

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, July 23, 2023 – Tone 6

7th Sunday After Pentecost

**Feast of the Icon of the Mother of God at Pochaev;
Martyrs Trophimus, Theophilus, and those with them (4th c.)**



VEHICLE BLESSING –

TODAY, 11:45 AM

The Sunday After the

Feast of the Prophet Elijah

**Cars, trucks, boats, bikes (don't forget
your helmet!) ...**

**Line them up outside, and we'll ask the Lord
to bless whatever gets you from Point A to B!**

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 – 6th Sunday After Pentecost

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, Followed by Fellowship Downstairs

11:45 AM Blessing of Vehicles; Please stay after the Vehicle Blessing for more fellowship!

Friday, July 28

1:00 PM Church School & Teen Outing, at the Troy Fair, Troy, PA – See Details Below

Saturday, July 29

5:00 PM Great Vespers; Private Confession Available Afterward

Sunday, July 30

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, Followed by Fellowship Hour and Choir Rehearsal

THANK YOU -

**to all the Altar Servers who attended our Retreat on Thursday, July 20 –
and to their families who brought them and made it possible!**

SUMMER TEEN GROUP OUTING and CHURCH SCHOOL OUTING! - THE TROY FAIR, Troy, PA

FRIDAY, JULY 28 – 1:00pm – ‘til the cows go home!

Admission \$10 at Gate, \$8 preorder – includes all rides!!

And – the DEMOLITION DERBY, 7 PM at the Troy Fair! Separate admission, \$10 for adults; \$5 for kids.

For More Fair Info: www.troyfair.com ♦ For Demolition Derby Info: www.troyfair.com/demo-derby/

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO ST. OLYMPIA MISSION, POTSDAM, NY; JULY 24-25

On Monday and Tuesday, July 24-25, Archbishop Michael invites all to join a Diocesan pilgrimage to Saint Olympia Mission, in Potsdam / Norwood, NY. The mission is the parish located the furthest north in our Diocese, and it is the only parish in the U.S. named for Saint Olympia, whose Feast Day is July 25. The mission community recently moved into their own church building and are eager for pilgrims to “come and see!”

On Monday, July 24, at 6:00 PM, Vespers will be celebrated; and a meal will follow for all in attendance. On Tuesday, July 25, at 9:30 AM, His Eminence will be greeted at the entrance to the church, with the Liturgy to begin at 10:00 AM. A luncheon will be offered after the Liturgy. The church is located at 34 North Main Street, Norwood, NY.

“Much has been accomplished at St. Olympia, the northern-most outpost of the Diocese, since its founding just a few years ago,” says Archbishop Michael. “Everyone is encouraged to visit for this Pilgrimage, to pray together in the newly beautified temple, and to get to know the faithful parishioners who work so diligently to nurture and grow St. Olympia Mission!”

Visit St. Olympia Mission’s website
at <https://www.saintolympiaorthodoxchurch.org>.



SPECIAL COLLECTION – DIOCESE OF ALASKA CLERGY FUND

The next three Sundays – July 30, August 6 & August 13 – we will once again take a Special Collection for the Alaskan Clergy Fund. Please be as generous as you can. You can see Bishop Alexei of Alaska’s talk on the history and present needs of the Alaskan faithful at www.nynjoca.org/Alaska Thank you!

The Dormition Fast begins Tuesday, August 1 and ends with the Divine Liturgy on Tuesday, August 15, the **Great Feast of the Dormition (Falling-Asleep) of the Most-Holy Theotokos**, the Ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of God. During the fast we are called to abstain from meat, from excess food and drink, from unnecessary entertainment and spiritually unproductive conversation. Confession is also recommended during the Fast.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS **EPISTLE: Romans 15:1-7** Brethren: We then who are strong ought to bear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, leading to edification. For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached You fell on Me." For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus, that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God. **GOSPEL: Matthew 9:27-35** At that time, when Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, "Son of David, have mercy on us!" And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith let it be to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, "See that no one knows it." But when they had departed, they spread the news about Him in all that country. As they went out, behold, they brought to Him a man, mute and demon-possessed. And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, "It was never seen like this in Israel!" But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons." Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

HOLY TRINITY YOUTH & TEEN DAY at the TROY FAIR!

FRIDAY, JULY 28 1:00pm



Admission: \$10 at Gate, \$8 preorder

Join us for Fair Rides, Games, Food, Pig Races, Music, Demo Derby & lots more!

For more info see Matushka Tamara

www.troyfair.com



*"... all things come from Thee,
and we have only given back
what is Thine already".
(I Chronicles 29:13-15)*

*You are cordially invited to attend
a New York State Deanery Appreciation Dinner
for the 2022 Distinguished Diocesan Benefactors
of the Diocese of New York and New Jersey*

*hosted with gratitude by
His Eminence, Archbishop MICHAEL*

On two dates, in two locations:

*Sunday, August 20, 2023; 5:30 PM Hors D'Oeuvres; 6:00 PM Dinner
at St. John the Baptist Church, 855 S. Goodman St., Rochester, NY*

*RSVP by Monday, August 7, to Fr. David Mezynski,
email fr.david@sjoca.org, phone (914) 413-5605*

*Sunday, October 29, 2023, at 5:30 PM
at St. Basil's Church Hall, 23 Archibald St., Watervliet, NY 12189*

*RSVP by Monday, October 16, to Fr. Peter Olsen,
email kaolsen2410@gmail.com, phone (518) 273-6262*

~You are encouraged to bring family members and parish guests~

Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Yuri; John; Svetlana; Chiraca; Fr. Alexander; Iliodor; Harriet Casil; Subdeacon Michael; Subdeacon Bernard Patrick; Jackie; James; Theresa; Elise. Ever-memorable Elizabeth Holobinko and all the departed named for St. Elizabeth the New Martyr of Russia. Ever-memorable Olga, Natalia, Dmitriy, Nicholay, Alexey, Vasiliy. All those taken from us by sickness, violence, injury and disaster.

For Health: Newly received Zachary, Jessica, Anthony, Evangeline, Alfred, Rosemary, James & Brigid. Matushka Tamara, Matushka Kathryn; Paul Urda & Kathleen Loveland; Mat. Anastasia Molodyko-Harris; Fr. Jason Kappanadze, Fr. Daniel & Mat. Myra Kovalak, Fr. Herman & Mat. Cynthia Schick, Fr. Moses Berry; Fr. Joseph & Matushka Ellen Chupeck; Pani Joan Mahler; Fr. James & Mat. Patricia Mason; Rdr. Thomas & Mildred; Edward; Dan; Maurice; Nancy; Richelle; Carole; David & Christopher; Kellie & Karen; Stephen; James; Julie; Antonina; Nancy Elizabeth; Brooke; Elena; Tyler; James; Dmitri; Alyssa and Eyerin and the children to be born of them; Deborah; Juliana; Manya; John; Nancy; Christa; Ilsa; Scott & Casey, Steven; Ryan; Child Hannah, Joshua, Helen, Erica, Caitlin, Ruth, Katherine, Kristin, Sierra, Kate, David; Brittany, Michael, Holly; Nicholas, Sergei; Nancy; Anna; Kyriakos; Catechumens Stephen, Raychel, Jason, Oliver, Emory & Ian.

Diocesan Prayer Requests: Archbishop BENJAMIN; Bishop MATTHIAS; Archpriest Paul & Matushka Mary Shafran; Matushka Barbara Shimchick; Matushka Jeanne Baktis; Matushka Krista Fedorchak; Monk Nicodemos. Rdr. Fredric; Elaine; Michael, Oksana; Kyriaki & Kalliope; Matt; Natasha, Anastasia, Susan, Marian; Patricia, Alexandra, Jean-Paul; Charles, Catherine. All the clergy, faithful and their families of the Diocese of New York and New Jersey. All those afflicted by sickness, violence, injury, and disaster. **Name Day:** Sue Elizabeth Hults; child Elizabeth Adkins; Nancy Elizabeth Karney (New Martyr St. Elizabeth of Russia, 7/18); Fr. Ilya Gotlinsky, Elijah Hojnicky, and all named for the Prophet Elijah (7/20); Mary-Carol Haluszczak (St. Mary Magdalene, 7/22); Christina Soucek (St. Christina of Tyre, 7/24); Anna Neidig (7/25). **Birthdays:** Emilia Karney (7/29). **Traveling:** Dn. Michael, Matushka Kathryn, Natalie, Emilia, Patrick & Sophia.

Parish Children:

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| Lucia | Hannah | Jeremiah | Andrew | Myra | Ezekiel | Aalyiah | Lydia |
| Natalie | Emilia | Patrick | Sophia | Dmitri | Jonah | Gabriel | Angelina |
| John | Thomas | Nikolai | Melania | Alexei | Julianna | Nadia | Gabriel |
| Justus | Samuel | Gabriel | Michael | Hannah | Raphael | Verity | Anna |
| Julie | Michelle | Aiden | Shea | Jack | Oliver | Elizabeth | Anthony |
| Evangeline | Alfred | Rosemary | James | Brigid | | | |

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 • Anastasia Shikula & 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

July 22nd – 29th: Reader Dmitri ♦ July 29th – August 5th: Parish Youth & Reader William to assist.

August 5th – 12th: Reader Alexander (Transfiguration 8/5-6) ♦ August 12th – 19th: Reader William (Dormition 8/14-15)

August 19th – 26th: Mary Carol Haluszczak ♦ August 26th – September 2nd: Matushka Tamara

SUMMER 2023 FELLOWSHIP HOUR SCHEDULE

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

July 23 Speen & Davis Families ♦ July 30 King Families

NOTE: August 6 and 13 are during the Dormition Fast.

August 6 Weeks & Turic Families ♦ August 13 Karney Family

August 20 Cowan Family ♦ August 27 Hults Family

DESTROYING THE PASSIONS WITH THE CORRESPONDING VIRTUES – Saint John of Damascus

These eight passions should be destroyed as follows:

1. gluttony, by self-control;
2. lust, by desire for God and longing for the blessings held in store;
3. stinginess, by compassion for the poor;
4. anger, by goodwill and love for all men;
5. despair, at the state of the world, by spiritual joy;
6. listlessness (laziness), by patience, perseverance and offering thanks to God;
7. vanity (vainglory), by doing good in secret and praying constantly with a contrite heart;
8. pride, by not judging or despising anyone like the boastful Pharisee, and by considering oneself the least of all men.