



Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

Sun, Dec 27, 2020 - Sunday after Nativity

29th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 4.

Third Day of the Feast of the Nativity. Holy Protomartyr and Archdeacon Stephen (34).



Hymns for Today

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: “Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!”

Thy Nativity, O Christ our God, has shone to the world the light of wisdom! For by it, those who worshipped the stars, were taught by a star to adore Thee, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know Thee, the Orient from on high. O Lord, glory to Thee!

Proclaim the wonder, O Joseph, to David, the ancestor of God; thou hast seen a Virgin great with child; and thou didst give glory with the shepherds; thou didst worship with the Magi, and didst receive the news from the Angel. Pray to Christ God to save our souls!

Today godly David is filled with joy; Joseph and James offer praise. The glorious crown of their kinship with Christ fills them with great joy. They sing praises to the

One ineffably born on earth, and they cry out: “O Compassionate One, save those who honor Thee!”

Today the Virgin gives birth to the Transcendent One, and the earth offers a cave to the Unapproachable One! Angels with shepherds glorify Him! The wise men journey with the star, since for our sake the eternal God was born as a little Child!

Epistle Reading - Galatians 1:11-19

But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it. And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother’s womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord’s brother.

Gospel Reading - Matthew 2:13-23

Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, “Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him.” When he arose, he took the young Child and His mother by night and departed for Egypt, and was there until the death of Herod, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through

DEAR GUESTS AND FRIENDS: *A most sincere and heartfelt welcome to you from Holy Trinity Orthodox Church. According to the ancient traditions of the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Holy Communion is to be administered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared to receive the Holy Sacrament through prayer and fasting.*

the prophet, saying, “Out of Egypt I called My Son.” Then Herod, when he saw that he was deceived by the wise men, was exceedingly angry; and he sent forth and put to death all the male children who were in Bethlehem and in all its districts, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had determined from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying: “A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, refusing to be comforted, because they are no more.” Now when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, “Arise, take the young Child and His mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the young Child’s life are dead.” Then he arose, took the young Child and His mother, and came into the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea instead of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And being warned by God in a dream, he turned aside into the region of Galilee. And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, “He shall be called a Nazarene.”

THIS WEEK’S SERVICE SCHEDULE

Christ is Born! Glorify Him!

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SAT, Dec 26: 5 PM Great Vespers

SUN, Dec 27: 8:40 AM Hours, 9 AM Divine Liturgy,
Special Parish Council Meeting, 11:15 AM ZOOM
Christmas Caroling

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St. Basil the Great / Circumcision of Our Lord

THURS, Dec 31: 6:30 PM Great Vespers w/ Litya
FRI, Jan 1: 8:40 AM Hours, 9 AM Divine Liturgy

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SAT, Jan 2: 5 PM Great Vespers

SUN, Jan 3: 8:40 AM Hours, 9 AM Divine Liturgy

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UPCOMING FEAST DAYS SERVICE SCHEDULE

Theophany of Our Lord Jesus Christ

TUES, Jan 5: 6:30 PM Great Vespers w/ Litya

WED, Jan 6: 8:40 AM Hours, 9 AM Divine Liturgy

TODAY: SPECIAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Because we weren't able to have our meeting on the 13th it has been moved to the 27th. The special meeting will be for the election of new parish council members. The meeting will be in the Church immediately following Divine Liturgy.

TODAY: ZOOM Christmas Caroling/Fellowship

We are putting together a ZOOM Christmas Carol & Fellowship Event for a few of our shut ins. We are hoping to do this following Divine Liturgy and a very brief special meeting on Dec 27. This will be accessible by phone OR you can stay at church. The link to attend has been sent by email.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES – MANY YEARS!

December Birthdays: David Clark (12/1), Helen Gudaitis (12/5), Stephen Dutko (12/8), Nina Grymko (12/10), Andrew Kondratick (12/11), Lydia Dutko (12/12), Andrew Conklin (12/13), Nora Clark (12/16), Joan Austin (12/18), Christa Talpash (12/19), Dcn Lawrence Worlinsky (12/19), Jeri Basarab (12/21), Mary Ann Kudey (12/21) Dolores Rilko (12/21)

This Week: Kellie Ann DiBattista (12/27), Anessa Cardoni (12/28), Daniel Bisset Jr. (12/31)

Altar Server Schedule

Sunday, Dec 27: Tommy D, Alec B

Sunday, Jan 3: Christopher D, Andrew C

Sunday, Jan 10: Kaleb D, Symeon C

Friday, Jan 17: Alex H, Vladimir H

PARISH PRAYER LIST Living: Cynthia Dulsky, Theodore & Elenor Sovryda, Nadine Breisch, Rosalie Bagenski, Sonja & Leanne Kay, Brian Cawley, Josie Bissett, Lisa & Scott Harvey, Daniel & Shannon Bissett, Rebecca King, Delores Karas, Antonette Terry, Archpriest Daniel & Matushka Myra Kovalak, Mat Delores Donlick & Fr. Daniel Donlick, Violet Filipi, Catherine, Danny Gobish, Lorraine Pace, Camden Thomas, Peter Holoviak & Family, Mary Krill, Marni Bachman & Family, Rose Marie, Elaine Benczkowski, Helen Gudaitis, Mahaffey Family, George Scott, Evelyn Kosmiski, Joe Sloan

Departed: Archbishop David, John Gurka Jr., James Balchune, Maria Severino, Mary Ellen, Anna Hutz Lahr, Dr. Peter Kaminski
