

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, September 18, 2022 – Tone 5

14th Sunday After Pentecost

Afterfeast of the Elevation of the Cross

St. Euthemius, Bishop of Gortyna

MANY, MANY THANKS ...

To everyone who worked so very diligently, for weeks and weeks, to make our
Slavic Sampler Food Sale happen on Thursday, September 15!

We welcomed more than 125 guests and made a lot of people very happy! *Thank you!*

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 18

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*, with *Blessing for the Beginning of the Church School Year*;
Followed by Fellowship Hour Downstairs, Church School and Teen Group

Saturday, September 24

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy* – Feast of the Martyrs of Alaska

Please Welcome Fr. Nicholas Molodyko-Harris, Celebrating the 61st Anniversary of his Ordination to the Holy Priesthood Today

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

Sunday, September 25

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy* – Followed by Fellowship Downstairs, Choir Rehearsal, Church School and Teen Group

Monday, September 26

6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting – in the Church

PRAYER FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE CHURCH SCHOOL YEAR

O Lord, our God and Creator, Thou hast honored us men with Thine own image, and didst teach Thy chosen disciples that the fear of Thee is the beginning of true wisdom; Thou hast revealed Thy wisdom to children and didst teach Thy law to Solomon and to all those who have sought Thee in purity of heart. Open the hearts, the minds, and the mouths of these students, that they may perceive the power of Thy law, and successfully comprehend the useful things which will be taught them, so that they will understand Thy perfect will and contribute to the building up of Thy Holy Church. Deliver them from every snare of the enemy, preserve them in the true faith and in righteousness and purity all the days of their lives, that they may grow in wisdom and in the observance of Thy commandments, and may be revealed as worshipers of Thy Name and heirs of Thy Kingdom.

Bless also us the clergy and faithful laypersons who teach them, O Lord; grant that our words may be free from every worldly deceit and vanity, and may always clearly proclaim the word of Thy truth. For Thou art God, the Author of truth and the Fountain of wisdom, and unto Thee we ascribe glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

YOUTH CHOIR FALL SCHEDULE

Saturdays, 3:30pm -- For more information,
contact Matushka Tamara: tamarancowan@hotmail.com

Dates: 10/8 ♦ 10/15 ♦ *No Rehearsal on 10/22*
10/29 ♦ 11/5 ♦ 11/12 ♦ 11/19 ♦ *No Rehearsal 11/26*

HELP NEEDED ON CHURCH LAWN CARE TEAM

If you can offer a few hours every few weeks to mow, rake, whack weeds, etc., then please sign up at the candle desk, or speak with Deacon Michael. Thank you!

THANK YOU VERY MUCH...

to all who participated in our First Responder Blessing Service and Parish Picnic last Sunday!
Despite the rain, you made it a very welcoming and memorable event for our guests!

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLES Galatians 2:16-20 (Afterfeast, Exaltation of the Cross) Brethren: We know that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4 Brethren: He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. Moreover I call God as witness against my soul, that to spare you I came no more to Corinth. Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand. But I determined this within myself, that I would not come again to you in sorrow. For if I make you sorrowful, then who is he who makes me glad but the one who is made sorrowful by me? And I wrote this very thing to you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow over those from whom I ought to have joy, having confidence in you all that my joy is the joy of you all. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.

GOSPELS Mark 8:34-9:1 (Afterfeast, Exaltation of the Cross) At that time, when Jesus had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." And He said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that there are some standing here who will not taste death till they see the kingdom of God present with power."

Matthew 22:1-14 At that time, Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables and said: "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. Again, he sent out other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the wedding.' But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.' So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. So he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Find the Readings for Each Day: www.oca.org/readings

Prayer List

Memory Eternal: His Beatitude, Metropolitan HERMAN; His Eminence, Metropolitan KALLISTOS; Archpriest John Reeves; Arlene; Dorothy; child Sophia; child Harry; Brian; Reader Michael Mellin; David and his daughter Mackenzie; Dora; soldier Andrej; Reader John Economou. All those taken from us by the Coronavirus, by sickness, violence, injury and disaster.

For Health: Fr. Jason Kappanadze, Fr. Daniel & Mat. Myra Kovalak, Fr. Herman & Mat. Cynthia Schick, Fr. Moses Berry; Fr. Joseph & Matushka Ellen Chupeck; Matushka Patricia Mason, Matushka Kathleen White; Matushka Rebekah; Rdr. Thomas & Mildred, Mother Nektaria; Catechumen Sarah; Veronica; Luka & Elena; Bo & Caitlyn; Arnold; James; Dmitri; Deborah; Kathleen; expecting mothers Larissa, Laura, and the children to be born to them; Rachel and newborn daughter Avery; Julie; Julie; Manya; John; Nancy; Christa; Ilsa; Scott & Casey, Steven; Antonina; Ryan; Child Hannah, Joshua, Helen, Kevin, Erica, Sherri, Ruth, Harriet, Katherine, Kristin, Sierra, Kate, David, Nicholas, Kyriakos; and catechumens Charles, Sue, Amy, Stephen, and Verity.

Diocesan Prayer Requests: Archbishop BENJAMIN; Archpriest John Kowalczyk; Protodeacon Gabriel Petorak; Protodeacon John Morvay, Matushka Kathy Toroney; Matushka Olga Andrejuk; Subdeacon Yakov; Rdr. Fredric; Lily; Anthony; Michelle and the child to be born of her; David, Christina, Germain, Tahara, Matthew, Mekai, Noali; Tracy; Rose Anne, Gertrude; Christine, Evelyn, Rachel; Peter, Patricia, Tony, Candice, Nicholas; Sandy, James, child Evelyn; Anna; child Gideon. 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 Day: Jonah Charlanow (Prophet Jonah, 9/22). **Birthdays:** Anna Davis (9/14); Melania Cheplick (9/18); Rdr. Gabriel Cowan, Michael Hendershot & Andrew Shazer (9/23); Penny Cowan (Fr. David's mom, 9/24). **Anniversary:** Mitred Archpriest Nicholas Molodyko-Harris (Matushka Tamara's dad, 61st Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood, 9/24/61).

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	Gabriel
Michael	Hannah	Raphael	Verity	Anna	Julie	Michelle

College Students: Anna McKane – Duke University •

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

Nathan Devens – SUNY Cobleskill • Larissa Cheplick – Daemen College • Magdalena Botrous – LECOM Elmira

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

Sept. 17th – 23rd: Reader Dmitri ♦ Sept. 24th – 30th: Reader Alexander

October 1st – 7th: Mary Carol Haluszczak ♦ October 8th – 14th: Reader Samuel

October 15th – 21st: Reader William ♦ October 22nd – 28th: Reader Dmitri (Memorial Demetrius Saturday – 10/22)

October 29th – Nov. 4th: Reader Alexander

FALL 2022 FELLOWSHIP HOUR SCHEDULE

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

SEPTEMBER: 9/18 Urda, Cusick & Speen Families; 9/25 Cowan Family

OCTOBER: 10/1 Cheplick & Cheplick Families; 10/8 Haluszczak & Holobinko Families; 10/15 King, King-Styles & Lyon Families; 10/22 Charlanow Family; 10/29 Gomez & O'Brien Families

NOVEMBER: 11/5 Weeks & Turic Families; 11/12 Angelo & McKane Families;

11/19 Karney Family; 11/26 Cowan Family

HOLY TRINITY FALL HIKE **at Watkins Glen Gorge**



Saturday, October 1

12:00pm - 3:00pm

Meet at Watkins Glen Gorge

After Hike: Pudgies Pizza

Everyone Welcome!

**TODAY AND THE NEXT TWO SUNDAYS:
SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR ST. TIKHON'S MONASTERY ...**

Checks payable to Holy Trinity Church, marked "Monks' House", and placed in the marked basket on the Candle Desk will be combined into one check from the parish and sent to the Diocese October 3.

For the past 117 years, St. Tikhon's Monastery has prayed daily for the souls of the departed faithful of our Church in America; not a single prayer request slip is ever lost or forgotten. For more than a century, the monastics have cared for the graves of our loved ones who have fallen asleep in the Lord.

How can we ever gratefully repay the Monastery for this yeoman commitment of selfless ministry to our parishes throughout our Diocese and the entire OCA? Because of the need to expand the housing facilities for the ever-growing community of monks, the Monastery recently built a new Monks' House, at a cost of \$500,000. Even with their faithful mortgage payments, they still owe \$400,000 on the new building. Please see the photographs of the beautiful new monastic residence below.

At our most recent Diocesan Assembly, it was decided that this year each parish would help support the Monastery with a special collection. It would be wonderful if our Diocese could help make a sizable dent in the remaining mortgage. Parish organizations and individuals who have been graciously blessed by GOD are asked to become benefactors, along with all of our parishes.

Thank you in advance for your support, and may God bless you for your kindness, love, and generosity to St. Tikhon's Monastery and the monastics who pray for us there!

With my humble prayers, my archpastoral blessing, and my sincere love,

+ Archbishop Michael

