁹The churches of Asia greet you. Aquila and Priscilla greet you heartily in the Lord, with the church that is in their house.²⁰All the brethren greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss.²¹The salutation with my own hand – Paul’s.²²If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed. O Lord, come!²³The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.²⁴My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

TODAY’S GOSPEL Matthew 21:33-42 The Lord said, “Hear another parable: There was a certain landowner who planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a winepress in it and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country.³⁴Now when vintage-time drew near, he sent his servants to the vinedressers, that they might receive its fruit.³⁵And the vinedressers took his servants, beat one, killed one, and stoned another.³⁶Again he sent other servants, more than the first, and they did likewise to them.³⁷Then last of all he sent his son to them, saying, “They will respect my son.”³⁸But when the vinedressers saw the son, they said among themselves, “This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.”³⁹So they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him.⁴⁰Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vinedressers?⁴¹They said to Him, “He will destroy those wicked men miserably, and lease his vineyard to other vinedressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons.”⁴²Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: “The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. This was the LORD’s doing, And it is marvelous in our eyes?””

**CHURCH SCHOOL STARTS IN 3 WEEKS:
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

Following the Divine Liturgy

**PARENTS ... there will be a meeting of
Church School Parents with Fr. David on
Sunday, September 13, during Coffee Hour.**



BINGO HELPERS URGENTLY NEEDED!

Even if you can help out once a month, it will lighten the load for all the staff!
Please see Anna Bolinsky. Thank you!

**FAMILIES SOUGHT TO HOST SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR:
September 20 and After**

You can see how breaking bread together grows friendships
and also draws visitors more deeply into our parish family...
To be part of this incredible ministry of hospitality, talk to Tina Reduto:
(914) 713 4716 or email legalcareers2000@hotmail.com ... Thank you!

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 summer now ... but it'll be winter again before we know it!
**We have raised \$2,900 thus far,
and we have \$3,100 left to raise.**
The cost to install new pumps is approximately \$6,000.00.
Anyone wishing to contribute toward
this project, 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; Edward Kiss; Newborn Courtney Lyzak; Anatole Honczarenko;
Tekla Rzyzyk; Boris Lyzak; Melpomene Photini; Mat. Anastasia Harris; Jennifer Drake (Beth
Rzyzyk's sister); Janet VanDuyn; newborn Annie Catherine & mother Sara Korischar; Matushka
Kerri Fox; Dr. William Holak; Elias Kachur; Mat. Olga Meerson; Elena Herman; Eleanor
Wasilko; Adriana Szpynda; Paul "PJ" Sulich; baby Elena King; Ludmila Branzow; Nathan Orsini;
Suzanne Gee; Matthew & Malek; Nicholas; Anne & Jennifer; Dorothy Vernak; Nikolette
Katechis; newborn Leonidas & parents Sara & Eros; 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; Deborah Chaiko; Anne Kakos, Kay Baker (Anne's sister); Vitaliy
Khutko; Malcolm Kirkpatrick; Inga Serniak; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; Kathleen Nolan; the
priests Frs. Vitaly Bahanovich, John Tkachuk, Theodore Boback, Joseph Chupeck, Leonid
Kishkovsky, Herman Schick, Ken James Stavrevsky, Daniel Degyansky, Stephen Mack, Jason
Vansuch; PDn. Peter Skoog; Dn. Mark Hoeplinger; 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 and
their families; all Orthodox monks, nuns and all those considering the monastic life; all Orthodox
missionaries and their families. Birthdays: Eva Reduto (today); Schuyler Perry (9/1); August Perry
(9/3); all those named Alexander & Alexandra on this feast day of St. Alexander, Patriarch of
Moscow, and St. Alexander Nevsky.

For blessed repose for the souls of: The newly departed Fr. Thomas Succarottee (+8/8); Maria
Trushele (Victor Miroshnikov's mother, +7/29); the ever-memorable Sirmatenia, Mary Anne &
Theodore; and all departed this life in hope of the Resurrection; and all those departed named
Alexander & Alexandra.

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	Madeline Miroshnikov	Peter Rzyzyk
Joe Ciamarra	Andrew Nolan	Matt Skalski
Megan Jones	Kamille Perry	Alexandra Solak
Kaydee Kowalczyk	Schuyler Perry	Justyna Skalski
Dan Kozak	Roman Piwinski	Nick Thanasias
Peter Kreatsoulas	Amanda Rzyzyk	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.