

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, August 4, 2024 – Tone 5

6th Sunday After Pentecost – The Seven Sleepers of Ephesus

SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY – ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN PRISON MINISTRY

Today, 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 Ancient Faith interview with Father John Kowalczyk, at https://www.ancientfaith.com/podcasts/everydayorthodox/meet_fr_john_kowalczyk/

THE DORMITION FAST CONTINUES

The ***Dormition Fast*** continues until 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, August 4

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy; Fellowship Hour Afterward

The Dormition fast continues, until the Divine Liturgy Thursday, Aug. 15.

Monday, August 5 – Eve of the Transfiguration

6:30 PM Great Vespers with Litya with Blessing of Fruit

Tuesday, August 6 – Great Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy with Blessing of Fruit

Wednesday, August 7

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.

Saturday, August 10

5:00 PM Great Vespers; Private Confession Available Afterward

Sunday, August 11

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy; Fellowship Hour Afterward

Tuesday, August 13

6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting – in the Church

Wednesday, August 14 – Eve of the Great Feast of the Dormition

6:30 PM Great Vespers with Litya and Blessing of Flowers

Thursday, August 15 – Great Feast of the Dormition of the Most-Holy Mother of God

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy with Blessing of Flowers

what is

**Orthodox
Christianity?**

Wednesdays, 7 PM on Zoom

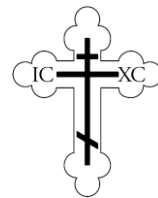
On the Wednesdays listed below, at 7 PM, on Zoom, Dr. Mary-Carol is leading 20-30 minute teaching sessions. All are welcome!

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!



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.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLE Romans 12:6-14 Brethren: Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

GOSPEL Matthew 9:1-8 At that time, Jesus got into a boat, crossed over, and came to His own city. Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you." And at once some of the scribes said within themselves, "This Man blasphemes!" But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins – " then He said to the paralytic, "Arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." And he arose and departed to his house. Now when the multitudes saw it, they marveled and glorified God, who had given such power to men.

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

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

Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Delphine; Maureen; Leo, Anastasia; Walter; Maria; Marion; Peter; Matushka Paula Soucek; Gregory; Paul Geleta; Nina; Madge; William. Ever-memorable Charles & Lorraine Brown (birthday, 8/2), Metropolitan Herman and all the departed named for St. Herman of Alaska (8/9). 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; Deborah; Christopher; Ronald Fanaro; Cassidy & Marcie; 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 Elizabeth and Amelia and their families; 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 Katia Vansuch; Matushka Paula, Matushka Anna; Deacon Michael Speck; Mat. Mihaela Pejovic and her newborn son, Lazar; Meagan; Jeffrey; Serge, Anastasia; Joan, George, Steve, Mary, Ernie, Russell; Ilya, Alexander, Alexander, Alexander, Herman, Andrew, Andrey, Elena, Elena, Yaroslava, Denise, Dmitri, Nadezhda, Tatiana, Michael, Vasilia; child Ivan; Thomas; Rick, Joseph; Elizabeth; 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:** All those named for St. Herman of Alaska (8/9). **Birthdays:** Justin O'Brien (8/2), Mildred Urda & Larissa King-Styles (8/4), Alexander Charlanow, Sr. (8/5).

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	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

August 3rd – August 10th: Reader William (**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

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

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