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Sunday, November 17, 2024 – Tone 4

21st Sunday After Pentecost

St. Gregory the Wonder-Worker of Neo-Caesarea (3rd c.)

THANK YOU...

To everyone who made last weekend's visit from the St. Tikhon's Seminary Mission Choir so memorable – especially those of you who hosted the seminarians in your homes, and those who offered financial donations to the Seminary. Many thanks!

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

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

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

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

Today – Sunday, November 17

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

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*, Followed by Fellowship Hour, Church School, Choir Rehearsal, and Adult Class with Fr. David

Wednesday, November 20

6:30 PM *Panikbida* for + Nadia Melnik, Third Anniversary of her Repose (+11/20/21)

Great Vespers; Feast of the Entry of the Most-Holy Mother of God Into the Temple

Thursday, November 21 – The Entry of the Most-Holy Mother of God Into the Temple

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

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*

Saturday, November 23

3:15 PM Choir Rehearsal

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

Sunday, November 24

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

9:00 AM *Divine Liturgy*, Followed by Fellowship Hour, Packing Thanksgiving Baskets, Teen Group, and Adult Class with Fr. David

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLE Galatians 2:16-20 Brethren: Knowing 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.

GOSPEL Luke 12:16-21 The Lord spoke this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry."' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

Keep up with the Daily Scripture Readings at www.oca.org/readings

We are in the Nativity Fast, the 40-Day Fast in preparation for the Birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Fast ends with the participation in Holy Communion, at the Divine Liturgy of our Lord's Nativity (Christmas) on Dec. 25. During the Fast we strive to abstain from meat, from dairy as best we can, and from spiritually unproductive entertainment, conversation, and distraction.

And it is crucial to offer Confession during this season, as well.

Confession is available regularly on Saturdays after Vespers, or by appointment during the week.

Reading Recommendations (to name just two):

On the Incarnation by St. Athanasius the Great; The Winter Pascha by Fr. Thomas Hopko

Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Archbishop Peter of Chicago (Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia); Archpriest Michael Evans; Sabine; Seraphim; Morgan; Nancy, Christa; Graham, Maggie; Stephen; Paul Urda; Leo, Augustine; Mildred Austin (Sue Hults' aunt); Archpriest Dennis Swencki; Monk Nicodemus; Fr. Peter; Bill; Paula; Jennifer; Eileen; Yaeliz, Mary; Merrill; Thomas; Phil; Doug; Elliot; Fr. Thomas. Ever-memorable Elizabeth Holobinko (birthday 11/19), Nadezhda Melnik (+11/20/21).. All those taken from us by sickness, violence, injury and disaster.

For Health: Newly-Baptized Jocephine, Killian and Rory Harvey. Recovering Elizabeth, Kevin Stephen & Sherri, Subdeacon Walter. Mildred Urda; Michael Karney; Matushka Kathryn; Fr. Jason Kappanadze; Fr. Daniel & Mat. Myra Kovalak; Pani Joan Mahler; Joseph; Hannah; child Aaliyah; Catherine; Christina & Alexandra; Christopher & David; Marianne; Ricky & John; Matrona; Patricia, Michael & Jacob; James; Antonina; Brooke; Elena; Tyler; Dmitri; expecting mother Amanda and the child to be born of her; Brianna and her newborn daughter; Deborah; Juliana; John; Scott & Casey, Child Hannah, Joshua, Ilsa, Erica, Caitlin, Helen, Ruth, Katherine, Sierra; Nicholas, Anna; Catechumens Raychel, Jason, Oliver, Madeline, Steven, Jeremiah & Sarah.

Diocesan Prayer Requests: Archbp. NATHANIEL; Archbp. BENJAMIN; Fr. Daniel Skvir, Fr. Gregory Fedorchak; Fr. Richard Scott; Fr. David; Pani Linda Barriger; Matushka Karen Burdikoff; Mat. Ludmila Prokopiuk; Rdr. Basil; Joan; John; expecting mother Brittain and the child to be born of her; Jill and her children; Dennis; Andrew, Todd; Frank, Sophie, Ambrose; child Jackson; Carol, child Anna. All the clergy, faithful and their families of the Diocese of New York and New Jersey. **Name Days:** Alexander and Rdr. Alexander Charlanow (St. Alexander Nevsky, 11/23).

Birthdays: Ezekiel King-Styles (11/19); Archpriest Paul Kucynda, Deborah King (11/20); Julie Devens (11/21); Leonidas Callas (11/22). **Anniversaries:** Subdn. Justin, Anna & Dorothea Neidig (First anniversary of Thea's adoption, 11/17).

Parish Children:

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

College Students: Thomas Cheplick – Niagara College • Gabriel Cowan – Corning Community College
Angeline McKane – West Point Academy • Nathan Devens – SUNY Cobleskill • Madeline Cieslak – Elmira College

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

Nov. 16th – Nov. 23rd: Matushka Tamara & Reader Gabriel (Feast Day 11/20 & 11/21: Entry of the Virgin Mary into the Temple)
♦ Nov. 23rd – Nov. 30th: Reader Dmitri Nov. 30th – Dec. 7th: Emilia Karney, Natalie Karney & Lydia Dudek ♦ Dec. 7th – Dec 14th: Reader Alexander ♦ Dec. 14th – Dec. 21st: Mary Carol Haluszczak ♦ Dec. 21st – Dec. 28th: Reader Alexander (Feast Day 12/24 & 12/25: Nativity of Our Lord) ♦ Dec. 28th – January 4th: Matushka Tamara & Reader Gabriel ♦ January 4th – January 11th: Reader William (1/5 & 1/6: Theophany)

FELLOWSHIP HOUR HOSTING SCHEDULE

Nativity Fast 11/15 – 12/24 ♦ Nov 17 Rinchack & Harvey Families ♦ Nov 24 King Families ♦
Dec 1 Weeks & Turic Families ♦ Dec 8 Charlanow Family ♦
Dec 15 Cheplick Families ♦ Dec 22 Cusick & Hults Families ♦ Dec 29 Christmas Showcase Pot Luck

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

November 17 Toni Weeks ♦ November 24 Sarah Harvey

NEXT CHOIR REHEARSALS Sun 11/17, Sat 11/23 at 3:15, Sat 12/7 at 3:15, Sun 12/15, Sun 12/22

NEXT YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSALS: Saturdays, 3:30 PM: 11/30, 12/14, 12/21

COFFEE HOUR SUPPLIES – DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED FOR:

8-Oz. Cold Cups ♦ Large Plates

THANKSGIVING BASKETS FOR LOCAL FAMILIES

On Sunday, November 24, after the Liturgy, our Church School and Teen Group families will pack Thanksgiving baskets for local families in need. Our goal this year is to make 10 baskets. Each family is asked to choose one of the following foods, to bring on or before Sunday, Nov. 24.

See **Jessica Fanaro** to sign up for the category of food that you wish to bring.

- Stovetop Stuffing, 20 boxes
- Instant Mashed potatoes, 10 boxes
- Gravy, 20 cans/jars
- Yams, 10 Large cans
- Mini Marshmallows, 10 bags
- Corn, 20 cans
- Green Beans, 20 cans



- French fried onions, 10 cans
- Cranberry relish, 10 cans
- Corn bread mix, 20 packages
- Chicken broth, 10 cans
- Pumpkin Pies, 10 pies
- 10 Turkeys

Thank you for being a part of this charitable effort ...

giving thanks to God by enabling other families to celebrate a bountiful Thanksgiving!

Join us Monday & Tuesday, Nov. 25-26, to pass out the baskets to their recipients.

If you know someone in need who could benefit from one of these baskets, please let Fr. David know.

Let's ALL share in this important Labor of Love!

Calling All Youth!

**Come Help Decorate
the Church Christmas Tree!**

**Sunday, December 1
During Fellowship Hour,
After the Liturgy**



NATIVITY PLAY & TALENT SHOWCASE

This year the Church School children will be performing "The Nativity Story" on Sunday, December 29, followed by the 3rd Annual Parish Talent Showcase.

The show will begin after Fellowship Hour.

All ages are welcome to participate and share their talents of musical instruments, singing, poetry, comedy, sport skills, etc.

Please sign up with Mat. Tamara or Mat. Katie if you would like to perform.

Dress Rehearsal for both the Nativity Play and the Talent Showcase will be Saturday, December 28, 3:00-4:45pm, in the Ministry Hall.