

# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## Sunday, March 8, 2020

### Sunday of the Triumph of Orthodoxy – Tone 4

### The Restoration of the Holy Icons – First Sunday of Great Lent

#### CHANGES TO OUR LENTEN SERVICE SCHEDULE THIS WEEK:

- This Wednesday, 3/11, after Pre-Sanctified Liturgy, we WILL have a Lenten Pot Luck Supper.
- This Friday, 3/13, instead of having Pre-Sanctified Liturgy here, all are invited to the following services, Archbishop Michael celebrating, at SS. Peter and Paul Church, 210 Hill Avenue, in Endicott:
  - 5:00 PM *Baptism* of Sophia Karlgut (daughter of Dn. Stephan & Matushka Alexandra)
  - 6:00 PM *Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts*, followed by Lenten Reception

#### TODAY – ICON PROCESSIONS AT THE DIVINE LITURGY

To celebrate Sunday of the Restoration of Icons, all the children are invited to process with their icons at the Great Entrance. Then, everyone who wishes is invited to join the Icon Procession outside at the end of the Liturgy, starting at the center of the church and – weather permitting – processing out of the church.

#### PLEDGE UPDATE FOR 2020

So far, for 2020, 20 pledge forms have been turned in, and \$57,915 has been pledged. That's 79 percent of the stewardship income we will need to meet our 2020 budget. Please turn in your 2020 pledge form in the purple box in the back of the church. **If you already give regularly but haven't yet done a pledge form, please consider doing so and simply writing in the amount that you already give per week or month or year ... so that the Parish Council can include your contributions in our budgeting calculations. Thank you for your stewardship!**

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

- **Sunday, March 15: Reception of Two New Catechumens, Julie Slehta and Justin O'Brien.** Anyone not Orthodox who wishes to inquire about becoming a Catechumen, please speak with Fr. David.
- **Wednesday Evening, March 25: Archbishop Michael Visiting** for Akathist Service and Slide Presentation, "Holy Week in the Holy Land", with Lenten Pot Luck Supper
- **Friday-Saturday, April 3-5: Diocesan Lenten Teen Retreat**, at Greenkill YMCA Retreat Center, 160 Big Pond Road, Huguenot, NY. [www.nynjoca.wixsite.com/nynjocayouth/upcoming-events](http://www.nynjoca.wixsite.com/nynjocayouth/upcoming-events)
- **Saturday, May 2 & Saturday, May 9: Social Hall Floor Re-Finishing Work Days.** Come help!
- **Saturday, May 9: Celebration of Abp. Michael's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as Bishop**, in Paramus, New Jersey
- **Friday – Sunday, May 15-17, Diocesan Altar Server Retreat**, at St. Basil Academy in Garrison NY. It'll be here before you know it, so families, please mark your calendars!
- **Saturday, March 21, Parish Church School Retreat.** See the back page of the Bulletin.
- **Saturday, May 30, Archbishop Michael's Archpastoral Visit to Our Parish.** Plan to be here!

## SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

### Today – First Sunday of Lent; Triumph of Orthodoxy and the Restoration of Icons

8:40 AM 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy with Icon Procession, followed by “Fast Talk”, Bake Sale Planning Meeting, and Coffee Hour

4:00 PM Pan-Orthodox Vespers at St. Michael’s Orthodox Church, 296 Clinton St., Binghamton

### Wednesday, March 11

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:30 PM Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts with Lenten Pot Luck Supper Afterward

### Friday, March 13 – At Saints Peter and Paul Church, 210 Hill Avenue, Endicott; No Services Here

5:00 PM Baptism of Sophia Karlgut, His Eminence, Archbishop Michael, Celebrant

6:00 PM Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts, Abp. Michael, Celebrant, Followed by Lenten Reception

### Saturday, March 14

9:40 AM 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Hours

10:00 AM Memorial Divine Liturgy

1:00 PM Meeting in Advance to Walk in St. Patrick’s Parade, in Horseheads – See Sdn Shawn for Details

2:00 PM St. Patrick’s Parade in Horseheads Begins

5:00 PM Great Vespers with Private Confession Available Afterward

### Sunday, March 15

8:40 AM 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Hours

9:00 AM Reception into the Catechumenate of Justin O’Brien and Julie Slechta

Divine Liturgy followed by Coffee Hour and Choir Rehearsal

During Coffee Hour: Confession Class for Teens, with Fr. David, in the Church

### Monday, March 16

6:30 PM Vespers – Feast of Saint Patrick of Ireland

**EPISTLE Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2** Brethren: By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward. And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented – of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us. Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. **GOSPEL John 1:43-51** At that time, Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, “Follow Me.” Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote – Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” And Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!” Nathanael said to Him, “How do You know me?” Jesus answered and said to him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” Nathanael answered and said to Him, “Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” Jesus answered and said to him, “Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe? You will see greater things than these.” And He said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”



**ANNOUNCING >>**

**FAST**

**TALKS - 2020**



**Four short, focused teaching talks to enrich our faith and deepen our understanding  
Offered by Subdeacon Shawn Michael Karney and Dr. Carol Haluczszak**

- Sunday, March 8 – Fast Talk 1: *Why Icons?***
- Sunday, March 22 – Fast Talk 2: *The Sign of the Cross***
- Sunday, March 29 – Fast Talk 3: *Asking For A Blessing***
- Sunday, April 5 – Fast Talk 4: *What About Incense?***

***Talks are suitable for all ages and will happen in the Church,  
shortly after the Liturgy ends and you've had your coffee and snack.***

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## **CONFESSION CLASS WITH FATHER DAVID**

### **Upstairs During Coffee Hour**

**Sunday, March 15 – for Teens, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade to 12<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**Sunday, March 29 – for Younger Kids, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**Parents Welcome to Sit In**

**Parents:** Please guide your children to take this crucial step in their Christian formation.  
Questions? See Father David.



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## **“PATHWAY TO PASCHA”**

**PARISH CHURCH SCHOOL RETREAT – SATURDAY, MARCH 21  
STARTING AFTER MEMORIAL LITURGY – ENDING AT 2 P.M.**

**Ages 4 through Teens – Teens will be helpers.**

**We will learn about Prayer, Fasting,  
Charity and Preparation for Pascha.**

**Please see Katie Karney or Matushka Tamara  
to sign up or ask questions.**

