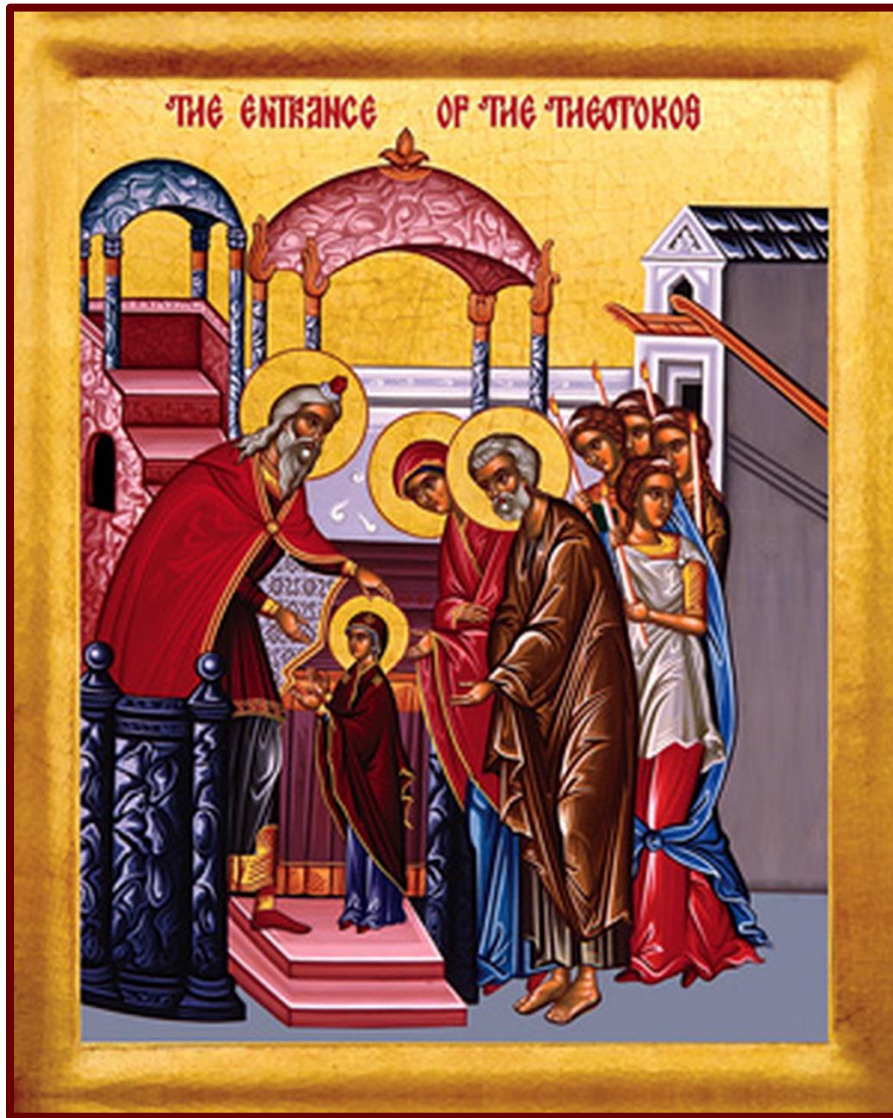


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**Sunday, November 21, 2021**

**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost – Tone 5**

**The Entry of the Theotokos Into the Temple**

***MEMORY ETERNAL: + NADIA MELNIK***

+ Nadia fell asleep in the Lord yesterday, Saturday, November 20, in her home.

Services for Nadia will be announced once they have been confirmed.

Please share your sympathies with Toni, Manya, Olya, Luba and their family.

**May + Nadia Nadezhda's memory be eternal!**

## SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

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

**Today – Great Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos Into the Temple**

8:40 AM Third and Sixth Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, Followed by Fellowship Hour, and "Families Learning Together Activity: Thanksgiving Basket Assembly!"

**Monday-Tuesday, November 22-23**

1:30-4:30 PM Delivering Thanksgiving Baskets to Families in Need – Contact Fr. David to participate!

**Tuesday, November 23**

7:00 PM Adult Education: "Thinking Orthodox" – in the Church, and on Zoom

**Wednesday, November 24**

6:30 PM Akathist of Thanksgiving, "Glory to God for All Things"

**Saturday, November 27**

5:00 PM Reader Vespers; Led by Deacon Michael

**Sunday, November 28**

8:40 AM Third and Sixth Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, Followed by Fellowship Hour (Thanksgiving Break for Church School and Teens)

### **A "TWO-FOR-ONE" OPPORTUNITY TO BLESS ST. TIKHON'S SEMINARY**

Beloved in Christ: Our Seminary--St Tikhon's--has an urgent need that you can help with, TODAY through Tuesday, Nov. 30. For Giving Tuesday, a generous donor has agreed to match up to \$50,000 in new gifts. **PLEASE HELP!**

To inaugurate this effort, we are asking--DEPENDING--on you to share the news with your friends and others who might give generously in response to your invitation.

What gift will be doubled? 1. Any first-time gifts. 2. The increase on anyone's gift of record (that is, if anyone gave \$100 last time, but \$200 this time, \$100 of the new gift will be matched).

- PLEASE HELP ST TIKHON'S BY: 1. Giving generously at [www.stots.edu/double](https://www.stots.edu/double)  
2. Sharing this email with a friend. 3. Encouraging your friend to match YOUR gift!  
4. Encouraging others to do the same on Giving Tuesday.

WHEN? Any time between now and the end of the day, Tuesday, November 30.

We are grateful to YOU for your generosity and love. Come see all the good God is doing at St Tikhon's Seminary!

Yours in Christ, Fr John Parker, Dean

St Tikhon's Seminary ➡ URGENT help needed ➡ DOUBLE \$50,000 to \$100,000 in under two weeks.

In August, our incoming class nearly DOUBLED the Seminary. Starting today, YOU can help DOUBLE our Giving Tuesday!

[www.stots.edu/double](https://www.stots.edu/double) or scan the code below with your phone.



## SCRIPTURE READINGS

**EPISTLES: Galatians 6:11-18** Brethren: See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand! As many as desire to make a good showing in the flesh, these would compel you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

**Hebrews 9:1-7 (Theotokos)** Brethren: Indeed, even the first covenant had ordinances of divine service and the earthly sanctuary. For a tabernacle was prepared: the first part, in which was the lampstand, the table, and the showbread, which is called the sanctuary; and behind the second veil, the part of the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of All, which had the golden censer and the ark of the covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which were the golden pot that had the manna, Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the covenant; and above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot now speak in detail. Now when these things had been thus prepared, the priests always went into the first part of the tabernacle, performing the services. But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, not without blood, which he offered for himself and for the people's sins committed in ignorance.

**GOSPELS Luke 12:16-21** The Lord spoke this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry." But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

**Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28 (Theotokos)** At that time, Jesus and His disciples entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word. But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me." And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her." And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts which nursed You!" But He said, "More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

### Prayer List

**Memory Eternal:** Nadia (Nadezhda) Melnik (+11/20); Sally, Thomas, Isaiah, Robert, Dennis; Olga; Jack; Victoria. Ever-memorable Katarina Nazarenko, infant Katarina, Catherine Tatusko, and all those named for St. Catherine the Great Martyr (11/24). All those taken from us by the Coronavirus, by sickness, violence, injury and disaster.

**For Health:** Archbishop MICHAEL, Fr. Jason Kappanadze, Fr. Nicholas Harris, Fr. Daniel & Mat. Myra Kovalak, Fr. Herman & Mat. Cynthia Schick, Fr. Michael Oleksa; Fr. Moses Berry; Fr. Joseph Chupeck; Rdr. Thomas & Mildred, Rdr. William; Mat. Anastasia; Presbyteria Maria; newly-baptized Samuel; child Emmett; Andrew; Natalia; Volker; Bridget; Danielle; Marion, Horatio, Gabriella; Judy; Ann; Christa; Sebastian, Joyce; Helen; Nadezhda; Lisa; Michael; Peter; Ilsa; Nancy; Joan; Nicholas; Scott & Casey, Steven; Juliana, Antonina; Ryan; newborn Ethan, his mother Matushka Lillian and family; Susan, James, Child Hannah, Sherry, Joshua, Chloe, Helen, Kathleen, Erica, Sherri, Stella, Ruth, Harriett, Katherine, Kristin, Sierra, Maria, Michael, Kate, Barry, Abigail, David.

**Diocesan Prayer Requests:** Archbishop BENJAMIN; Fr. John Bohush; Dn. John Holoduek; Reader John; Aleksei; Daniel & Lilly and their children Arthur & Holly; John; Olga; Tanya; Jane; Cassandra, David; Melanie; Sara. All the clergy, faithful and their families of the Diocese of New York and New Jersey. All those afflicted with the Coronavirus and those caring for them, those afflicted by sickness, violence, injury, and disaster. **Name Days:** Matushka Kathryn Karney, Katherine McKane, Kathryn Payzant, and all those named for St. Catherine the Great Martyr (11/24).

**Birthdays:** John McKane (11/25) **Anniversaries:** Dimitry & Rita Molodyko (Mat. Tamara's brother and sister-in-marriage, 25 years on 11/23); James & Jane Ann Cowan (Fr. David's parents, 55 years on 11/26).

#### **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	Samuel	

#### **College Students:** Anna McKane – Duke University •

Katherine McKane – Sarah Lawrence College Year Abroad at Oxford University, England •

Nathan Devens – Elmira College • Larissa Cheplick – Daemen College

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**

Nov. 20th – Nov. 26th: Reader Alexander

Nov. 27th – Dec. 3rd: Reader William

Dec. 4th – Dec. 10th: Reader Samuel

Dec. 11th – Dec. 17th: Mary Carol Haluszczak

Dec. 18th – Dec. 24th: Mat. Tamara & Rdr. Gabriel

Dec. 25th – Dec. 31st: Reader Alexander

Jan. 1st – Jan. 7th: Reader Samuel

### **FALL/WINTER 2021 FELLOWSHIP HOUR SCHEDULE**

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

#### **NOVEMBER**

21 Angelo, McKane & Loveland Families

28 Payzant & Dudek Families

#### **DECEMBER**

5 Cheplick Families

12 Cusick, Speen & Urda Families

19 Karney Family

26 Turic & Weeks Families

#### **COMING UP: A Few Items from the Parish Calendar**

- Saturday, Dec. 11, 3:00 – 8:00 PM: Diocesan Teen Get-Together
- Sunday, Dec. 12: Choir Rehearsal, After the Liturgy
- Friday, Dec. 17, 6:30 – 8:00 PM: Dress Rehearsal for the Nativity Play
- Saturday, Dec. 18: Food Sale, 8 AM to 12 Noon
- Saturday, Dec. 18, 4:00 PM: Choir Rehearsal
- Sunday, Dec. 19, After the Liturgy: Parish Nativity Play!

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NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 2021						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<u>10/31</u> 8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy Fellowship Hour, Church School and Teen Group	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u> 7:00 PM Adult Study: <i>Thinking Orthodox</i> ; In Church and By Zoom, with Deacon Michael	<u>3</u> Diocesan Assembly – <i>Ft. David Away</i>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u> 5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions Afterward
<u>7</u> 8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy Fellowship Hour & Church School 11:30-3 PM: Teen Hike 6:30 PM: Great Vespers & Litya: Feast of the Archangels	<u>8</u> 8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy, Feast of Archangels Michael, Gabriel & Raphael and All the Bodiless Angelic Powers	<u>9</u> 7:00 PM Adult Study: <i>Thinking Orthodox</i> ; In Church and By Zoom	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u> <i>Presbyters' Council Meets, Bronville, NY</i>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u> 5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions Afterward
<u>14</u> 8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy Fellowship Hour, Church School and Teen Group	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u> 7:00 PM Adult Study: <i>Thinking Orthodox</i> ; In Church and By Zoom	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u> Altar Servers' Retreat, Wayne, NJ 5:00 PM Vespers: Entry of the Mother of God into the Temple
<u>21</u> 8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy: Entry of the Mother of God; Fellowship Hour, Church School Families Make Thanksgiving Baskets	<u>22</u> Thanksgiving Basket Deliveries	<u>23</u> Thanksgiving Basket Deliveries 7:00 PM Adult Study: <i>Thinking Orthodox</i> ; In Church and By Zoom	<u>24</u> 6:30 PM Akathist Service of Thanksgiving: <i>Glory to God for All Things</i>	<u>25</u> THANKSGIVING DAY	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u> 5:00 PM Reader Vespers
<u>28</u> 8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy Fellowship Hour (No Church School or Teen Group Today)	<u>29</u> 6:30 PM Parish Council Meets	<u>30</u> 7:00 PM Adult Study: <i>Thinking Orthodox</i> ; In Church and By Zoom	<u>DEC 1</u> 6:30 PM Daily Vespers: Ss. Porphyrios of Mount Athos and Habakkuk the Prophet	<u>DEC 2</u> Food Sale Prep Workshop Diocesan Council Meets, Bronville, NY <i>Ft. David's 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood</i>	<u>DEC 3</u>	<u>DEC 4</u> 3:00 pm Decorating the Church for Advent and Nativity 5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions Afterward

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**DECEMBER 2021**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<u>DEC 5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>
8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy Fellowship Hour; "Visit from St. Nicholas!" 6:30 PM Great Vespers & Litya: St. Nicholas Day	8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy: Feast of Saint Nicholas the Wonder-Worker	7:00 PM Adult Study: <i>Thinking Orthodox</i> ; In Church and By Zoom				3:00 – 8:00 PM Diocesan Teen Get-Together  6:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions Afterward (Note Time Change)
<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>
8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy Fellowship, Church School, Teen Group Choir Rehearsal 6:30 PM Great Vespers & Litya: St. Herman of Alaska	8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy: Feast of Saint Herman of Alaska, the Wonder-Worker	7:00 PM Adult Study: <i>Thinking Orthodox</i> ; In Church and By Zoom			6:30 – 8:00 PM: Nativity Play Dress Rehearsal	Parish Take-Out Food Sale, 8 AM – 12 Noon 4:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions: Afterward
<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u> NATIVITY/CHRISTMAS
8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy Fellowship Hour, <i>Nativity Play</i>		6:30 – 7:30 PM Caroling in the Neighborhood			8:00 AM Royal Hours for the Eve of the Nativity 5:00 PM Holy Supper at the Rectory 7:00 PM Nativity Vigil	9:40 AM Hours & Liturgy Nativity of Christ CHRIST IS BORN!  5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions: Afterward
<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>JAN 1</u> +BASIL / CIRCUMCIS.
8:40 AM Hours & Liturgy Fellowship Hour: Christmas Pot Luck! (No Church School or Teen Group Today)  Caroling to the Homebound					7:00 PM Great Vespers & Litya, Followed by New Year's Eve Fellowship Downstairs	9:40 AM Hours & Liturgy St. Basil's Day / Circumcision of Christ  5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions: Afterward



# DIOCESAN TEEN GET-TOGETHER

December 11, 2021

Host Parish:  
Holy Trinity, Elmira Heights

## **Come Join Us!**

3-5pm: Baking Christmas Cookies for St. Michael's Community Meal in Binghamton

5pm: Dinner

6pm: Great Vespers

7pm: Q&A with Archbishop Michael & other parishes by Zoom

*Participation certificates for Service Hours will be issued following each event*