

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, September 5, 2021

11th Sunday After Pentecost – Tone 2

**Holy Prophet Zachariah and Righteous Elizabeth,
the Parents of St. John the Baptist**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

On Sunday, Sep. 19, at the end of the Liturgy, we will have a special Prayer of Blessing for our Church School students and our Teen Group. The first meetings of the year for both groups will follow, during Fellowship Hour.

Families Learning Together: New this school year – Parents, teens, and young students all join together for a game or an activity, the 3rd Sunday of each month, starting October 17.

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 – Sunday, September 5

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy* – Followed by Fellowship Hour Downstairs; Special Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 7

6:30 PM *Great Vespers & Litya* – Nativity of the Most-Holy Theotokos

Wednesday, September 8 – Great Feast of the Nativity of the Most-Holy Theotokos

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy* – The Nativity of the Most-Holy Theotokos

Saturday, September 11

5:00 PM *Great Vespers*; Private Confession Available Afterward

Sunday, September 12

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy* and Setup for First-Responder Blessing Event

12:00 Noon *Service of Blessing for First Responders* – Police, Fire, Ambulance Personnel & Vehicles,
Followed by Parish Picnic!

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 9:2-12 Brethren: If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. My defense to those who examine me is this: Do we have no right to eat and drink? Do we have no right to take along a believing wife, as do also the other apostles, the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working? Who ever goes to war at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its fruit? Or who tends a flock and does not drink of the milk of the flock? Do I say these things as a mere man? Or does not the law say the same also? For it is written in the law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain." Is it oxen God is concerned about? Or does He say it altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, this is written, that he who plows should plow in hope, and he who threshes in hope should be partaker of his hope. If we have sown spiritual things for you, is it a great thing if we reap your material things? If others are partakers of this right over you, are we not even more? Nevertheless we have not used this right, but endure all things lest we hinder the gospel of Christ.

GOSPEL Matthew 18:23-35 The Lord said: "Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, 'Pay me what you owe!' So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?' And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."

LOCAL FOOD PANTRY SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

The local Oakwood United Methodist Church Food Pantry, presently serving at 210 Oakwood Ave., Elmira Heights, welcomes additional volunteers, setting up and hosting their weekly food pantry for neighbors in need. Any Thursday, between 3PM – 6 PM, volunteers are welcome! Just show up, or for more information call Sue Hults at 333-0396.

Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Mitred Archpriest Sergei Glagolev (+9/1); Matushka Anisia Boldireff (+9/1); Ludmilla Branzow (+8/29); Stella Lytwan; James Worthington, Sr. (Jim Worthington's father); Fr. Michael Kobloch; Matushka Tresja Denysenko; Catherine; James; infant John; John; Connie; Fr. Leonid Kishkovsky; Lorraine; Stephen. All those taken from us by the Coronavirus, by sickness, violence, and injury; all those taken from us by the violence in Afghanistan and by the recent tropical storms and floods in our region.

For Health: Fr. Jason, Fr. Nicholas, Fr. Daniel & Mat. Myra, Fr. Gregory White, recovering from surgery; Fr. Herman & Mat. Cynthia, Fr. Ken James; Fr. Michael; Rdr. Alexander, Rdr. Thomas & Mildred, Rdr. William; Mat. Anastasia; Nadezhda; Deborah, recovering from surgery; Sherry; Jack; Rachel & Justin; Gregory & Margaret; Peter; Ilsa; Nancy; Joan; Nicholas; Scott, Steven; Juliana, Antonina; Ryan; expecting mothers Kelly & Matushka Lillian; Jane Ann, Susan, James, James, Child Hannah, Sherry, Joshua, Chloe, Helen, Kathleen, Erica, Sherri, Ruth, Harriett, Katherine, Kristin, Sierra, Maria, Michael, Kate, Barry, Abigail, David. **Diocesan Prayer Requests:** Archbishop BENJAMIN; Fr. Joseph Lickwar, Fr. Joseph (Hoffman); Fr. Moses Berry; Fr. Michael Dudas, Fr. Joseph Chupeck; Fr. Cyprian; Matushka Genevieve Glagolev; Mat. Ruth Federoff; Mat. Doreen Bartholomew; Mat. Dunia Hubiak; Mat. Lesya Dubee; Mat. Christine Hoeplinger; Mat. Jeanne Zablotsky; Mat. Elizabeth Maliniak; Reader Peter; child Luka, Gregory, Peter, Matthew, NinaTanya, Nina, Galina, Anastasii, Anastasia, Yulia, Dimitri, Constantine, Alexandra, Claire, Helen, Nicholas, Lucy, Anthony, Marian; Jessica & Daniel and the child lost to them; Marty, Susan; Mark; Jon; George, Anna, Ann; Loraine; Carmen, James, Byron, Ellie, Irene, Kathy, Andrei; Tatiana, Elaine, Anna. 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. All those afflicted by the violence in Afghanistan and by the recent tropical storms and floods. **Name Day:** Anna McKane (St. Anna, Mother of the Virgin Mary, 9/9).

Birthday: Patrick Karney (9/10).

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 • Nathan Devens – Elmira College • Larissa Cheplick – Daemen College

Please give prayer requests to Fr. David, Dn. Michael, Subdcn. Walter, or a Reader. Typically, prayers for Newly Departed and Health remain on this list for 40 days, unless requested otherwise. Thank you.

READERS' SCHEDULE

Sept. 4th – Sept 10th:	Reader Samuel (Nativity of the Theotokos – Sept. 7/8)
Sept. 11- Sept. 17th:	Reader William (Exaltation of the Cross – Sept. 13/14)
Sept. 18th – Sept. 24th:	Reader Dmitri
Sept. 25th – October 1st:	Mary Carol Haluszczak (Pokrov – Oct 1st)

FALL/WINTER 2021 FELLOWSHIP HOUR SCHEDULE

Contact Mat. Tamara or Mat. Katie if you need a different date.

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Cowan Family
- 12 Parish Picnic
- 19 Angelo, McKane & Loveland Families
- 26 Cheplick Families

OCTOBER

- 3 Cusick, Speen & Urda Families
- 10 Melnik, Turic & Weeks Families
- 17 Charlanow Family
- 24 Gomez & O'Brien Families
- 31 Karney Family

NOVEMBER

- 7 Haluszczak-Holobinko Families
- 14 Angelo, McKane & Loveland Families
- 21 Cowan Family
- 28 Payzant & Dudek Families

DECEMBER

- 5 Cheplick Families
- 12 Cusick, Speen & Urda
- 19 Karney Family
- 26 Melnick, Turic & Weeks Families

PARISH NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Sunday, Sep. 12, 12:00 PM: Blessing of First-Responder Personnel and Vehicles AND The Return of the Parish Summer Picnic!** Please see Marilyn Cusick to offer to bring a dish.
- **Candle Price Changes – Effective September 1: 5-Day Vigils, \$5 • 12-Hour Beeswax, \$3 • Tapers, still \$1**
- **Sunday, Sep. 19: First Day of Church School and Teen Group.** See above for details.
- **Saturday, Oct. 9: Diocesan Altar Server Retreat, Holy Resurrection Church, Wayne NJ.** Details will be emailed to altar server families.

Honoring the 20th Anniversary of 9/11/2001

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH
of ELMIRA HEIGHTS invites you to:

A PRAYER SERVICE & VEHICLE BLESSING
For Our LOCAL FIRST RESPONDERS

POLICE



FIRE



AMBULANCE



Sunday, Sep. 12, 12:00 Noon

Prayer Service & Vehicle Blessing

Followed by Parish Picnic – Guests, please stay and eat!



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