

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, May 9, 2021 – Second Sunday of Pascha

St. Thomas, The Believing Disciple

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

WELCOME, YOUR EMINENCE, ARCHBISHOP MICHAEL!

LOOKING AHEAD: UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sundays, May 16, 23 & 30: Special Collections for St. Andrew's Camp – New Building Fund
- Sunday, May 16, 1 PM: Grave Blessings at the Parish Cemetery
- Saturday, May 22: Ministry Hall Cleanup Day. We want to prepare the Hall for some "take-out" food sale fund-raising events!

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 – St. Thomas Sunday, May 9

8:30 AM *3rd and 6th Hours* (Read Before the Arrival of the Archbishop to the Church)

9:00 AM *Greeting* and *Vesting* of Archbishop Michael,
Followed by *Tonsuring to the Rank of Reader* of Samuel Payzant and Alexander and Dmitri Charlanow,
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy and Pot Luck Fellowship with Archbishop Michael, Downstairs

Saturday, May 15

5:00 PM *Great Vespers*- Confession Available Afterward

Sunday, May 16 – The Myrrhbearing Women, Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus

8:40 AM *3rd and 6th Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy* followed by Fellowship Hour Downstairs

1:00 PM *Blessing of Graves* at Holy Trinity Parish Cemetery.

If you would like the graves of loved ones blessed in other cemeteries, please contact Fr. David.

EPISTLE Acts 5:12-20 In those days: Now many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

GOSPEL John 20:19-31 At that time, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

SPRING FELLOWSHIP HOUR SCHEDULE

MAY

9 St. Thomas Sunday / Mother's Day –
Archbishop Michael's Visit – Parish Potluck
16 Angelo, McKane, Loveland Families
23 Charlanow Families
30 Cowan Family



Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Harry (Cousin of Rdr. William); Galina; Archpriest Nilus Lerro; Helen; Sanjay; Dimitri, Mary; Mary; Basil Colman, Jeffrey, Tasmia; Karen; Irene; Olga; Child Jackson, Archpriest Antonio Perdomo. All the departed named for the Holy Apostle Thomas. Ever-memorable Lindsay Elaine Devens (born 5/8/81). All our departed mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, godmothers, wives, sisters, and daughters, on this Mother's Day Weekend. All those taken from us by the Coronavirus, by sickness, violence, and injury.

For Health: Archpriest Jason, Archpriest Nicholas, Archpriest Daniel & Mat. Myra, Archpriest Herman & Mat. Cynthia, Archpriest Ken James; Archpriest Gregory; Archpriest Michael; Rdr. Thomas & Mildred, Rdr. William, Mat. Anastasia; Newly Chrismated Justin O'Brien; Peter; Ilsa, Jaime; Michelle, Joan; Nancy; Robert Karney; Eileen, Samantha; Joan; Nicholas; Scott, Steven; Juliana, Antonina; Ryan; Matushka Margaret & Fr. Joel Brady and their newborn son Ambrose; expecting mothers Kelly & Matushka Lillian; Jane Ann, Susan, James, James, Child Hannah, Joshua, Chloe, Helen, Nadezhda, Kathleen, Erica, Sherri, Ruth, Harriett, Katherine, Kristin, Sierra, Maria, Michael, Kate, Lorraine, Barry, Abigail. **Diocesan Prayer Requests:** Archbishop BENJAMIN; Protospresbyter Leonid Kishkovsky, Fr. Michael Dudas, Fr. Joseph Chupeck; Fr. Jason Vansuch; Deacon John; Matushka Frances Vansuch; Matushka Katherine White, Sub-deacon Peter; Monk James; Mother Michaela; Dr. Fretlich; Nathaniel; Cindy; Laura; Frank, Jimmy, Anna, Jennifer; Joy, Ray; Irina, Carol, George, Christina; Steven & Jennifer and their unborn child; Luis & Jodie and their newborn daughter Abigail; Paulos & Alexandra; Dimitri; Nancy; Nashwa; Thomas; Zoran; Boris, Valentina; Maria, Ann, Stephanie. Drs. Mary Carol & Steven, Dn. Michael, Adam; Dennis; 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, violence, and injury. **Newly Tonsured:** Readers Samuel Payzant, Alexander Charlanow & Dmitri Charlanow. **Name Day:** All those named for the Holy Apostle Thomas. **Birthdays:** Barbara Knighton (5/8), Myra Shazer (5/9), Nadezhda Melnik (101st Birthday, 5/15). **Anniversary:** Archbishop MICHAEL (11th Anniversary of Consecration, 5/8; and Enthronement, 5/9); Reader Thomas & Mildred Cheplick (66 years, 4/30); Tom & Maria (Jam) Cheplick (18 years, 5/10). **Mother's Day:** All our mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, godmothers, wives, sisters, and daughters.

Parish Children:

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

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.



Announcing 2021 Season!

It's time to beat the quarantine blues this summer at Camp! We are *very excited* to be reunited with our beloved campers for our 64th Camp Season of 5 glorious weeks in the beautiful outdoors on Lake Oneida, New York!

FAMILY WEEK
July 5-10

HORSE WEEK 1
July 11-17

MISH MASH WEEK
July 18-24

HORSE WEEK 2
July 25-31

TEEN WEEK
August 1-7



WAIT! WE WANT YOU TOO!

Are you ready to get out and interact with people? Want to make a difference in the lives of youth, while growing your faith and enjoying nature? Then helping out at Saint Andrew's Camp is for you!

We have a need for counselors, cooks & kitchen assistants, nurses, and weekend work crews. Join us for a weekend, a week or more!

Take your summer to the next level and join the fun and important ministry at Saint Andrew's Camp!

For more information about the camp program or helping out, contact the Camp Office at (315) 675-9771 or saintandrewscamp@aol.com

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Questions about St. Andrew's Camp? Talk to our Matushka Tamara, Camp Program Director.