

# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## Sunday, November 10, 2019

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Pentecost ~ Tone 4 ~ St. George, Commemorated in Georgia

### MEMORY ETERNAL: + VERA BOUTENEFF

Our sincere sympathies are expressed to Peter, Patricia, Michael and Elizabeth Bouteneff, and all their family, on the repose in the Lord of their mother and grandmother, Vera, on Thursday, November 7. Services for Vera are listed on page 2.

Grant rest eternal in blessed repose, O Lord, to the soul of Thy newly-departed handmaiden, the ever-to-be-remembered + Vera, who has fallen asleep; and make her memory to be eternal!

*"Vechnaya Pamyat!"*

### SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY ~ THANKSGIVING BASKETS FOR LOCAL FAMILIES

Next Sunday's second collection will fund Thanksgiving baskets, to be packed by our church school children and given out to local families in need. Thank you for being a part of this blessed tradition in our parish... giving thanks to God

by enabling other families to celebrate a bountiful Thanksgiving! If you know someone in need who could benefit from one of these baskets, please contact Maria Bahanovich at [maria\\_bahanovich@verizon.net](mailto:maria_bahanovich@verizon.net).

### With Our Sincere Prayers, Love, and Thanks...

For eight incredible years of sharing our journey of faith with all of you ... those who have departed into God's hands ... those who have newly come to the parish whom we are just getting to know ... and to so many of you with whom we have rejoiced and grieved, worked and celebrated ... May God grant us all to be together again, sometime in this life ... but most especially in His Heavenly Kingdom!

*Yours always, in Christ, Fr. David, Matushka Tamara, and Reader Gabriel*

## SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

### Today – Fr. David and Family's Last Sunday Here

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy, with Prayers for Veterans, followed by Church School and Coffee Hour  
5:30 PM Procession with the Body of + Vera Bouteneff into the Church  
6:00 PM Funeral of Vera Bouteneff  
After the Funeral: Transfer of Casket to Three Hierarchs Chapel, St. Vladimir's Seminary

### Monday, November 11

9:00 AM Memorial Divine Liturgy and Litia Prayers for Vera Bouteneff, Three Hierarchs Chapel, St. Vladimir's Seminary, 575 Scarsdale Road, Yonkers  
After the Liturgy: Repast Luncheon in Memory of Vera Bouteneff, at St. Vladimir's Seminary, and Interment at Novo Diveevo Orthodox Convent Cemetery, Nanuet, NY

### Saturday, November 16

6:00 PM Reader's Vespers led by Protodeacon John Eby

### Sunday, November 17

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, Fr. John Tkachuk, Celebrant; followed by Coffee Hour and Church School

**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 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."

### FURNISHINGS NEEDED FOR OUR CHURCH SCHOOL ATRIUM

As you might know, we have taken the choir loft and transformed it into our Church School space – called the Atrium. Please see Elena Paolercio or Olga Ptach for a tour of it. We want to thank all those who have so generously donated items for its creation.

We are currently still in need of a solid square (not rectangle) wood table measuring about 18-24 inches high and 16 x16 inches.

Anyone who is able to construct items from wood please contact Olga Ptach 914-262-1061. *Again – thank you!*

### COMING UP IN THE PARISH AND THE DIOCESE:

- Saturday, November 16: **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Diocesan BIBLE BOWL**, at Holy Resurrection Church, 285 French Hill Road, Wayne NJ. See next page for details.
- Friday-Sunday, Nov. 22-24: **Diocesan Girls' Retreat**. See next page for 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! Details at [www.nynjoca.org](http://www.nynjoca.org)



## THE SAINT NICHOLAS PROJECT:

### SHARE THE SPIRIT OF ST. NICHOLAS WITH A SEMINARIAN FAMILY!

We will be sponsoring Christmas presents for a seminarian family. More details soon on the family and the ages, sizes, and wish-lists of the children. To get involved, please see Suzanne Nolan, or email her at [smnolan@optonline.net](mailto:smnolan@optonline.net).



# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL

## PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION PLAN – SEPTEMBER 2019

- Install 2 ADA-accessible bathrooms, and install plumbing and electricity and create space for future fully-appointed kitchen: \$70,000
- Install very basic kitchen – fridge, sink, microwave, hot plate, cabinets, counter for food preparation (NO gas connection and NO hood): \$10,000
- Framing classroom / meeting room, church office, closet, and Ladies Guild Shop space: \$15,000
- Second Exit / Egress as required by code: \$40,000.
- Other expenses: architect, permits, surveys, unforeseen plan changes: \$65,000.

### GOAL TO RAISE: \$200,000

**Total Raised as of October 13, 2019: \$60,250**

**Remaining Total Needed to Reach Our Goal: \$139,750**

If we should complete these tasks under budget, excess funds will be dedicated to the next phases of church renovation and improvement.

### HOW CAN I PLEDGE MY FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE RENOVATIONS?

Approximately 100 households (a single person or a family) are either parish members or friends of the parish.

On average, \$200,000 divided by 100 families is \$2,000 per family,

in addition to regular annual stewardship pledges to operate the parish. This could be spread out, for example:

- OVER 3 YEARS: \$2,000 over 3 years = \$667 per year ... \$55.58 per month ... \$12.83 per week
- OVER 5 YEARS: \$2,000 over 5 years = \$400 per year ... \$33.33 per month ... \$7.70 per week

Some people have been blessed with more materially so can give more than the average.

Some people can give something, even if it is less than the average.

**Please be aware** that these Renovation pledges and gifts are **in addition to** our annual Stewardship Pledges and pledged contributions which help fund the normal operations of the parish.



**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Diocesan BIBLE BOWL will be held Saturday, November 16, from 10 AM – 2 PM, at Holy Resurrection Church, 285 French Hill Road, Wayne NJ.**

Pre-teen: Ages 9-12      Teens: Ages 13-19      Adults: Ages 20+  
It would be great to send teams with returning competitors from last year – and add new Bible Bowlers to our teams, too!

**Sign Up and get your Practice Questions from Mat. Tamara:**  
[tamarancowan@hotmail.com](mailto:tamarancowan@hotmail.com)

**DIOCESAN  
GIRLS'  
RETREAT  
NOV. 22-24**

### **"Come As You Are: A Friend Loves At All Times!"**

Retreat Leaders:

Danielle Geeza ▪ Lara Haluszczak ▪ Matushka Dennise Kraus ▪ Maria Pappas

The GIRLS' RETREAT is open to all young women in 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grades. It will be at Camp Shiloh, NJ. The Registration Deadline is Tuesday, Nov 12. Go to the Diocesan Website, [www.nynjoca.org](http://www.nynjoca.org) and see the Girls' Retreat listing for links to the retreat schedule and registration.

### **A FRIEND OF OUR PARISH IS LOOKING FOR A ROOM TO RENT**

Do you know of anyone who has an economical large studio / 1 bedroom apartment that they could rent to someone who is close to our Parish family? Please call Olga Ptach (914-365-3805 / 914-262-1061) if you can help. Thanks so much.

## PRAYER LIST

Newly Baptized Daniel Miroshnikov, Giselle Esposito & Maximilian VanLare; recovering Nicholas Statkevicius; Holly and Joseph and the child newly born to them; Ludmilla Branzow; Olga Ptach; Albi Kavo; Luke Kusick; Edward Kiss; Aldo Saraceno (Cris' father); Viktoria; Caroline Wisniewski (Suzanne Nolan's sister); Fr. Samuel & Mat. Photini Davis and the pre-born child lost to them; Fr. John Chupeck; Fr. Samuel Kedala; Fr. Paul Kucynda; Fr. Dennis Nagi; George & Madeline Miroshnikov and the child to be born to them; Eunice Bullock (Nigel's mother); Mother Sophronia; Matushka Anastasia Karlut and her mother, Tatiana (both recovering from surgery); Michael Ahmadi; Lawrence DeNoia; Irine Zinter; Tina Seckerson; Catechumen Judy & Rocco Mastronardi; Frank, Fr. Nicholas & Mat. Anastasia Harris, James & Jane Cowan, Sara Haughton, Aaron Hoskins; Vera Bullock; John Krawchuk; Sharon Turpening; Danielle, Sofia and Stella Miller; Marilyn; Martha Scigliano; Charlie Andonis; children Daniel Markewich, Victoria Saraceno & Charlie; 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, Stephen Hoskins, Leonid Kishkovsky, John Malcom, Josef Petranin, John Reeves, Daniel Skvir, 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; Edward Wirchansky; 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: Bill Szpynda (11/14. All our Veterans. Asking God's blessing on our labors renovating the Church building.

**For blessed repose for the souls of:** Newly departed Vera Bouteneff (+11/7); Lillian Rebovich (+11/2); Khouriya Anastasia Farha (+10/31), Julia Honczar (Nancy Prusak's aunt, our former parishioner, +10/12), Lidia Kulincz (+10/10), Nana Tchitchinadze (+9/26); Maria Kaspruk (+9/3); Victor Makarov (+11/28/18); all our departed Veterans; 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!**

Tatiana Balasenowich  
Elizabeth Bouteneff  
Joe Ciamarra  
Brandon Ferguson  
Samantha Fricke  
Kaydee Kowalczyk  
Sofia Miller

Stella Miller  
Andrew Nolan  
Frances Nolan  
Peter Nolan  
Joshua Rzyzyk  
Stephanie Rzyzyk  
Lukas Skalski

Matthew Skalski  
Justyna Skalski  
Thomas 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 NOVEMBER:

**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 and Christina Sceppaquercia.

## WISDOM ON THE PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

The Church must intentionally strive to fulfill the role of Christ as the good Samaritan. The Church is to be a lighthouse that guides lost and wandering souls to the Kingdom of God—"a haven of peace in a tortured world." Thus, the Church is a life-saving station that nurtures that equips

and dispatches good Samaritans to be neighbors to others, or a spiritual GPS that

displays the preferred path to a desired destination and warns of the dangers inherent on other roads.

– Fr. Daniel Kovalak (Founder of Holy Cross Church, Williamsport, PA ... where Helen Maybo goes to church)