

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, July 28, 2024 – Tone 4

5th Sunday After Pentecost

Holy Apostles of the Seventy and Deacons:

Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, and Parmenas

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY – ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN PRISON MINISTRY

Today's sermon will focus on Prison Ministry. This coming Tuesday is the Feast of St. Silas, Patron Saint of the Imprisoned. Next Sunday, August 4, a Second Collection will be taken for the work of the Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry. A fact sheet on OCPM is on the tables downstairs for you to take with you. For much more on their incredible work, visit www.theocpm.org and listen to an interview with Fr. John Kowalczyk at https://www.ancientfaith.com/podcasts/everydayorthodox/meet_fr_john_kowalczyk/

THE DORMITION FAST BEGINS THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

The ***Dormition Fast*** begins Thursday, August 1 and ends with the Divine Liturgy on Thursday, 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.

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 – Sunday, July 28

8:40 AM *3rd and 6th Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*; Fellowship Hour Afterward

Wednesday, July 31

7:00 PM "What is Orthodox Christianity?" – with Dr. Mary-Carol Haluszczak, Online by Zoom –
The Zoom link will be sent out by email to the parish early this week.

The Dormition fast begins Thursday, Aug. 1 and ends with the Divine Liturgy Thursday, Aug. 15.

Saturday, August 3

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

Sunday, August 4

8:40 AM *3rd and 6th Hours*

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*; Fellowship Hour Afterward

Mark your calendars!



Sunday, September 1

***Parish Youth Pool Party
& BBQ Potluck***

Hosted by The Charlanow Family

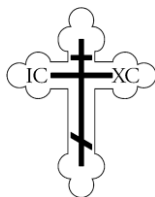
1:00-5:00pm

RSVP with Mat. Tamara or Mat. Katie

**what is
Orthodox
Christianity?**

Wednesdays, 7 PM on Zoom

On the Wednesdays listed below, at 7 PM, on Zoom, Dr. Mary-Carol is leading 20-30 minute teaching sessions. All are welcome!
7/31 The Icon of the Transfiguration ♦ 8/7 Jeopardy!
Break until end of August ♦ 9/4 The Church Calendar ♦
9/11 The 12 Great Feasts, Pt. 1 ♦ 9/18 The Sights and Sounds of the Church Seasons, Pt. 1 ♦ 9/25 The 12 Great Feasts, Pt. 2 ♦
10/2 Sights and Sounds, Pt. 2 ♦ 10/9 Jeopardy!



SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLE Romans 10:1-10 Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved. For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes. For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, "The man who does those things shall live by them." But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' (that is, to bring Christ down from above) or, 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith which we preach): that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

GOSPEL Matthew 8:28 – 9:1 At that time, when Jesus had come to the other side, to the country of the Gergesenes, there met Him two demon-possessed men, coming out of the tombs, exceedingly fierce, so that no one could pass that way. And suddenly they cried out, saying, "What have we to do with You, Jesus, You Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?" Now a good way off from them there was a herd of many swine feeding. So the demons begged Him, saying, "If You cast us out, permit us to go away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So when they had come out, they went into the herd of swine. And suddenly the whole herd of swine ran violently down the steep place into the sea, and perished in the water. Then those who kept them fled; and they went away into the city and told everything, including what had happened to the demon-possessed men. And behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus. And when they saw Him, they begged Him to depart from their region. So He got into a boat, crossed over, and came to His own city.

Read the Scriptures appointed for each day, at www.oca.org/readings

PASTORAL CARE – GENERAL INFORMATION

Emergency Sick Calls can be made at any time. Please call Father David at 732-3980, when a family member is taken to the hospital.

Anointing In Sickness: The Sacrament of Unction is available in Church, the hospital, or your home, for any Orthodox Christian who is sick, however severe. If you are preparing for surgery (or recovering from it), please call Father.

Marriages and Baptisms require early planning, scheduling, and selection of sponsors (crown bearers or godparents). See Father before booking dates, choosing sponsors, and reserving reception halls.

Funerals are celebrated for practicing Orthodox Christians who have not declined the Sacraments.

The Church opposes cremation; we cannot celebrate funerals for cremated persons.

Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Leo, Anastasia; Walter; Maria; Marion; Peter; Matushka Paula Soucek; Gregory; Paul Geleta; Nina; Madge; William; Connie, Sharon; Charles; Alexander. All those taken from us by sickness, violence, injury and disaster.

For Health: Peter Kappanadze and his parents, Rdr. Paul and Anastasia; Paul & Mildred Urda; Michael Karney; Matushka Kathryn; Fr. Jason Kappanadze; Fr. Daniel & Mat. Myra Kovalak; Fr. Joseph & Matushka Ellen Chupeck; Pani Joan Mahler; Christopher; Ronald Fanaro; Cassady & Marcie; Natalie; Jeremy; Kyriakos; Zachary, Jessica; Thomas; Ricky & John; Matrona; Eileen; Don; Michael; Michael; Richelle; Shawn; Richard and his family; Patricia; Carl; Nancy; David; James; Julie; Antonina; Brooke; Elena; Tyler; Dmitri; expecting mothers Lauren, Brianna, Sarah, and the children to be born of them; the newborn Amelia; Elena and her newborn daughter; Gloria; Deborah; Juliana; John; Christa; Scott & Casey, Child Hannah, Joshua, Ilsa, Erica, Caitlin, Helen, Ruth, Katherine, Sierra; Nicholas, Nancy; Anna; Catechumens Raychel, Jason & Oliver.

Diocesan Prayer Requests: Archbp. NATHANIEL; Archbp. BENJAMIN; Fr. John Bartholomew; Fr. Terence Baz; Fr. Wiaczeslaw Krawczuk; Fr. Matthew Markewich; Fr. Yakov Ryklin; Fr. David Vernak; Fr. David, Fr. Andrew, Fr. Alexander, Matushka Paula, Matushka Anna; Deacon Michael Speck; Mat. Mihaela Pejovic and her newborn son, Lazar; Joan, George, Steve, Mary, Ernie, Russell; Ilya, Alexander, Alexander, Alexander, Herman, Andrew, Andrey, Elena, Elena, Yaroslava, Denise, Dmitri, Nadezhda, Tatiana, Michael, Vasilgia; child Ivan; Thomas; Rick, Joseph; Elizabeth, Delphine; Gerald; Maryann, Margaret, Daniel, Pamela, Paul, Anna; Yulia, Anna; Alexandra. All the clergy, faithful and their families of the Diocese of New York and New Jersey. **Name Days:** Angelina McKane (St. Angelina of Serbia, 7/30). **Birthdays:** Emilia Karney (7/29), Jeremiah Shazer & Sophie Kalafus (7/31), Subdeacon Christopher Nolan & Anastasia Statkevics (8/2). **Anniversary:** Fr. David & Mat. Tamara (8/2/92).

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	Brighid	Dorothea		

College Students: Nathan Devens – SUNY Cobleskill

Larissa Cheplick – Daemen College • Julianna Cheplick – SUNY Delhi

Mihaela Toader, 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 27th – August 3rd: Reader William ♦ August 3rd – August 10th: Reader Dmitri (**Transfiguration 8/6**) ♦ August 10th – August 17th: Mary Carol Haluszczak (**Dormition 8/15**) ♦ August 17th – August 24th: Emilia Karney, Natalie Karney & Lydia Dudek ♦ August 24th – August 31st: Reader Alexander ♦ August 31st – Sept. 7th: Reader William ♦ Sept. 7th – Sept. 14th: Mary Carol Haluszczak (**Nativity of Theotokos 9/8; Exaltation of Cross 9/14**)

FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTING SCHEDULE

July 28 Charlanow Family ♦ August 4 Rinchack and Cowan Families ♦

August 11 Fanaro Family ♦ August 18 Weeks & Turic Families ♦ August 25 Cheplick Families ♦ September 1 Karney Families ♦

September 8 Parish Picnic & First Responders Blessing ♦ September 15 Neidig Family ♦ 22 Cusick & Hults Families ♦

October 6 King Families ♦ October 13 Speen Family ♦ October 20 Angelo, Gomez & O'Brien Families

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

July 28 Amy Rinchack ♦ August 4 Mat. Katie ♦ August 11 Nina Dudek ♦ August 18 Toni Weeks ♦

August 25 Amy Rinchack ♦ September 1 Mat. Katie ♦ September 8 Nina Dudek ♦

September 15 Toni Weeks ♦ September 22 Amy Rinchack ♦ September 29 Mat. Katie