

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, February 4, 2024 – Tone 2

35th Sunday After Pentecost

Afterfeast of the Meeting of the Lord in the Temple

St. Isidore of Pelusium (+440)

MEMORY ETERNAL: + READER THOMAS CHEPLICK

Our dear brother in Christ, + Reader Thomas,

fell asleep in the Lord yesterday evening, Saturday, February 3.

Please share your condolences with Millie, Steve and Shirley, Tom and Jam, and their family.

Services for + Tom will be announced when they are scheduled.

May + Reader Thomas' memory be eternal!

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Most Services May Be Joined by Live Stream at our YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@holytrinitychurchelmirany>

or go to www.YouTube.com and search for "Holy Trinity Church Elmira Heights NY"

Today – Saturday, February 4

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*, Followed by Fellowship, with Chili Cookoff!

Annual Parish Meeting – All Welcome to Attend; See Below for Details

Saturday, February 10

3:15 PM Choir Rehearsal

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

Sunday, February 11

8:40 AM *Third and Sixth Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*, Followed by Fellowship Hour and Church School

SCRIPTURE READINGS: EPISTLE Colossians 3:12-16 Brethren: As the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

GOSPEL Matthew 25:14-30 Our Lord told this parable: "For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them. And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey. Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and made another five talents. And likewise he who had received two gained two more also. But he who had received one went and dug in the ground, and hid his lord's money. After a long time the lord of those servants came and settled accounts with them. So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.' His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.' He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.' His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.' Then he who had received the one talent came and said, 'Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed. And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours.' But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed. So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest. Therefore take the talent from him, and give it to him who has ten talents. For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING FOR 2024: TODAY, AFTER LITURGY

We've been so blessed with growth and new people *again* this past year ... Your Parish Council invites you to come and see what is involved in sustaining and growing a parish family! All parishioners, catechumens and inquirers are welcome to attend and observe.

For a voice and a vote in the meeting, you must be an Orthodox Christian 18 years of age or older, have been an Orthodox Christian at least one year, have belonged to this parish for at least one year, partake of the Sacraments of Confession and Communion at least once a year, live in a manner consistent with the Orthodox Faith, and be a pledging steward of the parish.

If you are interested in serving on the Parish Council, please speak to Fr. David right away. To serve on the Parish Council, you must be an Orthodox Christian 18 years of age or older, have been an Orthodox Christian at least **two** years, have belonged to this parish for at least **one** year, partake of the Sacraments of Confession and Communion at least once a year, live in a manner consistent with the Orthodox Faith, and be a pledging steward of the parish.

– With love in Christ, Fr. David

Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Reader Thomas Cheplick (+2/3); Brian; Rita; Shirley; Anna May, John, Laura, Anne, Farrokh; Kristin Marie Kohena; Melvin; Leisa; Fr. Ivan Moody; Inga; Norman; Fr. Moses; Helen; Thomas, Josie; Joseph, Michael; Anna. Ever-memorable Archpriest John Udics (+2/3/16) and Archimandrite Athanasys (+2/5/16). All those taken from us by sickness, violence, injury and disaster.

For Health: Newly Chrismated Emory James Grove; Father Gregory White; Elizabeth, recovering from surgery; Matushka Kathryn; Matushka Tamara; Mat. Anastasia Molodyko-Harris; Fr. Jason Kappanadze; Fr. Daniel & Mat. Myra Kovalak; Fr. Herman & Mat. Cynthia Schick; Fr. Joseph & Matushka Ellen Chupeck; Pani Joan Mahler; Dr. Sheela; Jim (Helen Bruner's brother); Lydia; Jacek; Cassidy; Janine; Nancy, Charles & Jason; Brandy; Shawn; Gregory; Patricia; Carl; Olga; Edward; Kathleen; Nancy; David; James; Julie; Antonina; Brooke; Elena; Tyler; Dmitri; expecting mothers Elena, Rachel, Kathryn, Eyerin, and the children to be born of them; Deborah; Juliana; Ian; John; Christa; Scott & Casey, Steven; Child Hannah, Joshua, Ilsa, Erica, Caitlin, Helen, Ruth, Katherine, Sierra; Nicholas, Sergei; Nancy; Anna; Catechumens Stephen, Raychel, Jason, Oliver.

Diocesan Prayer Requests: Archbp. BENJAMIN; Bishop MATTHIAS; Fr. John Bartholomew; Fr. Michael Speck; Fr. John Holoduek; Fr. Timothy Holowatch; Dn. Paul Hunchak; John; Paula, Marina, Anastasia; Joseph, infant Raphael, George, Eleanor, Dorothy; Peter, Demetrios, Anjelika. All the clergy, faithful and their families of the Diocese of New York and New Jersey. **Birthdays:** Nancy Karney (2/4); Archpriest Gregory Safchuk (2/5); John Kohena (2/5).

Anniversary: Archbishop Michael (51st Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood, 2/4/73); Fr. David Cowan (Ordination to the Diaconate, 2/4/06). John & Loueva Kohena (2/5).

Parish Children:

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

College Students: Nathan Devens – SUNY Cobleskill •

Larissa Cheplick – Daemen College • Julianna Cheplick – SUNY Delhi

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

Feb. 3rd – Feb. 10th: Mat. Tamara & Reader Gabriel ♦ Feb. 10th – Feb. 17th: Reader Dmitri ♦
Feb. 17th – Feb. 24th: Mary Carol Haluszczak ♦ Feb. 24th – Mar. 2nd: Emilia Karney, Natalie Karney & Lydia Dudek
Mar. 2nd - Mar. 9th: Reader Alexander (Memorial Saturday 3/9) ♦ Mar. 9th – Mar. 16th: Reader Dmitri
Mar. 16th – Mar. 23rd: Reader William (1st Week of Great Lent)
Mar. 23rd – Mar. 30th: Mary Carol Haluszczak (2nd Week of Lent, Annunciation 3/25, Memorial Sat 3/30)
Mar. 30th – April 6th: Mat. Tamara & Reader Gabriel (3rd Week of Great Lent & Memorial Sat. 4/6)
April 6th – April 13th: Reader Alexander (4th Week of Great Lent & Memorial Sat, 4/13)
April 13th – April 20th: Reader Dmitri (5th Week of Great Lent)
April 20th – April 27th: Emilia Karney, Natalie Karney & Lydia Dudek (6th Week of Great Lent & Lazarus Sat 4/27)
April 27th & 28th: Reader Alexander (Palm Sunday) ♦ Holy Week: All Readers – special schedule TBA

FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTING SCHEDULE

Feb 4 Parish Chili Cook-Off Potluck (Annual Meeting) ♦ Feb 11 Rinchack and Cowan Families
Feb 18 Fanaro Family ♦ Feb 25 Cheplick Families ♦ March 3 Karney Families
March 10 Meatfare Potluck ♦ March 17 Weeks, Turic & Cowan Families (Cheesefare)
March 24 Cusick & Hults Families (Great Lent) ♦ March 31 King Families



The Church Oven Works! Kitchen Organizing Party 2/17!

Thanks to a new circuit put into the kitchen by a generous donor, we now have a working oven! That means we can cook and warm up dishes for Fellowship Hour. 😊

Let's get our kitchen ready for a new era! Join us for a Kitchen Organizing Party, **Saturday, February 17, from 10:30 am - 12:30pm** (yummy snacks included) Please let Mat. Tamara know if you can come and help. Thank you!

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Lenten Women's Retreat

FRIDAY, MARCH 22 – SUNDAY MARCH 24, 2024

Register at:

http://portal.campnetwork.com/Register/Register.php?camp_id=397695

\$125 for the Weekend

(\$50 for Saturday only)

Keynote Speaker: Presbytera Krista Fedorchak, MS, RD

Pres. Krista is an Orthodox Christian, wife, and registered dietitian offering Christian faith-based insights into caring for body and soul alike. She completed her studies in nutritional science at Cornell University. Informed by a non-diet eating approach and rooted in the wisdom of the Orthodox faith, Krista works together with clients on a path towards healing their relationship with food and accomplishing health goals through small, sustainable lifestyle changes. Catch her on the Ancient Faith Radio Podcast: Food Freedom through Christ, or on Instagram @theorthodoxdietitian.



Also attending: Archbishop Michael

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