

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, November 24, 2024 – Tone 5

22nd Sunday After Pentecost

St. Catherine of Alexandria, the Great Martyr

ATTENTION BAKERS!

Anyone who can: Please bake 12 dozen cookies for our Christmas Bake Sale, happening Saturday, December 14, 10 AM – 1 PM. Bring your cookies to the Ministry Hall by 9:00 AM that day. Please let Rdr. Alex Charlanow know what kind you are making. Thank you!

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

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

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

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

Today – 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

Tuesday, November 26

6:30 PM Akathist Service – “Glory to God for All Things”

Saturday, November 30

3:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

5:00 PM Great Vespers; Private Confession Available Afterward

Sunday, December 1

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

Monday, December 2 – Saints Porphyrios of Mount Athos and Habakkuk the Prophet

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, Offered in Thanksgiving for Fr. David’s 18th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood

Thursday, December 5

6:30 PM Great Vespers & Litya, Feast of Saint Nicholas the Wonder-Worker of Myra

Friday, December 6

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Saturday, December 7

3:15 PM Choir Rehearsal

5:00 PM Great Vespers; Private Confession Available Afterward

Sunday, December 8

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, and “Visit From Saint Nicholas”, Followed by Fellowship Hour, Teen Group, and Adult Class with Fr. David

TODAY’S SCRIPTURE READINGS

EPISTLE: Galatians 6:11-18 Brethren: See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand! As many as desire to make a good showing in the flesh, these would compel you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

GOSPEL Luke 13:10-17 At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, “Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity.” And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, “There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day.” The Lord then answered him and said, “Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound – think of it – for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?” And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

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Prayer List

Memory Eternal: Michael; Eva; Frank; Michael; Archbishop Peter; Archpriest Michael Evans; Monk Michael; Sabine; Seraphim; Morgan; Nancy, Christa; Graham, Maggie; Stephen; Paul Urda; Leo, Augustine; Mildred; Archpriest Dennis Swencki; Monk Nicodemus; Fr. Peter; Bill; Paula; Jennifer; Eileen; Yaeliz, Mary; Merrill; Thomas; Phil. Ever-memorable Archpriest Michael Oleksa (+11/29/23); Katarina Nazarenko, infant Katarina, Catherine Tatusko, and all those named for St. Catherine (Great Martyr St. Catherine, 11/24). All those taken from us by sickness, violence, injury and disaster.

For Health: Newly-Baptized Josphine, 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; David, Kylie & Summer; Ricky & John; Matrona; Patricia, Michael & Jacob; James; Antonina; Brooke; Elena; Tyler; Dmitri; expecting mothers Amanda & Christal and the children to be born of them; 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. Thomas Edwards, Fr. Daniel Skvir, Fr. Peter Olsen; Fr. Gregory Fedorchak; Deacon Michael Speck; Pani Linda Barriger; Matushka Karen Burdikoff; Mat. Ludmila Prokopiuk; Rdr. Basil; Rdr. Michael; Mother Raphaela, Mother Michaela, Mother Katherine, Allison; Vladimir; Theodore; Will, Josephine, Salvatore, Joan; John; Brittin and her newborn daughter Eva; 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:** Matushka Kathryn Karney, Kathleen Loveland, Katherine McKane, and Kathryn Payzant (St. Katherine the Great Martyr, 11/24); Andrew Rinchack & Andrew Shazer (11/30).

Birthdays: Michael Speen (11/26). **Anniversary:** Dimitry & Rita Molodyko (Mat. Tamara's brother & sister-in-marriage, 11/23); James & Jane Ann Cowan (Fr. David's parents, 11/26/66).

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	Josphine	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. 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 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 24 Sarah Harvey ♦ Dec 1 Amy Rinchack ♦ Dec 8 Mat. Katie ♦ Dec 15 Nina Dudek ♦ Dec 22 Sarah Harvey
Dec 29 Amy Rinchack ♦ Jan 5 Mat. Katie ♦ Jan 12 Nina Dudek ♦ Jan 19 Sarah Harvey ♦ Jan 26 Amy Rinchack

NEXT CHOIR REHEARSALS: 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



ORTHODOX MOMS' GROUP

*Moms with Little Ones – join us for our Next Meeting!
Friday, Dec. 13, After the 9 AM Divine Liturgy
in the Fellowship Hall, Downstairs – Snacks provided*

Calling All Youth!

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

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



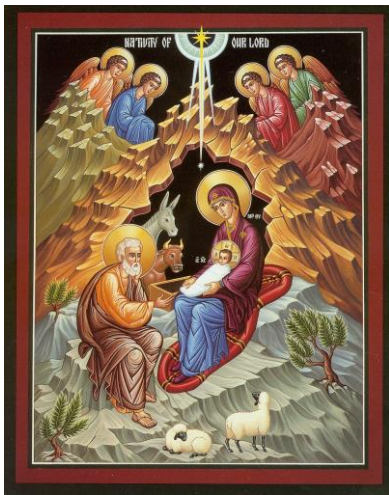
“The Nativity of the Lord in the Orthodox Tradition”

Tuesday, December 17

6:30 PM Daily Vespers

7:00 PM Light Supper & Talk

**Let Fr. David know you're coming
so there's plenty to go around!**



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.**

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 24 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy; Fellowship Hour; Teen Group; Packing Thanksgiving Baskets Youth Decorating the Church for Nativity	25 Delivering Thanksgiving Baskets	26 Delivering Thanksgiving Baskets 6:30 PM Akathist Service, "Glory to God for All Things"	27	28 Thanksgiving Day	30 3:30 PM Youth Choir 5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions Afterward
DECEMBER 1 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy; Fellowship Hour; Church School	2 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy, Ss. Porphyrios and Habakkuk <i>Fr. David's 18th Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood</i>	3	4	5 6:30 PM Great Vespers & Lithya: St. Nicholas, the Wonder-Worker	7 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy: St. Nicholas, the Wonder-Worker 4:30 PM Panikhida for the Departed of the Kappanadze Family 5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions Afterward
8 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy; Fellowship; Church School; Teen Group; "Visit from St. Nicholas!"	9	10 6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting, in the Church	11	12 6:30 PM Great Vespers & Lithya: Saint Herman of Alaska, the Wonder-Worker	14 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Christmas Bake Sale, Ministry Hall 3:30 PM Youth Choir 5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions Afterward
15 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy; Fellowship; Church School; Choir Rehearsal	16	17 6:30 PM Daily Vespers and Talk on "The Nativity of the Lord"	18	19 <i>Fr. David Away – Diocesan Council Meets, Bronxville</i>	21 3:30 PM Youth Choir 5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions Afterward
22 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy; Fellowship; Church School; Choir Rehearsal	23 7:00 PM Caroling in the Neighborhood – Meet at Church	24 8:00 AM Royal Hours for the Eve of the Nativity 4:30 PM: Parish Holy Supper 7:00 PM Nativity Vigil	25 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy: The Nativity of Christ CHRIST IS BORN!	26	28 3:00-4:45 PM Rehearsal for Nativity Showcase 5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confession Afterwards

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<u>DECEMBER 29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>JANUARY 1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy; Fellowship Hour; Nativity Showcase, in the Ministry Hall		Eve of the Feasts of St. Basil and the Circumcision of the Lord				5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions Afterward
<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy; Fellowship Hour; Church School 6:30 PM Vigil of Theophany, with the Blessing of Water	10:00 AM Divine Liturgy of Theophany, with the Blessing of Water <i>Home Blessings Begin</i>					5:00 PM Great Vespers; Confessions Afterward