

# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Tone 1 || Prophet Zephaniah

**Epistle:** Ephesians 5:9-19

**GOSPEL:** LUKE 18:18-27

## PARISH CONTACTS

### Parish Administrator:

Archpriest Alexey Karlgut  
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### Parish Council Warden:

Sdn. Shawn Michael Karney  
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## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd:

8:40AM - Hours, 9:00AM - Divine Liturgy, Lenten Fellowship Hour. Youth and Adult Education Classes

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5th:

St. Nicholas of Myra  
**6PM - Great Vespers**

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9th:

5:00pm - Great Vespers

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th:

8:40AM - Hours, 9:00AM - Divine Liturgy, Lenten Fellowship Hour. 10:30AM - Youth Education Classes, **11:00AM - Parish Council Meeting**

### UPCOMING:

#### Tuesday, December 12th:

6:00pm - Vespers - St. Herman of Alaska

*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.*

**Feast of St. Nicholas:** We look forward to gathering **Tuesday evening at 6:00pm** to celebrate St. Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia with Great Vespers.

**2017 Annual Advent Retreat:** Archbishop Michael will present his annual advent retreat at Ss. Peter and Paul Church in Syracuse on Saturday, December 16th from 9:30am to 3:00pm. The theme is "The Fullness of the Church." For meal planning, please RSVP at 315-468-0442. There will also be an opportunity to venerate the Relics of St. Tikhon prior to the retreat.

**The 2018 St. Tikhon's Lectionary Calendar has arrived.** The calendar is sponsored by the Walter J. Kent Funeral Home. Please help yourself to one calendar per family. Copies are also being delivered to our Parishioners who are homebound or in nursing homes.

**Adult Education:** For the past six weeks, our adult education program has been meeting after Liturgy and discussing Fr. Thomas Hopko's The Orthodox Church. Our last session for the Fall is today. We will take a short holiday break and in February 2018 will begin a new study on the Holy Mysteries (Sacraments) of the Orthodox Church. We thank all who have contributed to the weekly sessions. Stay tuned for details on the upcoming class offering.

**Parish Council Meeting:** The Parish Council will meet next Sunday, December 10th at 11:00am in the Nave. All Parishioners are welcome to attend.

# Prayer List

**Living:**

Archpriest Jason  
 Archpriest Herman  
 Mat. Myra  
 Rdr. Thomas  
 Rdr. David  
 Mat. Anna  
 Peter  
 Leon  
 Kate  
 Elizabeth  
 Kristen  
 Kathleen  
 Nadezhda

**Reposed:**

**Newly Departed:**  
 Katarina (11/17)

+Memory Eternal:  
 Archpriest John U.  
 Archpriest Alexander A.  
 Archpriest Stephen  
 Priest John B.  
 Deacon Mark H.  
 Parker  
 Lindsay  
 Lucinda  
 Hannah  
 Louise

**Traveling:**

Anna - Studying in India

**Special Intentions:**

Priest James and Family

**Catechumen:**

Theresa P (Tess)

**Parish Children:**

Lucia	Angelina
Jeremiah	Thomas
Andrew	Nikolai
Myra	Melania
Anthony	Alexei
Anysia	Nadia
Lydia	Caleb
Natalie	Elijah
Emilia	Shiloh
Patrick	John
Dimitri	Juliana
Jonah	Larissa
Gabriel	Nathan
Anna	

**Christmas 2017 Donations** for “Beautifying” our Church and “Remembering” our loved ones. Donations will be used toward the following Nativity and Theophany items: Flowers, Candles, and Altar Supplies. Please use the special envelopes marked Christmas 2017 appeal at the Candlestand.

**100th Anniversary of St. Tikhon’s Enthronement:** His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon will be among the other Primates and Heads of the Local Orthodox Churches gathering in Moscow currently for celebrations marking the 100th Anniversary of the Enthronement of Saint Tikhon as Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia and the reestablishment of the Moscow Patriarchate.

It was in 1917—on the eve of the Russian Revolution—that the All-Russian Council, which was meeting in Moscow, elected Saint Tikhon to the Patriarchal Office, thereby reestablishing the Patriarchate which had been abolished in the early 1700s by Emperor Peter the Great.

*“Our participation in the celebration of Saint Tikhon is very personal for us as he is a living connection to our own Church inheritance and to the longstanding relations between the Russian Orthodox Church and her faithful and the faithful of the Orthodox Church in America,” Metropolitan Tikhon said shortly before his departure.*

The Diocese of New York and New Jersey is also celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the restoration of the Patriarchate of Moscow. There will be a series of liturgical celebrations in the Diocese to mark this centennial. At each event, there will be an Akathist offered to Saint Tikhon; an opportunity for each of the faithful to venerate the Saint’s holy relics; and a fellowship reception afterward. His Eminence, Archbishop Michael, is urging the faithful of each Deanery to make it part of their pre-Nativity Fast commitment to make the pilgrimage to pray before these relics.

The NY State Deanery will **gather in Syracuse on Saturday, December 16th** for the Akathist to St. Tikhon and to venerate his relics prior to the start of the Annual Advent Retreat. Please see front page for details on the Retreat.

Fellowship Schedule:		Readers Schedule:	
<b>Dec. 10th Nativity Fast</b>	Karney Family	<b>Dec. 9th:</b>	Steve Cheplick
<b>Dec. 17th Nativity Fast</b>	Cheplick Families	<b>Dec. 16th:</b>	Alexander Charlanow
<b>Dec. 24th Nativity Fast</b>	No Fellowship Today	<b>Dec. 23rd:</b>	Sdn. Michael
<b>Dec. 31st:</b>	Haluszczak and Plummer	<b>Dec. 30th:</b>	Rdr. Thomas