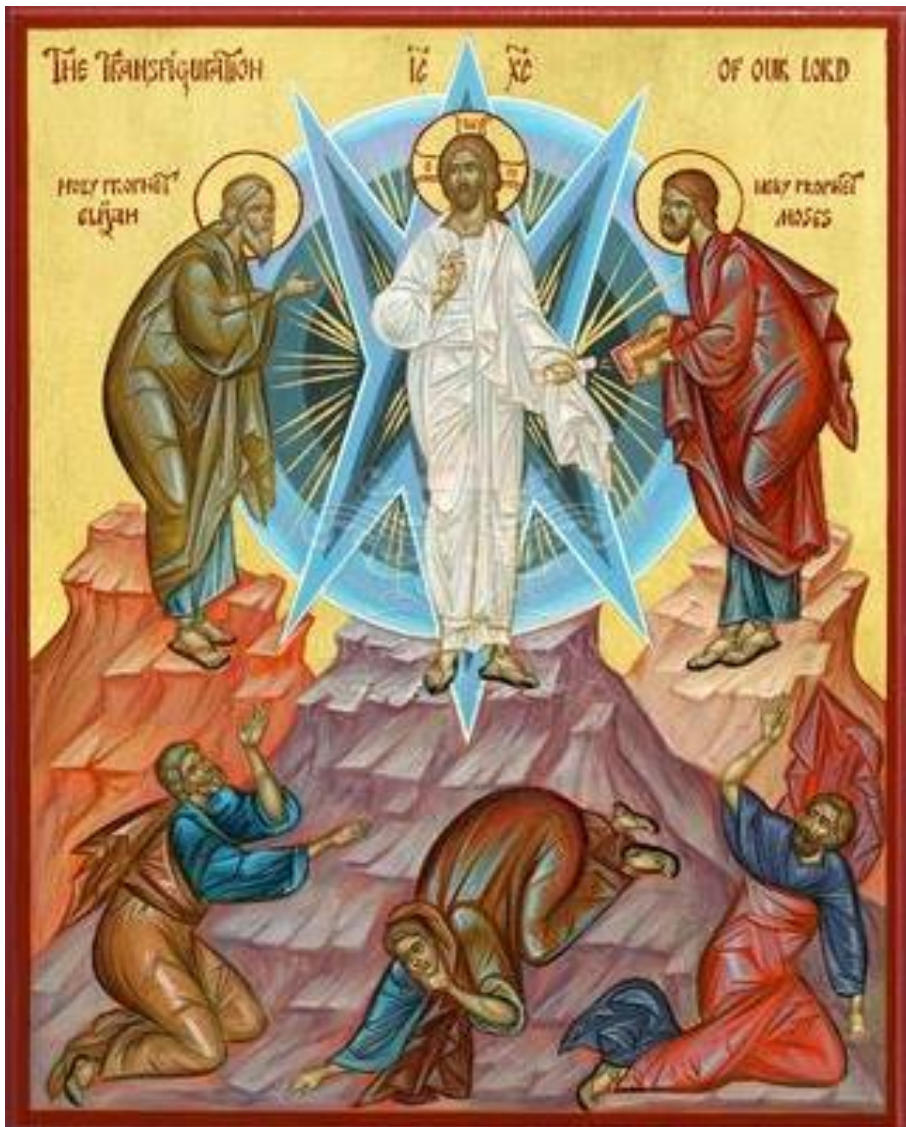


HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, August 11, 2019

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost ~ Tone 7

Afterfeast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus Christ

MANY THANKS TO ST. VLADIMIR'S SEMINARY AND OUR PARISHIONERS

for the use of their Three Hierarchs Chapel these past three weeks. We are blessed, and sincerely grateful to the St. Vladimir's Seminary and Three Hierarchs Chapel Community! And, many thanks also to Reader Bill, John Felenczak and all who are helping move back upstairs.

DONATIONS TOWARD THE AIR-CONDITIONING REPAIR WILL BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED!

Work on the air conditioning is scheduled to begin in the next few days.

The project is expected to cost between \$20,000 and \$25,000. Anyone wishing to offer a donation to offset these costs, please see Fr. David or Financial Secretary Eugene Balasenowich.

Thank you!

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Remember that we are now in the Fast of the Falling-Asleep of the Mother of God (the “Dormition Fast”), which lasts until the Liturgy of the Great Feast of her Dormition, this Wednesday evening, August 14 (the Feast on the calendar falls August 15). We are called to abstain from meat and dairy products, from unnecessary distractions and spiritually unhelpful entertainment ... saying “No” to our own appetites and, like the young Virgin Mary, saying “Yes” to God!

Today

Sunday, August 11

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* followed by Coffee Hour

Wednesday, August 14

6:00 PM *Vespertal Liturgy* for the Great Feast of the Dormition of the Most-Holy Theotokos

Saturday, August 17

5:00 PM *Great Vespers* – Welcome, Diocesan Yankee Youth Day Participants from throughout the Diocese!

After Vespers: Ice Cream Social, Welcoming the Diocesan Youth Day Guests – Contact Fr. David to help serve!

Sunday, August 18

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* followed by Coffee Hour

PLEASE NOTE THAT GREAT VESPERS NEXT SATURDAY, AUG. 17, WILL BEGIN AT 5:00 PM – so that we can accommodate our guests coming from Diocesan Youth Day at Yankee Stadium.

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Brethren: I plead with you, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe’s household, that there are contentions among you. Now I say this, that each of you says, “I am of Paul,” or “I am of Apollos,” or “I am of Cephas,” or “I am of Christ.” Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, lest anyone should say that I had baptized in my own name. Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas. Besides, I do not know whether I baptized any other. For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of no effect. For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

GOSPEL Matthew 14:14-22 At that time, when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, His disciples came to Him, saying, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is already late. Send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages and buy themselves food.” But Jesus said to them, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.” And they said to Him, “We have here only five loaves and two fish.” He said, “Bring them here to Me.” Then He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass. And He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitudes. So they all ate and were filled, and they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments that remained. Now those who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away.

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YOUR HELP NEEDED!

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We are hosting the participants of Diocesan Youth Day for Vespers at 5pm and Ice Cream following their trip to the Yankee Game on Saturday, August 17!

Help is needed getting the ice cream and toppings, setting up, serving the kids, and cleaning up the Fellowship Hall afterwards.

YOUTH DAY for NEW YORK CITY & NEW JERSEY DEANERIES

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

Please see Fr. David to offer your help.

Thank you!

COMING UP IN THE PARISH AND THE DIOCESE:

- Saturday, August 17: Diocesan Youth Day – Baseball Game, Yankees vs. the Cleveland Indians at Yankee Stadium! Details coming on ticket prices and gathering before and after the game.
- ALSO Saturday, August 17: Annual Church School Teacher Training Workshop on the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Level 2, at Christ the Saviour Church, Paramus, NJ.
- September 20–22: Couples' Retreat, "Making Good Marriages Better", at St. Andrew's Camp in Jewell, NY. Visit www.nynjoca.org and under the "COUPLES' RETREAT" news article, click on "REGSITER ON-LINE NOW."
- October 14–26, 2019: Pilgrimage to the Holy Land With Archbishop Michael! Pick up a poster on the Welcome Table with details.
- July 15–21, 2020: Pilgrimage to Alaska with Archbishop Michael: Celebrating 50 Years of the Glorification of St. Herman of Alaska, and the Autocephaly of the OCA! Pick up a poster on the Welcome Table with details.

COMMITMENT VERSUS CONVENIENCE: A NOTE ON THE DORMITION FAST, AUG. 1-14

The heart of a sincere Orthodox Christian desires to choose the hard path of commitment over the easy path of convenience. During the Dormition Fast, we now have the God-given opportunity to escape the summer doldrums that drain our spiritual energy. With prayer, almsgiving and fasting, we can renew our tired bodies and souls. We can lift up our "drooping hands" in an attitude of prayer and thanksgiving. The Dormition of the Theotokos has often been called "Pascha in the summer." It celebrates the victory of life over death—the miracle of death as a translation into the Kingdom of Heaven. The Dormition Fast is our spiritually vigilant preparation leading up to that glorious celebration when we honor the Mother of God and when we also contemplate our own entrance into the Kingdom of God. "Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold; now is the day of salvation!" [2 Corinthians 6:2].

– To read more, visit www.oca.org

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.



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PRAYER LIST

Fr. Chad Hatfield, Pamela Adamovich, Ann Forshey and Janet Van Duyn, recovering from surgery; Mat. Deborah Belonick and her family; George & Madeline Miroshnikov and the child to be born to them; Frankie; Annette, Helen, Valentina; Matushka Eugenia Nehrebecki; Evelyn Bonanno; Eunice Bullock (Nigel's mother); Matushka Lesya and daughter Veronika Dubee; Fr. Paul Shafran; Paul Gall; Michael Herzak; Anna Zablotska; Steven and Jane Johansson; Tina Seckerson; Catechumen Judy & Rocco Mastronardi; Frank, Helen, Ronald, Mat. Anastasia Harris; Fr. Nicholas Harris, Sara Haughton, Aaron Hoskins; Vera Bullock; John Krawchuk; Sharon Turpening; Danielle, Sophia and Stella Miller; Martha Scigliano; Charlie Andonis; child Victoria Saraceno, child Charlie; child Iancu; Vera Bouteneff; Ted Chaiko; Nancy Prusak; Honorina Rodriguez; 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. Vitaly Bahanovich, John Chupeck; Stephen Hoskins, Samuel Kedala, Leonid Kishkovsky, John Malcom, Josef Petranin, John Reeves, Daniel Skvir, Ken James Stavrevsky; Basil Summer, Dennis Swencki; John Tkachuk, John Zabinko; Matushki Ellen Chupeck, Myra Kovalak, Rebekah Markewich, Alexandra Safchuk, Priscilla Shipley; 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; 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. Birthdays: Kristine Skalski (8/16). Asking God's blessing on our labors renovating the Church building.

For blessed repose for the souls of: Newly departed Nicholai Lagunchiks (+8/10); Metropolitan Panteleimon, Greek Orthodox Metropolitan of Tyroloi and Serention (+8/7); Archpriest Steven Belonick (+8/7); George Libertin; Ioann and Elena; William Wasilko (+7/30), Robert James Megna, Jr. (+7/26), Elena Nehrebecki (+7/18), Olga Pavelchak (+7/13) Earle Ausman (+7/11), Lydwine Miller (+7/10), child Eli (+7/1), Victor Makarov (+11/28/18); 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.

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 Szpynda
Emily Szpynda
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 AUGUST:

Vigil Candles, Icons of Christ and the Theotokos, Departed Members, Wirchansky Family: Janet, Peter, Christina, Anne, Helen & Anastasia. **Living:** Wirchansky, Seckerson & Carlucci Families. **Vigil Candle, St. Nicholas, South Kliros,** Newly Departed Regina Cataldo; for the Health of Christina Sceppaquercia.

WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS

Finally Jesus said to them, "Bring them here to me." Although this was a deserted place, he that is here is ready to feed the world. The one who is speaking to you is not subject to time, even though "the day is now over." In John's Gospel it is further related that these were loaves of barley. This is not mentioned accidentally but with the object of teaching us to trample under foot the pride of costly living.

— Saint John Chrysostom, Homily on the Gospel of Matthew