

## EVENING VESPERAL DIVINE LITURGY

On Thursday, June 23, at 6:00 PM  
For the Feast of the Birth of St. John the Baptist

Several of you have asked for the opportunity to receive Holy Communion in the evening for weekday Feasts, due to other commitments you have in the morning.

Archbishop Michael has blessed us to celebrate this evening service, for this Holy Day of the Church, as a measure of pastoral dispensation in response to that need.

To prepare for Holy Communion,  
please fast, as best you can, starting at 12 Noon that day.

### FOR TEEN PERFORMERS ...

### A PRODUCTION OF *GODSPELL* IS COMING!

With the blessing of Archbishop Michael,  
Auditions for "Godspell" (the musical adapted directly  
from the Gospel of St. Matthew) will be held at:

Holy Assumption of the Virgin Mary Church, 35 Orange Ave., Clifton, NJ 07013

Today at 1 PM and next Sunday, June 12, at 1PM. For ages 14 and up.

Information: Matushka Barbara Baz, 315-491-6647, mom2candn@aol.com

### CAREGIVING FORUM

### Sponsored by the City of Yonkers

Are you caring for a spouse, parent or grandparent?

Want to know what services are available and what you may be eligible for?

Join us for a Caregiving Forum to find out more

Wednesday, June 8, 2016, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Westchester Center for Independent & Assisted Living; 78 Stratton Street, Yonkers, NY

#### TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

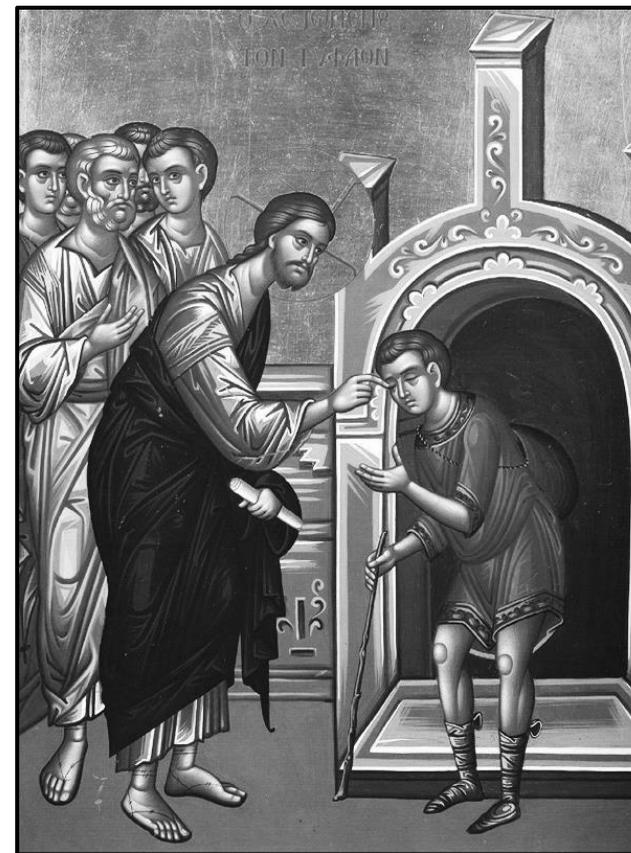
- *Legal Issues*
- *Local Resources & Programs*
- *Information & Assistance*
- *Support Groups, Livable Communities*
- *Wills, Trusts, Medicaid*
- *Home Health Aides, Nutrition Programs*
- *Social Supports*

Free Parking Available • Light Refreshments Served • Information: (914) 377-6806

Presented by SW Livable Community Connection and Yonkers Office for the Aging

# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

## Yonkers, New York



**Sunday, June 5, 2016 ~ Sunday of the Blind Man**  
**CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!**  
***ХРИСТОС ВОСКРЕСЕ! ВОИСТИНУ ВОСКРЕСЕ!***

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES:

Victoria Szynda, Elizabeth Bouteneff, Brandon Ferguson,

August Perry, Joshua Rzyk, Stephanie Rzyk,

Madeline Miroshnikov, Kamille Perry, Alexandra Solak & Monika Wislocki.

**May God richly bless your next steps and grant you *Many Blessed Years!***



### HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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 Rector: V. Rev. David Cowan ✦ Protodeacon John Eby  
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**Sunday, June 5, 2016: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha ~ Sunday of the Blind Man**

Epistle: Acts 16:16-34; Gospel: John 9:1-38

### SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

**Today ~ Sunday of the Blind Man ~ Graduate Sunday**

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* with Recognition of Our Graduates; and *Panikhida* for Joanna and Stefan Kurylo, requested by Maria Rysz and family; for John Kowalczyk, by John & Helen Zanowiak; and for John & Julia Wislocki, by Mary & Dymitr Felenczak.

**Wednesday, June 8**

7:00 PM *Great Vespers with Litya* – Great Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord

**Thursday, June 9 ~ The Ascension of Our Lord**

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy*

**Saturday, June 11**

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

**Sunday, June 12 ~ Sunday of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council**

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy*

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

**Saturday, June 18**

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers & Litya* – Great Feast of Pentecost

**Sunday, June 19 ~ Pentecost Sunday, Our Parish Feast**

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* and *Pentecost Kneeling Vespers*

**Monday, June 20 ~ Holy Spirit Day – The Second Day of Pentecost**

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy*

**Thursday, June 23**

6:00 PM *Vesperal Divine Liturgy* for the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist

**Saturday, June 25**

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

**Sunday, June 26 ~ Sunday of All Saints**

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy*

## ATTENTION, COLLEGE FRESHMEN-TO-BE AND THEIR PARENTS:

### THE FIRST 40 DAYS

#### Help OCF connect with students!

Submit *your* incoming freshmen's information by July 15th, and help us ensure that *your* students will receive information, materials and personal contact from local contacts to help them navigate their freshman year of college as Orthodox college student!

Let us join together as a Church and in true Orthodox fashion make the first forty days of college a time of spiritual preparation and growth for our college students!

TO FIND OUT MORE, VISIT [WWW.OCF.NET/](http://WWW.OCF.NET/)  
FIRSTFORTYDAYS AND CONTACT US AT  
[FIRSTFORTDAYS@OCF.NET](mailto:FIRSTFORTDAYS@OCF.NET)



## AND FOR THOSE YOUNGER ...

### THERE IS STILL TIME TO SIGN UP FOR ST. ANDREW'S CAMP!

July 3-9: Teen Week

July 10-16: Horse Week

July 17-23: Art Week

July 24-30: Ecology Week

July 31-August 6: Music Week (Fr. David and Mat. Tamara will be the music teachers)

Tuition is \$300 / week;  
scholarships are available.

See Fr. David for details;  
more info at [www.saintandrewscamp.org](http://www.saintandrewscamp.org)



MORNING PRAYER OF ST. PHILARET OF MOSCOW: O Lord, grant me to greet the coming day in peace. Help me in all things to rely upon Your Holy will. In every hour of the day reveal Your will to me. Bless my dealings with all who surround me. Teach me to treat all that comes to me throughout the day with peace of soul, and with the firm conviction that Your will governs all. In all my deeds and words, guide my thoughts and feelings. In unforeseen events, let me not forget that all are sent by You. Teach me to act firmly and wisely, without embittering and embarrassing others. Give me the strength to bear the fatigue of the coming day with all that it shall bring. Direct my will, teach me to pray, and Yourself pray in me. Amen.

**THANK YOU ...** to everyone who helped make Archbishop Michael's visit last Sunday so special -- preparing the church, greeting His Eminence, serving and singing the Liturgy, preparing and serving the delicious luncheon!

**COMING EVENTS, HERE AND ELSEWHERE...**

- **Saturday, June 25, Time TBA (approx. 10AM-4PM), Parish Council Conference, "Making the Transition to Stewardship As A Diocesan Family,"** Matushka Mary Breton, CPA, Treasurer of the Diocese – at Holy Virgin Protection Cathedral, 59 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, NYC. All Parish Council members are requested to attend. Thank you!
- **Thursday, August 25: Orthodox Youth Day, Six Flags Great Adventure, Jackson NJ.** Details coming soon.
- **Sat., August 27: Church School Conference, "Church School Approaches for Small Classrooms, One Room Classrooms & Special-Needs Children,"** at Holy Transfiguration Cathedral, 228 N 12th St, Brooklyn. Church School teachers are encouraged to attend!

**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!**

Bassim Abbasi	Andrew Nolan	Peter Rzyzyk
Michael Bouteneff	Kamille Perry	Matt Skalski
Joe Ciamarra	Schuyler Perry	Justyna Skalski
Kaydee Kowalczyk	Roman Piwinski	Monika Wislocki
Dan Kozak	Amanda Rzyzyk	

*"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.

**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 Acts 16:16-34 (Epistle)**

16Now it happened, as we went to prayer, that a certain slave girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much profit by fortune-telling.17This girl followed Paul and us, and cried out, saying, "These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation."18And this she did for many days. But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And he came out that very hour.19But when her masters saw that their hope of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to the authorities.20And they brought them to the magistrates, and said, "These men, being Jews, exceedingly trouble our city; 21and they teach customs which are not lawful for us, being Romans, to receive or observe.22Then the multitude rose up together against them; and the magistrates tore off their clothes and commanded them to be beaten with rods.23And when they had laid many stripes on them, they threw them into prison, commanding the jailer to keep them securely.24Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.25But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.26Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed.27And the keeper of the prison, awaking from sleep and seeing the prison doors open, supposing the prisoners had fled, drew his sword and was about to kill himself.28But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, "Do yourself no harm, for we are all here."29Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas.30And he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"31So they said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household."32Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house.33And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes. And immediately he and all his family were baptized.34Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household.

**TODAY'S GOSPEL John 9:1-38 (Gospel)**

1Now as Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth.2And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"3Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him.4I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work.5As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.6When He had said these things, He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay.

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*(Gospel Reading, Continued)*

7And He said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which is translated, Sent). So he went and washed, and came back seeing. 8Therefore the neighbors and those who previously had seen that he was blind said, "Is not this he who sat and begged?" 9Some said, "This is he." Others said, "He is like him." He said, "I am he." 10Therefore they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?" 11He answered and said, "A Man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed, and I received sight." 12Then they said to him, "Where is He?" He said, "I do not know." 13They brought him who formerly was blind to the Pharisees. 14Now it was a Sabbath when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. 15Then the Pharisees also asked him again how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." 16Therefore some of the Pharisees said, "This Man is not from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath." Others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. 17They said to the blind man again, "What do you say about Him because He opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." 18But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind and received his sight, until they called the parents of him who had received his sight. 19And they asked them, saying, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" 22His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had agreed already that if anyone confessed that He was Christ, he would be put out of the synagogue. 23Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." 24So they again called the man who was blind, and said to him, "Give God the glory! We know that this Man is a sinner." 25He answered and said, "Whether He is a sinner or not I do not know. One thing I know: that though I was blind, now I see." 26Then they said to him again, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?" 27He answered them, "I told you already, and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become His disciples?" 28Then they reviled him and said, "You are His disciple, but we are Moses' disciples. 29We know that God spoke to Moses; as for this fellow, we do not know where He is from. 30The man answered and said to them, "Why, this is a marvelous thing, that you do not know where He is from; yet He has opened my eyes! 31Now we know that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, He hears him. 32Since the world began it has been unheard of that anyone opened the eyes of one who was born blind. 33If this Man were not from God, He could do nothing. 34They answered and said to him, "You were completely born in sins, and are you teaching us?" And they cast him out. 35Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" 36He answered and said, "Who is He, Lord, that I may believe in Him?" 37And Jesus said to him, "You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you." 38Then he said, "Lord, I believe!" And he worshiped Him.

**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 Andreus Cepeda; newborn Joachim Hojnicky; newly married Stan & Victoria Miroshnikov; Matushka Juliana Schmemann; Olga Pavelchak; Pamela Adamovich; Tanya Balasenowich; Ann Dahulich; Anna Bolinsky; Anne Mikitish; Peter Tymus; Edita, Gordana, Sanja, Marina; Nina; Jason; Ayden & Andrew; Boris Lyzak; Nina Wisniewski (Suzanne Nolan's mother); Stephanie Davis, Susan Hansen, Alexander Kravchenko, Virginia Shanahan, John O'Donnel; Bill Bodack; Cathy O'Connor; Michael Speck; Nina Dimas; Richard Dosing; Elena Herman; John Paluch; Danielle Geeza; infant Maria; Courtney Lyzak; Anatole Honczarenko; Mat. Anastasia Harris; Jennifer Drake; Elias Kachur; Mat. Olga Meerson; Lorna Nelson; Eleanor Wasilko; Adriana Szpynda; baby Alena King; Ludmila Branzow; Suzanne Gee; Fadia; Nicholas Washenko; Kathleen & Maryanne Nolan; expecting parents Victoria & Joel Statkevics, Nadia & John Constantine, Mat. Viktoria & Fr. Adrian Budica and their unborn children; Kenneth & Cristina 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; Vitaliy Khutko; Malcolm Kirkpatrick; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; the priests Frs. David Cowan, Vitaly Bahanovich, John Tkachuk, Joseph Chupeck, Jonathan Ivanoff, Leonid Kishkovsky, Joseph Kreshik; Herman Schick, Ken James Stavrevsky, Stephen Mack, PDns. Peter Skoog & Michael Sochka; Dn. John Holoduek; Klara Borzova; Helen Delandri; Helen Dempsey; Irene Homa; Olga Juck; Mary Kalakuka; Mary Kantor; Daria Krawchuk; Mary Macagnone; Stephanie Phillips; Tekla Rzyzyk; 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 & Marin; 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; all Orthodox monks and nuns, and all those considering the monastic life; all Orthodox missionaries and their families. Birthday: Joel Statkevics (6/11). And Our Graduates: Victoria Szpynda, Elizabeth Bouteneff, Brandon Ferguson, August Perry, Joshua Rzyzyk, Stephanie Rzyzyk, Madeline Miroshnikov, Kamille Perry, Alexandra Solak & Monika Wislocki.

**For blessed repose for the souls of:** Newly departed Fr. Walter Smith (+5/14); Michael Zablotskyy (+5/8); Augustine Dimech (+5/4); the ever-memorable Joanna Kurylo (whose 84<sup>th</sup> birthday would be today) and Stefan Kurylo; Antonina, Igor, Anatoliy Kapralov; 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.**