# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Tone 6 | Synaxis of the Holy Unmercenaries. Venerable Joannicius the Great

**Epistle:** Ephesians 2:4-10 **Gospel:** Luke 8:41-56

#### **PARISH CONTACTS**

#### **Parish Administrator:**

Archpriest Alexey Karlgut: 607-759-1833

### Clergy Contacts:

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### Parish Council Warden:

Mr. Steve Cheplick 607-733-4164

# WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**SUNDAY, Nov. 4th:** 8:40am Hours, 9am - Divine Liturgy and Fellowship Hour - Potluck

**SATURDAY, Nov. 10th:** 5pm - Great Vespers

**SUNDAY, Nov. 11th:** 8:40am Hours, 9am - Divine Liturgy and Fellowship Hour, Choir Rehearsal

## Upcoming:

**Thursday, November 15th** - Nativity Fast Begins

Wednesday, November 21st: Entry of the Theotokos into the Temple

**Welcome** to all our visitors and guests who participate in our celebration of the Divine Liturgy today. We are glad you are here. While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the cross and receiving blessed bread at the conclusion of the Liturgy. We also hope you will join us for the Fellowship Hour.

Today the Holy Orthodox Church commemorates Saint Joannicius the Great. He was born in Bithynia in the year 752 in the village of Marikat. His parents were destitute and could not provide him even the basics of an education. From childhood he had to tend the family cattle, their sole wealth. Love for God and prayer completely dominated the soul of the child Joannicius. Often, having shielded the herd with the Sign of the Cross, he went to a secluded place and spent the whole day praying, and neither thieves nor wild beasts came near his herd.

By order of the emperor Leo IV (775-780), a multitude of officials went through the cities and towns to draft young men for military service. Young Joannicius was also drafted into the imperial army. He earned the respect of his fellow soldiers for his good disposition, but he was also a brave soldier who struck fear in the hearts of his enemies. Saint Joannicius served in the imperial army for six years. More than once he was rewarded by his commanders and the emperor. But military service weighed heavily on him; his soul thirsted for spiritual deeds and solitude.

Saint Joannicius spent seventy years in ascetic deeds and attained to a high degree of spiritual perfection. Through the mercy of God the saint acquired the gift of prophecy, as his disciple Pachomius has related. The Elder also levitated above the ground when he prayed. Once, he crossed a river flooded to overflowing. The saint could make himself invisible for people and make others also hidden from sight.

Foreseeing his death, Saint Joannicius fell asleep in the Lord on November 4, 846, at the age of 94.

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# **Prayer List**

### Newly Departed:

Jean (Emelski) Horton (10/26) Mary Benyo (10/6)

### +Memory Eternal:

Archpriest John U.
Archpriest Stephen
Priest John B.
Deacon Mark H.
Parker
Lindsay
Hannah
Katerina

### Living:

Archpriest Jason Elizabeth Archpriest Herman Kristen Mat. Katherine Katherine Rdr. Thomas Nadezhda Rdr. David Ruth Kathleen Valerie Infant Hannah Helen Leon Wesley Kate Lee Antonina

### **Special Intentions:**

Karney Family - Traveling

For the God loving people of Ukraine, that Unity and Peace may prevail.

#### Parish Children:

Lucia	Natalie	Angelina	Nadia
Hannah	Emilia	John	Nathan
Jeremiah	Patrick	Thomas	Justus
Andrew	Dimitri	Nikolai	
Myra	Jonah	Melania	
Anthony	Gabriel	Alexei	
Anysia	Anna	Larissa	
Lydia	Katherine	Julianna	

Fall Issue of *Jacob's Well* now available. The Fall 2018 edition of our diocesan publication, *Jacob's Well*, is now available at the candle stand. Please help yourself to one copy per family.

**Cemetery Decorations** - As the colder weather sets in, please remember to remove your floral decorations from the Cemetery for the Winter. There will be no further maintenance until Spring.

Parish Council Rescheduled to Monday, November 12th at 6:30pm. Due to a change in Fr. Alexey's schedule, the Council meeting was not held this previous Monday. It will now be held on Monday, November 12th.

There will be **no Church School Class next Sunday** as previously scheduled. Students will next meet on Sunday, November 25th following the Liturgy.



### **Choir Rehearsal Schedule:**

Sunday, November 11, after Liturgy Sunday, December 2, after Liturgy

Saturday, December 8, after Vespers Sunday, December 16, after Liturgy Saturday, December 22, after Vespers Sunday, December 30, after Liturgy

Fellowship Schedule:		Readers Schedule:	
Nov. 11th	King and Lyon Families	Nov. 10th & 11th:	Steve Cheplick
Nov. 18th Nativity Fast	Haluszczak and Plummer	Nov. 17th & 18th:	Sdcn. S. Michael
Nov. 25th: Nativity Fast	Dudek and Payzant	Nov. 24th & 25th:	Alexander Charlanow

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