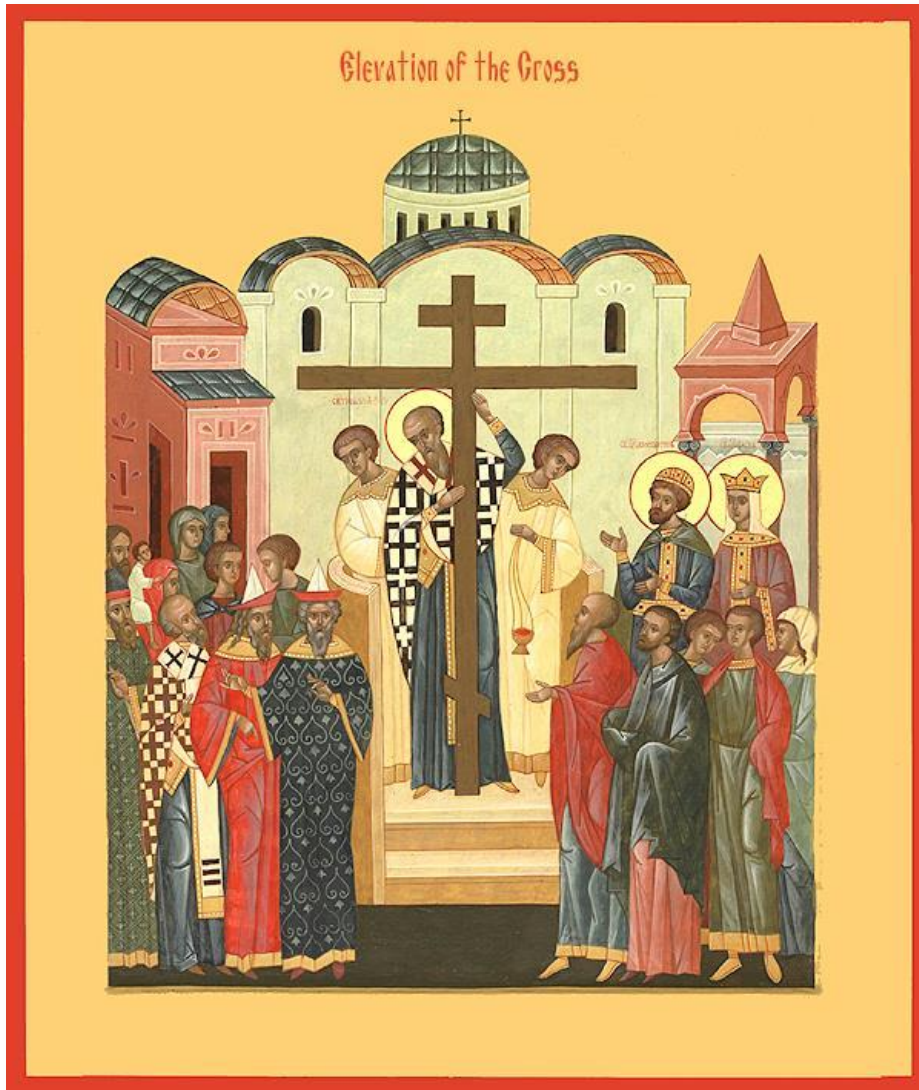


HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

Yonkers, New York



Sunday, September 16, 2018 ~ 16th Sunday After Pentecost ~ Tone 7
Sunday After the Elevation of the Cross

A BIG "THANK YOU"...

To Mark and Beth Rzyk, for hosting our Parish Picnic and Church School New Year Celebration yesterday – and to everyone who brought food and fun! It was a beautiful day, weatherwise and otherwise ... if you missed it, please don't miss the next one!

COMING UP IN THE PARISH, THE DIOCESE, AND ELSEWHERE ...

- **Today: Church School Begins; and "Orthodoxy 102" for Catechumens**
- **Today: Guest Speaker Maryl Turchi from *Life Options*, Yonkers' only Pro-Life women's support and advocacy organization.**
- **Sunday, September 23, 8:45 AM, Chrismation of Frederick and Richard Miller.** The Chrismation will take place before the Divine Liturgy.
- **Sunday, October 21, at Coffee Hour: OYMT Stockholder Appreciation Day.** You'll see a slideshow of the Orthodox Youth Mission Team's trip to Tennessee and hear from them about the amazing experiences they had!
- **Friday-Sunday, Nov. 9-11: Annual Diocesan Girls' Retreat,** at St. Basil's Academy, Garrison NY.

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Today

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy*, with Prayers for the First Day of Church School; Coffee Hour with “Life Options” Presentation by Maryl Turchi; followed by “Orthodoxy 102” for Catechumens, with Fr. David

Saturday, September 22

1:00 PM *Baptism* of Alexandra Castro

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

Sunday, September 23

8:45 AM *Chrismation* of Frederick and Richard Miller

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* followed by First Day of Church School and Coffee Hour.

Guest speaker at Coffee Hour: Maryl Turchi, from Life Options Center, Yonkers’ Only Pro-Life Advocacy and Crisis Pregnancy Support Organization; Followed by “Orthodoxy 102” Class for Catechumens, with Fr. David

TODAY’S EPISTLE Galatians 2:16-20 Brethren: Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

TODAY’S GOSPEL Mark 8:34-9:1 At that time, when Jesus had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, “Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel’s will save it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels. And He said to them, “Assuredly, I say to you that there are some standing here who will not taste death till they see the kingdom of God present with power.”

CAN YOU HELP WITH EITHER OF THESE PROJECTS?

- We need help identifying the best Parish Management Computer Software program to combine all our communications, stewardship, and recordkeeping in one digital “place.” Needed: a computer-savvy person or persons to help the Council select and learn one of the many programs out there that do this work (such as ACS Technologies, PowerChurch, ParishSOFT and many others).
- Producing a special Video Recording celebrating the 120th Anniversary of the Parish, which is coming up in 2019! Needed: one or more persons able to take quality videos with a phone or video camera, willing to interview parishioners and creatively assemble a memorable video collection of (working title) “What Holy Trinity Church Means to Us.”

See Fr. David or Parish Council President Pat Bouteneff if you would like to volunteer or ask for details – and Stay Tuned for much more news and many opportunities to participate in our 120th Anniversary Celebration!

THE REMAINING GREAT FEASTS OF THE CHURCH YEAR, 2018-19

Wednesday, November 21:

Entrance of the Mother of God in the Temple

Tuesday, December 25:

Nativity of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ

Sunday, January 6:

Theophany (Baptism) of Our Lord, Jesus Christ

Saturday, February 2:

Presentation of Our Lord Jesus in the Temple

Monday, March 25

Annunciation of Archangel Gabriel to the Theotokos

Sunday, April 21

Palm Sunday ~ Entry of Our Lord into Jerusalem

Sunday, April 28: The Feast of Feasts ~

PASCHA ~ Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Thursday, June 6:

Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Sunday, June 16: Our Parish Feast

Pentecost ~ Descent of the Holy Spirit

Tuesday, August 6:

Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Thursday, August 15:

Dormition (Falling-Asleep) of the Mother of God

Some feasts will be celebrated the prior evening with Vespers Liturgy; check weekly Bulletins.

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:

Vera Bullock; John Krawchuk; Fr. Joseph Lickwar; Fr. Steven Belonick; Fr. Daniel Skvir; Charlie Andonis; children Felicity Davis & Victoria Saraceno; Vera Bouteneff; Ted Chaiko; Earle & Sally Ausman; Rocco Mastronardi; Nancy Prusak; Pedro Rosario; Honorina Rodriguez; Christina Sceppaquercia & Regina Cataldo; Mary Braig; expecting mothers Victoria Statkevics, Matushki Viktoria Budica & Lesiya Dubee and the children to be born to them; Fr. Nicholas & Mat. Anastasia Harris; Marian Harris; Vincent Knarr; Elena Herman; Nicholas Macagnone; Tanya Balasenowich; the child Alena; Andrew Czuchta; Boris Lyzak; Douglas & Susan Hansen; Bill Bodack; Courtney Lyzak; Suzanne Gee; Kathleen & Maryanne Nolan; Shawn Malone; Metropolitan Paul and Bishop Gregorios; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; the priests Frs. Maryan Chaykivsky, Samuel Davis, Stephen Hoskins, Samuel Kedala, Leonid Kishkovsky, John Malcom, Josef Petranin, John Reeves, Basil Summer, John Tkachuk, John Zabinko; Matushki Ellen Chupeck, Rebekah Markewich, Priscilla Shipley, Katherine White; all those confined to hospitals, nursing homes, and their own homes due to illness, including Eugen Balasenowich, Sr.; Maria Chouplat; Helen Delandri; Olga Donski; Walter Donski; Irene Homa; Anatole Honczarenko; Olga Juck; Olga Pavelchak; Stephanie Phillips; Tekla Rzyzyk; for all soldiers, especially Mykola; widows, orphans, prisoners, victims of violence and natural disasters, and refugees; 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 monastic life; all Orthodox missionaries and their families. All those affected by the recent and current storms. Birthdays: Nadia Constantine (9/10), Gabriel Cowan (9/23). Asking God's blessing on our labors renovating the Education Building and Church basement.

For blessed repose for the souls of: Newly departed Marie Holowatch (+9/9); Suzanne Martinez (+9/5); Volodymyr Polishchuk (+9/4); Nina Dimas (Fr. John Tkachuk's sister, +8/24); June (8/24); Lawrence Dunn (+8/24); Kevin Allen (+8/7); Teodor Plaskon (Maria Wislocki's father, +7/22), Mykolaj Plaskon (Maria's uncle, +6/2); all those whose lives were lost in the recent and current storms; 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.

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!

Elizabeth Bouteneff
Joe Ciamarra
Brandon Ferguson
Samantha Fricke
Kaydee Kowalczyk
Andrew Nolan

Peter Nolan
August Perry
Kamille Perry
Joshua Rzyzyk
Stephanie Rzyzyk
Matthew Skalski

Justyna Skalski
Adriana Szynda
Emily Szynda
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
Please tell Fr. David if there are any errors or omissions on this list.

CANDLE SPONSORSHIPS FOR SEPTEMBER:

Vigil Candle, Icon of Christ, Departed Members, Wirchansky Family: Janet, Peter, Christina, Anne, Helen & Anastasia. Living: Wirchansky, Seckerson & Carlucci Families. **Vigil Candle, Icon of St. Nicholas:** Regina Cataldo, Christina Sceppaquercia.

SPIRITUAL ENCOURAGEMENT FOR TODAY (AND EVERY DAY) ...

"Do not fall into despair because of your sins. I do not mean that you should not feel contrition for them, but that you should not think them incurable. For it is more expedient to be bruised than dead. There is, indeed, a Healer for the man who has stumbled, even He Who on the Cross asked that mercy be shown to His crucifiers, He Who pardoned His murders while He hung on the Cross. 'All manner of sin,' He said, 'and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men,' that is, through repentance."
-- Saint Isaac the Syrian

ANNUAL GIRLS' RETREAT

Saint Basil Academy | Garrison, NY
November 9-11, 2018



*Finding Your
True North:
Where Does
Christ Fit
into Your
Life?*

OPEN TO: Young Women in Grades 7-12

QUESTIONS?

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SPEAKER: Natalie Kapeluck Nixon

Director for Youth & Young Adult Ministry of the Ukrainian Orthodox
Church of the USA and Ukrainian Orthodox Camping Programs

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Sponsored by the OCA Diocese of New York & New Jersey
All jurisdictions and nearby dioceses are welcome!
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Registration deadline is October 26th ... sign up today!

To register online, please visit: nynjoca.wixsite.com/nynjocayouth/upcoming-events

For more information, please speak with Fr. David or Matushka Tamara.