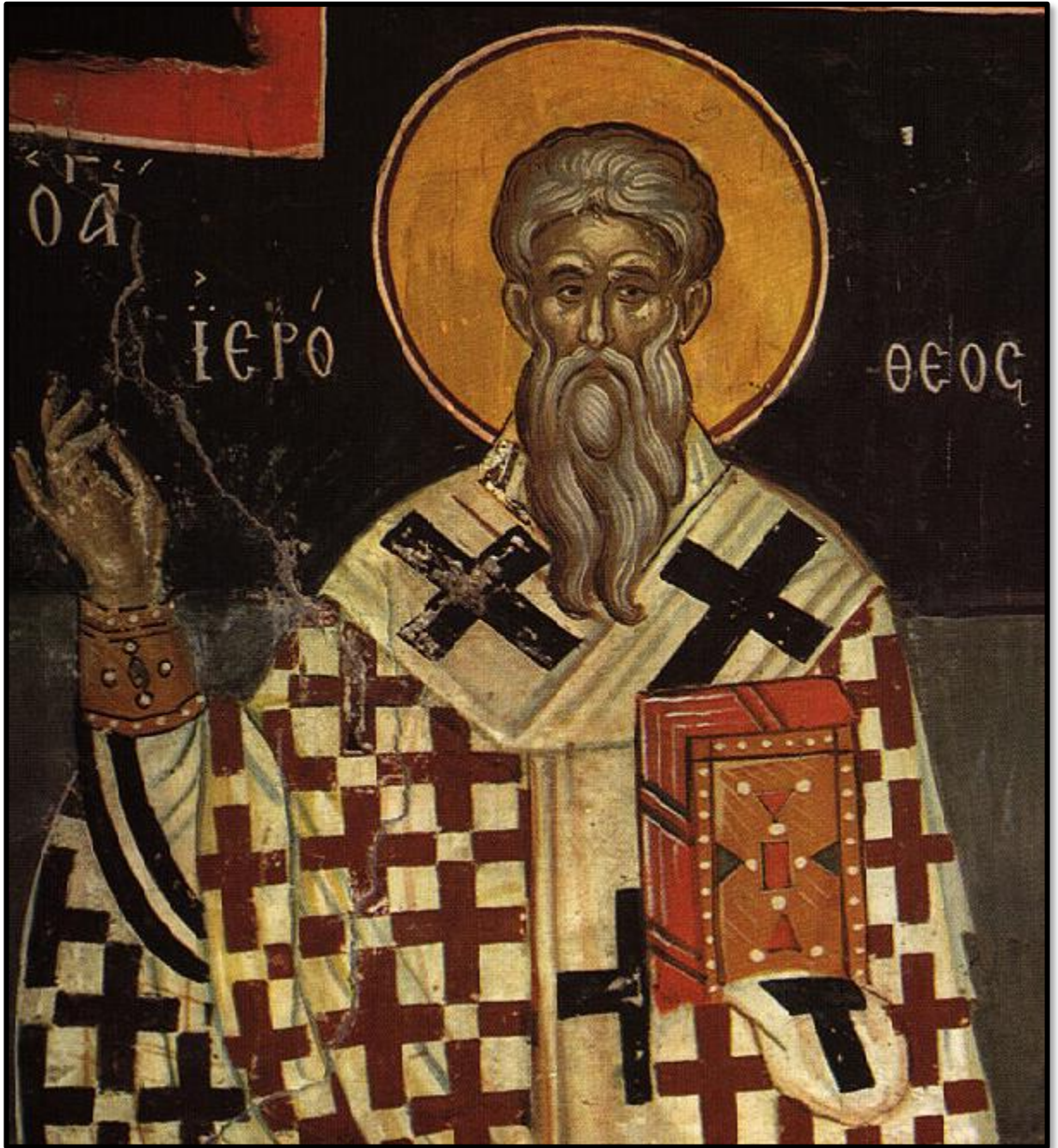


HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Sunday, October 4, 2020: 17th Sunday After Pentecost – Tone 8
Hieromartyr Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens
Church Musician Appreciation Sunday**

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES:

*Most Services May Be Joined by Live Stream at
Web Address www.facebook.com/htocelmiraheights
or go to www.YouTube.com and search for "Holy Trinity Church Elmira Heights NY"*

Today – Please Welcome Fr. Myron Oryhon, Celebrant

8:50 AM Third Hour

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, Followed by Outdoor Fellowship Hour

1:00 PM Church School Meets – by Zoom (Church School Families, Check Email for Directions)

Saturday, October 10

5:00 PM Vespers

Sunday, October 11

8:50 AM Third Hour

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, Followed by Church School and Outdoor Fellowship

SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1 Brethren: What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

GOSPEL: Luke 6:31-36 The Lord said, "Just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise. But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful."

AN APPEAL FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

A young man named Ryan VanAmburg, a good friend of one of our parish families, was in a horrific motorcycle accident a few weeks ago. He was run off the road by another biker.

He sustained several injuries to include, broken ribs,

broken shoulder, fractured back and hip, two broken legs -- one of which he almost lost -- and a few other injuries. By the grace of God, he survived and has been making a fantastic recovery.

However, like so many that have something like this happen, his insurance will not pay for all of his medical expenses, most notably, his home care. His family is looking at having to pay almost \$100,000.

A GoFundMe page for Ryan's medical expenses
has been set up, at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/ryan-vanamburg-medical-expenses> .

If any of you feels inspired to donate something toward Ryan's medical costs, he and his loved ones would be most grateful. Thank you for your consideration of this appeal.

Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Katherine, Helen, Raymond, Pauline, Stephen; Panagiotes; Henry; Matushka Janet (Ioanna) Mihalick; Matushka Anastasia Karlgut; Luke Kluchko; Vyacheslav; Barbara, Daniel, Diane, Charles, Elena, Robert, Joy, Dorothy, Nina, Yvette, Archpriest Joseph Allen, Protospesbyter Boris Bobrinsky, Archimandrite John, Maria, Zinovia, Jhon. All those taken from us by the Coronavirus, by sickness, violence, and accidents.

For Health: Archpriest Jason, Archpriest Nicholas, Archpriest Daniel Kovalak, Archpriest Herman, Archpriest John, Archpriest Ken James, Rdr. Thomas & Mildred, Rdr. William, Mat. Cynthia, Mat. Anastasia; Antonina; Brook; August; Jude; Peggy; altar server Andrew; Ryan; expecting mothers Larissa, Elena, Juliana, Ashley, Lauren & Matushka Margaret; Jane Ann, Susan, James, James, Child Hannah, Shirley, Joshua, Chloe, Helen, Nadezhda, Kathleen, Sherri, Ruth, Harriett, Katherine, Kristen, Anastasia, Sierra, Maria, Michael, Kate, Rachel, Lorraine, Abigail. **In the Diocese:** Metropolitan Theodosius, Fr. Joseph; Archimandrite Joseph; Fr. John; Fr. Andreja; Matushka Eugenia; Matushka Mary, Presvytera Irene; Matushka Maggie; Matushka Frances; Matushka Elizabeth; Sub-deacon Julio; George; Jamie; Norvel; Julie; Robert; Carmen; Elizabeth; Roman; Lana; Anastasia; Ralitsa; Soterios; Aaron; Erin & child; Alonzo; Svetlana; child Quentin; Ann; Dasha; Susan; Stephanie, Constance; Anna; Gabriella; Olga; Tanya; Diane; Gregory; Dada; Vera; Ann; Sub-deacon Peter, Olga, Gabriella, Barbara, George, Ilia, Ludmilla, Sheila, Heather. Drs. Carol & Steven, Adam, Anna; Officers Luke, Boris & Charles, and all of the healthcare and public safety personnel in our parish and our communities; all those afflicted with the Coronavirus and those caring for them, those afflicted by sickness and injury. **Newly Ordained:** Deacon Michael Karney and his Family (9/12). **Name Days:** Jonah Charlanow (Prophet Jonah, 9/22), Reader Thomas Cheplick, Thomas & Thomas Cheplick (Apostle Thomas, 10/6). **Birthdays:** Reader William Haluszczak (9/27); Samuel Payzant (9/30); Valerie Angelo (10/3); Lydia Dudek (10/6). **Anniversary:** Maria & Michael Turic (10/1), Dn. Michael & Mat. Kathryn Karney (10/4), Samuel & Kathryn Payzant (10/7). **Appreciation:** All of our Church Musicians on this Sunday honoring them.

Parish Children:

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| Lucia | Hannah | Jeremiah | Andrew | Myra | Anthony | Anysia |
| Lydia | Natalie | Emilia | Patrick | Sophia | Dmitri | Jonah |
| Gabriel | Angelina | John | Thomas | Nikolai | Melania | Alexei |
| Larissa | Julianna | Nadia | Nathan | Justus | Gabriel | |

College Students:

Anna McKane – Duke University

Katherine McKane – Sarah Lawrence College

Please give prayer requests to Fr. David, Dn. Michael, Subdcn. Walter, or Reader William.

Typically, prayers for Newly Departed and Health

remain on this list for 40 days, unless requested otherwise. Thank you.

PRAYER CONCERNING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

O God Almighty, Lord of heaven and earth, and of all creation visible and invisible: In thine ineffable goodness, look down upon us, thy people gathered in thy Holy Name. Be our helper and defender in this day of affliction. Thou knowest our weakness. Thou hearest our cry in repentance and contrition of heart. O Lord who lovest mankind, deliver us from the impending threat of the Corona Virus. Send thine angel to watch over us and protect us. Grant health and recovery to those suffering from this virus. Guide the hands of physicians and preserve those who are healthy. Enable us to continue to serve our suffering brothers and sisters in peace; that together we may glorify thy most honorable and majestic name, of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

PRAYER IN A TIME OF CIVIL UNREST

Our Father, great and glorious God Who art in Heaven, yet Who dost look upon the earth with compassion, meting out Thy justice and Thy mercy upon nations: look down upon our earthly and temporal homeland, the United States of America, which is now divided by strife, and send Thy Spirit, the Spirit of peace, upon us like a heavenly Breeze, to restore peace to our cities, our countrysides, and our hearts. May He, the Spirit of truth Who leads the saints into all truth, teach us the truth, that we may abide in it, repenting of our error and ignorance. May He, the Spirit of righteousness, lead us in the way of righteousness, that we might cast aside and forever reject all hatred and bigotry. May He, the Spirit of Justice, strengthen us to restore justice to our land, that we may root out all corruption. O Father Almighty, adorn our rulers with a spirit of wisdom; adorn our civil authorities and the police and all who enforce the law with a spirit of mercy and restraint; and adorn all who dwell in our land with a spirit of love for one another, regardless of race or class. O Father without beginning, Who at the breathing of Thy Spirit didst cause dry land to appear out of the churning waters of chaos when the world was founded: deliver our earthly homeland from disorder, and grant us all to stand firmly on the ground of Thy justice and Thy mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to Whom is due all worship, together with thee, the God and Father, and the All-holy Spirit, the Comforter, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

FALL FELLOWSHIP HOUR SCHEDULE

It's time to resume our great tradition of hospitality!

October

- 4 Karney Family
- 11 Cheplick Family
- 18 King, Lyon & Styles Family
- 25 Payzant & Dudek Families

November

- 1 Urda, Cusick & Speen Families
- 8 Angelo, McKane & Loveland Families
- 15 Melnik, Turic & Weeks Families
- 22 Cowan Family
- 29 Haluzczak Family

December

- 6 Charlanow Family (St. Nicholas Day)
- 13 Karney Family
- 20 Cheplick Family
- 27 Christmas Leftovers Potluck



CHOIR GROUP SCHEDULE

- Group A: Reader William & Carol Haluszcak
- Group B: Maria Turic, Toni Weeks & Steve Cheplick
- Group C: Adam McKane & John Terry
- 10/4: Group A** **10/11: Group B**
- 10/18: Group C** **10/25: Group A**

READER SCHEDULE

- 10/3-4: Reader William 10/10-11: Alexander Charlanow
- 10/17-18: Carol Haluszcak 10/24-25: Mat. Tamara and Reader Gabriel 10/31 – 11/1: Steve Cheplick

**Today is CHURCH MUSICIAN APPRECIATION DAY throughout our Diocese.
Here is Archbishop Michael's greeting
to all of our beloved Choir Directors, Singers, Readers, and Church Musicians!**



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**Archpastoral Letter for
Church Musician Appreciation Day: Sunday, October 4, 2020**

Prot. No. 01-008/2020

October 1, 2020

Pokrov – The Protection of the Mother of God
Saint Romanos the Melodist

Dearly Beloved in the Lord:
Christ is in our midst!

The Diocese of New York and New Jersey will mark Church Musician Appreciation Day on Sunday, October 4, 2020, the Sunday following the feast day of St. Romanos the Melodist. Truly, we need to nurture and encourage our church musicians – and thank them on this day for their pious work.

We must especially commend our choir directors, singers, readers, and chanters for their creativity and determination during this year of profound challenges arising from the pandemic. Choir directors and singers were prevented from gathering to rehearse and to sing the beautiful services of Great Lent, Holy Week, and the Pascha season ... many choir directors and chanters had to sing the services alone for weeks on end ... and directors and singers alike had to adapt to the requirements of reducing and socially distancing choirs when churches began to re-open.

So, I strongly encourage Rectors, Parish Councils, and Choir leaders to offer special thanks to their singers, composers, arrangers, and teachers of church music. Having faced the demands of this year, let us never take for granted the vital relationship between the Rector and the Choir Director; the prayerful connection between the liturgical celebrants and the choir; and the soul-enriching ministry of our church musicians, which uplifts and inspires all those gathered in the Divine Services.

With this in mind, I direct the following petitions to be offered during the Augmented Litany on October 4:

O Heavenly Father, on this day of recognition for the women, men and young people in our parish who give their time and musical talent in service to Thee, our Lord, and to Thy Church, we ask Thy continued blessings for all of them, and we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

Response: Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy. (Repeat after each petition)

Bless all of our choir members, O Lord, as they sing praises to Thee and glorify Thy Name. That their work may be a witness to Thy majesty and love, reminding us all of Thy presence in our lives; we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

O God, Whom Saints and Angels delight to worship in Heaven: be ever present with Thy servants who seek through music to perfect the praises offered by Thy people on earth; and entreating Thee to grant unto them even now glimpses of Thy beauty and to make them worthy to behold it unveiled for evermore, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

I thank you for joining me in expressing gratitude to our church musicians, singers, and composers, and I appreciate your cooperation in the manner of this request.

With my archpastoral blessings, my humble prayers, and my sincere love to all of you,
especially to the church musicians of our beloved Diocese,

+ Archbishop Michael

Archbishop of New York and the
Diocese of New York and New Jersey