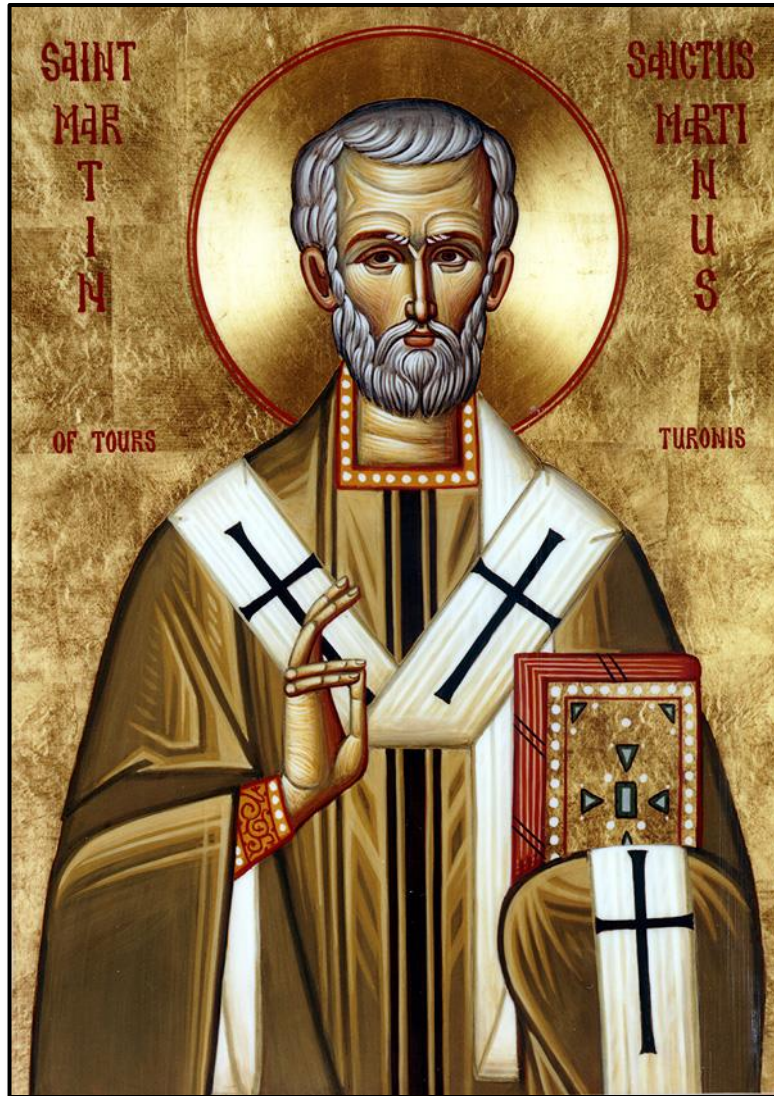


# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

Yonkers, New York



Sunday, November 11, 2018 ~ 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost ~ Tone 7

Saint Martin of Tours

Martyrs Menas of Egypt, Victor of Damascus, and  
Vincent and Stephanida of Spain

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

- Saturday, Dec. 15, 2:00 PM: Baptism of Alexander Matthew Statkevicius. All are welcome!
- Wednesday, Dec. 19, 7:00 PM: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual HTOC Christmas Concert by Our Choir! Invite all your friends and family to this wonderful event – it's free – and invite them to come downstairs afterward for desserts and a Christmas Baked Treats and Craft Sale!

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## SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

~ The Nativity Fast, or Advent, begins this Thursday, November 15. It ends with the Divine Liturgy on Christmas Day, the Nativity of Our Lord, on Tuesday, December 25. We strive to abstain from meat, to abstain from or limit our use of dairy products, and avoid spiritually unproductive entertainment and Internet activity. ~

### Today

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy, with Prayers for Veterans both Departed and Living, followed by Church School and Coffee Hour

### Tuesday, November 13

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal – in the Church

### Saturday, November 17

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM Great Vespers

### Sunday, November 18

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy with Panikhida for Marek, Andryj, Petro, Eugenia, Krystyna & Vasyl, requested by Kopcza Family; and for John & Irene Nowak, by John Felenczak, followed by Church School & Coffee Hour

### Monday, November 19

7:30 PM Parish Council Meeting – in the Fellowship Hall

### Tuesday, November 20

6:00 PM Vesperal Liturgy – Feast of the Entrance of the Mother of God Into the Temple

### Thursday, November 22 – Thanksgiving Day

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

**EPISTLE Ephesians 2:14-22** Brethren: Jesus Christ Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit. **GOSPEL Luke 10:25-37** At that time, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Jesus, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” He said to him, “What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?” So he answered and said, “You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” And He said to him, “You have answered rightly; do this and you will live.” But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Then Jesus answered and said: “A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.’ So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves? And he said, “He who showed mercy on him.” Then Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

## COFFEE HOUR HAS MOVED TO THE CHURCH'S LOWER LEVEL!

Beloved Parish Family, We have moved coffee hour from the Ed Building to the lower level of the church -- to have a more comfortable fellowship experience as we await the next phase of construction plans being finalized. Here are things you should know, and a few requests if you have the ability to participate:

- We still have access to the bathrooms in the Ed Building until ours are installed downstairs in church.
- Coffee and tea will be made with bottled water, as we don't yet have running water downstairs. We ask you each to bring a gallon of water with you each month, to simplify the hosting effort.
- We will continue to have rolls and doughnuts, but in order to have something extra each week, and to lighten the load on our coffee hour hosts, please consider bringing a small dish to share, perhaps 6 or more servings--a kind of mini pot luck! Please keep in mind that we will not be able to store food items from week to week, except for milk, juice and butter.

Thank you for your contributions towards this fellowship! As the weather gets colder, our fellowship will warm it!

## 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:**

Child Lukas; Newly Chrismated Gail Mary & Jessica Joanna Bruno; newly married Paolo & Christianna Varrenti; Newborn Alexander Matthew Statkevics & Nestor Dube; Newly Baptized Lilia VanLare & Alexandra Castro; Fr. Nicholas & Mat. Anastasia Molodyko-Harris and Fr. Alexis Vinogradov, recovering from surgery; Newly Chrismated Frederick & Richard Miller; Stephanie; Vera Bullock; Gerald D'Inzillo; Matushka Lorissa Gregory; John Krawchuk; Martha Scigliano; Mat. Mary Shafran; Fr. Dennis Swencki; Fr. Joseph Lickwar; Fr. Steven Belonick; Fr. Daniel Skvir; Joseph Rao; Charlie Andonis; Barbara Garbinski; children Felicity Davis & Victoria Saraceno; Vera Bouteneff; Ted Chaiko; Earle & Sally Ausman; Rocco Mastronardi; Nancy Prusak; Pedro Rosario; Honorina Rodriguez; Christina Sceppaquercia & Regina Cataldo; Douglas Jenkins, Sara Haughton; Mary Braig; Marian Harris; Vincent Knarr; Luka & 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 Rzyk; 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. Those afflicted by the ongoing fires in California. All veterans, soldiers and chaplains. Birthday: Bill Szynda (11/14). Asking God's blessing on our labors renovating the Education Building and the Church building.

**For blessed repose for the souls of:** Fr. Joseph Martin (+11/9). The victims of the recent attacks in Pittsburgh, PA, and Thousand Oaks, CA. Newly departed Monk Cornelius (+10/30); Leonard Davis (+10/24); Paraska Swyst (+10/19); Sarah Culhane; Leonora Mandell (+10/3); Mark Trabakino (+10/5); Gregoria Karides Suchy (+10/3); Paul Trongone (+9/26); Marek Hyra (+9/18); Wasyl Kopcza; all departed veterans, soldiers and chaplains; 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 Rzyk  
Stephanie Rzyk  
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 NOVEMBER:

**Vigil Candles, Icons of Christ and the Theotokos, Departed Members, Wirchansky Family:** Janet, Peter, Christina, Anne, Helen & Anastasia. Living: Wirchansky, Seckerson & Carlucci Families.

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

"The Lord calls to Himself all sinners;  
He opens His arms wide,  
even to the worst among them.  
He takes them all in His arms, if only they will come."  
- Saint John Chrysostom

# A VETERANS DAY REMEMBRANCE

By V. Rev. Theodore Boback, Jr.,  
Lieutenant Colonel, USA-Retired; Dean and  
Executive Director of Orthodox Military and  
Veterans Administration Chaplains; and Rector  
of Saint Andrew Church, Baltimore, MD.



On Sunday, November 11, 2018, we will gather in our churches for the Divine Liturgy as our nation celebrates Veterans Day. This year marks the centenary observance of the end of World War I, the “war to end all wars,” as the armistice came into effect on the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour. Americans have observed a century of celebration, first as Armistice Day and now as Veterans Day, while Canadians celebrate Remembrance Day.

On this day, we will see and hear the many tributes offered to our veterans. Some will take place in our cities and towns throughout our nations, in our schools and the communities in which we live, and in our churches. We give thanks to God for their service in support of the freedoms that we have—among them, the free exercise of religion.

As Orthodox Christians in North America, we call to remembrance all those who have served our nations in war and peace. During World War I, Protopresbyter John Ovsianitsky served as the first North American Orthodox Military Chaplain with the Canadian Armed Forces. And, we also celebrate this month the 75th Anniversary of the appointment of the first Orthodox Military Chaplain, Archpriest Vladimir Borichevsky, who served in the United States Armed Forces. Father Vladimir was appointed to the US Army on October 13, 1943 and reported for temporary active duty at the Chaplain School at Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, on November 6 of the same year. Upon completion of the Chaplain School, he received further orders to report to his next duty assignment in California on December 14, 1943.

Among the other Orthodox priests who served and provided ministry during World War II in the US Army were Archpriests Michael Kovach and John Kivko and, in the US Navy, Archpriest Alexander Seniavsky.

During the various wars and conflicts, many of the sons and daughters of our nation have served and have made the ultimate sacrifice. Others returned with visible and invisible wounds of war—some with post traumatic stress disorder or moral injury, and others in need of physical, psychological spiritual care.

“Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one’s life for his friends” [John 15:13]. As the Orthodox military and VAMC chaplains journey in their ministries, they share unconditionally in the life of service members or veterans. Their faith, trust and hope operate through love—for God and those to whom they minister. They are dedicated as examples of love to others and they have respect and concern for all entrusted to their pastoral care. They bring God to the service members or veteran, and they bring the service members or veteran to God.

We are thankful for the service of our sons and daughters through the years, to the first North American Orthodox priest serving in World War I, the first Orthodox priests serving in our US Armed Forces in World War II, and to all those who have served and continue to serve today. Many changes have occurred during the past 100 years and in recent months. We need to ensure that the ongoing Orthodox leadership role and presence in all aspects of chaplaincy continue today. As we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Veterans Day in the United States of America and Remembrance Day in Canada, as well as the 75th anniversary of the first Orthodox priest to serve in the US Armed Forces, let each of us take time to share and reflect upon the unique, significant, and awesome stories we may have experienced as veterans, or those of family members or friends. Let us ask God to continue to grant His grace and blessings upon our veterans, our service members and our Orthodox chaplains and their families. And to our veterans and our Orthodox chaplains who have departed this life, may God grant rest eternal in His Heavenly Kingdom. Memory eternal!

On this Sunday, November 11, let us gather in our corporate worship to lift up our hearts and offer our prayers for those who serve and have served in our military. Let us remember with thanksgiving our family members and friends, our sons and daughters, the Orthodox priests who voluntarily serve in the armed forces and their families, and our Veterans Affairs Medical Center chaplains, all of whom provide the seamless transition of ministry to our veterans and their families.