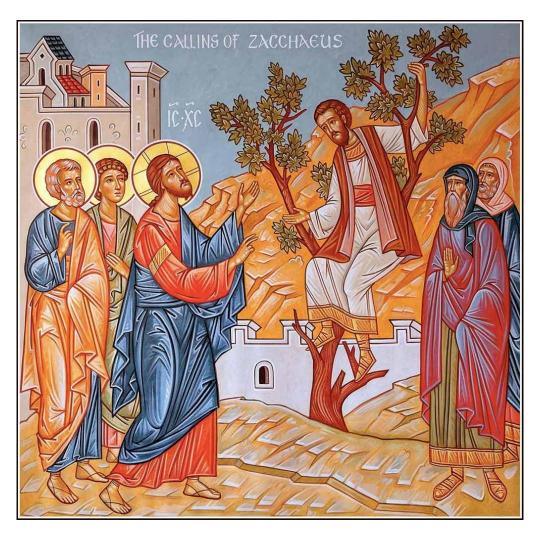
# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, February 18, 2024 – Tone 4
37<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday of Zacchaeus
St. Leo the Great, Pope of Rome

## **THANK YOU...**

To everyone who participated in the Kitchen Reorganizing Party yesterday!

## SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Most Services May Be Joined by Live Stream at our YouTube Channel:

https://www.youtube.com/@holytrinitychurchelmirany

or go to www.YouTube.com and search for "Holy Trinity Church Elmira Heights NY"

**Today – Sunday, February 18** 

8:40 AM <u>Third and Sixth Hours</u>

9:00 AM <u>Divine Liturgy</u>, Followed by Fellowship Hour, Church School and Teen Group

Saturday, February 24

5:00 PM Great Vespers; Private Confession Available Afterward

Sunday, February 25

8:40 AM Third and Sixth Hours

9:00 AM <u>Divine Liturgy</u>, Followed by Fellowship Hour and Church School

Monday, February 26

6:30 PM Akathist to Saint Raphael of Brooklyn

#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**EPISTLE 1 Timothy 4:9-15** My son Timothy, this saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Till I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

GOSPEL Luke 19:1-10 At that time, Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. But when they saw it, they all complained, saying, "He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner." Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

#### EMERGENCY EXPENSE - NEW FURNACE IN THE RECTORY

The furnace that heats the rectory broke down on Feb. 6, malfunctioning at near-dangerous levels. A new furnace had to be purchased. We were fortunate that the old furnace lasted as many seasons as it did. The new furnace cost \$6,975.00, including installation (and exempt from sales tax) – a significant withdrawal from our parish's available funds, especially following the necessary replacement of the windows and doors of the rectory last year.

If any members of our parish family are able to make a contribution to replenish our funds, please speak with Fr. David or Parish Treasurer Kevin Gomez.

Thank you for considering this appeal!

NEXT YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSALS:
Saturday afternoons at 3:30 PM – March 2, March 16, March 30

#### **Prayer List**

Memory Eternal: Andrew, David; Dorothy; Reader Thomas Cheplick; John, John; Brian; Rita; Shirley; Anna May, John, Laura, Anne, Farrokh; Kristin Marie Kohena; Melvin; Leisa; Fr. Ivan Moody; Inga; Norman; Fr. Moses; Helen; Thomas, Josie. Ever-memorable Matushka Deborah Dahulich (Archbishop Michael's wife, +2/20/1973); and Helen

Washenko (+2/24/1994). All those taken from us by sickness, violence, injury and disaster.

For Health: Newly Chrismated Emory James Grove; Father Gregory White; Elizabeth & Kathleen, recovering from surgery; Matushka Kathryn; Matushka Tamara; Mat. Anastasia Molodyko-Harris; Fr. Jason Kappanadze; Fr. Daniel & Mat. Myra Kovalak; Fr. Herman & Mat. Cynthia Schick; Fr. Joseph & Matushka Ellen Chupeck; Pani Joan Mahler; Shelley; Edward & Barbara; Dr. Sheela; Jim; Lydia; Jacek; Cassidy; Janine; Nancy, Charles & Jason; Brandy; Shawn; Gregory; Patricia; Carl; Olga; Edward; Nancy; David; James; Julie; Antonina; Brooke; Elena; Tyler; Dmitri; expecting mothers Elena, Rachel, Kathryn, Eyerin, and the children to be born of them; Deborah; Juliana; Jan; John; Christa;

Scott & Casey, Steven; Child Hannah, Joshua, Ilsa, Erica, Caitlin, Helen, Ruth, Katherine, Sierra; Nicholas, Sergei; Nancy; Anna; Catechumens Stephen, Raychel, Jason, Oliver. Diocesan Prayer Requests: Archbp. NATHANIEL; Archbp. BENJAMIN; Bishop MATTHIAS; Fr. John Bartholomew; Fr.

Michael Speck; Fr. John Holoduek; Fr. Timothy Holowatch; Fr. Jason Vansuch; Dn. Paul Hunchak; Dn. Stephan Karlgut; Matushka Hope Boback; infant Lola Rose; Judi; John, Margaret, Nasima; Alexis, Richard; infant Olympia; Karl & Anna; James; John. All the clergy, faithful and their families of the Diocese of New York and New Jersey.

Anniversary: Luka & Elena Herman (Mystery of Crowning in Marriage, 2/24/15).

### Parish Children:

Lucia Hannah Jeremiah Andrew Myra Ezekiel Aalyiah Sophia Lydia Natalie **Emilia** Patrick Sophia Rdr. Dmitri Jonah Gabriel Angelina John Thomas Nikolai Melania Alexei Nadia Rdr. Gabriel Justus Elea Samuel Gabriel Michael Hannah Raphael Verity Julie Michelle Aiden Shea Jack Oliver Elizabeth Anthony Evangeline Alfred Rosemary James Brighid Dorothea College Students: Nathan Devens - SUNY Cobleskill •

> Larissa Cheplick – Daemen College • Julianna Cheplick – SUNY Delhi Anastasia Shikula & Magdalena Botrous – LECOM Elmira Please give prayer requests to Fr. David, Dn. Michael, Subdcn. Walter, or a Reader.

> Typically, parish prayer requests remain on this list for 40 days.

# READERS' SCHEDULE

Feb. 17th - Feb. 24th: Mary Carol Haluszczak ♦ Feb. 24th - Mar. 2nd: Emilia Karney, Natalie Karney & Lydia Dudek Mar. 2nd - Mar. 9th: Reader Alexander (Memorial Saturday 3/9) ♦ Mar. 9th – Mar. 16th: Reader Dmitri Mar. 16th - Mar. 23rd: Reader William (1st Week of Great Lent)

Mar. 23rd – Mar. 30th: Mary Carol Haluszczak (2nd Week of Lent, Annunciation 3/25, Memorial Sat 3/30) Mar. 30th – April 6th: Mat. Tamara & Reader Gabriel (3rd Week of Great Lent & Memorial Sat. 4/6)

April 6th – April 13th: Reader Alexander (4th Week of Great Lent & Memorial Sat, 4/13) April 13th – April 20th: Reader Dmitri (5th Week of Great Lent)

April 20th – April 27th: Emilia Karney, Natalie Karney & Lydia Dudek (6th Week of Great Lent & Lazarus Sat 4/27) April 27th & 28th: Reader Alexander (Palm Sunday) ♦ Holy Week: All Readers – special schedule TBA

#### FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTING SCHEDULE

Feb 18 Fanaro Family ♦ Feb 25 Cheplick Families ♦ March 3 Karney Families March 10 Meatfare Potluck ♦ March 17 Weeks, Turic & Cowan Families (Cheesefare) March 24 Cusick & Hults Families (Great Lent) ♦ March 31 King Families \*

## PASTORAL CARE – GENERAL INFORMATION

Emergency Sick Calls can be made at any time. Please call Father David at 732-3980, when a family member is taken to the hospital.

Anointing In Sickness: The Sacrament of Unction is available in Church, the hospital, or your home, for any Orthodox Christian who is sick, however severe. If you are preparing for surgery (or recovering from it), please call Father.

Marriages and Baptisms require early planning, scheduling, and selection of sponsors (crown bearers or godparents). See Father before booking dates, choosing sponsors, and reserving reception halls. Funerals are celebrated for practicing Orthodox Christians who have not declined the Sacraments.

The Church opposes cremation; we cannot celebrate funerals for cremated persons.

# **OUR JOURNEY TO PASCHA! 2024**

## SUNDAYS

## THEMES / GOSPEL READING

### HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

Fast - Free Week **FEBRUARY 25th** 



Normal Fast Week MARCH 3rd

Meatfare MARCH 10th FAREWELL TO MEAT TODAY

Cheesefare MARCH 17th FAREWELL TO CHEESE TODAY

1st Sunday of Lent MARCH 24th

2nd Sunday of Lent MARCH 31st

3rd Sunday of Lent APRIL 7th

4th Sunday of Lent APRIL 14th

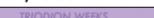
6th Sunday of Lent APRIL 21st

FLOWERY (PALM) SUNDAY! APRIL 28th GREAT WEEK BEGINS

GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY

MAY 3rd

FEAST OF FEASTS! MAY 5th NO FASTING!



Publican and the Pharisee 2 Timothy 3:10-15 Epistle: Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

The Prodigal Son Returns! 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Epistle: Gospel: Luke 15:11-32

The Last Judgement 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2 Epistle: Matthew 25:31-46 Gospel:

Adam and Eve are cast from Paradise! FORGIVENESS SUNDAY

Epistle: Romans 13:11-14:4 Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21

GREAT LENT BEGINS WITH FORGIVENESS VESPERS

SUNDAY of ORTHODOXY Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2 Epistle:

Gospel: John 1:43-51

ST GREGORY PALAMAS Hebrews 1:10-2:3 Epistle:

Mark 2:1-12 Gospel:

VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

HALF WAY TO PASCHAL

Hebrews 4:14-5:6 Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1

ST JOHN of the LADDER Epistle: Hebrews 6:13-20 Mark 9:17-31 Gospel:

ST MARY of EGYPT

Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14 Mark 10:32-45 Gospel:

GREAT AND HOLY WEEK

ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9 Gospel: John 12:1-18

GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY

JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS CHECK WITH YOUR PARISH FOR ROYAL HOURS AND VESPERS SCHEDULE

BRIGHT WEEK

HOLY PASCHA! (CHRIST IS RISEN!)

Epistle: Acts 1:1-8 Gospel: John 1:1-17

Show compassion on the poor and distressed. Trust in God, not yourself and ask for His help before every task this week.

Schedule a Confession. Every morning say, "Today I will be humble." Use up/freeze meats this week.

Pray facing East this week. Christ is returning from the East and we wait for Him! Use up/freeze dairy this week.

> Ask each other for forgiveness each evening this week before bed.

> > Bring an icon to church for a procession.

Bring a prayer rope to be blessed today! Use it and pray the Jesus Prayer each day this week.

Wear your cross to church and kiss the cross each morning with a bow!

Every time you climb stairs this week ask St. John to help you reach Paradise with the sign of the cross!

> Ask the Theotokos to offer you and the world pure thoughts and ideas this week.

> > Place your palm branches and pussywillows behind an icon at home and in your car!

Refrain from TV, Internet & Phones to honor Christ's Death.

Greet everyone with "CHRIST IS RISEN!" & say it before good morning and goodnight!